St. Gertrude's Parish

OUR MISSION STATEMENT:

St. Gertrude's Parish is a believing community committed to manifesting Christ's love through celebrating the sacraments, sharing Gospel values, serving one another and all who hunger for Jesus.

PASTOR: Rev. Michael Hughes ADMINISTRATION: Teresa Walsh YOUTH COORDINATORS: Jackie Sorbilli, Jasmin Dindial SACRISTAN & PASTORAL ASSISTANT: Lisette Romero

PARISH OFFICE:

690 King St. East Oshawa, Ontario L1H 1G5 TEL: 905-433-0828 Office Hours: Mon., Wed., Fri: 8:30-3:00 p.m., closed from 12-1:00 p.m. for lunch Tues., Thurs 8:30-12:00 noon

Parish Email: stgertrudesos@archtoronto.org Website: https://stgertrudesos.archtoronto.org/

SUNDAY MASS:

Saturday 5:00 p.m. Sunday 9 a.m., 11 a.m., 6:15 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASS:

Mon., Wed., Thurs., at 8:00 a.m. Friday at 12:10 p.m. First Friday each month 7:30 p.m. Saturdays and Holidays 9:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Please call the parish office to arrange.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday 4:00 p.m. - 4:45 p.m. Sunday 5:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

12 months advanced notice required Preparation course is a prerequisite: Visit: catholicmarriageprep.com

PARISH ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS:

Sir Albert Love School	905-728-3971
St. John Bosco School	905-743-6223
St. Kateri Tekakwitha School	905-571-1969

FEEDER SCHOOLS:

St. John XXIII Elementary School	905-723-1991
Msgr. Paul Dwyer Secondary	905-723-5255
Msgr. John Pereyma Secondary	905-432-8470
Durham Catholic District School Bd.	905-576-6150
www.dcdsb.ca	



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ST. GERTRUDE OUR PATRONESS

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 6th 9:00am + Kell Bennett 5:00pm For Our Parish Community Sunday, May 7th 9am + Harry & Wilhelmina Pouwels + Yvette McCourt, + Russel Gregg 11am + Catherine Hasiuk 6:15pm Special intentions (anonymous) Monday, May 8th 8:00am + Deolinda Araujo & Antonio Amadeu Wednesday, May 10th 8:00am Intentions of Tony Desousa Thursday, May 11th 8:00am Intentions of Yasmin Skirrow + Basila Pulla, + Patricia Startek Friday, May 12th 12:10pm For the Souls in Purgatory Saturday, May 13th 9:00am +Karen Burnside + Maria Jose Almeida and family 5:00pm + Don & Marielle Shields Sunday, May 14th 9am + Maria Sorbilli + Mario Veltri. 11am + Gloria Araujo Intentions For Priest's 6:15pm For Our Parish Community



First Friday Evening Mass Cancelled

Due to very low attendance we are cancelling the evening Mass and will re-visit this decision in the fall.



In The Bible in a Year podcast, Fr. Mike Schmitz walks you through the entire Bible in 365 episodes, providing commentary, reflection, and prayer along the way. Unlike any other Bible podcast, Ascension's Bible in a Year

podcast follows a reading plan inspired by The Great Adventure Bible Timeline, a ground-breaking approach to understanding salvation history developed by renowned Catholic Bible scholar Jeff Cavins. For each period in the timeline, Jeff will join Fr. Mike for a special episode that will help you understand the context of each reading. With this podcast, you won't just read the Bible in a year ... you'll finally understand how all the pieces of the Bible fit together to tell an amazing story that continues in your life today! https://www.youtube.com/c/thebibleinayear

Are you able to host a Ukrainian family?

When hearing reports of the war in Ukraine, and the millions of Ukrainians that have been forced to flee their homeland, many have asked what they can do to help. Over 200,000 Ukrainians have already arrived in Canada through a special visa program created by Immigration Canada. An additional 800,000 have applied to the program and are expected to arrive in the coming months. Many are arriving to Toronto and are without family here in Canada to help them. Among those will be some who are vulnerable to human trafficking, particularly seniors, single women, and women with children. There is an immediate need for families to host for a period of between one and six months some of those who have arrived. If you would like to learn more about hosting a Ukrainian family, please go to Archdiocese of Toronto - Ukrainian Crisis (archtoronto.org) and register for a virtual information session.

SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT de PAUL <u>BUNDLE SUNDAY</u>

The truck will be in our parking lot on the weekend of May 20/21st to accept your donations of clean gently used clothing.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – If your ministry wishes to make a special announcement at masses, please arrange a date through the parish office. Announcements must be to the point and only a few minutes long. Thank you.

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St. Gertrude's 8th Golf Tournament Harmony Creek Golf Centre 1000 Bloor St. E., Oshawa Thursday, July 6th

Come to our FUN Golf Tournament and BBQ Dinner on July 6th. All proceeds from the tournament will go to retrofitting the fire suppressant system in our Parish Hall Kitchen allowing for the use of stoves and cooking. Tickets are now on sale each weekend following all masses, or available at the parish office.

Early bird pricing until June 4th

\$100.00 Golf & Dinner or \$50 dinner only Power carts \$25.00/person/cart

After June 4th pricing:

\$125.00 Golf & Dinner or \$60.00 dinner only Power carts \$30/person/cart Cart registration is due at time of registration. All payments are made to St. Gertrude's Parish

\$500.00 GIFT CARD DRAW

This is a chance for you win \$500.00 worth of gift cards from the Knights of Columbus. You can mix and match your choice – grocery cards, gas cards, shopping cards etc. *Good luck!*

Tickets: 1/\$10.00, 3/\$25.00, 6/\$40.00

CWL NEWS



Saturday, May 13th in the Parish Hall 9:30-3pm Calling all Cooks! Donations of wrapped baked goods are greatly appreciated and can be dropped

off on the Friday afternoon prior between 1-3pm. Please contact Linda Butler with any inquiries regarding donations or table rentals. 905-728-8511

Archdiocesan Prayer Vigil

Friday, May 12, 2023 from 5:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m..

There will be praise and worship, interspersed throughout the evening, communal prayers, such as the Rosary and a sung version of the Divine Mercy Chaplet. For more information please contact the Office of Vocations via email – <u>vocations@archtoronto.org</u>.

Pope's Pastoral Works Special Collection May

<u>13/14</u>. These funds are passed on to the Holy Father for immediate response in countries stricken by war, famine and natural disasters. The Pope's Pastoral Works displays Christ's love and compassion for people in desperate need. Please give generously.

Mental Health in the Faith Communities Awareness Sunday

On Sunday, May 7, 2023, Catholics throughout the Archdiocese are encouraged to participate in Mental Health in the Faith Communities Awareness Sunday. The special focus for this day to raise awareness in our parish communities of the importance of mental health, how we need to look after it, and how important it is to get help if we are struggling. In our faith communities, people often report experiencing shame or stigma attached to mental health and mental health illness. Having open conversations about mental health issues, listening, and sharing information, opens doors to seeking help, and healing. So, on Sunday, May 7, 2023, let's talk about mental health and help stop the silence, stigma and shame.

STATUE OF THE RISEN CHRIST Sponsor sought!

Thanks to Fr. Paul we have on loan this year a statue of The Risen Christ. Next year, I would love to see us have a statue of our own – but a bigger one standing around 3 feet tall.



I have started to make enquiries into sourcing such a Statue and the cost to buy is approximately \$2,000.00. I am hoping someone from the parish might be in a financial situation to sponsor this purchase. Obviously, we would be very happy to hear from anyone in this position. **God Bless, Fr. Michael**

The sign on church at King and Harmony says "St. Joseph Syro-Malabar Catholic Church" The Syro-Malabar Catholic Church (Syriac:

) is an Eastern Catholic church based in Kerala, India. The Syro-Malabar Church is an autonomous (sui iuris) particular church in full communion with the pope and the worldwide Catholic Church, including the Latin Church and the 22 other Eastern Catholic churches, with selfgovernance under the Code of Canons of the Eastern Churches (CCEO).

The Church is headed by the Major Archbishop of the Syro-Malaba

