

# 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

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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

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**ST. GERTRUDE OUR PATRONESS**

MASS INTENTIONS

**Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup>**

9:00am + Basila Pulla, + Don Glionna

5:00pm + Michael Crough

**Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup>**

9am For Our Parish Community

11am In Thanksgiving Marlene Pulla  
+ Russell Gregg  
+ Reggie Christopher Lewis

6:15pm Special intentions (anonymous)

**Monday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>**

8:00am Special intentions (anonymous)

**Wednesday, May 24<sup>th</sup>**

8:00am + Neil Brown

**Thursday, May 25<sup>th</sup>**

8:00am + Francisco Dias  
+ Fiorina Latin

**Friday, May 26<sup>th</sup>**

12:10pm + Neil Brown

**Saturday, May 27<sup>th</sup>**

9:00am +Joaquim Medeiros  
Intentions of Nikki Edge

5:00pm + Frank Baron

**Sunday, May 28<sup>th</sup>**

9am Intentions of Guy & Michelle Pylypiw  
And Family

11am + Jerry & Cyria Moreino  
For Our Parish Community

6:15pm + Ted Szabunia

**St. Augustine's Seminary**

**Lay Spiritual Formation Program**

In our final event of the 2022-23 lay formation season, Dr. Mary Marrocco will lead us in a beautiful day of reflection that touches both the immense hurt we see in the world around us and the joy and light that is ever present from our hope in Jesus Christ.

Dr. Marrocco - a Registered Psychotherapist, regular contributor to the Catholic Register, and Sessional Lecturer at St. Augustine's - invites us to "shine with joy for our Maker"! How can the Church shine with this joy while serving as a hospital for those who are afflicted and in need of healing?

We extend a warm invitation for Saturday, June 3.

For more information, please visit the registration page: <https://staugustines.on.ca/events-listing/layformationjune32023>.

This retreat will be offered in person and virtually.

For those participants attending in person, lunch and Mass will be offered.

**SCANDULOUS ABUSE & VIOLATION OF CHILDRENS CONSCIOUSNESS AND DIGNITY- DRAG QUEEN STORYTIME RETURNING TO EACH DURHAM MUNICIPALITY**

Durham's Drag Queen Storytime is making a return to local libraries later this month and early in June.

The event, which features drag queens reading children's stories to kids and their parents or caregivers, started in 2019 before pausing during the Covid-19 pandemic, with a virtual phase before returning in 2022. Sponsored by the Durham Children's Aid Society and Youth Pride Durham, events begin late May at Brock Township Public Library in Cannington and Uxbridge Public Library. There is also a storytime at the Scugog Memorial Public Library in June. Storytime continues at the Pickering Public Library, followed by an event at the Oshawa Public Libraries' McLaughlin Branch.

Finally, storytime wraps up mid June with a reading at the Whitby Public Library's Central Library, the Ajax Public Library, and at the Clarington Public Library Bowmanville.

**CRY TO HIGH HEAVEN ABOUT THIS.**

Credit: Tim Kelly Ajax News Advertiser on

[www.durhamregion.com/news/drag-queen-storytime](http://www.durhamregion.com/news/drag-queen-storytime) website

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**SAD FAREWELL**

Diana Scahill a long time parishioner and volunteer of our Parish is moving away to enjoy retirement and be closer

to her family. We wish her all the best.

Diana has faithfully volunteered with our Lectors, First Communion, RCIA and Adult Faith Formation programs for many years, as well as our Family of Faith Campaign. Please join us for a farewell reception with light refreshments to say goodbye on Saturday, May 27<sup>th</sup> from 11-1pm in the parish hall.



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

Come to our FUN Golf Tournament and BBQ Dinner on July 6<sup>th</sup>. 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 4<sup>th</sup>**

\$100.00 Golf & Dinner or \$50 dinner only

Power carts \$25.00/person/cart

**After June 4<sup>th</sup> 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

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**CHALICE COLLECTION MAY 27/28<sup>TH</sup>**

**From: National Post May 8, 2023**

**By Michael Shellenberger: World on cusp of woke totalitarianism as governments act to end free speech.**

The Twitter Files gave us a window into how government agencies, civil society, and tech companies work together to censor social media users. Now, key nations are attempting to enshrine this coordination into law explicitly. Around the world, politicians have either just passed or are on the cusp of passing sweeping new laws, which would allow governments to censor ordinary citizens on social media and other Internet platforms.

Under the guise of preventing “harm” and holding large tech companies accountable, several countries are establishing a vast and interlinked censorship apparatus, our new investigation finds. Politicians, NGO's and their enablers in the news media claim that their goal is merely to protect the public from “disinformation.” But vague definitions and loopholes in new laws will create avenues for broad application, overreach, and abuse.

In Ireland, for example, the government may soon be able to imprison citizens simply for possessing material that officials decide is “hateful.” Under the RESTRICT Act in the US, the government may soon have the authority to monitor the Internet activity of any American deemed a security risk. Governments aim for total control. In Canada, a state agency can filter and manipulate what Canadians see online.

In Australia, a single government official can compel social media companies to remove posts. Governments and allied NGO's intend to force tech companies to comply with their rules. UK lawmakers have threatened to imprison social media managers who don't censor enough content. And Brazil has introduced severe penalties for platforms that fail to remove “fake news.” The key area of action is the European Union. It is seeking sweeping new powers to regulate social media companies. And if it acts, it may change how social media companies operate worldwide, given the EU's economic power and influence globally. Under the EU's Digital Services Act, large tech companies must share their data with “vetted researchers” from non-profits and academia, which would cede content moderation to NGOs and their state sponsors. The US's RESTRICT Act, sponsored by Senator Mark Warner (D-VA), threatens 20 years in prison or a \$250,000. fine for accessing blacklisted websites through “virtual private networks,” or VPNs, which are ways to create a private connection between a computer or phone and the Internet. There has been no moment similar to this one in the roughly 30 years of widespread public Internet usage in Western societies. Officials have introduced these policies mostly in the dead of night with little publicity or outcry. There has been a virtual blackout of what's happening by mainstream news media corporations, with many appearing to support the new laws.

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**Comments on above article:** Some may question why such an article is included in our church bulletin. My point is if we do not take our human dignity and rights seriously, then we will lose them including the most important ones which are the right to life, conscience, and freedom of religion.

The Church is called to be prophetic as we are reminded both in the Old Testament and elsewhere. We cannot put our heads in the sands either because people are too busy and occupied, indifferent or not concerned, desiring only their comfort and convenience. Should one day we lose these rights along with the rights that follow them in the hierarchy of rights, such as the right to Free Speech which was the First Amendment to the United States Constitution, then we will both come and “Be Made to Care” as the Ominous title of book on the subject says. Sadly, because of sin and our fallen human nature, there is twisted desire, drive and lust for power and domination, that finds its way into Politics. This is especially seen when Governments view their own people as a source of threat who, therefore, have to be manipulated, controlled and dominated through coercion and force, if necessary, as evidenced in the article above.



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