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, Sept. 9th 9:00am 5:00pm Sunday, September 10th 9am For our Parish Community 11am + Joseph Pulverenti + Mass of Thanksgiving 6:15pm Special intention (anonymous) Monday, 11th 8:00am Wednesday, September 13th 8:00am + Paul Crawford Thursday, September 14th 8:00am Friday, September 15th 12:10pm Parishioners of O.L.S. Saturday, September 16th 9:00am 5:00pm Our Parish Community Sunday, September 17th 9am + Fe Isabelita A. de la Cruz + Severino Pulla, Joe Rembala 11am 6:15pm For Our Parish Community

FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR ADORATION 7-8pm on each First Friday.

FIRST SATURDAY MASS

9:00am with Confessions to follow 9:30-10am

Share the Wealth Winning Ticket # 9450617

Please check your tickets, you may be the winner.



The annual event of the Season of Creation begins on September 1 (the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation) and ends on October 4 (the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, patron saint of ecology). Each year a theme is chosen by an ecumenical steering committee and in 2023 inspiration is taken from Amos 5:24 that proclaims, "Let Justice and Peace Flow" and the symbol is "A Mighty River." An introductory video and resources to observe this season at home and school may be found at the following links: **Resources**: https://drive.google.com/file/d/145WzDi32U8YdlyY 9Peo1bn-aLqyi4cl6/view Video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UgAbavjkTik&t=2s

Celebration of the Solemnity of St. Michael & Conferral of the Pallium upon the **Most Rev. Francis Leo**

Friday, September 29, 2023 – 5:30 p.m. St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica celebrates the feast day of our archdiocesan patron, St. Michael. All are welcome to join in a special celebration on that day at 5:30 p.m. at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond St.). Archbishop Francis Leo will celebrate Mass, with music from the world-renowned St. Michael's Choir School. As part of the celebration, the Apostolic Nuncio to Canada, the Most Rev. Ivan Jurkovič will confer the pallium on our archbishop, a symbol of his role as Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto and shepherd to the faithful. Following Mass, there will be an informal reception with light refreshments in the St. Michael's Cathedral atrium and courtyard. Seating will be first come, first served. All are welcome to join in this special celebration for our archdiocese and archbishop!

Attention Students: Are you headed to university or college this fall? Campus Ministry is waiting for you! Connect with campus ministry to find a welcoming community of friends and faith. Visit chaplaincyconnect.ca to check out campus ministry on your campus!

Season of Creation 2023

109th World Day of Migrants and Refugees Sunday, September 24

The theme announced by His Holiness Pope Francis for the 109th World Day of Migrants and Refugees is "Free to Choose Whether to Migrate or to Stay." In his message, Pope Francis acknowledges that while the decision to migrate should always be free, in many cases it is not. This point was reflected by St. John Paul II in his message for the 90th World Day of Migrants & Refugees, in which he wrote, "building conditions of peace means in practice being seriously committed to safeguarding first of all the right not to emigrate, that is, the right to live in peace and dignity in one's own country." As he concluded his message, Pope Francis referenced the words of the Lord when He said "... I was a stranger, and you welcomed me" reminding us that the Lord's words are a "constant admonition to see in the migrant not simply a brother or sister in difficulty, but Christ himself, who knocks at our door."

FIRST SACRAMENTS PROGRAM

Registration for our 1st communion program will open online Saturday, September 9th. Please see our Website at Stgertrudesos@archtoronto.org. This will be an in-person program and to offer this program we must have volunteers to help us to do so. Please contact Lisette in the office if you wish to volunteer at liromero@archtoronto.org



Thank you to Ben Witteveen for undertaking the task of cleaning the shrubs and weeds away from the external furnaces on the east side of the church and in our flowerbeds.

Also thank you to Guy and Cindy Desjardins for maintaining our front car park flowerbeds.



DURHAM YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY Ages 19-35 "Mass & Pub Night"

Mass/Food/Fellowship

Join us on Tuesday, Sept. 19th for 7pm mass at St. Joseph the Worker Parish followed by a pub social at Riley's Pub (104 King St. E., Oshawa) Please register at

https://forms.gle/R31Fxp7XN8wNcSa87 .

Contact Samantha Goh at <u>sngoh@archtoronto.org</u> for more information.

RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is a program which supports/instructs those who are seeking to receive any or all of the Sacraments of Initiation, (Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Communion) and also for those who are already baptized into another Christian denomination and wish to be in full Communion with the Roman Catholic Church.

RCIA is open to anyone who would like to learn more about the Catholic Faith room permitting. Please contact the parish office to register.

Rev. John Boos Farewell Reception

Sunday, September 24, 2023 from 2 - 4:30 p.m. Harmony Creek Golf Centre, 1000 Bloor St. E. Come and thank Fr. John for his service to our Diocese and Parish. He has been re-located to Montreal during the month of October. Cake and coffee/tea will be served; Fr. John does not want anymore than that.

SACRED HEART ACADEMY

Opening in Oshawa on Mon Sept 11 for students from K to Grade 9. Still time to enroll for 2023-24 school year! This new independent Catholic school has a solid classical curriculum based on academic excellence and virtue development. Full information and enrollment forms at <u>www.sacredheartdurham.com</u>

ORGANIST/CHOIR DIRECTOR

We are looking for a qualified person to take this position for our Sunday, 11am mass. Any interested parties are asked to please contact the office.



