

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

LAY PASTORAL ASSISTANT & SACRISTAN: Lisette Romero

PARISH OFFICE:

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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. Kateri Tekakwitha School 905-571-1969

Durham Catholic District School Bd. 905-576-6150

www.dcdsb.ca

PASTORAL REFERENCE LETTERS FOR SCHOOL

Must be registered for at least 12 months and attending Mass each Sunday and supporting the Church and its mission.

Volunteering helpful.



ST. GERTRUDE OUR PATRONESS

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 14th

8:30am For the Souls in Purgatory

5:00pm

Sunday, October 15th

9am + Margaret Stecko

11am + Arturo Cavonita

+ Adelaida Ravadon

+ Peter Bavaro

6:15pm For Our Parish Community

Monday, October 16th

9:00am Living & deceased members of the
Cathy Van Heughten Family

Wednesday, October 18th

8:00am + Antonio Dias, Erilias Dimanche

Thursday, October 19th

8:00am + Olga & Walter Cook

+ Severino Pulla

+ Andre Joseph

+ Deborah Hayes

Friday, October 20th

7:00pm + Marian Coveny

Saturday, October 21st

8:30am + Severino Pulla

5:00pm + Francisco Dias

Sunday, October 22nd

9am + Ariel Aquino

11am + Mary Brennan

+ Patricia Startek

+ Aldo Pulverenti

+ Flora Downey & Fran Kuhn

+ Mario Veltri

6:15pm For Our Parish Community



PARISH OUTREACH PROGRAM

OCTOBER 10TH-22ND

We are once again collecting items to assist with Christmas bags for the children of Northern Ontario

and the Northwest Territories. The classrooms receive these and the children open all together at Christmas. All items available at the local dollar stores. Please keep in mind that flatter items are easier to fit in the envelopes they are sent in. A box is provided for you to drop off your donations at the back of the church. Some of the suggested items are: Crayons, coloring books, journals, word game books, novels for teens, makeup, nail polish, stickers, pencil crayons, markers, small craft kits, hair accessories, funky looking socks of all sizes, silly pens and pencils, flat Christmas ornaments, hot chocolate packets, tea bags, mitts, gloves, toques.

(all items are gifts and must be brand new).

Thank you for your continued support. All donations must be received by October 23rd in order to be packed and shipped in time.

OFFICE OF CATHOLIC YOUTH

Renew Toronto is a conference for all young adults ages 19-39 taking place on Saturday, November 4, 2023 at Canada Christian College in Whitby. The day includes keynotes by Jackie & Bobby Angel, worship led by Steadfast Worship, various workshop speakers, Confessions, Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, and fellowship. This conference offers unique opportunities for students, young adult professionals, and young couples. Renew your heart. Renew your call. Renew our community. Registration now open! For more information and to register,

visit: www.renewtoronto.org.

ST. VINCENT de PAUL BUNDLE SUNDAY

The truck will be in the parking lot at all masses next weekend, Oct. 21/22nd to accept your donations of gently used clean clothing.

PARISH OFFICE will be open each morning this week.

MASS TIME CHANGES

Friday mass moved to 7:00pm

Saturday morning mass moved to 8:30am

CHILDREN'S LITURGY has returned at our 11:00am mass on Sunday.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION CLASSES

Confirmation class

Friday, October 27th at 7:15pm

First Communion classes

Saturday, October 28th at 9:00am and 10:45am

Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral Services –

Archdiocese of Toronto invites all families to participate in the All Souls' Day Mass on Saturday November 4th at 2 p.m. Resurrection Cemetery Mausoleum, Whitby



Attention young ladies!

We are pleased to announce that a company of Explorer girls is starting at Holy Family parish. The Federation of North American Explorers is a faith-based educational movement that promotes leadership, commitment, and service. It fosters personal development as well as spiritual growth through outdoorsman ship, active play, and community involvement. Our Explorer company is open to girls grades 7 to 11. Feel free to visit our website at www.fneexplorers.com For further information please contact Amber Gormley at holyfamilyexplorergirls@rogers.com/ for interested boys contact Justin Gormley at 1stholyfamilyexploeretroop@gmail.com

PARISH FINANCES

The interim financial report for the first six months of 2023 is available for pickup. Unfortunately, we have been running a deficit of twenty thousand dollars both for all of last year and almost twelve thousand for the first half of this year. Whatever extra support you can afford will be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BOTTLE DRIVE October 14/15th

World Mission Sunday Special Collection October 22

For information, please visit the Society for the Propagation of the Faith: www.missionsocieties.ca

Catholic Conference of Catholic Bishops Plenary No MAiD, (medical assistance in dying)

Bishops reiterate, "Once again, unanimously, the bishops indicated that Catholic-sponsored health associations and organizations do not permit MAiD", Calgary's Bishop William McGrattan said at the concluding press conference for the annual CCCB plenary assembly. "We are making sure that the dignity of the human person is promoted (in Catholic health care)," he said.

Indigenous Reconciliation

In summarizing this year's plenary assembly, the new CCCB president was upbeat about expectations for Indigenous reconciliation, noting that in the two years since its launch it has funded more than 60 projects. He said the Indigenous reconciliation fund being raised by dioceses across Canada will rise from its current \$11.5 million of \$14 million by year's end. At their 2021 plenary, the bishops gave themselves five years to reach a \$30 million target.

Ministries of Care and Ministry with Maturing Adults

The next Lay Pastoral Visitors Training will be offered online on Thursdays, October 26, November 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. This program will prepare you to provide pastoral visits and Holy Communion to the sick, elderly, and homebound of our parish communities who are unable to attend Mass. New and seasoned volunteers are welcome to attend. Registrants are required to participate in all online sessions and complete pre-homework to receive full training. There is no cost to attend but register early as capacity is limited. This program is offered by the Office of Formation for Discipleship and Saint Monica Institute.

REGISTER: <https://bit.ly/LPVT-RegisterOctNov2023>

CONTACT: Sally Amaral, samaral@archtoronto.org or 416-934-3400 ext. 518

ADULT FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM

Revelation: The Kingdom Yet to Come

Still time to join this Eleven-week Bible study that began October 5th and runs each Thursday

at 7 pm. For more information or to register, visit St. Gertrude's website and follow the links on the home page, or contact Beth Cook at 905-925-9871 or bethcook905@outlook.com

Please remember your God, your Faith, and your Parish in your will.

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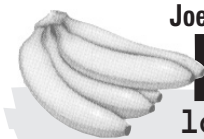
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