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:

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 School905-728-3971St. Kateri Tekakwitha School905-571-1969Durham Catholic District School Bd.905-576-6150www.dcdsb.ca905-576-6150

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 21st 8:30am + Severino Pulla 5:00pm + Francisco Dias Sunday, October 22nd 9am + Ariel Aquino + Mary Brennan, + Patricia Startek 11am + Aldo Pulverenti, + Mario Veltri + Flora Downey & Fran Kuhnen 6:15pm For Our Parish Community Monday, October 23rd 8:00 + Jim Luciuk Wednesday, October 25th 8:00am NO MASS Thursday, October 26th 8:00am NO MASS Friday, October 27th 7:00pm + Deceased members of the Traynor & Justus families Saturday, October 28th 8:30am + Edwige Pulverenti, + Andre Joseph + Deborah Hayes, 5:00pm + Rhyme Cavonita Sunday, October 29th 9am For Our Parish Community + Emidio Silva, + Alfred Saliba 11am + Deborah Hayes Intentions of Rose Delaney & Family 6:15pm Special intentions (anonymous)

MASS TIME CHANGES

27 - 1

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.

Catholic Cemeteries All Souls' Day Mass on Saturday November 4th at 2 p.m. Resurrection Cemetery Mausoleum, Whitby

PARISH OUTREACH PROGRAM **OCTOBER 10th -27th**



All donations must be received by October 27^{th} to be packed and shipped in time. Please see bulletin board for information.

OFFICE OF CATHOLIC YOUTH

Renew is a Conference for all young adults taking place on Saturday, November 4, 2023 at Canada Christian College in Whitby. Registration now open! For more information and to register see the bulletin board. visit: www.renewtoronto.org.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION CLASSES

Confirmation class Friday, October 27th at 7:15pm **First Communion classes** Saturday, October 28th at 9:00am and 10:45am

H**CIDAY** Bazaar CWL BAZAAR AND BAKE

SALE Nov 18 & 19 from 9:30 -2:00

Donations of books, puzzles, gently used Christmas / 2nd time around items are welcome. Please drop to hall on Nov 8, 9, 10 from 2-4pm Donations of baked goods most appreciated. Drop off Friday Nov 17th 12-3pm.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FAMILY GAME NIGHT Saturday October 28th 6:15 to 9pm Free admission & pizza, donations accepted

There will be lots of board games available to enjoy with your family and parishioners.

PARISH FINANCE REPORT

The interim financial report for the first six months of 2023 is available for pickup. 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. This deficit is in our operating funds. It does not include the special collections which are sent to the Archdiocese or the capital project donations that are deposited into a Savings Account. Whatever extra support you can afford will be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Chalice Update

Two collections before Christmas: October 28/29 and November 25/26. To send extra money for Christmas your generosity is greatly appreciated. News, pictures etc. from our children, will be posted on the Chalice noticeboard. God Bless you.

FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING WEBINAR BY ARCHDIOCESE

Saturday, October 28, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. TO REGISTER: Email Development@ArchToronto.org and write "webinar Oct 28" in title line + your name(s) in the body of the message. T: 416-934-3400 x 519

LECTORS' Seminar

Saturday, November 11th from 1:15- 3:45 pm. All current St. Gertrude's Lectors, weekend or weekday and anyone interested in learning more about being a Lector, are asked to attend this Seminar. The role of Lector will be thoroughly reviewed and best practices and tips provided. The highly recommended *Workbook for Lectors* will be available for purchase for \$20.00. Refreshments will be provided, so we ask that you confirm your attendance with Beth

Cook <u>bethcook905@outlook.com</u>, 905-925-9871.

Durham Young Adult Ministry (Ages 19 - 35) "Discernment of Spirits" Mass / Talk / Small Groups

Have you ever wondered whether you are listening to God and doing His will? What does the phrase "Discernment of Spirits" mean? Are you allowing the Holy Spirit to guide you and not just following your own desires or worse, being tempted by the enemy? If any of these questions pique your interest, Fr. Sean Jacob will be offering a practical guidance on what discernment of spirits is and how we can apply it to our daily lives. Join us on **Friday, Oct 27th for 7pm mass** at Holy Family Parish, Whitby.

THEOLOGY OF THE BODY OF ST. JOHN PAUL II Part 1

St. Gregory's Auditorium, Oshawa Presented by Paul Coates (M.Div.) Thursdays 7-9pm beginning November 2nd Cost \$40.00 Register: bit.ly/TOBSTG1 Stgregorythegreat.archtoronto.org

From the first instruction by Saint Vincent of Lerins, priest The development of doctrine

Is there to be no development of religion in the Church of Christ? Certainly, there is to be development and on the largest scale.

Who can be so grudging to men, so full of hate for God, as to try to prevent it? But it must truly be development of the faith, not alteration of the faith. Development means that each thing expands to be itself, while alteration means that a thing is changed from one thing into another.

The understanding, knowledge and wisdom of the whole Church, ought then to make great and vigorous progress with the passing of the centuries, but only along its own line of development, that is, with the same doctrine, the same meaning and the same import.

The religion of souls should follow the law of development of bodies. Though bodies develop and unfold their component parts with the passing of the years, they always remain what they were. There is a great difference between the flower of childhood and the maturity of age, but those who become old are the very same people who were once young. Though the condition and appearance of one and the same individual may change, it is one and the same nature, one and the same person.

The tiny members of unweaned children and the gown members of young men are still the same members. Men have the same number of limbs as children. Whatever develops at a later age was already present in seminal form; there is nothing new in old age that was not already latent in childhood. In the same way, the doctrine of the Christian religion should properly follow these laws of development, that is, by becoming firmer over the years, more ample in the course of time, more exalted as it advances in age.

In ancient times our ancestors sowed the good seed in the harvest field of the Church. It would be very wrong and unfitting if we, their descendants, were to reap, not the genuine wheat of truth but the intrusive growth of error.

On the contrary, what is right and fitting is this: there should be no inconsistency between first and last, but we should reap true doctrine from the growth of true teaching. Liturgical Publications 3171 LENWORTH DR. #12 MISSISSAUGA, ON L4X 2G6 1-800-268-2637

