

# 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](mailto: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., Sat. 8:30 a.m.  
Friday 7:00 p.m.  
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](http://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](http://www.dcdsb.ca)

Society of Saint Vincent de Paul 905-431-1796

## 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, December 2<sup>nd</sup>

8:30am

5:00pm + Living & deceased members of Raponi Family

### Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>

9am For Our Parish Community

11am 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Mass of Thanksgiving  
For the Knights of Columbus

6:15pm Special intentions (anonymous)

### Monday, December 4<sup>th</sup>

8:30am Living & deceased members of the  
Cathy Van Heughten Family

### Wednesday, December 6<sup>th</sup>

8:30am + Bishop De Angelis

### Thursday, December 7<sup>th</sup>

8:30am + Joseph Giorgio,  
+ Manuel Araujo & Diolinda Cerqueira

### Friday, December 8<sup>th</sup>

7:00pm Living and deceased members of the  
Ronald & Leila Chen Family

### Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup>

8:30am + Antonio Mendes & Rosa Barbosa

5:00pm + Antonino Rizza

### Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup>

9am For Our Parish Community

11am + Leon & Madeline Boisvert  
+ Joseph & Josephine Galdes  
+ Peter Ferreira

6:15pm Special intentions (anonymous)

**NEW: weekday mass on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday now at 8:30AM**

**Friday mass time now 7:00pm**

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY** 11:00am mass on Sunday.

### GOOD CATHOLIC SOCIAL MEDIA OUTLETS

- EWTN – Global Catholic Network, [www.ewtn.com](http://www.ewtn.com) especially “The World Over” show
- Bishop Robert Barron at [www.wordonfire.org](http://www.wordonfire.org)
- Professor Ralph Martin of Renewal Ministries at [www.renewalministries.net](http://www.renewalministries.net)
- Robert Royal at [www.thecatholicthing.org](http://www.thecatholicthing.org)
- Fr. Mike Schmitz at Ascension Press – Bible in a Year
- The Hallow Prayer & Meditation App



## PARISH ADVENT DAY OF CONFESSION

Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup> 9:15am – 4:45pm

Join the Knights of Columbus as they host a  
**New Year's Eve Dinner & Dance**

Good Food, Cash Bar, DJ Music



Tickets: \$65.00/ person

Please contact:

Mel Buddel 905-576-8556 or

Ian Francke 905-409-8367.

Tickets available after masses.

## CWL Memberships

\$40.00 Due by December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023

Payment preferred by cheque,

Payable to “St. Gertrude’s CWL”.

Please place in the Sunday offertory basket or through the mail slot at the office.

**THANK YOU!!** The ladies of St. Gertrude’s CWL thank everyone for their generous donations in the success of our bazaar. We couldn’t do it without you! Thank you also to our volunteers who gave of their time.



### 2024 Parish Envelopes

Please take a box from back of church and fill in the first gray envelope to let us know your new number beginning in

January. Please **do not use** before the New Year.

### PARISH MAINTENANCE (blue envelope)

to help cover parking lot maintenance during the upcoming winter months.

### PARISH CAPITAL RENOVATIONS (gold env.)

To help cover the \$10,000.00 cost of the new furnace for office/rectory area installed last week.

**St. Vincent de Paul Society  
Angel Tree & Food Drive**

Have you returned your gift? If not, please drop off in the morning to the office early this week to organize into our hampers.



**CHRISTMAS FOOD DRIVE Until Dec. 9/10**

Place Non perishable food items in the Christmas Food Drive box by the Tree on the Altar.

**Most needed food items are:**

Peanut Butter, Jam, Cereal, Baked Beans, Canned Salmon/Tuna, Pasta, Pasta Sauce, Canned Fruit/Vegetables, Tea, Coffee, Seasonal Items.

Any food item is always welcome.

**Monetary donations** may be put in the regular collection plate. Envelopes available at entrances..

**Preparation (volunteers needed)**

December 11-15<sup>th</sup> Packing up Christmas Hampers

December 16<sup>th</sup> Delivery to our neighbors in need.

**Call 905-914-2247 to volunteer**

**Volunteer with the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul**

3 hours per month at your convenience.

Delivering to Neighbours in Need, packing hampers, picking up food donations, taking calls for help on computer.

Contact Mike Crosby 905-243-7643,

[mike.h.j.crosby@gmail.com](mailto:mike.h.j.crosby@gmail.com)

**ADVENT DINNER & SHOWCASE**

Friday, December 8<sup>th</sup>

Sacred Heart Academy - 15 Harmony Rd., North

5:30pm Appetizers & Finalizing Auction,

6:30pm Dinner

\$45/ticket - \$150/Family - \$275/Table of 8

[www.sacredheartdurham.com/events](http://www.sacredheartdurham.com/events)

**2024 SUNDAY MISSALS** for purchase at \$5.00.

**First Holy Reconciliations**

December 6<sup>th</sup> 7:00pm in the Church

**Annual CWL Christmas Luncheon**

Monday December 4<sup>th</sup> at 12noon at the Portly Piper

**SOLEMNITY OF  
THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION  
7:00PM MASS - FRIDAY, DEC. 8<sup>TH</sup>**

Come and show our love, devotion and thanksgiving to Our Blessed Mother on This Special Feast Day



**CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE**



**December 24<sup>th</sup>**  
**5:00pm , 8:30pm**



**December 25<sup>th</sup> Christmas Day**  
**9:00am, 11:00am**



**December 31<sup>st</sup>**  
**New Year's Eve 5:00pm**



**Solemnity of Mary**  
**January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024**

**New Year's Day**  
**9:00am. 11:00am**

**LIVING WITH CHRIST**

Can be downloaded on your smart phone. On your phone, go the App store and download Living With Christ. This is a free app that includes the first reading, psalm, second reading (if there is one) and the Gospel. For a hard copy Annual Subscription, order it from Novalis: *Living with Christ\_en-novalis*

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

We are asking those currently serving in this ministry to consider extending their ministry by volunteering to bring the Eucharist to the Sick. This would be done in pairs. Regarding this Ministry, please let the Pastor approach you when more Ministers are needed, as it is better to leave this Ministry to the Movement of the Holy Spirit.

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



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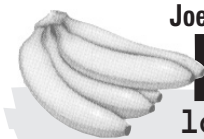
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