# 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 DEACON: Andrew Rychlicki ADMINISTRATION: Teresa Walsh LAY PASTORAL ASSISTANT: Geoffrey Lyn

# **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 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., 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

#### **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

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

<ul> <li>Saturday, February 3<sup>rd</sup></li> <li>8:30am Ints. of Kathleen Stewart &amp; living and deceased family members</li> <li>5:00pm + Terry Murphy &amp; Connor Martina</li> <li>Sunday, February 4<sup>th</sup></li> </ul>
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9:00am + Deceased members of the
Arbing & Ellsworth Families
11:00am + Mary Serge, + Nicola Aloe
+ Cesina & Michael Fiorucci
Intentions of Maureen McAvoy
6:15pm For Our Parish Community
Monday, February 5 <sup>th</sup>
8:30am + Jack Dinis
Wednesday, February 7 <sup>th</sup>
8:30am + Sally Starr
Thursday, February 8 <sup>th</sup>
8:30am Intentions of Noella Mercer
Friday, February 9 <sup>th</sup>
7:00pm + Living & deceased members of the
Onesima & Tony Raponi Family
Saturday, February 10 <sup>th</sup>
8:30am Intentions of Mark Smegal
5:00pm + Durvalena DaSilva
Sunday, February 11 <sup>th</sup>
9:00am + Marcey Collins
11:00am + Joseph & Evelyn Bonnici,
+ Catherine McAvoy, Daniel McAvoy
+ John Buddel
6:15pm For Our Parish Community

# 2024 Parish Envelopes

Please take a box from the church entrance tables and fill in the first gray envelope to help us update your 2024 number into our system. We ask New parishioners to do this to be registered into our Database.

*CWL POTLUCK LUNCH* Tuesday, Feb. 13<sup>th</sup> at 12noon in the parish hall. All ladies welcome - bring your favorite dish to share. Contact Linda at 905-728-8511

Handicrafts by the Holy Land Christians

Christians in the Holy Land have many unique hand carved olive wood religious art pieces made by these families in Bethlehem available for purchase after every mass this weekend. Proceeds of the sales generate much needed employment for our Christian brothers and sisters in Bethlehem. Cash, debit, credit cards and cheque will be accepted. You can visit and support at www.HolylandChristians.ca

# Parish Lenten Retreat with Fr. Paul Burchat Feb. 26<sup>th</sup> – 28th

Fr. Paul will join us the weekend of Feb. 25<sup>th</sup> and discuss this retreat that will take place on the Mon. Tues. Wed. evenings following the weekend. The topics for the 3 nights will be: 1) Sin and Conversion, 2) The Prodigal Son, 3) Spiritual Warfare. Please mark your calendars.

# St. Mary of the People Knights of Columbus Valentine Dinner & Dance **Saturday February 17**

Mass at 5pm, Cocktails at 6 and dinner at 6:45. Tickets are \$ 60 per person and can be purchased by calling St. Mary's parish office (905-728-2212). Monday - Thursday 9 – 4pm

# St. Gertrude's Knights of Columbus **Meatball and Pasta Dinner**

Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup> at 6pm in the church hall. Proceeds will help purchase the new dishwasher in the parish hall. Cash Bar, Raffles, 50/50 prizes. More info to come, stay tuned and mark your calendar.

### **Catholic Family Services of Durham** Heart to Heart Gala Saturday, February 24, 2024

Join us for an elegant evening including 3-course dinner with wine, DJ-Dance, silent/live auction, raffles and games at Deer Creek Golf & Banquet Facility. Tickets are \$120 each. For tickets and auction. https://trellis.org/heart-to-heart-gala-2024

# PARISH WEBSITE http://stgertrudesos@archtoronto.org

# GOOD CATHOLIC SOCIAL MEDIA OUTLETS

EWTN – Global Catholic Network, <u>www.ewtn.com</u> especially "Coming Home" & "The World Over"
Bishop Robert Barron at <u>www.wordonfire.org</u>
Professor Ralph Martin of Renewal Ministries at <u>www.renewalministries.net</u>

-Robert Royal at <u>www.thecatholicthing.org</u> -Fr. Mike Schmitz at Ascension Press – Bible in a Year and Catechism In A Year -The Hallow Prayer & Meditation App -Divine Mercy Plus! <u>https://divinemercyplus.org/tags/Cath...</u>

#### Adult Faith Formation Bible Study No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk through

Christ's Passion, a five week Bible study beginning Thursday, February 22, 2024 at 7 pm in the Parish Hall OR over Zoom. To register, visit St. Gertrude's website: <u>stgertrudesos@archtoronto.org</u> or contact Beth Cook 905-925-9871 email <u>bethcook905@outlook.com</u>

#### LECTOR'S WORKSHOP

Are you interested in serving as a Lector? Join us for one these workshops which last 1.5 hours. Monday, February 12 at 7:00 pm OR Saturday, February 24 at 1:30 pm

The role of Lector will be thoroughly covered Take home the booklet Proclaiming the Message of Salvation, A Guide for Lectors. You can also order the recommended 2024 Workbook for Lectors (\$20). Contact Beth Cook (bethcook905@outlook.com) to reserve your spot.

#### The Archdiocese's Office for Refugees

is excited to announce the commencement of its 2024 Refugee Sponsorship Program for Parishioners. This initiative is designed to aid parishioners interested in sponsoring family members seeking refugee resettlement. If you are a parishioner and wish to sponsor a family member, kindly reach out to the parish office to arrange a meeting. Interested parishioners will be asked to provide the necessary funds required for sponsorship.



Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup> Mass with distribution of Ashes will be celebrated at both <u>8:30am and 7:30pm</u>

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

7:00pm each Friday during Lent followed by mass at 7:30pm

#### **Marriage Sunday**

Archbishop Francis Leo will preside at a special Mass **at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 11, 2024 at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond Street, Toronto).** All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their marriage commitment. All are welcome to attend. Couples celebrating a 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup> or 60+ anniversary in 2024 may register for reserved seating. Those who are unable to attend are invited to join the celebration via <u>livestream Mass</u>. The broadcast will begin at 2:45 p.m. Registration and other important information can be found at <u>www.archtoronto.org/marriage</u>.

**Eastern Pastoral Parish Ministry Symposium** Holy Family Parish, Whitby in consultation with the Office of Formation for Discipleship Saturday, February 17, 2024, 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m. As stewards, we are all called to receive God's gifts gratefully, share those gifts lovingly with others and make a return with interest to the Lord. Serving in a parish ministry is a wonderful place to share our God-given gifts. If you are associated with parish ministry and are interested in the connection between the spirituality of stewardship, hospitality and parish vitality this upcoming symposium may be of interest to you. The morning begins with Mass at 9 a.m., followed by praise and worship, a presentation on hospitality and parish vitality, and group discussion. Refreshments and a light lunch will be provided. Space is limited.

TO REGISTER, CONTACT: Karina Doyle, Lay Pastoral Assistant Holy Family Parish karina.holyfamily@gmail.com or 905-665-6470 ext. 4. Liturgical Publications 3171 LENWORTH DR. #12 MISSISSAUGA, ON L4X 2G6 1-800-268-2637

