



# ST. GERTRUDE'S PARISH

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*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.*

## PARISH OFFICE

PASTOR: Rev. Fr. Michael Hughes

DEACON: Rev. Mr. Andrew Rychlicki

ADMINISTRATION: Teresa Walsh

LAY PASTORAL ASSOCIATE: Geoffrey Lyn

## OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Wednesday, Friday

8:30 am – 3:00 pm

closed from 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm for lunch

Thursday 8:30 am – 12:00 pm

## MASS SCHEDULE

### SUNDAY MASS

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 9:00 am, 11:00 am, 6:15 pm

### WEEKDAY MASS

Mon., Wed., Thurs., Sat. 8:30 am

Friday 12:10 pm

Holidays 9:00 am

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00 pm – 4:45 pm

Sunday 5:30 pm – 6:00 pm

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please call the parish office to arrange.

## 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 Board

[www.dcdsb.ca](http://www.dcdsb.ca) 905-576-6150

## PASTORAL REFERENCE

Teacher applicants requiring a Pastoral reference must be registered for at least 12 months, attend Mass each Sunday and support the Church and its mission. Volunteering is recommended.

*Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age.  
- Matthew 28:19-20*

**Monday, January 20<sup>th</sup>**

8:30am + Francisco Dias

**Wednesday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>**

8:30am + Deolinda Araujo & Antonio Amadeu

**Thursday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>**

8:30am

**Friday, January 24<sup>th</sup>**

12:10pm + Margaret Craigwell

**Saturday, January 25<sup>th</sup>**

8:30am Ints Mark & Linda Smegal

5:00pm + Emerise Bourgeois

**Sunday, January 26<sup>th</sup>**

9:00am + Laurinda Vieira

11:00am + Catherine & Dan McAvoy

+ Ronald & Rosemarie Serge

+ Pat Hughes

6:15pm For Our Parish Community

**TRY ALPHA!**



St. Gertrude's Parish is hosting a 12 session Alpha course on Thursday evenings from January 23 - April 10, 2025 (one session will be a one-day retreat on Saturday March 15).

Meet new people and explore the Christian faith together. Alpha is for anyone who's curious. No judgement, no pressure. Each session unpacks a big question of life, faith, and purpose, and is designed to spark conversation. It includes a meal, video and discussion. Suggested offering: \$21.00/adult (\$15.00 students). This covers meals for the first 3 sessions only; a goodwill offering for additional sessions. Register at [stgertrudesos.archtoronto.org](http://stgertrudesos.archtoronto.org) or manually register after Sunday masses.

**Alpha Volunteers Needed** to assist with receiving and welcoming guest participants, distributing food, facilitating discussion after watching the video presentation and someone at each table to pray quietly for the Holy Spirit's presence, enlightenment and guidance as the discussion flows. If willing to help, please email our Lay pastoral Associate at [Glyn@archtoronto.org](mailto:Glyn@archtoronto.org) to confirm.

**Alpha Facilitator Training**

Will take place in the Parish Hall on Thursday, January 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm

**Sacred Heart Academy** has received its charitable status from the CRA!. This is your chance to support the Catholic leaders of tomorrow, the ones who will build our church, society and families and receive a year-end charitable receipt in recognition of your generous support!

- by cheque payable to Sacred Heart Academy
- e-transfer to [sacredhearta@gmail.com](mailto:sacredhearta@gmail.com) or
- via the following link: <https://www.zeffy.com/en-CA/donation-form/95d24956-f48e-41ea-8ee6-9b2ae00aff9d> (monthly or one-time donation by credit or debit card).

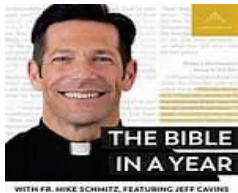
The Legion of Mary group will be having a Holy Hour of Prayer on Saturday, February 1<sup>st</sup> from 2-3pm, all are Welcome to join them.

**2025 SUNDAY MISSALS**

Available at the cost of \$5.00 each.

**2025 PARISH DONATION ENVELOPE BOXES**

Available for pickup at back of the church.



**#1 Religion Podcast from Fr. Mike Schmitz:**

**The Bible in a Year**

Start January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025

The Bible in a Year podcast,

<https://media.ascensionpress.com/video/preparing-for-the-bible-in-a-year-journey-with-fr-mike-schmitz/>

**Catechism in a Year with Fr. Mike Schmitz**

Follow along with the official Catechism in a Year Reading Plan (<https://AscensionPress.com/CIY>)

**The SSVP conference is not in operation and asks that you hold back on donations until the conference is back in operation.**

### Celebrations for Archbishop Leo

There will be a series of local events to celebrate this significant moment for the Archdiocese of Toronto. A Regional Mass for our Eastern Region will be celebrated for our new Cardinal as well as the Blessed Jubilee year which opened on Dec. 29<sup>th</sup>. Location: St. Barnabas Parish, Scarborough  
Date: Wednesday, February 19<sup>th</sup>.  
Mass will start at 7:00pm.

### Ordinary Jubilee of the Year 2025

Archbishop Francis Leo has chosen St. Gregory the Great Parish, Oshawa to serve as a pilgrimage church in the Eastern Region for the upcoming Ordinary Jubilee of the Year 2025. In honor of St. Gregory's being chosen Bishop Vincent Nguyen will celebrate Mass there on Wednesday, January 29, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. For those who would like to come early to have their Confession heard, Confessions will be at 5:30pm.

### Young Adults Ages 18-39

#### St. Gregory's Parish Hall West Entrance

Socials every 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday and Faith formation every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday from 6:30pm-9:30pm

**Faith Formation:** Wisdom, a nine-part faith formation program, every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month. *The next study will be on Saturday, February 15, 2025, at 6:30 pm*

Connect and Register at:

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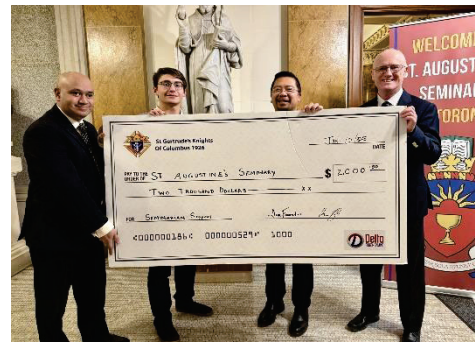
### GOOD CATHOLIC SOCIAL MEDIA OUTLETS

- EWTN – Global Catholic Network, [www.ewtn.com](http://www.ewtn.com) especially “Coming Home” & “The World Over”
- 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 and Catechism In A Year
- LifeSite News at [lifesitenews.com/news.ca](http://lifesitenews.com/news.ca)
- The Hallow Prayer & Meditation App
- Divine Mercy Plus!  
<https://divinemercuryplus.org/tags/Cath...>

### The Mary Pages: An Atheist's Journey to the Mother of God: *Author Sally Read.*

Raised in an atheist household, Sally Read nevertheless saw images of the Blessed Virgin Mary from earliest childhood—and they remained with her in the most remarkable ways. Conscious of the conflict between her feminist values and what came to be a fascination with Marian art, Read—through tumultuous relationships, loneliness, and distant places—began a unique quest to discover the true essence of Mary. These pages contain the strange, raw, and epiphany-filled stories that led to Read's dramatic nine-month conversion from atheism to Catholicism. Focusing not only on Read's life but also on the lives of others who, knowingly or unknowingly, encountered the Virgin, this literary memoir is a testimony of how a Mother patiently brought one child home to her Son—and slowly revealed her own heart.

Available at: [sales@wordonfire.org](mailto:sales@wordonfire.org)



St. Gertrude's Knights of Columbus Council 1926, in partnership with Delta Bingo Pickering, has generously donated \$2000 to St. Augustine's Seminary!

This donation will provide vital financial assistance to seminarians during the academic year, supporting the formation of our future priests.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the Knights of Columbus for their kindness and commitment to supporting the next generation of Church leaders. May God bless their generosity and effort's.

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