

# **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 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 Holidays

12:10 pm 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

## **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8:30 am – 3:00 pm closed from 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm for lunch

## 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 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, February 3<sup>rd</sup> 8:30am Ints of Marie on her Birthday Wednesday, February 5<sup>th</sup> 8:30am + Brizida & Avelino Desousa Thursday, February 6<sup>th</sup> 8:30am + Mary Serge Friday, February 7th 12:10pm + Joao & Ana Dias Saturday, February 8th 8:30am Ints Mark & Linda Smegal Ints of Elizabeth Skirrow 5:00pm + Teresina Bivi Sunday, February 9th 9:00am + Bento Araujo 11:00am + Joseph & Edwige Pulverenti 6:15pm For Our Parish Community

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#### Fr. Mike Schmitz :The Bible in a Year

https://media.ascensionpress.com/video/preparingfor-the-bible-in-a-year-journey-with-fr-mikeschmitz/

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

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

#### 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>
The Hallow Prayer & Meditation App
Divine Mercy Plus! https://divinemercyplus.org/tags/Cath...

#### **2024 INCOME TAX RECEIPTS**

The parish tax receipts will be mailed out again this year from the Archdiocese of Toronto beginning January 30<sup>th</sup>. Please keep for tax return filing.

#### **Celebrations for Archbishop Leo**

A Regional Mass for our Eastern Region will be celebrated for our new Cardinal Location: St. Barnabas Parish, Scarborough Date: Wednesday, February 19<sup>th</sup>. Mass will start at 7:00pm.

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 3rd Saturday of the month. *The next study* will *be on Saturday*, *February 15, 2025, at 6:30 pm Connect and Register at:* stgregsandholycrossya@gmail.com Instagram: @stgregsandholycrossya https://linktr.ee/stgregsandholycrossya

#### CHILDREN'S LITURGY WEBSITE

Please visit the link to view this wonderful site for our children's liturgy, choir and altar servers. Thank you to the Veltri Family for creating this informative site to enhance our Parish Website and keep families up to date on our Children's Programs. <u>https://ariannaveltrisampo.wixsite.com/</u> <u>childrenslit31-1</u>

#### Festival of Faith for Christian Unity 2025 The Fatherhood and Care of God Who Rules the Universe Saturday, February 15, 2025, 10:00am

**St. George's Memorial Church, 51 Centre St. S.,** Oshawa. A Journey Through the Nicene Creed, Reflection & Prayer. Organized by the St George's Memorial Church and Sponsored by the Greater Toronto Area Council of Christian Churches, and the Archdiocese of Toronto

#### JUBILEE YEAR

Information on the Jubilee Year is available online through: <u>www.archtoronto.org/jubilee</u> along with the handout "Frequently Asked Questions" on our own website: stgertrudesos.archtoronto.org

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

#### LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY 2025 March 29<sup>th</sup> 9am-5:30pm Metro Toronto Convention Centre

Ages 13-18 – tickets \$25.00 (John Basset Theatre) Motivating Talks, Testimonies, Adoration, Worship Adults \$39.00 until Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> (then \$49.00) (North Building) Speakers, Testimonies, Praise & Worship Music, Prayer Ministry for Healing & Empowerment, Confessions, Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Eucharistic Adoration & Procession For tickets and information, visit <u>www.LJHR.ca</u> Refer to posters on bulletin board.

#### 2024 Golf Tournament Results & 2025 Tournament Date

For our 9<sup>th</sup> tournament, we were blessed with good weather, a delicious dinner and an AMAZING profit of almost \$14,000. We thank our golf hole sponsors, prize donors, our dedicated volunteers, all that attended or bought tickets, and the Staff at Harmony Creek Golf Course.

Before the tournament, we told you we were dedicating the funds raised to upgrading the sound system in the church, and that is what we've done. Our sound system committee, Beth Cook, Geoffrey Lyn, Daniel Karpenchak, Fr. Michael, benefiting from the expertise and guidance of Eamonn Doyle worked with three contractors to flesh out what improvements we need to do. We decided on the winning bid, got the Archdiocese's approval for our project and signed the contract. We are aiming for the work to be finished by Easter.

**NOW - Save the date** – our 2025 tournament and dinner will be on *Thursday, July 3rd*. We are selling tickets in mid-April for the tournament, dinner and \$500 gift card draw!

**HEADS UP** – we need more committee members. A golf committee meeting is scheduled for *Saturday, February 15 at 1 pm* If you have any questions, would like to help us or can attend this important meeting please contact Beth Cook, 905-925-9871, <u>bethcook905@outlook.com</u>.

**2024 edition of** *Your Catholic Legacy*, the estate planning newsletter from the Development Office of the Archdiocese of Toronto is now available. All issues since 2011 are available on the archdiocesan website - google *Archdiocese Toronto legacy*.

#### MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE

Holy Family Parish (91 Ribblesdale Dr. Whitby) Marriage Preparation classes on Friday, March 21st from 7:00pm to 9:00pm and on Saturday, March 22nd from 9:00am to 5:00pm. For more information and to register, please call the office at 905 665 6470 ext 201 or email: holyfamilywh@archtoronto.org

#### LADIES POTLUCK LUNCH Parish Saturday, February 8<sup>th</sup> at 12noon in the Hall.

<u>All ladies</u> of the Parish are invited to this potluck lunch. A wonderful time to gather, socialize and acquaint yourselves with other women of the parish. Bring a dish to share and enjoy visiting.

#### OFFICE OF CATHOLIC YOUTH <u>Totus Tuus Toronto</u>

Totus Tuus Toronto invites post-secondary students and recent graduates to discern the call to serve young people this summer. Apart from receiving a fair wage, the true value of this experience is growing in virtue and your relationship with God. The opportunity involves a three-month commitment from June to August. After a month of training and formation, these leaders are sent out to serve as missionaries in parishes. Share your love for God in parishes throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto. The deadline to apply is January 31st.

#### Donating to OCY

Your generosity fuels our mission at the Office of Catholic Youth. Consider donating to our mission!

#### 44th Annual Concelebrated Mass in honour of St. Patrick Sunday, February 23, 2025 3:00 p.m. St. Cecilia's Church 161 Annette Street, Toronto

Following the Mass there will be an informal reception with Irish entertainment in the parish hall. This year, His Eminence, Frank Cardinal Leo, Archbishop of Toronto, will be the principal celebrant and homilist.

**THANK YOU** for the many Christmas Gifts and New Year Greetings. Wishing you all a very Blessed Jubilee Year. *Deacon Andrew Rychlicki* 

