

# 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. Luis Calleja

DEACON: Rev. Mr. Andrew Rychlicki ADMINISTRATION: Teresa Walsh

LAY PASTORAL ASSOCIATE: Geoffrey Lyn

#### **MASS SCHEDULE SUNDAY MASS**

Saturday 5:00 pm

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

No Sunday Night Mass on Easter Sunday,

Divine Mercy Sunday & the Sundays after Christmas Day and New Year's Day

#### **WEEKDAY MASS**

Monday & Thursday 8:30 am Wednesday & Friday 12:10pm

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00 pm - 4:45 pm Sunday 5:30 pm - 6:00 pm

#### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please see the website and/or email us at GLyn@archtoronto.org

#### **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday, Wednesday, Friday

9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Closed from 12:00 pm-1:00 pm for lunch.

#### PARISH ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

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#### PASTORAL REFERENCE

Applicants must be registered attending

Members of the Parish.

Volunteering is recommended.

Please email the office.

#### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

12 months advanced notice required.

Preparation course is a prerequisite.

Visit: catholicmarriageprep.com

#### Monday, November 24th

8:30am + Deolinda Araujo & Antonio Amadeu

#### Wednesday, November 26th

12:10pm Special intentions

#### Thursday, November 27th

8:30am + Aldo Pulverenti, Louise George

+ Giuseppe & Giuseppina Tassone

+ Maria Rosaria, Domenco Antonio Macri

#### Friday, November 28th

12:10pm + Errol Paul McIntosh

Saturday, November 29th

5:00pm For Our Parish Community

#### Sunday, November 30th

9:00am + Maria Zak

11:00am + Severino Pulla, Mel Buddel, Rita Lewis

+ Manfred Galdes, Gino Testa,

6:15pm + Jack Dinis

**Note:** Mass intentions are fully booked for 2025

#### ALL SOULS

Please place your envelopes with your prayer intentions and offerings into the regular collection or directly into our *Basket of Remembrance* on the Altar.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

## LADIES POTLUCK LUNCH Saturday, November 29th at 12noon.

All ladies of the parish are invited to join in this event and meet fellow parishioners. Hope to see you there!!

# **CWL MEMBERS & ALL LADIES OF THE PARISH are invited to gather for a CHRISTMAS**

**LUNCH** On December 1<sup>st</sup> at 12noon at the Portley Piper Restaurant (King & Wilson).

Please call Brenda Tuepah at 905-723-6027 to reserve your spot.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS RECRUITMENT DRIVE

Have you ever wondered who the Knights Of Columbus are and what they do?

There will be a Lunch and Learn recruitment drive following the 11am mass on Sunday, November 30<sup>th</sup>. Please register to attend at the back of the church following any masses this weekend.

# Make your gift to ShareLife and DOUBLE your impact!

**NEW**: Your gift will double in value! Until year end, your contribution to our parish's ShareLife campaign will be matched by an anonymous donor of the Archdiocese of Toronto up to a total of \$500,000. For those who turn to ShareLife agencies, the challenges are great - uncertainty feels heavy, hope feels far away. You can ease the struggles of our brothers and sisters in Christ. Your support for ShareLife becomes a saving grace for at-risk children and youth, refugees in crisis, and survivors of domestic violence, ensuring they receive the care and resources they need.

You can donate online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate

# LECTOR RECRUITMENT & TRAINING December 6<sup>th</sup> from 1:30-3pm in the Parish Hall.

This course is designed for anyone considering becoming a Lector and assist existing Lector's as a refresher course. Topics will include the role of a Lector, diocesan requirements, Scripture in history, the Church and the Liturgy. It will provide best practices and tips for the public proclamation of sacred scripture including audio pronunciation guides to help you. Please email <a href="mailto:bethcook905@outlook.com">bethcook905@outlook.com</a> to register or call 905-925-9871.

#### **2025 Donations**

Donations for 2025 Tax Year must be received no later than December 28<sup>th</sup> so they can be banked on Monday Dec. 29<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for your attention to this timeline. You can always submit donations early on any weekend.

ONLINE DONATIONS are available through our website by either Debit or Credit Card.



#### St. Gertrude's Christmas Hamper Drive 2025

**What:** We are holding a Christmas Hamper Drive for our friends/families in need.

**When**: Donations will be collected until Dec. 7th. Packing hampers will be done the Week of Dec.8th. Hampers may be picked up or delivered on Dec. 12th & Dec. 13th.

**Food Drive Items Needed**: Non-perishable – Canned soup/meats/fish/beans/vegetables/fruit etc. Peanut butter/cereal /pasta/sauce/rice

Angel Tree – Pick an angel from the tree and return gift or gift card no later than Sunday, Dec. 7th.

Donate Money – Envelopes available in the pews or at the entrances. These donations will assist us in purchasing grocery gift cards for families in need. Cheques payable to St. Gertrude's Parish. Envelopes can go in the collection plate or in the basket at the front by the tree. Mark your Envelope # on your donation envelope for Income Tax Receipt purposes.

Volunteer to Pack & Deliver Hampers: Please sign up on the Green Sign-Up Sheet on the bulletin board at both entrances of the church.

#### **HEART TO HEART GALA**

February 28, 2026, at Deer Creek in Ajax. Join us for an elegant evening including 3-course dinner with wine, DJ-Dance, live auction, and the ever-popular balloon prizes and Heads or Tails game! Tickets are \$125 each. Visit https://trellis.org/heart-to-heart-gala-2026 to purchase your tickets today! If you are unable to attend in person, this website gives you access to our online 50/50 draw, our online raffles, and our online silent auction which goes live February 21.

To donate items, or if you are unable to purchase your tickets online, please contact Tania McClean, 905-725-3513 x 121 or info@cfsdurham.com

# CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE December 24th Christmas Eve

4:00pm, 8:00pm and 12midnight

#### December 25<sup>th</sup> Christmas Day 11am

#### Solemnity of Mary Mother of God

December 31<sup>st</sup> @5:00pm (New Year's Eve) &

January 1<sup>st</sup>, @ 11am (New Year's Day)

Altar servers, Ushers and Eucharist Ministers will be required to sign up to assist at the above Masses. Registration will be available in the coming weeks.

**Note:** Sunday Night 6:15pm Mass - Christmas Season is cancelled for December 28<sup>th</sup> and January 4<sup>th</sup>.

#### OFFICE HOURS FOR CHRISTMAS.

Open 9am-12noon Monday, Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> Closed Dec. 24-26<sup>th</sup> and Dec. 31-Jan. 2<sup>nd</sup>

#### PARISH ADVENT DAY OF CONFESSION

Wednesday, December 17th

Msgr. James Hannah 9:30-11:30am Fr. David Bollo 1pm-3pm Fr. Luis Calleja 6pm-7pm

# FIRST RECONCILIATION FOR STUDENTS ATTENDING THIS YEAR'S PROGRAM

Wednesday, December 10<sup>th</sup> 7-8:30pm Wednesday, December 17<sup>th</sup> 7-8:30pm All students in our First Reconciliation program must register for one of the above sessions.

# FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING WEBINAR Saturday, November 29, at 9:00 a.m. Learn:

- · How to avoid problems: in your Will, in the Powers of Attorney, and through proper Estate Trustee selection
- · How to create your own legacy Email Development@ArchToronto.org and write "webinar November 29" in the title line + your name(s) in the body of the message.

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