



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

OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Wednesday, Friday

9:00 am - 3:00 pm

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

MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY MASS

Saturday 5:00 pm

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

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

PARISH ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Sir Albert Love School 905-728-3971

St. Kateri Tekakwitha School 905-571-1969

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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, December 1st

8:30am + Severino Pulla

Wednesday, December 3rd

12:10pm + Teresina Bivi

Thursday, December 4th

8:30am + Joseph Giorgio, John Mahoney
+ Ramiro & Lori Ribeiro

Friday, December 5th

12:10pm + Bento & Gloria Araujo

Saturday, December 6th

5:00pm + Teresina Bivi

Sunday, December 7th

9:00am + Slavko Coz-Slovenija
11:00am + Ronald & Rosemarie Serge
+ Dave Jackson, Rita Lewis
+ Margaret Stecko
6:15pm For Our Parish Community

Note: Mass intentions are fully booked for 2025



Friars Student Writing Contest 2026 (November 3, 2025, to January 12, 2026)

Theme: *"The gifts he gave were for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ."* (cf. Eph 4:13)

High school students (ages 13-19 years) in the Catholic School Boards located in the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to submit a 450–500-word essay and should consult the resources of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2026 at <https://bit.ly/WPCU2026>. Entries can be submitted at: <https://www.catholicregister.org/writingaward>. For further information, please contact ecumenicalandinterfaith@archtoronto.org or call 416-934-3400 x. 527.



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.

LECTOR RECRUITMENT & TRAINING
December 6th 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. We especially encourage our Youth who have been Confirmed to consider volunteering in this ministry. 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 bethcook905@outlook.com to register or call 905-925-9871.

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

December 24th Christmas Eve
4:00pm, 8:00pm and 12midnight

December 25th Christmas Day
11am

Solemnity of Mary Mother of God
December 31st @5:00pm (New Year's Eve)
&
January 1st, @ 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 28th and January 4th.

OFFICE HOURS FOR CHRISTMAS.

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

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 10th 7-8:30pm

Wednesday, December 17th 7-8:30pm

All students in our First Reconciliation program must register for one of the above sessions.

2025 Donations

Donations for 2025 Tax Year must be received no later than December 28th so they can be banked on Monday Dec. 29th. 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.

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

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.

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

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS LUNCH AND LEARN

Have you ever wondered who the Knights of Columbus are and what they do? The Knight's of the Parish will be holding a Lunch and Learn in the hall, immediately following the 11am mass this Sunday, November 30th. All are invited to attend. Bring the family, enjoy lunch, and learn what it is the Knight's do.

Knights of Columbus Breakfast

Sunday, December 7th following the 9am & 11am liturgies downstairs in the parish hall. Donations at the door.



Thank You to Guy, Blair and Cindy Desjardin for all their terrific work in cleaning up Fall leaves, and for the Young Explorer's group of boys who came out one Saturday and also did a terrific job!! Many thanks!

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

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