



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 12:15 pm

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

Durham Catholic District School Board

www.dcdsb.ca 905-576-6150

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, September 14th

8:30am + Deceased member of the Dias
And Araujo families

Wednesday, September 16th

12:15pm + Jadwiga, Bronislaw, Maria, Mikolai

Thursday, September 17th

12:15pm + Mel Buddel, Severino Pulla
+ Fe Isabelita De Le Cruz

Friday, September 18th

12:15pm + Margaret Southern

Saturday, September 19th

5:00pm + Ivan Zupanic & Ljubomir Vinkovic

Sunday, September 20th

9:00am + Jose Ochate Jr.

11:00am + Rita Lewis, Aldo Pulverenti
For Our Parish Community

6:15pm Special intentions



SACRED SPACES

The Sanctuary of the Church houses the Altar and the Tabernacle. Please remember that this is a sacred space and only those who are serving at a mass should be present. After mass please do not gather in this space to visit or come up to pray. If you wish to pray we ask that you remain in the pews. Thank you for your ongoing respect of our Church.

In Person Office hours:

Monday 9am-3pm (closed 12-1pm)
Wednesday 9am-3pm (closed 12-1pm)
Friday, 9am-12noon

If you need assistance, please email us at stgertrudesos@archtoronto.org as we work on a remote basis on Tuesday and Thursday. If you need to drop off paperwork outside of these hours, please do so to the secured enclosed mailslot by the office door.

**FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION
ONLINE REGISTRATION**

Registration for St. Gertrude's upcoming First Reconciliation/First Communion and Confirmation preparation programs is now available on the parish website until Sept. 30th.

Please visit the parish website at stgertrudesos.archtoronto.org/en/sacraments for an overview of the full program. If you have any questions or concerns please email our Lay Pastoral Associate, Geoffrey Lyn at: glyn@archtoronto.org.

**PARENT MEETINGS FOR FIRST
COMMUNION/RECONCILIATION**

Wednesday September 23 at 7:00 pm or
Saturday September 26 at 9:00 am

CONFIRMATION PARENT MEETINGS

Friday, September 25th at 7pm or Saturday,
September 26th at 10:30am

Adult Faith Formation

This fall we begin the Word on Fire Pivotal Players series on Thursdays from 7 - 9 pm, October 15 to December 3, and will continue after Christmas, January 21 through March 18, 2027 inclusive. Registration is required. For more information please contact Beth Cook at bethcook905@outlook.com or by phone 905-925-9871

Season of Creation 2026: The annual event of the Season of Creation begins on September 1 (the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation) and ends on October 4 on the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, patron saint of ecology. This year's theme is "Living Water" and the symbol is "Immersion in Living Water", inspired by Ezekiel 47: 9 and 12. An introductory video and resources to observe this season at home, church and school may be found at the following links: Celebration Guide: bit.ly/4vssvsf Video: bit.ly/3RFGLiW

Let us be united in prayer and work together to protect and preserve our resources and for responsible stewardship of the earth and sustainable living.



PARISH OUTREACH PROGRAM 2026

We are once again collecting items to assist with Christmas bags for the children of Northern Ontario and the Northwest Territories. The classrooms receive these and the children open together at Christmas so we ask to keep individual items below \$5.00 each if possible. For some of the children, these are the only Christmas gifts they receive. All items are available at local dollar stores. Please keep in mind that flatter items are easier to fit in the envelopes they are sent in. A box is provided for you to drop off your donations at the back of the church or at the parish office. The suggested items are:

Crayons, coloring books, silly pens and pencils, pencil crayons, markers, journals, early reading books, word game books, novels for teens, makeup, nail polish, stickers, small craft kits, beads, hair accessories, funky looking socks of all sizes, flat Christmas ornaments, hot chocolate packets, tea bags, mitts, gloves, toques. (all items are gifts and must be brand new).

Thank you for your continued support. All donations must be received by **OCTOBER 11^H** in order to be packed and shipped in time.

Knights of Columbus General Meeting ***Sunday, Sept. 13th at 7:30pm***

LADIES POTLUCK LUNCH

All ladies of the Parish are invited to bring something to share and join at ***11:30am on Saturday, September 19th*** in the Parish Hall for a time of fellowship and fun.

WINDOW PLAQUES AND LEAVES ON OUR TREE OF REMEMBRANCE are available for purchase. If you wish to donate to one of these please contact the parish office for details.

BAPTISM

If you wish to arrange the Sacrament of Baptism for your child, please email Geoffrey in the office at Glyn@archtoronto.org to inquire on the process.

ARISE CONFERENCE - For Young Professionals

Date: September 26, 2026

Location: Canada Events Centre, Whitby
Conference includes: International speakers such as Joe Heschmeyer (from Catholic Answers), networking and community building, catered lunch and dinner, Mass and Adoration

Tickets available here: [YPCT 2026 Arise Conference](#).

For more details you can visit our Instagram page 'YPCToronto' as well as our website www.ypct.ca.

YPCT was founded in summer 2024, and is a **not-for-profit organization and registered lay association with the [Archdiocese of Toronto](#).**

ShareLife 50th Anniversary Celebrations

On August 22, over 800 people joined at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica for the ShareLife 50th Anniversary Mass. Our 50th anniversary celebration does not end here. We hope you will join us on Saturday, October 3, for a special ShareLife Open House at St. Augustine's Seminary. Come learn more about ShareLife's mission, meet representatives from the agencies you support and tour the beautiful and historic seminary. More details will be shared soon at sharelife.org/50

Lay Pastoral Visitors Formation and Training – Registration Now Open

The annual archdiocesan formation and training for Lay Pastoral Visitors will be offered online on Thursdays, October 22, 29, November 5, 12, 19 & 26 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. This program will prepare you to provide pastoral visits and bring Holy Communion on behalf of the parish to the sick, elderly, and homebound. The program is open to both new and experienced volunteers. Registrants are required to participate in all online sessions, complete pre-homework and pass a final assessment. There is no cost to attend but register early as capacity is limited. REGISTER: <https://bit.ly/LPVT-Register2026> by October 21, 2026 CONTACT: formation@archtoronto.org or 437-900-4287

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

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