

St. Gregory The Great

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Monday – Thursday 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Friday 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Sunday Mass

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. & Noon

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday and Thursday 12:10 p.m.

Wednesday and Friday 7:00 p.m.

Sacrament of Penance

Thursday 11:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

Saturday 3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Baptism

Please contact the parish office for more information.

Marriage

One year notice (Archdiocesan guideline)

Marriage Preparation required

Please contact the parish priest

Visits To The Sick

Please contact the parish office for more information.

Parish Organizations and Ministries

For information 905-723-8141

or www.stgregorythegreat.ca

Archdiocese of Toronto

1-416-934-0606

or: www.archtoronto.org

Catholic Cemeteries

St. Gregory's & Resurrection

905-668-8912

or: www.catholic-cemeteries.com

Durham Catholic District School Board

905-576-6150 or www.dcdsb.ca

Society of St. Vincent De Paul- Help Line

905-720-0003

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK	
TUESDAY	FEBRUARY 15th - 12:10 P.M.
	+ Sick of the Parish
WEDNESDAY	FEBRUARY 16 - 7:00 P.M.
	Imelda Jones, req. a parishioner
THURSDAY	FEBRUARY 17- 12:10 P.M.
	+ Robert Martin, req. his Family
FRIDAY	FEBRUARY 18 – 7:00 P.M. (up to 5 intentions)
	Intentions of John Russell
SATURDAY	FEBRUARY 19 – 5:00 P.M.
	Tom Schommer, req. Mary Catherine Campbell
SUNDAY	FEBRUARY 20
8:00AM	For the parishioners (<i>pro populo</i>)
9:30 AM	Catherine Martin, req. her daughter
12:00PM	For a deceased Parishioner

Please pre-register for all weekday and Sunday Masses via **Eventbrite** (<https://stgregoryshawa.eventbrite.ca>), **or call the office during the week** so to reserve your ticket for one person up to five persons in the same social bubble and avoid crowding at the door. A social bubble is a group of people, members of the same household, or people who are not keeping 6 feet physical distancing.

Letters of Reference for Catholic Teacher Applicants

If you are a teacher, or one of your children are currently studying to become a teacher in our Catholic schools, part of the application process for the Board includes a letter of reference from your pastor. If you are from this Parish and intend to ask for a reference letter, please note that you will have to be attending Mass here regularly and participating in a Parish ministry before such a recommendation will be given. That is, applicants are expected to be practising Catholics in good standing (<https://bit.ly/PracticingCath>). If you have a son or daughter currently in Teacher’s College and they intend to use St. Gregory the Great as the Parish from which they will request a letter of reference, but they do not attend this Parish (because they are away at school), from the pastor of the parish where they are attending while away at school. Please remember all our teachers – present and future – in your prayers! they will be required to obtain a letter

Self-reflection Am I a practising Catholics in good standing (<https://bit.ly/PracticingCath>)?



Sunday February 13, 2022 – Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The form of the Beatitudes found in Luke's and Matthew's Gospel is not unique to Jesus. Beatitudes are found in the Old Testament, such as in the Psalms and in Wisdom literature. They are a way to teach about who will find favor with God. The word *blessed* in this context might be translated as “happy,” “fortunate,” or “favored.”

As we listen to this Gospel, the Beatitudes jar our sensibilities. Those who are poor, hungry, weeping, or persecuted are called blessed. This is, indeed, a Gospel of reversals. Those often thought to have been forgotten by God are called blessed. In the list of “woes,” those whom we might ordinarily describe as blessed by God are warned about their peril. Riches, possessions, laughter, reputation . . . these are not things that we can depend upon as sources of eternal happiness. They not only fail to deliver on their promise; our misplaced trust in them will lead to our demise. The ultimate peril is in misidentifying the source of our eternal happiness.

The Beatitudes are often described as a framework for Christian living. Our vocation as Christians is not to be first in this world, but rather to be first in the eyes of God. We are challenged to examine our present situation in the context of our ultimate horizon, the Kingdom of God.

Catholic Family Services 17th Annual Heart to Heart Gala
Saturday, February 26, 2022 -Online event

In light of the Province's current plans for re-opening, our Heart to Heart Gala will once again be presented through a virtual platform. There will be guest speakers, entertainment and an online auction! Tickets are \$20.00 per person. The online auction will be available from February 16 until February 26. <https://trellis.org/heart-to-heart-gala>
 or contact Tania - tmcclean@cfsdurham.com or 905-725-3513 x 121

First Holy Communion & Confirmation

Contact the office to preregister and to get the zoom link. Our next First Holy Communion online class will be February 13, and our Confirmation online class will be February 6.

Please remember St. Gregory’s Parish in your will.

Offertory Envelopes for 2022

There are still a number of Offertory Envelopes at the back of the church that has not been picked up. If you are new to the Parish, wish to have a box or if you cannot find your box, please call Jacqui at the office. Thank you.

Can You Help?

We are looking to make a team of volunteers to help with live streaming and also a Webmaster. If you would like to help, please call the Parish

For February 2022, we join the Holy Father in praying for: **Religious sisters and consecrated women**
We pray for religious sisters and consecrated women; thanking them for their mission and their courage; may they continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times.

Ash Wednesday – March 2nd Mass Times: 12:10 & 7:00 p.m.

A Time to Prepare

The Church has given us this beautiful season to help us prepare our souls to celebrate the most important event in the history of the world: the passion, death, and resurrection of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Each year, Lent is an opportunity to renew our Christian faith, and we are encouraged to use prayer, fasting, and almsgiving as the means to grow in our relationship with God. Our **praying** during this season of Lent may very well be the sacrifice needed to strengthen our faith. Our **fasting** may very well be the sacrifice that will restore our souls with the healing grace of God. Our **almsgiving** may very well be the sacrifice that overcomes the hatred in our world and proclaims the healing power of God. Let us use this grace-filled season with an open and grateful heart and allow God to restore us as his

Lenten Retreats

Lenten Retreat – Saturday March 5, or, Tuesday March 15

Time: 9:00a.m. -3:30p.m.

Cost: \$40.00 Lunch included

Where: Queen of Apostles, 1617 Blyth Road, Mississauga 905-278-5229, or, office@qoa.ca

Father Ron Rolheiser Lenten Retreat

Time: Friday 7:00p.m. – Sunday 2:00p.m.

Cost: \$450.00 per person, or, \$700.00 per cpl

Where: Queen of Apostles, 1617 Blyth Road. Mississauga 905-278-5229, or, office@qoa.ca



Are you or someone you know divorced?

Every Catholic has the right to investigate their marriage. (Canon 1674)

- It is **free of charge** (*Moto Proprio, Mitis Iudex Dominus Iesus*)
- It could be because you want to enter a new relationship, or for a completely different reason
- Pope Francis has greatly **simplified** the procedures

Talk to your pastor about the Catholic Marriage Tribunal and the marriage nullity process, or visit our website at www.archtoronto.org/MarriageTribunal for more information.

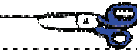


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Prayer Corner

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And You shall renew the face of the earth.

O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations, Through Christ Our Lord, Amen.



Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel

Learn it by heart, so that we may pray it together at the end of the Mass:

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.





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