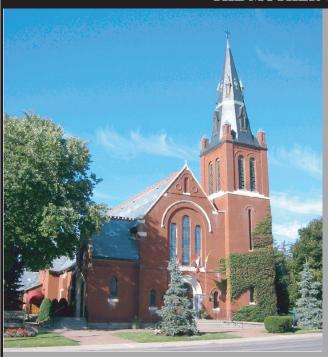
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Monday – Thursday 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Friday 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

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. - 11:45a.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

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905-576-6150 or www.dcdsb.ca

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905-720-0003

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK	
TUESDAY	MARCH 1 - 12:10 P.M.
	For the deceased members of the Angela
	Merci Fraternity
WEDNESDAY	March 2 - ASH WEDNESDAY
	12:10 & 7:00 P.M.
	+ Linda Formosa, req. Jacqui Martin
THURSDAY	MARCH 3 - 12:10 P.M.
	+ Stephen Toutant, req. his wife Heather
FRIDAY	MARCH 4 – 7:00 P.M. (up to 5 intentions)
World Day of	+ Kaden Lynn, req. Friends & Family
Prayer	
SATURDAY	MARCH 5 - 5:00 P.M.
	Intentions of Anne White
SUNDAY	MARCH 6
8:00AM	
9:30 AM	+ David Bezzent, req. Brian & Linda Egan
12:00PM	For the parishioners (pro populo)

Please pre-register for all weekday and Sunday Masses via Eventbrite (https://stgregoryoshawa.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.

Stations of the Cross during Lent

There will be Stations of The Cross every Friday (beginning next Friday March 4th) at 6:00 pm followed by Mass at 7:00 pm.

Pope's prayer intention for March

For a Christian response to bioethical challenges – we pray for Christians facing new bioethical challenges; may they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with prayer and action.

World Day of Prayer – March 4

The World Day of Prayer is observed annually on the first Friday in March. It is an invitation for Christians to pause and pray together ecumenically. This recalls our Christian responsibility to be sensitive to the signs of the times so that we might bring a more authentically Christian dimension to the concerns of our world, county, community.

Have a wonderful & blessed week



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

Three parts of Lent

Traditionally, Catholics spiritually prepare during Lent through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. We can do all three (pray, fast, and give alms), two of these, or just one.

Which one should you do? Should you do all of them? One of them? Do what you did last year? Try something different than last year? A lot of questions can swirl around in your mind before Lent as you try to figure out what to do!

What can you do to prepare for an amazing Lent?

There are two things you can do to figure out how to spend your Lent: Pray about it and discern where in your life you need to grow or change. Pray and ask God to enlighten your mind and heart to what you should do for Lent. Give yourself time to pray and listen. God may not answer you in one day or give you an obvious answer. He may quietly shine a light in an area of your life that He wants you to focus on. Trust in Him to guide you.

Pray

Prayer is communication with God.

Take time to look at how you communicate with God in your life right now. Is your prayer life currently what you want for it to be like?

Fast

The Church requires the faithful who are in good health and not nursing or pregnant from ages 18-59 to fast from eating between meals on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. We are also asked to avoid meat on these days and on all the Fridays during Lent. Besides this fast, some people choose to fast from other things, also called giving something up. You can fast from almost anything you can think of: sweets, junk food, coffee, social media, staying up too late, bad company, and negative influences are just a few things.

Almsgiving

When you give alms, you give part of your time, talent, or treasure to help someone in need. You give up something for the good and benefit of another. Giving of your time may mean taking a senior friend to the grocery store. It may mean not watching your favorite show so you can call a lonely friend or do an act of service for someone.



The Office of Vocations invites single Catholic men 18 years and older, to attend a Come & See - Day Retreat on Saturday, March 19 (9:00am - 3:30pm) at St. Augustine's Seminary. The Retreat offers time for prayer, reflection and information on the process of becoming a Catholic priest. You must register online at www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee. For more information, please contact Fr Marijan or the Office of Vocations via email: vocations@archtoronto.org. Poster: https://bit.ly/ComeandSeeMarch2022

Offertory Envelopes for 2022

You may pick up your Offertory Envelopes at the back of the church. If you are new to the parish, wish to have a box, if you cannot find your box, or would like to sign up for preauthorized giving (PAG) please call Jacqui at the office.



Totus Tuus Summer Camp is Coming to St. Gregory!

Youth of our Parish are invited to join us for Totus Tuus this summer from July 17-22, 2022. Totus Tuus - Latin for Totally Yours - is an Archdiocesan camp program whereby seminarians and college students travel to different parishes, spreading the Good News of our Lord through

instruction, Mass, confession, songs and games! The day camp, for children entering grades 1-6, runs Monday-Friday from 9am - 2:30pm. The evening program for Grades 7-12 runs Sunday-Thursday from 7–9pm. The cost is only \$100 per person for the entire week. To register or for more information, please contact **Iacquie** stgregorythegreat@archtoronto.org. More information online available about camp is also https://www.totustuustoronto.ca/.

Government Update

On February 14, Ontario Premier Doug Ford announced that most of the provincial Covid-19 restrictions will be eliminated in two phases over the coming weeks. The first phase of easing restrictions has begun on Thursday, February 17, and the second phase will begin on Tuesday, March 1. These plans are subject to change.

- our parish capacity limits remain the same for now
- Masks must still be worn indoors
- Parish halls can reopen for non-sacramental use with a maximum capacity of 50 people
- Parish halls have no capacity limit for Mass overflow or sacramental prep, as long as two metres/six feet of physical distance is maintained between households
- Recording contact tracing information is still a best practice, but it is no longer required by the provincial government nor the local public health agencies in the archdiocese. We will continue, just in case and to keep numbers within limits
- Congregational singing can resume. Please continue to maintain three metres of physical distancing between unmasked choir members/cantors and anyone else We are pleased to share news that as of Tuesday, March 1, 2022, places of worship, will be in a position to offer 100% seating capacity with no physical distancing restrictions. Please note that masks will still be required. So, from March 1 we will not keep physical distancing restrictions at our Parish, however we will continue to preregister for Masses until further notice through on-line -Eventbrite or calling the parish office during the week.



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