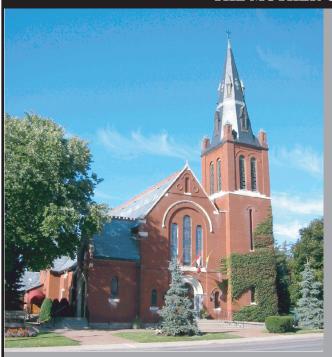
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#### Office Hours

Monday to Friday 9:30 a.m. - 4:00 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 approach the Priest after you have

participated at Sunday Mass.

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 & Ministries**

Please contact the Parish Office

#### **Archdiocese of Toronto**

1-416-934-0606 or www.archtoronto.org

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St. Gregory's & Resurrection 905-668-8912 or www.catholic-cemeteries.com

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905-576-6150 or www.dcdsb.ca

### Society of St. Vincent De Paul- Help Line

905-720-0003

#### **Letters of Reference for Catholic Teacher Applicants**

If you are a teacher, or one of your children is 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 for six months and participating in a Parish ministry before such a recommendation will be given. That is, applicants are expected to be practicing Catholics in good standing (https://bit.ly/PracticingCath). So, 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), they will be required to obtain a letter 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!

A question for self-reflection: am I a practicing Catholic in good standing (https://bit.ly/PracticingCath)?

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK	
TUESDAY	JUNE 7 <sup>TH</sup> - 12:10 pm.
	+ Alberto Iezzi, req. his wife Ada
WEDNESDAY	JUNE 8 <sup>TH</sup> – 7:00 p.m.
	+ Jim Luciuk, req. Marg Luciuk
THURSDAY	JUNE 9 <sup>TH</sup> 12:10 p.m.
FRIDAY	JUNE 10 <sup>TH</sup> - 7:00 p.m.
	+ Alberto Iezzi, req. his wife Ada
SATURDAY	JUNE 11 <sup>TH</sup> -5:00 p.m.
SUNDAY	JUNE 12 <sup>th</sup>
8:00 A.M.	For the parishioners (pro populo)
9:30 A.M.	Deceased family members of Manuel & Gloria
	Desousa
12:00 P.M.	Deceased family members of Brian Small



# Welcome Back Parish Barbecue Sunday, June 26th 1p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Come and Get Reacquainted!

St. Gregory Knights of Columbus and Catholic Women's League invite all parishioners to a parish barbecue on Sunday, June 26th,

from 1p.m. to approximately 2:30 p.m. We hope you and your family will come out and get reacquainted with your parish family – it has been a long time since we have gathered socially.



### Pope's Monthly Prayer Intentions for June:

#### For families

We pray for Christian families around the world; may they embody and experience unconditional love and advance in holiness in their daily lives.

www.usccb.org/prayers/popes-monthly-intentions-2022



We invite our parishioners, especially the seniors, to **be aware of online or phone scammers** 

(<a href="https://www.antifraudcentre-centreantifraude.ca/index-eng.htm">https://www.antifraudcentre-centreantifraude.ca/index-eng.htm</a>;

https://www.antifraudcentre-centreantifraude.ca/protectprotegez-eng.htm). Please don't open emails that supposedly come from our Parish or the Archdiocese of Toronto, unless they end with @archtoronto.org

#### OWNER OF ENVELOPE NUMBER 142 PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE.

#### **BECOME AN ALTAR SERVER!**

All boys and girls who have received First Holy Communion are invited to become altar ooimservers and join us at training on Saturday, June 11 from 2 pm - 3:15 pm.



## Happy Pentecost! Happy birthday to the Church!

In the Catholic Church, we celebrate Pentecost as a memorial of the Holy Spirit descending upon the Apostles and Mary, the Mother of God.

We celebrate it as a memorial, because through the liturgical celebrations of the Sacraments, especially the Mass, we have a possibility to receive the same descent of the Holy Spirit into our hearts and lives. May the Lord help us always to be so well disposed to welcome the Holy Spirit in an evergreater abundance.

Pray for the children who will receive the Holy Spirit this Pentecost Sunday through the Sacrament of Confirmation, and for those who will receive Jesus Christ the Lord in the First Holy Communion on the Corpus Christi Sunday (June 19<sup>th</sup>).

#### Priest's Message

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, as you are aware Fr. Keith Callaghan of Holy Cross will be retiring at the end of June and I will become Pastor of both, St. Gregory the Great, and Holy Cross Parish.

As I will be serving both parishes there will be a need to alter Mass times at <u>both</u> Parishes in order to minister in a fair manner

Therefore, I am proposing the following schedule:

#### ST. GREGORY THE GREAT

#### Weekday Masses at St. Gregory the Great

- Wednesday: 7 p.m.
- Friday 7 p.m.

#### Weekend - Sunday Masses at St. Gregory's

- Sunday: 8 a.m.
- Sunday: 9:30 a.m.

#### Confessions at St. Gregory the Great

Friday: 6 p.m. – 6:45 p.m.

#### HOLY CROSS

#### Weekday Masses at Holy Cross

- Tuesday: 8:30 a.m.
- Thursday: 8:30 a.m.

#### Weekend - Sunday Masses at Holy Cross

- Saturday Vigil: 4:30 p.m.
- Sunday: 12noon

#### Confessions

• Saturday: 3:30 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.

If you have any comments or concerns regarding this proposal, talk to me in person, or send me a message at <a href="mailto:stgregorythegreat@archtoronto.org">stgregorythegreat@archtoronto.org</a>, or, call me at 905-723-8141. In Christ, Fr. Marijan

Download your copy of the <u>St. Augustine's Seminary Spring</u> <u>2022 Newsletter *In Deum* here (https://adobe.ly/3lJh5hT)</u>.

#### Free Walker!

A parishioner has donated a slightly used walker with wheels and a seat. If you know someone who might be in need, please call the Parish Office.

### **SL ShareLife**

#### **ShareLife Goal Update**

Thus far our Parish has raised \$ 18,303.20 toward our goal of \$36,000. "Our goal can be met, but only with your help. I invite you to join today's generation of heroes by making a sacrificial gift to ShareLife. As you contemplate the blessings God has entrusted to you, please join me in giving to ShareLife to the best of your ability." – Cardinal Thomas Collins. Please give generously during the June 5th third ShareLife Sunday collection or at <a href="https://sharelife.org/">https://sharelife.org/</a>. If you haven't yet contributed, please make your sacrificial gift through the parish office or at sharelife.org. Thank you for supporting ShareLife!

On Sunday June 12 at 4 PM in General Sikorski Hall, 1551 Stevenson Rd N, Oshawa, there will be **Brahms'** *A German Requiem* **concert**. For tickets contact

resoundbizmanager@gmail.com or visit https://resoundchoir.ca/



We are inviting parishioners to consider getting involved in different parish ministries. We are currently seeking volunteers for: Gardeners, Hillsdale Mass Ministry, Hospitality, Lectors, and Eucharistic Minister Ministers for the sick and shut-ins, Altar Servers, Collection

counters, Screening Committee Co-ordinator.

Workshops for the different ministries will be held at a later date. The parish depends on and is grateful for the support of our parishioners through their time and talents. Please consider volunteering for one or more ministries. If interested, please call the parish office 9054-7213-8141.

All volunteer positions, a police check is required. If you are interested, please speak to Fr. Marijan after Mass.



### Totus Tuus Summer Camp is Coming to St. Gregory!

Youth of St Gregory the Great, Holy Cross, and (NEW!) St. Mary of the People Parishes are invited to join us for Totus Tuus this summer from July 17-22, 2022. Totus Tuus is an Archdiocesan camp program. The day camp, for children

entering grades 1-6 costs only \$100, runs Monday-Friday from 9am – 2:30pm. The evening program for Grades 7-12 costs only \$50 and runs Sunday-Thursday from 7–9pm. There is a discount for siblings. Register here (<a href="https://bit.ly/TotusTuus22">https://bit.ly/TotusTuus22</a>). For more information, please contact Jacquie or Fr. Marijan at <a href="mailto:stgregorythegreat@archtoronto.org">stgregorythegreat@archtoronto.org</a>. More information about camp at <a href="mailto:https://www.totustuustoronto.ca/">https://www.totustuustoronto.ca/</a>

#### **Pre-Authorized Giving**

The Archdiocese of Toronto has established a Pre-Authorized Giving Plan to assist you in your support of the work of St. Gregory The Great through your regular parish offerings. (This does not include ShareLife, Easter, Christmas or other special collections.) The work of our parish is made possible through the giving hearts of our parishioners. When you participate in Pre-Authorized Giving, your offering will be withdrawn from your account on the 20th day of the month and deposited to the Parish account.

#### Advantages for the donor:

Convenience. Your offering is received automatically every month. Continual support of your parish when you are away. Direct debit amount can be changed or cancelled at any time. Advantages for the Parish:

Regular, dependable flow of contributions to the parish. Reduction of paperwork and bookkeeping.

The Office of the Stewardship and Development of the Archdiocese of Toronto administers the Pre-Authorized Giving Plan for the parish. Please note that our parish office will issue tax receipt for all offertory gifts.

#### **Sunday Mass Obligation**

On March 13, 2020, Cardinal Collins issued a communication to the faithful of this archdiocese indicating that it was necessary to cancel public celebrations of the Eucharist on the coming Sunday, stating: "For this weekend and any other which may be required, I grant the faithful dispensation from their Sunday obligation".

Given that most of the health and safety restrictions in our parishes are no longer in place and the faithful are able to attend the celebration of the Eucharist once again, the basis for the dispensation from the Sunday obligation has dissipated and is no longer in effect.

The Church does not obligate people to do the impossible. If individuals, based on their conscience, cannot attend Mass for a grave reason, including a great vulnerability to COVID-19 or because they are self-isolating to limit the spread of illness, then they are excused from their Sunday obligation, as the law of the Church allows.

After two years of COVID-19 restrictions, many have been deprived of the opportunity to attend Mass and to receive the most Holy Eucharist and all of us have missed the opportunity to experience community, including members of our parishes. As we come to the celebration of Pentecost this weekend, we invite and encourage the faithful to return to the practice of attending Mass in-person.

#### **Praver Corner**

This week, please remember in your prayers: For the sick: Robert Normoyle, Teri Normoyle, For the recently departed: Joel Stevenson

**Prayer:** Lord Jesus Christ, we believe that You are our Lord and Saviour. We pray that you rekindle our faith and trust in You so that we may continue with the work that You have commanded us to do. **Amen.** 



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