

St. Gregory The Great

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Office Hours

Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon &
1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Weekend Mass

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

Weekday Mass

Tuesday 12:10 p.m., Friday 7:00 p.m.

Confession

Friday 6:00 p.m. - 6:45 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.

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

Letters of Reference for Catholic Teacher Applicants

If you are a teacher, from this Parish and require a reference letter, please note that you will have to be attending Mass here regularly for at least 6 months and if possible participating in a Parish ministry before such a recommendation will be given.

(<http://bit.ly/PracticingCath>). Teachers who are finishing teachers' college will need a pastoral letter from their own parish priest where they attend Sunday Mass.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK	
TUES.	NOV. 29 th - Mass- St. Gregory's 12:10 pm <i>Helen Herron Carroll req. Dana Kerr</i>
WED.	NOV. 30 th - Mass- Holy Cross- 8:30 am Saint Andrew, Apostle
THUR.	DEC. 1 st - Mass- Holy Cross- 8:30 am
FRI.	DEC 2 nd — Confessions St. Gregory's 6:00pm - 6:45pm Mass- St. Gregory's- 7:00 pm +Thomas & Florence Molly +Tim & Margaret Molly req. Anne Molloy-Grumeberg + Colleen Kennedy req. Dave & Pat Mitchell + Giuseppe Guarini req. by his wife, Angela Guarini
SAT.	DEC. 3 rd - Confessions- Holy Cross 3:30pm – 4:15 pm Mass- Holy Cross 4:30 pm
SUN.	DEC. 4 th -2 nd Sunday of Advent
8:00 am.	Mass- St. Gregory's – For the Parishioners
9:30 am	Mass- St. Gregory's + Americo & Angela Coscarella req. by Frank Coscarella, Lisa Martorelli & Families
12:00 pm	Mass- Holy Cross

Volunteer's Meeting

There will be a meeting for the current and new volunteers: Lectors (readers), Eucharistic Ministers for the Church, Eucharistic Ministers for Nursing Homes & Ushers (helpers in the church). The meeting will take place in the Church on **Wednesday November 30th** at 6:30. Fr. Marijan looks forward to seeing you there. If you can't make it to St. Gregory's, there will be a meeting at Holy Cross on **December 7** at 6:30 pm.

Volunteers Needed

-Mass at Hillsdale Terraces: 1st Tuesday of each month
-Mass at Hillsdale Estates: 3rd Tuesday of each month
-Counting money
For all volunteer positions, a police check is required (free of charge via the Archdiocese). If you are interested, please email stgregorythegreat@archtoronto.org or call 905-723-8141.

2023 Envelopes

The envelopes for 2023 will be available soon! When they are available, they will be at the back of the Church. Please keep an eye out for them.

We have ordered the Sunday Missals for 2023.

YOUNG ADULTS AT ST. GREGORY & HOLY CROSS!

There will be Young Adults Introductory meeting on Sunday **December 4, 2022** in the St Gregory's Hall at 5pm for ages 18-39. Bring yourself, a friend or couple of friends, and ideas for our new Young Adult ministry for both Holy Cross and St. Gregory the Great Parishes.



Young Adults!

St. Elisabeth of Hungary R.C. Church is hosting a Christmas Dinner and Dance for young adults between the ages of 19-35 on December 17th at 432 Shepherd Ave. East in Toronto.

Tickets are \$30 (<https://tinyurl.com/ydvcam4>). Cash bar.

First Holy Communion and Confirmation

Did you miss the Meeting & Registration for either First Holy Communion or Confirmation? Ask the priest for a registration form after participating at any Sunday Mass. **Today, November 27th at 10:45 is the 1st meeting for Confirmation at Holy Cross Parish Hall. Looking forward to seeing you there!**



Help homeless youth through ShareLife.

NEW: Your year-end gift to ShareLife will be matched by an anonymous donor up to a total of \$1 million.

Covenant House in Toronto, one of the agencies you support through ShareLife, welcomes the homeless and trafficked youth from throughout the Archdiocese.

“Your support gives hope to young people who need hope right now – and you give youth a real chance for a better future,” says the agency’s director.

Please give at the parish using ShareLife envelopes, online through our parish website, or at: www.sharelife.org/donate.

Advent Confessions

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

In preparation for Christmas and especially for worthy reception of the Eucharist, Fr. Marijan along with some help, will hear confessions:

December 15 – Holy Cross Parish

9:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. & 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

December 16 – St. Gregory the Great Parish

2:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m. until 6:45 p.m.

Book of Remembrance

During the month of November, you are invited to write in the names of loved ones who have died. They will be prayerfully remembered during the month.

Durham Catholic District School Board

Durham Catholic Children's Foundation is hosting a Virtual Auction Fundraiser with all the proceeds supporting students and families in the DCDSB schools. Amazing items to be won include Oshawa Generals tickets, signed merchandise from the National Ballet of Canada and local activities such as Reptilia and Putting Edge. Please visit www.dccfauction.ca from November 28th- December 2nd and for more information please email info@durhamcatholicfoundation.ca

Message from our St. Vincent de Paul

Our "Virtual Angel Trees" are back! The Society of St. Vincent de Paul would like our parishioners to consider donating gift cards of any value redeemable at various local stores such as:

Giant Tiger, Walmart, Superstore, Old Navy to name a few. You can also make donation by cheque or cash (write your envelope number to receive a charitable tax receipt) that the St. Vincent de Paul will convert to gift cards. The gift cards will be distributed to neighbours in need through the Christmas Outreach. There will be two boxes clearly identified located in the vestibule entrance and one box at the south side of the church to place your donations in. We will be collecting them from **November 13th** until on and including **December 5th**. Thank you for your support!

How to become a fully initiated Catholic?
The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Are you a non-Catholic or a non-Christian who would like to become a Catholic Christian, or even a Roman-Catholic who didn't receive First Communion or Confirmation? If yes, we invite you to join us for the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (R.C.I.A.) in St Gregory's sacristy in the church on Tuesdays beginning November 29 from 7pm-9pm.

Caroling at Hillsdale Estates and Terraces

Do you like to sing? Come join in Christmas Caroling Fun with the residents of **Hillsdale Terraces** December 9th, 10:30 am-11:30 am and/or **Hillsdale Estates** December 17th, 10:00 am-11:00 am. Dates and times to be confirmed. In order to participate, please bring your joyous voices and instruments to the **rehearsal on Dec. 8th at 7:00 pm at St. Gregory's Hall.**

The Pre-Authorized Giving Plan

The Archdiocese of Toronto has established a Pre-Authorized Giving Plan (PAG) to assist you in your support of the work of the Parish through your regular parish offerings. To accomplish the mission entrusted to us by Christ, the parishes depend entirely on the generosity of their parishioners. Pre-authorized giving allows you to give to your parish through scheduled monthly transfers from your bank account or credit card. These funds are then deposited directly to the Parish account.

There are various benefits of participating in pre-authorized giving, both for you and for your Parish.

Advantages for you:

- The convenience of having your offering automatically contributed to the parish.
- Knowing you continue to support the parish even when you are away.
- Continual support of ministries and programs funded through the parish.

Advantages for the Parish:

- Regular, dependable contributions to the parish.
- Reduction of cash on hand.
- Reduction of paperwork.
- For information on how to enrol, please contact our Parish office stgregorythegreat@archtoronto.org or email at development@archtoronto.org.

Pope's Prayer Intention for November

For children who suffer - We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection.

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



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