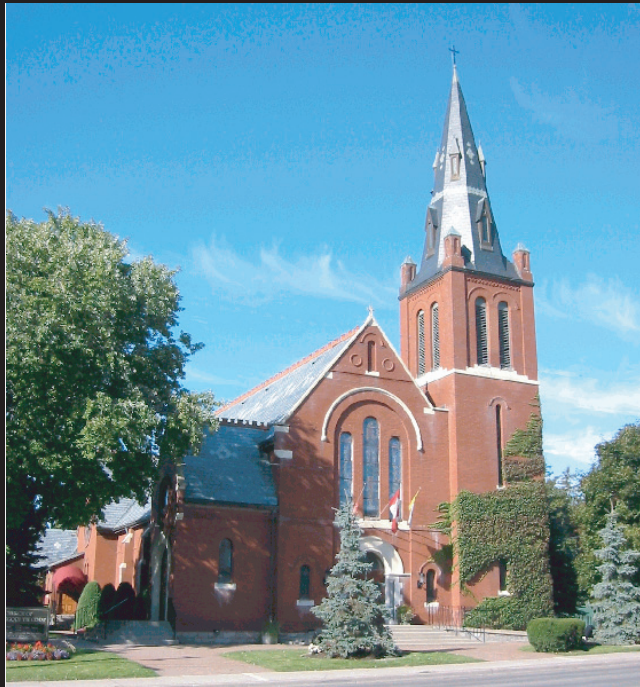


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Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon &
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Weekend Mass

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.

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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	
SUN.	Dec. 11th 8:00 am. Mass- St. Gregory's – For the Parishioners
SUN.	9:30 am Mass- St. Gregory's + Moyca Czako requested by husband John Czako
SUN.	12:00 pm Mass- Holy Cross
TUES.	Dec. 13th Mass- at St. Gregory's 12:10 pm Saint Lucy, Virgin and Martyr + Stephen Toutant requested by Heather Toutant
WED.	Dec. 14th Mass- at Holy Cross- 8:30 am St John of the Cross
THUR.	Dec 15th Mass- at Holy Cross- 8:30 am
FRI.	Dec. 16th Confessions and adoration at St. Gregory's 6:00pm - 6:45pm Mass- at St. Gregory's- 7:00 pm + Frank Lallemande requested by Amber Gormley and Family
SAT.	Dec. 17th - Confessions- at Holy Cross 3:30pm – 4:15 pm Mass- at Holy Cross 4:30 pm
SUN.	Dec. 18th -3rd Sunday of Advent
8:00 am.	Mass- at St. Gregory's – For the Parishioners
9:30 am	Mass- at St. Gregory's + Edmund and Anastasia Boudette requested by Pat and Dave Mitchell
12:00 pm	Mass- at Holy Cross

Advent Confessions

In preparation for Christmas and especially for worthy reception of the Eucharist, there will be confessions:

December 15th – Holy Cross Parish

9:00 am- 11:30 am & 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm

December 16th – St. Gregory the Great Parish

2:00 pm- 5:00 pm & 6:00 pm- 6:45 pm

Resources: <https://bit.ly/Confession2022>



The Sanctuary Candle

The Sanctuary Candle is burning bright this week for Rose Bland as requested by Marg Roesch and Brian Coughlin.

Christmas and New Years' Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve – December 24, 2022:

*There will be no Confessions on December 24th at Holy Cross

4:30pm -Holy Cross

7:00pm – St. Gregory the Great

Christmas Day – December 25, 2022:

8:00am – St. Gregory the Great

9:30am – St. Gregory the Great

12noon – Holy Cross

New Year's Eve – December 31, 2022:

4:30pm – Holy Cross

New Year's Day: January 1, 2022:

8:00am – St. Gregory the Great

9:30am – St. Gregory the Great

12noon – Holy Cross

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.

www.sharelife.org/donate.

Masses on YouTube for Holy Cross and St. Gregory's

Those of us who are unable to join us at Sunday Masses may see our Sunday Masses here (<https://www.holycrossoshawa.ca/>), or here (<https://www.youtube.com/@holycrossparishoshawa1093>).

Seniors Christmas Luncheon: St. Gregory the Great

Knights of Columbus and Catholic Women's League invite all seniors to join them for a **complimentary Christmas Turkey Dinner at St. Gregory's Parish Hall today, December 11, at 1:00 p.m. at St.**

Gregory's Church Hall for an afternoon of fellowship with entertainment generously provided by the "Stringalongs." **Donations are accepted but not required.**

A Message from Jacqui

“As some of you may know, our Parish Secretary Jacqui Martin had a horrific fall almost a month ago and will be off for quite some time. She asked to publish an announcement in our bulletin to thank all the parishioners of St. Gregory's for the many cards, flowers, text messages and emails. She is very grateful and appreciates all the love and support.”

YOUNG ADULTS AT ST. GREGORY & HOLY CROSS!

We have founded a young adults ministry for ages 18-39 for both Holy Cross and St. Gregory the Great Parishes. Our first meeting will be a Social Cappuccino night in St. Gregory's Hall on January 13, 2023 at 7:40 pm following the adoration and confession at 6 pm and Mass at 7 pm in the church. Let's grow in communion with the Lord Jesus and His Church – each other!

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.



Caroling at Hillsdale Estates and Terraces

Would you like to bring some Christmas joy to our seniors? Come join in **Christmas Caroling** with the residents of Hillsdale Estates on December 17th, 10:00 am-11:00 am. Dates and times to be confirmed.

A big 'thank you' to the Knights of Columbus for sponsoring the Missals for the people.

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

Christmas Pageant at Holy Cross

Sacred Heart Academy is pleased to present our annual Christmas Pageant program on Sunday December 18 following the 12-noon Mass in Holy Cross Parish Hall. Sacred Heart Academy is a nursery-to-grade-8 for and by Catholic homeschool families in Durham Region and the Eastern GTA (<https://www.facebook.com/SHAcademyCoop/>). We meet weekly for prayer, learning, fellowship, and formation as a complement to our at-home-schooling.

Confirmation

Parents are invited to come with their children to our 2nd session for Confirmation after participating at 9:30 Mass at Hall Cross Parish Hall.

Baptism

If you are interested in having your child Baptized please request a registration form from the priest after attending the Sunday Mass.

**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? Are you 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. This will be RCIA for Holy Cross and St. Gregory's.

Missals for 2023 are here! Suggested donation \$5

Calendars are at the back of the church. Suggested donation \$2.

ENVELOPES

Envelopes 2023 are available to be picked up at the back of the church. Please pick up the envelope with your name and address since the numbers change every year. If you are recently new to our parish, please contact the parish office to receive a blank box of envelopes. Please don't use these envelopes until 2023.

DONATIONS FOR 2022

Donations must be received in the Parish Office by December 31st, 2022 to be receipted for the 2022 taxation year. Any donations received after December 31st will be recorded in the 2023 taxation year.



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