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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	
SUN.	Feb 26th 8:00 am Mass at St. Gregory's +Ann-Marie Egan requested by Brian and Linda Egan
SUN.	9:30 am Mass - For the People
SUN.	12:00 pm Mass at Holy Cross
TUES.	Feb 28th 12:10 pm Mass at St. Gregory's +Domenic Petrea and Mar-Anne Ruzzo requested by Margherita Petrea
WED.	March 1st 8:30 am Mass at Holy Cross
THUR	March 2nd 8:30 am Mass at Holy Cross 5:00 pm <u>Stations of the Cross-- Holy Cross</u>
FRI.	March 3rd 5:30 pm <u>Stations of the Cross-- St. Gregory's</u> 6:00 pm-6:45 pm Confession and adoration with 7:00 pm Mass at St. Gregory's
SAT.	March 4th - Confession and adoration 3:30 pm-4:15 pm with 4:30 pm Mass at Holy Cross
SUN.	March 5th - <u>Second Sunday of Lent</u>
SUN.	8:00 am Mass at St. Gregory's - For the People
SUN.	9:30 am Mass at St. Gregory's -
SUN.	12:00 pm Mass at Holy Cross

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.holycrossshawa.ca/>), or here (<https://www.youtube.com/@holycrossparishshawa1093>).

TOTUS TUUS

Totus Tuus is looking for young adults between the ages of 18-39 who would be interested in serving as a Totus Tuus missionary. Please apply at, www.totutuustoronto.ca/missionary-program

All About Fasting and Abstinence

Fasting is the limitation of food and drink, typically to one main meal and two smaller meals, with no solid foods in between. (But remember to drink enough fluids!). We fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. We fast because it helps us to pray better. An empty stomach can lead to more attentive prayer. Catholics aged 18-59 are bound to fast. Those with impaired health should not fast in any way.

Abstinence is avoiding certain kinds of food or drink, typically meat or other desirable foods. Catholics are obliged to abstain from meat every Friday throughout the year (except solemn feast days). Instead of abstaining, you may substitute special acts of charity or piety on Fridays. We abstain on Fridays because it's the day of Christ's saving death on the Cross; we abstain to share in His work of saving the world. Catholics aged 14 and older are obliged to abstain.

(<https://www.archtoronto.org/en/offices-and-ministries/sub-sites/lent/home/lent/>)



Hospice & Palliative Care Help Line
'HopeLine' – 416-619-5700

Call Hope Line, which is an information resource tool made by the Archdiocese, to help you establish connections with hospice palliative care options within your home community (<https://bit.ly/HopeLineTO>).

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Confirmation Preparation Class #5 will be today at Holy Cross Parish Hall after the 9:30 am Mass. First Holy Communion Candidates will meet in the Church on **Saturday, March 4th, 2023 at 10:30 am.**

LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY: STAND
SAT. MARCH 4TH, 2023

Lift Jesus Higher Rally will be at Metro Toronto Convention Centre. For Tickets, details and registration please visit <https://www.ljhr.ca/>, email: contact@LJHR.ca or by phone: 647-243-9441

'HOW TO GO TO CONFESSION' GUIDE

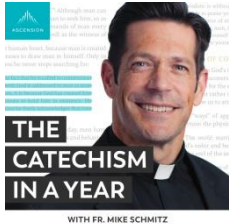
Download this resource in English (and seven other languages) at: <https://bit.ly/ConfessionGuides>.

Stations of the Cross during Lent



All are welcome to join us at the Way of the Cross every Friday in Lent at 5:30pm. Adoration and confessions will be as usual at 6pm, and Mass at 7pm.

Catechism in a Year- Podcast



Join Fr. Mike Schmitz on a journey through 365 days of the reading of the Catechism of the Catholic Church, where he provides listeners with explanation, insight,

and encouragement along the way. Go to:

<https://ascensionpress.com/pages/catechisminayear>

14TH ANNUAL - DYNAMIC WOMEN OF FAITH CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Saturday, March 25, 2023 – 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Old Mill Toronto Event Venue, 21 Old Mill Road Toronto. Register: www.dynamicwomenfaith.com, <https://dwf2023.eventbrite.ca/> or (416) 907-1042

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING - PAG

If you wish to use the Pre-Authorized Giving Method for your Offertory envelopes, please pick up a form available at the back of the Church. Thank you!

INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

Please contact the Parish office if you have not yet received your income tax receipt.

Father Ron Rolheiser Retreat

Friday March 3 - Sunday March 5.
Theme - *Wrestling with God and with Love – Resistance and Surrender Within Our Spiritual Journey*

For more information, contact:
Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre
905-278-5229, or, office@qoa.ca

In Deum Magazine Winter 2023 edition
Download Winter 2023 digital edition of *In Deum* Magazine <https://staugustines.on.ca/publications>

Come & See - Discernment Weekend Retreat

Is Jesus calling you to be His priest? If yes, *come and see* at a Weekend Discernment Retreat for men 18 years and older, at St. Augustine's Seminary on Friday, March 17 (6:30 p.m.) until Sunday, March 19 (2:30 p.m.). This Retreat offers a way for men to discern a possible call to priesthood at our seminary. Register online at www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee More info: vocations@archtoronto.org



Do you need a job?

Visit www.archtoronto.org/careers for the latest employment opportunities.



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Two devastating earthquakes and hundreds of violent aftershocks in Turkey and Syria have caused great destruction in both countries. The Archdiocese of Toronto will accept donations and channel funds through Catholic partners (including Caritas Canada, Aid to the Church in Need, CNEWA, and Jesuits International) to support relief efforts underway. **Those wishing to help may do so in the following ways:** Online: (<https://www.archtoronto.org/en/contact-us/donations/donate-pages/donate-to-turkiye-and-syria-relief/>), or, by phone through the Development Office – 416-934-3411; or, through the parish, making cheques payable to: *St Gregory Oshawa – Turkey and Syria Earthquake – Humanitarian Relief*

True Devotion to Mary

Hosted by the Legion of Mary. Learn in this 9-week course the De Montfort way of consecrating yourself to Jesus through Mary. Every Saturday morning after the 9am Mass at St. Gertrude's Parish, Oshawa (690 King St. E.) March 4th – April 29th except April 8th. Each class will be 1.5 hrs.

Consecration Day and Mass will be on Saturday, May 13th, 2023. Course is free - \$20 per book.

Register: <http://truedevotioncourse.eventbrite.com>, phone: 905-433-0828 (The Parish Office), or email: durhamcuria@gmail.com

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