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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.

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.	March 5th 8:00 am Mass at St. Gregory's - For the People
SUN.	9:30- am Mass at St. Gregory's + Rose Macken Ryan req. by the Macken Girls
SUN.	12:00- pm Mass at Holy Cross
TUES.	March 7th 12:10 pm Mass at St. Gregory's +Theresa LeBreton requested by Florence, Carole and family
WED.	March 8th 8:30 am Mass at Holy Cross
THUR	March 9th 8:30 am Mass at Holy Cross 5:00 pm- <u>Way of the Cross-- Holy Cross</u>
FRI.	March 10th 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 + Guisepe Guarini requested by Angela Guarini
SAT.	March 11th- Confession and adoration 3:30 pm-4:15 pm with 4:30 pm Mass at Holy Cross
SUN.	March 12th - <u>Third Sunday of Lent</u>
SUN.	8:00 am- Mass at St. Gregory's + Deceased Members of the DeSousa Family requested by Manuel and Gloria DeSousa
SUN.	9:30 am- Mass at St. Gregory's - For the People
SUN.	12:00 pm- Mass at Holy Cross



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>).

Do you need a job?

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

AN INSPIRATION FOR LENT

As announced at Sunday Masses, access this link (<http://bit.ly/Catholicebooks>) to get inspired, especially at this time of Lent and beyond, with an excellent and copyright-free e-book, audiobook, or a quality article. There are various resources for children and youth, adults, and the elderly, for faith formation, or a quality distraction.

In Deum Magazine Winter 2023 edition

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

Masses on YouTube for Holy Cross & 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/@holycrossparishoshawa1093>).

LENTEN CONFESSIONS

Holy Cross—March 23rd, 2023

9:00 am to 12:00 pm and 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

St. Gregory's---March 30th, 2023

9:30 am to 12:00 pm and 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm

'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 at St Gregory. Adoration and confessions will be as usual at 6pm, and Mass at 7pm. The Way of the Cross at Holy Cross is every Thursday at 5pm.



Elderly and Housebound

If you have an elderly, frail or ill family member who is housebound, please call the office, give your contact information and the priest will make a point of visiting to administer their yearly Sacraments during this Lent.

Catholic Women's League

The C.W.L. will be hosting their March meeting on March 19th at St. Gregory's Parish Hall following the 9:30 am Mass.

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.

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



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

Low-gluten hosts for people with celiac disease

Do you have celiac disease, that is, an allergy to gluten? You may ask the priest or the sacristan before the Mass to receive a low-gluten host during communion.

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/>)

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

Earthquake victims' assistance

You may help the victims of devastating earthquakes in Syria and Turkey here: (<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*.



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