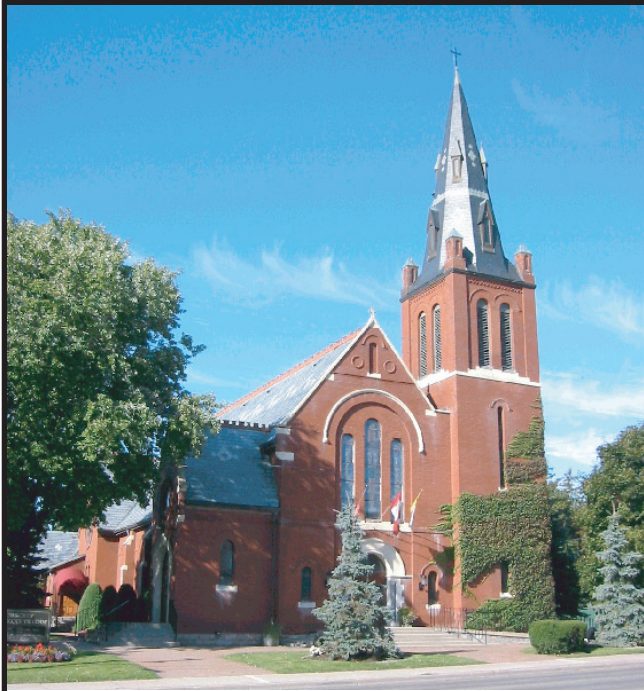


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## Pastor

Fr. Marijan Sisko

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David MacInnis

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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.

## Natural Family Planning:

Helping married couples live out the teachings  
of the Catholic Church  
[bit.ly/NFP-Brochure-OFD-SMI](http://bit.ly/NFP-Brochure-OFD-SMI)

## Catholic Cemeteries

St. Gregory's & Resurrection  
905-668-8912

or [www.catholic-cemeteries.com](http://www.catholic-cemeteries.com)

## Durham Catholic District School Board

905-576-6150  
or [www.dcdsb.ca](http://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 SCHEDULE

SUN.	<b>February 4<sup>th</sup></b> 8:00 am – <b>Mass at St. Gregory's For the People</b>
SUN.	9:30 am – <b>Mass at St. Gregory's + Alcides Jeronimo</b> , req. his Family
SUN.	12:00 pm <b>Mass at Holy Cross</b>
TUES.	<b>February 6<sup>th</sup> - Saint Paul Miki &amp; Companions, Martyrs</b> 12:10 pm <b>Mass at St. Gregory's – Adoration after Mass*</b> + <b>Alberto Iezzi</b> , req. his Wife Ada
WED.	<b>February 7<sup>th</sup></b> 8:30 am <b>Mass at Holy Cross</b>
THUR	<b>February 8<sup>th</sup></b> 8:30 am <b>Mass at Holy Cross</b>
FRI.	<b>February 9<sup>th</sup></b> 6:00 pm-6:45 pm- St. Gregory's <b>Confessions and Adoration</b> 7:00 pm <b>Mass at St. Gregory's + Shirley LeFleur</b> , req. Orval & Laura Stortz + <b>Deceased members of the DeSousa Family</b> , req. Manuel & Gloria DeSousa
SAT.	<b>February 10<sup>th</sup> St. Scholastica, Virgin</b> 3:30 pm- 4:15 pm-- Holy Cross Confession - 4:30 pm <b>Mass at Holy Cross</b>
SUN.	<b>February 11<sup>th</sup></b> 8:00 am <b>Mass at St. Gregory + Joseph Gabourie</b> , req. Lea Gabourie
SUN.	9:30 am - <b>Mass at St. Gregory's For the People</b>
SUN.	12:00 pm - <b>Mass at Holy Cross</b>

### COUNTDOWN TO LENT!

Ash Wednesday is coming! Lent begins February 14<sup>th</sup>! When we're mentally and spiritually prepared, it's easier to stick with our resolutions. Do things that help you. If you need visual reminders, consider making some for yourself. Many people benefit from the "note-on-the-bathroom-mirror" tactic. Choose a Bible verse for Lent and stay inspired that way. And let's pray for each other.

### DISTRIBUTION OF ASHES

Ash Wednesday Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024

8:30 A.M. Holy Cross

7:00 P.M. St. Gregory's

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Please join us for the Stations of the Cross every Friday after the 7:00 p.m. Mass at St. Gregory's During Lent.

### REMINDER!!!!

Please do not use envelopes from previous years or other people's envelopes as this causes confusion for our records. If you are a visitor to our parish, "WELCOME", but please only use the pink visitor envelopes available in the pews or the exits of the Church. Thank you

### Parish Coffee Sunday

Please join us in the Church Hall after the 8:00 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. **Masses next Sunday February 11<sup>th</sup>** for tea, coffee and refreshments sponsored by St. Gregory's K of C and CWL. We hope you will take a few minutes after mass to join your fellow parishioners for a brief social.

### SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

**Baptism:** If you are interested in having your child Baptized, please request a Registration Form from Fr. Marijan after attending the Sunday Mass.

Please contact the office to **register your child for First Holy Communion or Confirmation.**

**First Communion Prep Class #4 at 10:45 a.m.**

TODAY- Sunday **February 4<sup>th</sup>** at St. Gregory the Great Parish Hall (190 Simcoe St. N.)

**Confirmation Prep Class #4 at 10:45 a.m.**

NEXT Sunday **February 11<sup>th</sup>** in Holy Cross Parish Hall (373 Simcoe Street South)

**Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)**

-Tuesdays from 7pm-9pm in the Sacristy of the church for Catholics who wish to receive the Sacraments, and for non-Catholics who would like to become Catholics.

### JOB OPPORTUNITY IN YOUTH MINISTRY



St. Gregory the Great and Holy Cross Parishes in Oshawa are looking to hire a full-time youth minister. The deadline for application is February 16, 2024.

More information at, (<https://bit.ly/workasYMatHCSTG>) OR, (<https://bit.ly/3vg6lO4>)

### Durham Young Adult Ministry

(Ages 19 - 35)

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Calling all young adults (19 - 35) in the Durham Region. Please join us on **Friday, Feb 9<sup>th</sup> for 7pm mass at Holy Family Parish** (91 Ribblesdale Dr.) in Whitby followed by a social at Playdium (75 Consumers Dr. Building V). Looking forward to seeing you there! For more information or to get involved please contact Samantha Goh, Eastern Region Young Adult Minister, at [sngoh@archtoronto.org](mailto:sngoh@archtoronto.org) or 416.599.7676

### The sick:

Teri Normoyle, Elizabeth Gilchrist  
Anita Osso

### For the recently departed:

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**Join us at Faith Formation**  
**Study: Theology of the Body**  
**PART 2 Redemption of the Body**

You are invited to join us for a Faith Formation Study: Theology of the Body of St. John Paul II, presented by Paul Coates, (M.Div.). In Part II we will reflect on the mystery of Redemption of our bodies by our Lord Jesus Christ. Join us at St. Gregory's Parish Hall (190 Simcoe St. N., Oshawa), for eight Thursdays beginning January 25 to March 21, 2024, except March 14, from 7 pm to 9 pm. The cost is \$40 per person, students may make a donation, and everyone is welcome! REGISTER: [bit.ly/TOBSTGTWO](https://bit.ly/TOBSTGTWO) or, <https://bit.ly/TOBSTGTWO>

**HEART TO HEART GALA**

Saturday, February 24, 2024 at Deer Creek Golf & Banquet Facility.

Join us for an elegant evening including 3-course dinner with wine, DJ-Dance, silent/live auction, raffles and games. The funds raised allow our highly-trained staff to provide quality counselling services to over 2300 community members each year. Tickets are just \$120 each. To purchase tickets or to participate in the online silent auction, visit <https://trellis.org/heart-to-heart-gala-2024>.

**Information From the Archdiocese of Toronto**

**OFFICE OF PUBLIC RELATIONS & COMMUNICATIONS**

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops Episcopal Commission for Justice and Peace has released its Pastoral Letter on the use of social media entitled: "Let Your Speech Always Be Gracious." The release of the letter on January 24, 2024, was timed to coincide with the liturgical memorial of Saint Francis de Sales, who is invoked as a patron saint of writers, publishers and those working in the field of communications. The Pastoral Letter, which may be of particular interest to those working in youth/young adult ministry, is available in electronic format and can be downloaded from the CCCB website:

[www.cccb.ca](http://www.cccb.ca)

**LENTEN RETREAT**

"Plan for a retreat at St. Augustine's Seminary! You are invited to join us on February 24 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. for our Spirit & Life Series Lenten Retreat with Fr. Eric Rodrigues. This event will be held at St. Augustine's Seminary, 2661 Kingston Rd., Scarborough. The theme of the retreat will be 'The Holy of Holies,' in which Fr. Eric will explain the various rituals and prayers of the Mass. Please register early, as space is limited for in-person events: <https://staugustines.on.ca/events-listing/st-augustinesspirit-life-series-lenten-retreat>.

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- You helped sponsor 708 refugees on their journey to safety and freedom in Canada;
- You extended a helping hand to over 1,600 young parents and their children;
- and • You provided accessible, dignified support to over 2,300 people with special needs and their families.

Thank you for living the Gospel by providing for those in need!

**OFFICE OF VOCATIONS**

Come & See — Discernment Weekend Retreat — March 15–17, 2024 at St. Augustine's Seminary From: Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Director, Office of Vocations The Office of Vocations will be hosting a Come & See Weekend Discernment Retreat for men 18 years and older, at St. Augustine's Seminary on Friday, March 15 at 6:30 p.m. until Sunday, March 17 at 2 p.m. This Retreat offers a way for men to discern a possible call to priesthood at our seminary.

**MARRIAGE SUNDAY MASS**

Archbishop Francis Leo will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, especially those celebrating milestone wedding anniversaries in 2024. The Mass will take place at 3pm on Sunday February 11, 2024 at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica. All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their marriage commitment during the Mass. All are welcome to attend. **Couples celebrating 25th, 40th, 60th or 60+ anniversary in 2024 may register for reserved seating.** Reserved seating is limited, so please register early. All other seating is on a first-come, first served basis. Those who are unable to attend at the Cathedral are invited to join the celebration via livestream Mass. Registration and other important information can be found at [www.archtoronto.org/marriage](http://www.archtoronto.org/marriage).


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