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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

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 Schedule & Mass Intentions	
SUN.	March 10 th
	8:00 am ~ Mass at St. Gregory's
	~ For the People
SUN.	9:30 am~ Mass at St. Gregory's
	+ Theresa Le Breton req. Louise, Carole &
	Family
SUN.	12:00 pm Mass at Holy Cross
TUES.	March 12 th
	12:10 pm Mass at St. Gregory's – <i>Adoration</i>
	after Mass*
	+ Alberto lezzi, req. his Wife
	+ Peter & Mary Anne Ruzzo, req. Their Daughter
WFD.	~ Intentions of Teri Normoyle March 13th
VVLD.	8:30 am Mass at Holy Cross Parish
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THUR	March 14th
EDI	8:30 am Mass at Holy Cross
FRI.	March 15 th
	6:00 pm-6:45 pm- St. Gregory's <i>Confessions</i> and <i>Adoration before Mass*</i>
	7:00 pm Mass at St. Gregory's
	+Annie Marshall, reg. her Family
	+Paul Loder, reg. Pat & Dave Mitchell
	~Intentions of Elizabeth Gilchrist
SAT.	Marth 16 th
	3:30 pm- 4:15 pm - Holy Cross Confession - 4:30
	pm Mass at Holy Cross
SUN.	March 17 th
	8:00 am Mass at St. Gregory
	~ For the People
SUN.	9:30 am - Mass at St. Gregory's
	+ Alcides Jeronimo, req. his Family
SUN	12:00 pm - Mass at Holy Cross

Thought for the week 4th Sunday of Lent

Today, we find ourselves at the fourth Sunday of Lent, over halfway through our Lenten journey of reflection, penance and spiritual discipline. Today's readings remind us of the importance of living out our faith through good works and service to others. We are called to be witnesses to the love of Christ in the world, to reflect His light and to share His message of hope with all whom we encounter. We are called to action, to play the role that Pope Francis says we all have in saving each other.

Pope Francis released his prayer intention for March, asking for prayers for the martyrs of our day, and recalling a story he was told by a widowed Muslim man who recounted the martyrdom of his Christian wife as she defied terrorists.

Mass and Retreat: "The Sixth Sorrowful Mystery"

All are invited, especially the Parishioners of St. **Gregory's** and Holy Cross to our Lenten Retreat.

Fr. Eric Rodrigues, of St. **Augustine's** Seminary will discuss the spirituality of Lent and the Cross, drawing upon the mysteries of the Rosary. He will explain how our own personal Lent, being united to Christ in His sufferings, becomes like that "sixth" mystery. The retreat will begin with a Mass at 7 PM on March 14, 2024, at St. **Gregory's** church, 194 Simcoe St N, Oshawa.

Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross during Lent Please join us for Stations of the Cross every Thursday at Holy Cross at 5:00pm, and every **Friday at St. Gregory's** after the 7:00pm Mass. All are welcome!

Please Note - Mass Intentions

We have been granted permission to have two multiple intention weekday Masses on Tuesday at 12:10 pm and Friday at 7 pm at St. **Gregory's**, and on Wednesday and Thursday at 8:30 am at Holy Cross. *It means that we may have up to 20 Mass intentions per Mass. That is, in case you would like to have a Mass intention for the living or deceased, and someone's name is already there, your Mass intention may be added to the Mass as well.*

Income Tax Receipts

The Archdiocese is in the process of mailing income tax receipts for 2023. If you do not receive one by the end of March, please contact the parish office and we will look into it for you.



Join us at Faith FormationStudy: 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 or, https://bit.ly/TOBSTGTWO

Sacramental Preparation

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

First Holy Communion Prep Class #6
Lesson #6 – April 7th @ 10:45 in our Parish Hall
Confirmation Prep Class #5
Lesson #6 – April 14th at 10:45 a.m.
in Holy Cross Parish Hall (373 Simcoe Street South)

LENTEN CONFESSIONS

Holy Cross - March 21st,2024
9:00am to 12:30pm and from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm
St. Gregory's - March 22nd, 2024
10:00 am to 12:00 pm and 3:00 pm - 6:45 pm
Both Parishes will have two priests

Totus Tuus Summer Camp 2024

The Totus Tuus summer camp will be taking place here at St. Gregory's from July 8th to July 12th for students in grades 1-12. An announcement will be coming soon as to when registration will begin and how you can help volunteer. Please see the following link for more information about the camp: https://www.totustuustoronto.ca/

Marriage Preparation

Attention engaged couples!
Marriage Preparation Course available
St. John The Evangelist
903 Giffard Street, Whitby
Monday evenings April 8 to May 13, 2024 @7pm - 9pm
Register in person or call 905-668-3676
cost \$300 per couple, includes materials.

Bursary For Students

The Knights of Columbus in Ontario recognizes the importance of Post-Secondary School education so the Ontario State Chaplains Bursary program was established to award to 5 successful applicants each year a Bursary of program \$1,000.00 This each. is available for YOUTH and ADULTS. It provides a bursary to assist Knights and members of their families entering the first year of post-secondary education into a full-time program at a University or College in Ontario. The deadline for applications is June 1st, 2024. For more information on how to apply please use this link.

https://ontariokofc.ca/programs/faith-in-action/community/bursary/

Come & See — Discernment Weekend Retreat

On March 15 - 17, 2024, we are offering a weekend Discernment Retreat at St. Augustine's Seminary for single men aged 18+ who feel the Lord may be calling them to discern the priesthood. The retreat will start on Friday evening at 6:30pm and end on Sunday afternoon at 2:00pm. Meals & Accommodations will be provided. To register www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee. For more information, vocations@archtoronto.org



The sick:
Donna Martin, Teri Normoyle, Elizabeth
Gilchrist
For the recently departed:
Kent Fee

Young Adult Ministry

Calling all young adults ages 19 – 35 in the Durham region. Please join us for our next ministry night happening on Friday, March 15th, 2024 at St Gregory the Great Parish (214 Simcoe St N, Oshawa, ON L1G 4S9). We will begin the evening with (optional) Adoration and confession at 6pm, followed by 7pm Mass. There will be an opportunity to pray the Stations of the Cross with the community after Mass. We will be preparing our hearts for Holy Week and hearing from Fr Marijan Sisko, who will be reminding us that the purpose of Lent and Easter is ultimate to get us into heaven. Join us for our Lenten pit-stop as we persevere through prayer and spend some time with the community this Lenten season. For more information or to get involved please contact Samantha Goh, Eastern Region Young Adult Minister, at sngoh@archtoronto.org or 416.599.7676

The Cross Of Christ

Friday, March 22, 2024, 7pm St. John
The Evangelist Church- 903 Giffard Street, Whitby
An original oratorio based on the last 7 words of Christ on the
Cross presented on the threshold of Holy Week. This Lenten
concert is a catechetical musical presentation of Christ's suffering
and His tremendous love for us. Join us for a very special Operatic
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composed and performed by Romulo Delgado, one of Canada's
top tenors. Tickets \$75/pp Hard tickets available in the Parish
Office of St. John the Evangelist. 905-668-3676
https://mission.archtoronto.org/Event/TheCrossOfCh

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