

# St. Gregory The Great

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## Pastor

Fr. Marijan Sisko

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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.

<b>Mass Schedule &amp; Mass Intentions</b>	
SUN.	Sept. 22 Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:00 am ~ For the People 9:30 am + Fr. Antonio Aidos Ferreira, req. Manuel & Gloria DeSousa
SUN.	12:00 pm Mass at Holy Cross
TUES.	Sept. 24 <b>Multiple Intentions</b> 12:10 pm Mass at St. Gregory's – <b>Adoration after Mass</b> Intentions of a Parishioner +Kevin O'Hare, req. his sister Brenda
WED.	Sept. 25 8:30 am Mass at Holy Cross Parish
THUR.	Sept. 26 8:30 am Mass at Holy Cross Parish
FRI.	Sept. 27 <b>Multiple Intentions</b> 6:00 pm-6:45 pm <b>Confessions and Adoration</b> 7:00 pm Mass at St. Gregory's + Cesar Rizzutto, req. his Family + All souls in Purgatory, req. Manuel & Gloria Desousa
SAT.	Sept. 28 <b>Saint Matthew</b> 3:30 pm- 4:15 pm - Holy Cross Confessions 4:30 pm Mass at Holy Cross
SUN.	Sept. 29 Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time <b>Mass at St. Gregory's</b> 8:00 am ~ For the People 9:30 am + Antonia Rocha req. Manuel & Gloria DeSousa
SUN	12:00 pm - Mass at Holy Cross



**RENEW Toronto 2024  
Young Adult Conference**

Join us on Saturday, November 23 and 24 for an unforgettable experience at our annual conference for young adults aged 19–39! This is your chance to grow in faith alongside like-minded individuals who are in the same exciting stage of life. Whether you're a student, young professional, young couple or part of a family, this conference has something special just for you! If you have any questions, please feel free to email us at [youth@archtoronto.org](mailto:youth@archtoronto.org) or visit our website [renewtoronto.org](http://renewtoronto.org) for more information!



St. Gregory and Holy Cross are starting a new Program for our youth in grades 6-8. Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday October 2 from 6:15 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in St. Gregory's Hall. It will run every other Wednesday. Download [registration form](https://linktr.ee/ymstghe) <https://linktr.ee/ymstghe> or scan QR code. For more information or to register, please contact our youth minister Kim Carson at: [ymstghe@archtoronto.org](mailto:ymstghe@archtoronto.org)

**Young Adults at St. Gregory The Great  
Socials and Faith Formation**

**Who:** ages 18-39  
**Socials:** Every 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month, 6:30pm-9:30pm.

**Faith Formation: Wisdom**  
A nine-part faith formation program, every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month, beginning Saturday, September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024, 6:30pm

**Where:** St. Gregory's Parish Hall 190 Simcoe St. N.  
**Connect and Register**



[stgregsandholycrossya@gmail.com](mailto:stgregsandholycrossya@gmail.com)  
Instagram: @stgregsandholycrossya  
<https://linktr.ee/stgregsandholycrossya>

**Jubilee of Youth 2025 Pilgrimage**



Calling all young adults (ages 19 - 39), join Fr. Paul Magyar from the Office of Catholic Youth and Fr. Marijan for a pilgrimage of a lifetime! Please fill out the form in the link below to receive updates about our information session and registration.



**Date:** July 23<sup>rd</sup> – August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025  
**Location:** Rome, Italy  
**Interest Form:** <https://bit.ly/YA25Jubilee>

**Blessing of Animals – Friday October 4**

We will have blessing of animals on the feast day of St Francis of Assisi at St Gregory's. The animals will be blessed on October 4 from 5pm-5:30pm in front of the entrance to the Church. Please keep your pets safe, if you plan to bring a lion, please keep it caged.

### **Sacramental Preparation**

Registration for **First Holy Communion** will be next Thursday September 26<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00p.m. in our Parish Hall. Parents you must bring: **a copy of your Child's Birth Certificate** and a copy of their Baptismal Certificate to the Registration.

**Confirmation** registration will be on Wednesday September 25 from 6 to 8 pm. Parents you must bring: **a copy of your Child's Birth Certificate** and a copy of their Baptismal Certificate to the Registration.

Would you like to become a Catholic, or are you a Catholic who has not been confirmed? Join us at the **Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (R.C.I.A.)**. Ask the priest for a registration form.



### **What? The Mystery of God: Who God Is and Why He Matters**

**Who & why?** We will have a faith formation study where Bishop Robert Barron will teach us how to respond to atheism and learn how we can turn the tide of secularism and draw people back to God.

**When?** Every Thursday beginning October 24 to December 5, 2024, from 7 PM to 9 PM.

**Where?** In St. Gregory's Hall, West entrance, 190 Simcoe St N, Oshawa.

**Cost?** \$40 or freewill offering.

**How?** Register here (<https://bit.ly/tmofg>), or scan with your camera QR Code. Invite a friend.

**Contact us:**

[stgregorythegreat@archtoronto.org](mailto:stgregorythegreat@archtoronto.org) 905-723-8141



The CWL will be having their meeting today September 22<sup>nd</sup> following the 9:30 mass in the church hall. All ladies of the parish are welcome to attend the meeting.

### **Bishop's Collection**

On September 22<sup>nd</sup> 2024 the Annual Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada will be held. The money raised will help finance the activities of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCCB). This organization was created by and for the Bishops of Canada to support one another in their pastoral responsibilities and to respond to major issues in Canadian society and the Church. For more information please visit: [www.cccb.ca](http://www.cccb.ca). Envelopes will be located at the back of the Church.

### **St. Gregory's St. Vincent de Paul Report for the Month of August**

Families: 23; Adults: 26; Children: 9;  
Distributed: \$800. Opening Balance: \$1,595.  
Distributed: \$800. Total remaining: \$795.  
Added: +\$2,200. Closing Balance: \$2,995.

We would like to thank our parishioners for their continued support which enables us to help the poor in our neighborhood.

If you are contributing to the poor box each week or even periodically, please be aware that if you put your donation in an SVDP envelope with pertinent information you will receive an income tax receipt at the end of the year.

### **Help Needed for Sacramental Preparation**

We are looking for volunteers to join the Sacramental Teams including First Holy Communion, Confirmation, and RCIA. Please call or email the office if you are interested.

### **Lay Pastoral Visitors Training - Registration Now Open**

The annual archdiocesan training for Lay Pastoral Visitors will be offered online on Wednesdays, Oct. 23, 30, Nov. 6, 13, 20 & 27 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. This program will prepare you to provide pastoral visits and bring Holy Communion to the sick, elderly and homebound of our parish communities who are unable to attend Mass. There is no cost to attend but register early as capacity is limited. REGISTER: <https://bit.ly/LPVT-RegisterOctNov2024> by Oct. 22, 2024 or contact Saulina Amaral, [samaral@archtoronto.org](mailto:samaral@archtoronto.org) or 416-934-3400 ext. 518

### **Life Chain ~ October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

Please join us to silently and prayerfully intercede to the Lord to end abortion and heal our nation, to partner our love and protection with God for local preborn and to witness for the millions lost in Canada through abortion. Life Chain will be held October 6<sup>th</sup> on the corner of Simcoe and Adelaide. Meet in the parking lot for 2 pm. Rain or Shine.



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