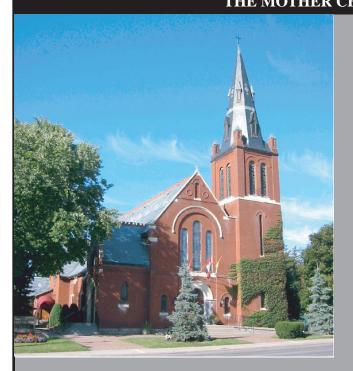
# **St. Gregory The Great** ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH FOUNDED 1843 THE MOTHER CHURCH OF DURHAM



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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.	November 17 <sup>th</sup> <b>33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> <b>Mass at St. Gregory's</b> 8:00 am For the People of the Parish 9:30 am +Iolanda Savignano req. by Family
SUN.	12:00 pm Mass at Holy Cross
TUES.	November 19 <sup>th</sup> 12:10 pm Mass at St. <b>Gregory's –<i>Adoration</i></b> <i>after Mass</i> + Paul & Robyn, req. Their Family + Rachel Gouthro, req. The Mitchell Family
WED.	November 20 <sup>th</sup> 8:30 am Mass at Holy Cross Parish
THUR	November 21 <sup>st</sup> 8:30 am Mass at Holy Cross Parish
FRI.	November 22 <sup>nd</sup> 6:00 pm-6:45 pm <i>Confessions and</i> Adoration
	<b>7:00 pm Mass at St. Gregory's</b> ~ Intentions of Marie Young ~For holy vocations to the Priesthood, religious life, single life, holy courting and Marriages
SAT.	November 23 <sup>rd</sup> 3:30 pm- 4:15 pm - Holy Cross Confessions 4:30 pm Mass at Holy Cross
SUN.	November 24 <sup>th</sup> <b>Our Lord Jesus Christ, King</b> <b>of the Universe – Bible Sunday</b> 8:00 am For the People 9:30 am + Robert Dunlop, req. The Blight Family

# **Sacramental Preparation**

**First Holy Communion**: You can still register at the parish office before the next class which will be held today **Sunday November 17<sup>th</sup> at 10:45 am at St. Gregory's 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**: You can still *register at the parish office before the next class* which will be on **Sunday November 24<sup>th</sup> at 10:45 am at Holy Cross Parish Hall. Parents you must bring: a copy of your Child's Birth** Certificate and a copy of their Baptismal Certificate to the Registration

#### <u>Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults – RCIA:</u>

Would you like to become a Catholic, or are you a Catholic who has not been confirmed? Join us on Tuesdays at 7 pm in *St. Gregory's Hall*.



Today is World Day of the Poor. Your Society of Saint Vincent de Paul invites you to help our less fortunate brothers

and sisters, especially at this uncertain time.

# The Youth & Young Adults Corner







Holy Cross have started a group for

our youth in grades 6-8. Our next meeting will be held on **Wednesday November 27<sup>th</sup> from 6:15 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in St. Gregory's Hall**. It runs every other Wednesday. Download <u>registration form</u> <u>https://linktr.ee/ymstghc</u> or scan QR code. For more information or to register, please contact our youth minister Kim Carson at: <u>ymstghc@archtoronto.org</u>

Below is our youth minister Kim Carson and our Youth Group Edge having fun celebrating All Saints Day.



<u>Young Adults 18-39 St. Gregory The Great</u> <u>Socials and Faith Formation</u> Next Social: <u>December 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm</u> Faith Formation: Wisdom, a nine-part faith formation program, every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the



month. *The next meeting* **December 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:30pm** Where: St. Gregory's Parish Hall 190 Simcoe St. N. *Connect and Register* stgregsandholycrossya@gmail.com Instagram: @stgregsandholycrossya https://linktr.ee/stgregsandholycrossya

#### Jubilee of Youth 2025

Calling all young adults (ages 19 - 39), join Fr. Paul Magyar, Fr. Marijan, and the OCY team for a pilgrimage of a life time in Rome, Italy, July 23rd – August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025.



Interest Form: <u>https://bit.ly/YA25Jubilee</u>

## World Youth Day in the Archdiocese of Toronto

will be celebrated on Sunday, November 24, the Solemnity of Christ the King. Archbishop Francis Leo is inviting young adults 19-39 to join at Mass with him at St. **Michael's Cathedral** Basilica on November 24th at 2:00 p.m. for the Mass and the social following Mass.

"Those who hope in the Lord will run and not be weary" (cf. 1s 40:31)

Keep your love for your Parish alive. Please remember St. Gregory's Parish in your will.



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

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. Every Thursday until December 5, 7-9 PM. **St. Gregory's Hall, West entrance, 190 Simcoe S**t N Cost? \$40 or freewill offering. Register here (<u>https://bit.ly/tmofg</u>) <u>stgregorythegreat@archtoronto.org</u> 905-723-8141

## **CWL NEWS**

The CWL will once again be having a Christmas Raffle during the month of November. We will be raffling off 3 hand made quilts with various other goodies including Generals Tickets. We will once again have 3 early bird draws as well. The money raised will be used to support the various charities in our parish. Ticket sales will begin on November 10th at the back of the church. This year there will also be an opportunity for you to take a booklet of tickets home to sell to family and friends. The draw will take place on December 1st. The CWL appreciate all of your support in this endeavour.

## ST. MICHAEL'S CHOIR SCHOOL GLORIA!

St. Michael's Choir School Christmas Concert at Massey Hall Saturday, December 14 at 7 p.m. A holiday tradition, this is the Choir School's 59th annual Christmas concert, packed with exceptional works including Vivaldi's Gloria, Carol of the Bells and The Star Carol. Tickets are now available at <u>www.masseyhall.com</u>. Please use Promo Code: STARLIGHT.

For more information, please call 416-397-6367.

**SLShareLife** Your love is helping put food on the table. Your gift will double in value! From November 1 until year end, your **contribution to our parish's ShareLife campaign will be** matched by an anonymous donor up to a total of \$500,000. Through your support for ShareLife and the Food Security Grants, your unwavering love is not just a source of hope but a tangible lifeline, ensuring that food finds its way to the tables of those who need it most. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at www.sharelife.org/donate.

## St. Vincent de Paul News

**"Angel Trees"** for children of our neighbours in need is now underway. Please take a tag with a **child's age on it and return it with a gift card from a** local retailer. If your preference is cash or cheque, SSVP will use it to purchase gift cards on your behalf. Please return the tags and gift cards or donations to the box under the trees by December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023 at the latest.

## **Personal Hygiene Kits:**

Kits should include: Toiletries, Dish-Washing Liquid, Sanitary Napkins. Make up a kit, or donate individual items. Please leave the items in the wooden box in the vestibule of the Simcoe St. entrance to the Church. We will gather them weekly and prepare kits for distribution at Christmas. If you are interested in joining our Conference, we always need new members!! **Call our Help Line 905-720-0003, leave your name and phone number and we will call you.** 

#### <u>World Day of the Poor - November 17, 2024</u> Theme is: "The prayer of the poor rises up to God"

Excerpt from Pope Francis' Message: "It is a pastoral opportunity not to be underestimated, for it challenges every believer to listen to the prayer of the poor, becoming aware of their presence and needs. It is an opportune occasion to implement initiatives that concretely help the poor and to recognize and support the many volunteers who dedicate themselves passionately to those most in need. We must thank the Lord for the people who make themselves available to listen to and support the poorest among us. The poor still have much to teach us because in a culture that has placed wealth at the forefront and often sacrifices the dignity of people on the altar of material goods, they swim against the tide, highlighting that what is essential for life is something else entirely." To read Pope Francis' message, please visit: https://bit.lv/4f7fMTU

#### WE REMEMBER OUR DECEASED IN PRAYER

**ALL SOULS ENVELOPES** are in your box of envelopes, and at the back of the Church. The envelopes, with the list of names you wish remembered, will be placed before the altar and remembered at all Masses during November.

#### **Book of Remembrance**

During the month of November, you are invited to write in the names of loved ones who have died. They will be prayerfully remembered during the month. Liturgical Publications 3171 LENWORTH DR. #12 MISSISSAUGA, ON L4X 2G6 1-800-268-2637

