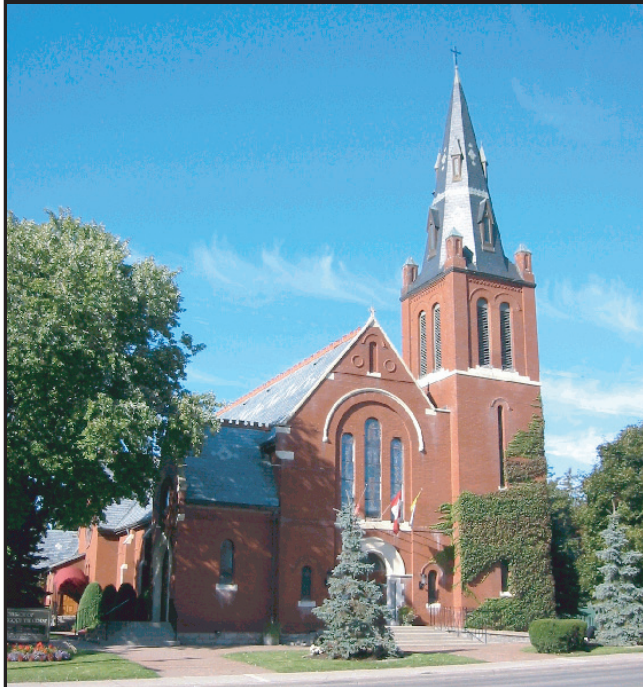


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Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon &
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Weekend Mass

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.

Natural Family Planning:

Helping married couples live out the teachings of the Catholic Church
bit.ly/NFP-Brochure-OFD-SMI

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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.	January 12, 2025 Baptism of the Lord 8:00 am For the People 9:30 am + Neda Granic, req. Thomas Granic 12:00 Noon Mass at Holy Cross
TUES.	January 14 th 12:10 pm Mass at St. Gregory's
WED.	January 15 th 8:30 am Mass at Holy Cross Parish
THUR.	January 16 th 8:30 am Mass at Holy Cross Parish
FRI.	January 17 th 6:00 pm-6:45 pm Confessions and Adoration 7:00 pm Mass at St. Gregory's
SAT.	January 18 th 3:30 pm- 4:15 pm - Holy Cross Confessions 4:30 pm Mass at Holy Cross
SUN.	January 19 th 8:00 am For the People 9:30 am Intentions of the Bowness Siblings, req. by Sue Harrington 12:00 pm Mass at Holy Cross



With today's Feast of the Baptism of the Lord and the beginning of commemorating Jesus' adulthood, some may think we're in a time of lesser importance. The truth is that today isn't just a great feast, but a very great one. Here, the Holy Trinity is manifested for the first time. The Father speaks

from heaven, the Son is present, and the Holy Spirit descends.

Sacramental Preparation

First Holy Communion: You can still register at the parish office. The next class will be on **Sunday January 12th 2025 10:45 am** at St. Gregory's Parish Hall- 190 Simcoe Street North. 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. The next class which will be **Sunday January 19th at 10:45 am** at Holy Cross Parish Hall. – 373 Simcoe Street South. Parents you must bring: a copy of your Child's Birth Certificate and a copy of their Baptismal Certificate to the Registration

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults-RCIA: 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**.

JUBILEE YEAR 2025 - PILGRIMS OF HOPE



During the Jubilee Year 2025, Pope Francis is calling on all the faithful to become Pilgrims of Hope and participate in the Jubilee events.

Archbishop Francis Leo has chosen St. Gregory's to serve as a pilgrimage church in the Eastern Region for the upcoming Ordinary Jubilee of the Year 2025. In honor of St. Gregory's Church being chosen, Bishop Vincent Nguyen will be here to celebrate **Mass on Wednesday January 29th at 7:00 p.m.**



Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

January 18-25, marks the annual celebration of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. This year's message of John 11:26, **"Do you believe this?"** inspires us to pray and work together for the unity willed by Christ for the Church.

Join Rev. John A. Boissonneau on Sunday, January 19, 2025, 4 p.m. at North City Church (377 Woodbridge Ave. Woodbridge, Ont.)



Catholic Family Services Durham:

The HEART TO HEART GALA is celebrating its 20th Anniversary Gala on February 22nd, 2025. Tickets are

\$120 each Please visit

<https://trellis.org/hearttoheartgala2025>

Marriage Preparation Course

St. Leo's Parish Brooklin

Thursday, May 1, 2025, Friday, May 2 & Saturday, May 3 at 6:00 pm – 8:30pm.

Call to register 905-655-3286

Offertory Envelopes for 2025

If you use BOXED ENVELOPES, your boxed set for **2025**, are at the back of the church to be picked up. They are in alphabetical order. We ask that you **PLEASE** take yours home today as we have limited space and use only the envelopes for 2025. Thank you.

If you are new to the Parish and would like to have a box issued to you, please call the office during the week and a box will be assigned to you and placed at the back of the church the following weekend.

The work of our Parish is made possible through the giving hearts of our Parishioners. The Parish operates its programs and maintains its buildings (Church, Hall and Rectory) only through the regular donations of you, the Parishioners, to pay for expenses and capital costs. We thank you for your support!

Horizons of Hope: Palliative Care & End-Of-Life Issues

You are invited to join fellow parishioners every Monday beginning January 6th to learn more about compassionate care and end-of-life issues through a Catholic lens.

Location: Holy Family Parish

Time: 10 am-12 pm **OR** 7:30 pm-9:30 pm

Horizons of Hope is a 4-session program developed by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCCB). It explores how palliative care is understood from a perspective of Catholic moral and pastoral theology. Designed to educate and empower parishioner by addressing questions surrounding palliative care, dying, death, suffering, accompaniment and bereavement in a holistic way, this program will run for 4 weeks in January.

This program is FREE.

To Register: hwhitbyhoh@gmail.com

Please include name, email address, phone and time preference. To learn more about Horizons of Hope visit www.CCCB.ca



The Sanctuary lamp burns for the month of January for the intentions of

Audrey MacNeil requested by the Collection Counters.

Let us pray for our priest(s) and fellow Parishioners; for the Church and holy vocations; for peace, and salvation of the world; and for all the deceased.

The Youth Corner



St Gregory the Great and Holy Cross have



started a group for our youth in grades 6-8 and it continues to grow every week! **Our next gathering is on Wednesday January 22nd, 2025 from 6:15 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in St. Gregory's Hall.** EDGE usually runs every other Wednesday. Download **registration form:** <https://linktr.ee/vmstghc> or scan QR code. For more information or to register, please contact our youth minister Kim Carson at: vmstghc@archtoronto.org

Young Adults 18-39 St. Gregory's Socials and Faith Formation

Next Social: January 18th, 2025 at 6:30pm

Faith Formation: Every 3rd Saturday of the month. ***The next meeting will be Saturday February 15th, 2025 at 6:30pm***

Where: St. Gregory's Hall, 190 Simcoe St. N.

Connect and Register at:

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 5th, 2025. Interest Form: <https://bit.ly/YA25Jubilee>



High School Come & See



Day Retreat for Young Men in Grades 11 & 12 at St. Augustine's Seminary on Saturday January 18, 2025 8:30 am – 4:00 pm **Register at www.vocationstoronto.ca/hscomesee**

Marriage Sunday

Bishop Ivan Camilleri will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, with special recognition for those celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+ wedding anniversaries in 2025. The Mass will take place at 2:30 p.m. Sunday February 9, 2025, at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond St., Toronto). All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their marriage commitment.

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



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