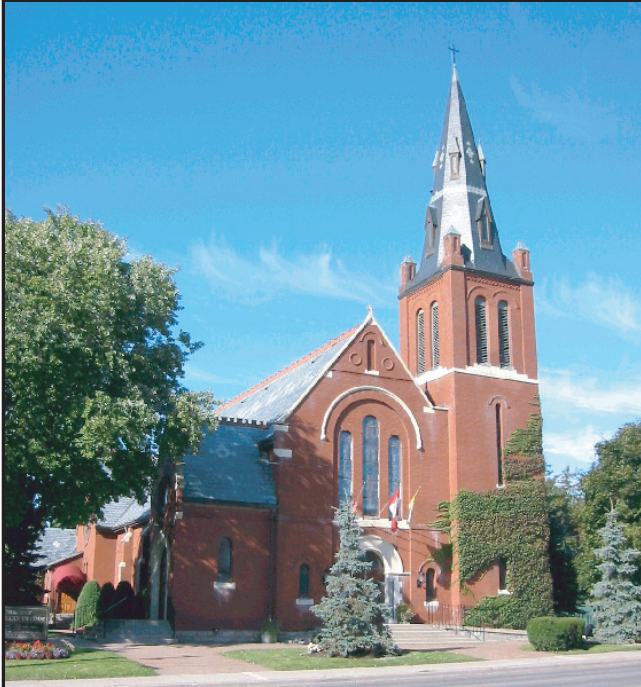


St. Gregory The Great

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH
FOUNDED 1843
THE MOTHER CHURCH OF DURHAM



OFFICE

194 Simcoe St. N.
OSHAWA, ON L1G 4S9

Tel: 905-723-8141

web site: www.stgregorythegreat.archtoronto.org

email: stgregorythegreat@archtoronto.org

Pastor

Fr. Marijan Sisko

Deacon

David MacInnis

Administrative Assistant

Jacqueline Martin

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 23 rd Third Sunday of Lent 8:00 am For the People 9:30 am + Antonio Bruni, req. his Wife & Children 12:00 Noon Mass at Holy Cross |
| TUES. | MARCH 25 th – The Annunciation Of The Lord 12:10 pm Mass at St. Gregory’s + Deceased members of St. Gregory’s Parish |
| WED. | MARCH 26 th 8:30 am Mass at Holy Cross Parish |
| THUR. | MARCH 27 th 8:30 am Mass at Holy Cross Parish |
| FRI. | MARCH 28 th 6:00 pm-6:45 pm Confessions and Adoration 7:00 pm Mass at St. Gregory’s + Ammini Paul, req. a friend + John Delhaise, req. St. Gregory’s Knights of Columbus |
| SAT. | MARCH 29 th 3:30 pm- 4:15 pm - Holy Cross Confessions 4:30 pm Mass at Holy Cross |
| SUN. | MARCH 30 th Fourth Sunday of Lent 8:00 am For the People 9:30 am + Harold McNamara, req. St. Gregory’s Knights of Columbus |

Pope Francis’ Lenten Message 2025: ‘Let us Journey Together in Hope’ Pope Francis has centered his Lenten message for 2025 on the Journey Together in Hope. To read his full message, please visit: <https://tinyurl.com/3w7t5c8k>

Collection for Dr. Simone – A Lenten Project

As a Lenten project, Dr. Andrew Simone is asking for donations of paper, pencils and personal hygiene soap. Dr. Simone is the founder of Canadian Food for Children. This organization is a charity which collects funds and food for starving children around the world. Please place any donations in the box at the back of the church. We will be collecting donations until **April 13th**. Thank you in advance!

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**, and every Thursday at 5 pm at Holy Cross during Lent.

Student and Adult Volunteers needed For Totus Tuus Summer Camp

Do you want to help the children and youth of the parish have a fun and faith-filled experience? Please consider joining our team of volunteers! For more information about volunteering to help with this program, please speak to Fr. Marijan or you can contact the office stgregorythegreat@archtoronto.org or 905-723-8141.

Lenten Confessions

In preparation for Easter, and especially for worthy reception of the Eucharist, there will be confessions:

April 3 - Holy Cross Parish 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. Fr. Marijan & 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. two priests

April 4 – St. Gregory the Great Parish 3:00 p.m. to 6:45p.m. two priests

Confession Resources:

www.archtoronto.org/confessions

Elderly and Housebound

If you have an elderly, frail or ill family member who is housebound, please call the office, give your contact information and the priest will make a point of visiting to administer their yearly Sacraments during this Lent.

First Communion Prep Class #7 at 10:45 a.m.
Today - Sunday March 23rd, 2025 at St. Gregory’s Hall
Confirmation Prep Class #7 at 10:45 a.m.
Next Sunday March 30th in Holy Cross Parish Hall.
RCIA is at St. Gregory’s Hall on Tuesdays at 7 PM.



**1st Collection Next Sunday
March 30th, 2025**

Thank you for heeding the Lord’s call to feed the hungry. For many children, the snacks and meals they receive in school may be the only nutritious food they eat all day. **Studies show that children can’t learn and thrive when they are hungry.** Thanks to you, \$750,000 in Food Security Grants are making a difference across our community. Students receive the nourishment they deserve, and parents are supported in the process. The FoodShare program at ShareLife-funded agency Rosalie Hall “is a lifeline for families,” says their Executive Director, Jane Kenny. “It helps parents provide food for their children, reduces their stress, and allows them to focus on being the best parents **they can be.**” Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, through our parish website, or at www.sharelife.org

Keep your love for your Parish alive. Please remember St. Gregory’s Parish in your Will.

The Youth Corner



St Gregory the Great and Holy Cross have started a group for our youth in grades 6-8 (grades 5-9 are welcome). Our next gathering will be **Wed. April 2nd 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/ymstghe> or scan QR code. For more information or to register, please contact our youth minister Kim Carson at: ymstghe@archtoronto.org



Young Adults at St. Gregory the Great & Holy Cross Socials and Faith Formation

Who: ages 18-39. **PLEASE NOTE NEXT SOCIAL IS MARCH 29TH 6:30-9:30pm**

Faith Formation: WISDOM A nine-part faith formation program. Next meeting is **April 12th, 6:30pm – 9:30pm** at St. Gregory's Parish Hall 190 Simcoe St. N.

Connect and Register: stgregsandholycrossya@gmail.com

Instagram: @stgregsandholycrossya

<https://linktr.ee/stgregsandholycrossya>

Dominican Friars Youth Interfaith Video Contest 2024 (Runs until April 15, 2025)

Theme: "Faith as a Pathway from Division to Unity."

Students (ages 13–19 years) in the Catholic School located in the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to participate. Students are encouraged to make a three-minute video encapsulating the theme. Register on the website and submit their entries by filling in the details on the submission form at: <https://bit.ly/DFVCSsubmission>

TOTUS TUUS – MARK YOUR CALENDAR

The celebrated Catholic camp program, Totus Tuus (meaning totally yours) **is coming back to our parish the week of July 6th 2025 - July 11th 2025!** It is an excellent Catholic camp program, exciting and full of activities to help our young people grow in their faith as well as enjoy the summer. More information regarding registration dates and volunteering will be coming soon.

TOTUS TUUS is looking for families to host our Missionaries (Camp Leaders) for the week of July 6th, 2025 – July 11th, 2025. If you would like to volunteer for any days or evenings with the children or if you are a Secondary School student looking for volunteer hours we can use your help! Please contact our Youth Minister Kim Carson 905-723-8141 or ymstghe@archtoronto.org



Looking to make new friends? Want a chance to hang out with other like-minded students? If you attend Ontario Tech University, Durham College or Trent University (Durham/GTA), join us at St. Joseph the Worker Parish for this free monthly event. Join us for 5pm Mass every second Saturday of the month, followed by our social with free dinner, fellowship, games and more! <https://oshawacatholic.ca/>

Knights of Columbus Ontario State Bursary

Attention all graduating high school students! The Knights of Columbus Ontario State board is offering 5 bursaries valued at \$1,000 each. Candidates must either be a Knight or related to a member in good standing. Deadline is June 1st 2025. For more information please visit <https://shorturl.at/tJoUv>

Consecration to Mary

At Pope Francis's invitation, Cardinal Frank Leo has asked us to consecrate ourselves to the Blessed Virgin Mary on March 25. In addition to this day, we will (re)consecrate ourselves to the Mother of our Lord Jesus on the following Sunday, March 30 at Masses. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us. Resources at <https://bit.ly/constom>



Are you civilly married or in a common law relationship, with previous marriages or divorces? If yes, contact the priest so that we can see how to help you seek an annulment and (or) Marriage in the Church. In this way, eventually, you will be able to receive the Sacraments with good conscience.



LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY POWER FROM ON HIGH Next Saturday // March 29, 2025 // 9AM-5:30PM For tickets and information, visit www.LJHR.ca. For sponsorship and advertisement opportunities, contact us at <https://ljhr.ca>

Healing after Abortion: The Sisters of Life

Do you know someone who is carrying the grief of a past abortion? There is always hope. The pain and sorrow of abortion does not need to endure for a lifetime. A "Day of Prayer and Healing" offers the opportunity to experience the love and mercy of God and to respond to His invitation to begin the journey of healing the wound of abortion.

Upcoming date: April 5, 2025

For more details, locations, and confidential registration, or to talk to a Sister, please call the Sisters of Life at (416) 463-2722 or reach us by email at toronto@sistersoflife.org

CHURCH SUPPORT

Please consider signing up for Pre-Authorized Giving or P.A.G. Donating in this way saves you time, leaves you with cash on hand, less paper, and knowing that even if you are away, your donation will still be received by the church. To sign up, please visit the Rectory or go to development@archtoronto.org

Let us pray for our priest(s) and fellow Parishioners; for the Church and holy vocations: that there may be holy bishops, priests, deacons, and religious; holy marriages, families and holy single people; for repentance, salvation and peace in the world; and for all the deceased.



The Sanctuary Lamp burns for the month of April in Memory of Linda Formosa



**EMBER'S
GAS
FIREPLACE
SERVICE**

All Makes
Cleaning & Fans
Fully Licenced, Insured
905-728-0499
www.gasfireplaceservice.ca
Parishioners

Marks & Pellegrino
Barristers and Solicitors
Bradley J. Marks, LL.B.
Steven Pellegrino, LL.B.
905-728-5151/905-240-7797



CATHOLIC CEMETERIES
FUNERAL SERVICES
In keeping with your Catholic faith
www.catholic-cemeteries.com
Resurrection Cemetery
905-668-8912

CREIGHTON LAW LLP
Barristers & Solicitors
235 King St. E.
905-723-3446
Serving the community for
over 140 years



McIntosh-Anderson-Kellam
FUNERAL HOME LTD. EST. 1853

Meeting Your Family's Needs
John O. Kellam - Funeral Director
152 King St. E. **905.433.5558**

**THE PERFECT SPOT
TO ADVERTISE YOUR BUSINESS!**




**TO ADVERTISE IN THIS SPACE PLEASE CALL
1-800-268-2637**



BERRY HILL
FOOD COMPANY
Downtown Oshawa's Best Brunch
Catering & Restaurant
82 King St. W. **905.240.9055**

DR. PETER RIORDAN
Family Dentistry
Riordan Building,
973 Simcoe St. N.
905-433-0737



Don't leave our
advertisers **HANGING!**
Please patronize and
tell them that you
appreciate their
support
Your advertisers make
this bulletin possible
**EAT LOCAL
SHOP LOCAL
ENJOY LOCAL**

Call 1-800-268-2637 for this space

**Oshawa
Health
Centre**



PHARMACY

All Drug Plans Accepted
Free Delivery
247 Simcoe St. N. 905-576-4400



Theresa
Grant
Sales Representative
*Because
Trust is
Everything*

O: 905-831-2222
C: 905-431-1128
theresagrangroup@gmail.com
Royal Heritage Realty
*Real Estate, Brokerage
Independently owned and operated*

B.T.T.R
WINDOW & DOOR PRODUCTS INC.

Clare Pearce



909 Simcoe St. N.,
Unit 1B
Oshawa, ON L1G 4W1

905-571-2887

**SALES REPRESENTATIVE
WANTED**

Liturgical Publications, your weekly bulletin printer has
an opening for a **full time Sales Representative.**
Base Salary • Commission • Car Allowance • Travel Expenses
If you have a drive to succeed and are self-motivated,
email your resume to salesrep@parishbulletins.com

Remember...
Let our advertisers
know you saw
their ad here.



Remember...
Let our advertisers
know you saw
their ad here.




**Shopping
Locally
Saves Gas**