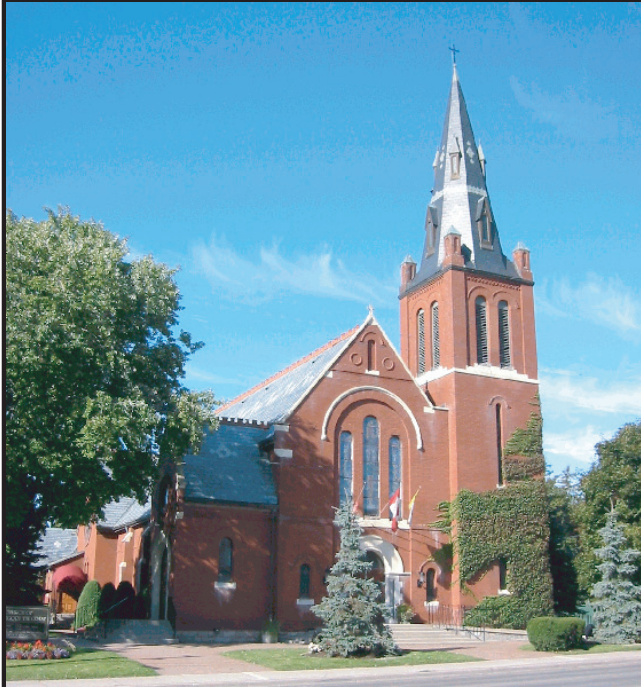


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## Pastor

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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.	April 6 <sup>th</sup> Fifth Sunday of Lent 8:00 am For the People 9:30 am + Americo & Angela Coscarella 12:00 Noon Mass at Holy Cross
TUES.	April 8 <sup>th</sup> <b>12:10 pm Mass at St. Gregory's</b> + Alberto Iezzi + Elizabeth Sheedy + John Delhaise
WED.	April 9 <sup>th</sup> 8:30 am Mass at Holy Cross Parish
THUR.	April 10 <sup>th</sup> 8:30 am Mass at Holy Cross Parish
FRI.	April 11 <sup>th</sup> 6 pm-6:45 pm <b>Confessions &amp; Adoration</b> <b>7:00 pm Mass at St. Gregory's</b> + Rosa Presta, req. her Children + Guiseppe Guarini, req. his wife Angela
SAT.	April 12 <sup>th</sup> 3:30 pm- 4:15 pm - Holy Cross Confessions 4:30 pm Mass at Holy Cross
SUN.	April 13 <sup>th</sup> <b>Palm Sunday</b> 8:00 am For the People 9:30 am + Lionel Kelly, req. Kim & Paul Killens

**A Lenten Project by Dr. Simone**

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 13<sup>th</sup>**. Thank you in advance!

**Image of Mary Arrives at Jubilee Pilgrimage Churches**

A special image of Mary, chosen by Cardinal Leo, has been delivered to St Gregory's and the [pilgrimage churches](#) identified for the Year of Jubilee. This image will be displayed prominently in pilgrim churches throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto during this most holy year.

In the words of His Eminence as part of his [communication](#) regarding the Consecration of the Archdiocese of Toronto to Mary, Mother of God:

*“As was the wish of the crucified and dying Lord Jesus who entrusted the Beloved Disciple to Our Lady and Our Lady to the Beloved Disciple (John 19: 25-27), so we too are called by Christ to welcome his Mother as our mother and to create space for her in our spiritual home, our faith, our community, our family, our life.”*

May the image of Mary deepen our spiritual journey as pilgrims of hope during this Year of Jubilee. For more information on the Year of Jubilee in the Archdiocese of Toronto, click [here](#).

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

**Holy Week Schedule**

**Tuesday April 15<sup>th</sup>**

Mass at 12:10 – St. Gregory

**Wednesday April 16<sup>th</sup>**

**Mass at 8:30am – Holy Cross**

**Holy Thursday April 17<sup>th</sup>**

Mass at 5:00pm – Holy Cross

Mass at 7:00pm – St. Gregory's

**Good Friday April 18<sup>th</sup>**

Celebration of the Lord's Passion:

12– St. Gregory's followed by Stations of the Cross

3pm – Holy Cross followed by Stations of the Cross

**Easter Vigil Saturday April 19<sup>th</sup>**

Mass at 6:00pm – Holy Cross

Mass at 8:30pm – St. Gregory's

**Easter Sunday April 20<sup>th</sup>**

Mass at 8:00am – St. Gregory's

Mass at 9:30am – St. Gregory's

Mass at 12noon – Holy Cross

**Pontifical Collection - Good Friday, April 18, 2025**

On Good Friday a collection will be taken up at the request of the Holy See. It is for the support of the many social, education, and parish projects of the Church throughout the Holy Land, and it helps to assure the Church's presence and a measure of security and peace for our brothers and sisters. Please give generously to support the Church of the Holy Land and our brothers and sisters in their need.

**Building Collection**

The building collection will take place next weekend (April 13<sup>th</sup> 2025) Your monthly contributions help toward projects and repairs that may arise. Thank you in advance for your continuous contributions.

If you missed the **Lenten Confessions** last week there is

a list of local parishes of their dates and times for confession at the exits of the Church or visit

[www.archtoronto.org/confessions](http://www.archtoronto.org/confessions)

**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 5:00 pm at Holy Cross during Lent.

**First Communion Prep Class #9 at 10:45 a.m.**

*Today April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at St. Gregory's Hall*

**Confirmation Prep Class #7 at 10:45 a.m.**

*Sunday April 27<sup>th</sup> in Holy Cross Parish Hall.*

**RCIA is at St. Gregory's Hall on Tuesdays at 7 PM.**

**Join Us for a Night Vigil with Jesus Youth**

As we journey through Lent and approach Holy Week, Jesus Youth invite you to a Night Vigil on April 11<sup>th</sup> at St. Gregory Church. Join us from 10:00 PM to 3:00 AM for a sacred time of prayer, worship, and reflection.

Everyone is welcome to participate in this night of spiritual renewal. The church doors will be open—come and be part of this blessed gathering.

**Looking for Host Families & Volunteers**

**TOTUS TUUS** is looking for families to host our Missionaries (Camp Leaders) for the week of July 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025 – July 11<sup>th</sup>, 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](mailto:ymstghe@archtoronto.org)

**Attention All Parishioners**

It has come to my attention that some people, receiving on the hand, carry the Sacred Host back to their seats. This is forbidden. Please be sure to consume Jesus, truly present in the Sacred Host, right after you receive him, in such a manner that the priest may see that you have placed Communion in your mouth. You must consume the Host in the front of the minister of communion, right after receiving it. There are people who wish to steal consecrated Hosts. If you see anyone walking away without having consumed the Sacred Host, please alert the priest.



You open the door to safety from abuse

Your support of ShareLife-funded agencies is a saving grace for victims of domestic abuse. Maria was trapped in an abusive relationship, isolated from family and friends. A mother of three, pregnant with her fourth, she needed to escape for her safety and theirs. At Safe Centre of Peel, led by Catholic Family Services Peel-Dufferin, 17 partner agencies unite to care for families. They provide legal assistance, safe housing, and financial aid. Through your solidarity, Maria and her young children were able to secure the freedom they deserve. Our Parish ShareLife goal for 2025 is \$34,000. Please give at the Parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at [www.sharelife.org](http://www.sharelife.org)



**11<sup>th</sup> Annual Durham Catholic Children's Foundation Gala: Honouring Our Distinguished Catholic Alumni**

Wednesday, April 23, 2025 at Tosca Banquet Hall, 800 Champlain Ave. Oshawa. Cocktails: 6 p.m. Dinner: 7 pm Tickets: <https://tinyurl.com/sez5fkm9>

**In April, we pray with Pope Francis** that new technologies will not replace human relationships, but will respect the dignity of the person, and will help us face the challenges of our times.



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

**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 16<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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 May 3rd, 6:30-9:30pm**

**Faith Formation: WISDOM** A nine-part faith formation program. Next meeting is **April 12<sup>th</sup>**, 6:30pm – 9:30pm at 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>

**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/DFVCSUBMISSION>

**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 6<sup>th</sup> 2025 - July 11<sup>th</sup> 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.



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/>

*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.*





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