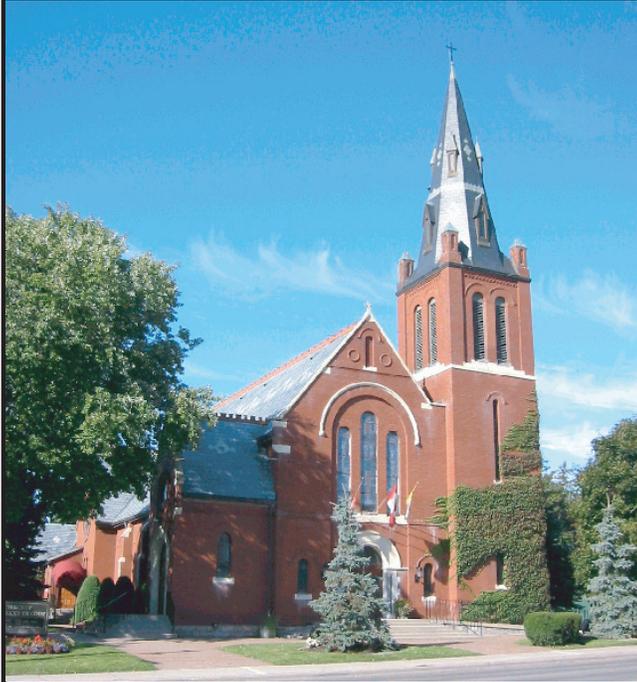


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Weekend Mass

Sunday 8:00 a.m. & 9:30 a.m.

Weekday Mass

Tuesday 12:10 p.m., Friday 7:00 p.m.

Confession

Friday 5:45 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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905-576-6150

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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 15 th <i>Fourth Sunday of Lent</i> 8:00 a.m. ~ For the People 9:30 am + Andras Videki, req. Elizabeth Szombat 12:00 Noon – Mass at Holy Cross
TUES.	March 17 th Multiple Intention Mass 11:10 a.m. NEW! Adoration 12:10 pm Mass at St. Gregory's + John Beaudette, req. Pat Mitchell + Giuseppe Barbieri, req. Barbieri Family ~ Intentions of Sean Loder, req. his Family
WED.	March 18 th 8:30 a.m. Mass at Holy Cross Parish 7:00 p.m. Mass at St. Gregory's
THUR.	March 19 th 8:30 a.m. Mass at Holy Cross
FRI.	March 20 th Multiple Intention Mass 5:45 – 6:45 p.m. Confessions & Adoration At St. Gregory's 7:00 p.m. Mass at St. Gregory's + Giuseppe Guarini, req. his Wife <i>After Mass in Lent: The Way of the Cross</i>
SAT.	March 21 st 3:30 p.m.- 4:15 p.m. Holy Cross Confessions 4:30 p.m. Mass at Holy Cross
SUN.	March 22 nd <i>Fifth Sunday of Lent</i> 8:00 a.m. ~ For the People 9:30 am + Frank Martorelli, req. Sandy & Frank Coscarella 12:00 Noon – Mass at Holy Cross

ShareLife Celebrates 50 Years

Through ShareLife, you ensure people don't face hardships alone. The first ShareLife Sunday collection is on March 22. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, or at www.sharelife.org/donate. Our Parish goal is: \$35,000.00. Please donate by using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at www.sharelife.org/donate.

Pope Leo's Intentions for March

For disarmament and peace. Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

Register Today for "A Day with Mary"

Please join us on Saturday, May 30, 2026, at Villanova College in King City. This family-friendly day will include Holy Mass with His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo, the Rosary, confessions, a keynote address and children's catechesis. If you would like to attend, we are chartering a bus. There are only 45 seats available. The cost: Adults \$25, children and youth up to the age of 18: \$20. Please contact the office as soon as possible.

Book For Sale: *Walking With Christ to the Cross* by Fr. Lazlo Nagy. Cost: \$20. You may purchase it at the back of the Church.

St Gregory's is leasing the 2nd floor of the school

If interested, visit <https://bit.ly/rentstgtsch>

Call to Build Up Heroic Men of Faith this Lent

Starting on March 1, the Heroic 30 Challenge kicks off – inviting men on a 31-day journey featuring a different daily motivational video from Catholic leaders. With a focus on prayer, the aim is to help bring God back into viewers' daily routines. Topics will range from embracing fatherly protection and heroic protection to fortitude in adversity and prudence in decision-making. The challenge was inspired by Calgary Bishop William McGrattan's encouragement to make March a month of renewal for men. Heroic Men is a platform featuring Catholic media to spur conversations and host dynamic small groups in Parishes. To participate and sign up for the daily reflections, please visit <https://heroicmen.org/h30>

Lift Jesus Higher Rally - Power From On High

For youth and adults on Saturday, March 14, 2026, 9 am – 5:30 pm. For tickets and information, visit www.LJHR.ca.

Let us pray for all men who are discerning a vocation to the priesthood, and for holy vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

Stations of the Cross during Lent

Stations of the Cross are held on Fridays after the 7:00 p.m. Mass at St. Gregory the Great, and on Thursdays at Holy Cross at 5:00 p.m. All are welcome!

A CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD INFORMATION NIGHT April 30th, 7 pm – 9 pm, St. Gregory's

The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) offers to the youngest children the most essential aspects of our faith, knowing that these truths will nurture their need to love and be loved and their capacity to enjoy God's presence in their lives. Come for a taste of this internationally recognized, Montessori-based approach to the religious education of children; we will discuss the spirituality of children and ways of responding to their silent request, "Help me to come to God, by myself," through an initiation into Church life. This CGS formation day is for all who are interested or already involved in caring for the spiritual lives of children, in the home, parish or school. Please contact the Parish Office to RSVP at (905) 723-8141. If you are interested in learning more but are unable to attend the information sessions on April 30th, please visit the Archdiocese of Toronto's CGS webpages or contact Anna Boyagoda at aboyagoda@archtoronto.org.

An Inspiration For Lent

Get inspired, especially at this time of Lent and beyond, with an excellent and copyright-free e-book, audiobook, or quality article. There are various resources for children and youth, adults, and the elderly, for faith formation or quality entertainment. (<http://bit.ly/Catholicbooks>)

Prayer Group

St. John the Evangelist in Whitby has a Prayer Group that meets on Wednesdays from 1 pm to 3 pm weekly in the Parish Centre. We have music, discussion topics, and DVD presentations. All are welcome. We are looking for new leaders. Please call Klara at 905-668-9579.

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



St. Gregory's Youth



St. Gregory and Holy Cross Program for our youth in grades 6-8. Our next night will be held on **Wednesday, March 25th 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/vmstghe> or scan QR code. For more information or to register, please contact our youth minister, Kim Carson, at: vmstghe@archtoronto.org



Free Movie Night

Mark your calendar **for Saturday, March 28th at 6:30 p.m.** in our Parish Hall. The Movie will be **Disney's Brave.** Parent supervision is required for children under the age of 10. There will be popcorn and water for everyone. There is no cost, but donations are always welcome to cover the license expense.



Dealing with Suffering

Carlo was in pain with leukemia. Doctors asked him how he felt. He replied, "I am well; there are people who are suffering much more than me" (<https://bit.ly/mysoncarlo>, 22). St. Carlo received strength from the Lord through building a relationship with Jesus over the years (ibid., 22-23). The physical, emotional, and spiritual sufferings, pains, illnesses, hurts, weaknesses, sorrows, disappointments, feelings of betrayal, and more are part of our human lot. How do we deal with them? Do we get angry, curse, give up, or do we, like Carlo, connect to the Lord so much so that we may even rejoice in our struggle? Our Lord Jesus suffered worse than what we suffer, so that He, God, may say to us, 'I am there with you in your life and suffering. I was with Carlo, and now I am with you. Lean on me, and I will help you.' Will you then entrust yourself to Jesus as Carlo, his teen servant, did, or will you be upset and angry? True peace and joy are only in the Lord.

Sacramental Preparation

First Communion:

- Sat. May 2nd Rehearsal 10:00 a.m. in the Church
- Sun. May 3rd First Holy Communion 9:30 a.m. St. Gregory's & 12:00 noon at Holy Cross

Confirmation: The next session for Confirmation is Sunday, **April 12, 2026, at 10:45 a.m.** in the Parish Hall at Holy Cross.

Become a Legion of Mary member!

Be part of the world's largest lay Apostolic organization for men and women. In union with Mary, we work under the direction of the parish priest to serve the community. Learn more by coming to our meeting – every Sunday after the 9:30 am Mass (approx. 10:45 am) in our parish hall.

Marriage Prep Course

St. Leo the Great Catholic Church, Brooklin April 30, 2026, May 1, 2026 & May 2, 2026 For more information, please contact the office: 905 655 3286 Ext 1.

17th Annual Dynamic Women of Faith Conference

Saturday, March 21, 2026, from 9 am to 4 pm at Le Treport Banquet Hall, Mississauga. Please call Dorothy Pilarski at: 416-907-1042. Register at: <https://dwf2026.eventbrite.ca>

Lenten Confessions:

March 26, 2026, 4:00-6:45 pm Holy Cross

March 27, 4:00-6:45 pm St. Gregory's

The Church wants us to confess with a priest at least once a year, or after committing a grave sin. Not confessing sins at least once a year breaks the precept of the Church, which is a grave matter, and it may be a grave sin. So, if we don't confess in more than a year, we need to confess that we didn't confess in more than a year!

Catholic Family Services of Toronto is pleased to announce, the launch of **Catholicism 101** on **Wednesday, April 8 @ 7:00 pm.** This Online Seminar series provides a brief survey of the Catholic faith, while also providing some 'psychological tools' to enhance thinking, behaviour and social dynamics. For more information please contact alimanni@cfstoronto.com or cfstoronto.com

Have a Blessed Week! 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.

How to obtain a Plenary Indulgence

To obtain a plenary indulgence associated with a church or oratory, when devoutly visiting them, recite one Our Father and the Creed. It is needed a Sacramental Confession, Eucharistic Communion, and Prayer for the intention of the Pope. Next, all attachment to sin, even venial sin, should be absent. These works are highly recommended: 1) adoration of the Blessed Sacrament for at least one half an hour; 2) devout reading of the Sacred Scriptures for at least one half an hour; 3) the pious exercise of the Way of the Cross; 4) the recitation of the Marian Rosary in a church or public oratory or in a family group, a religious Community or pious Association (<https://bit.ly/sacredindulg>).



NEW! There is a new Jubilee Year of St. Francis. The faithful may obtain a plenary indulgence by making a pilgrimage to a Franciscan church or a place of worship dedicated to St Francis, under the usual conditions. The sick, those who care for them, the elderly, and the homebound may also receive an indulgence. To learn more, go to <https://bit.ly/stfra26>

Financial Report

The Parish's Financial Report for 2025 will be available the weekend of April 12th. Fr. Marijan and members of our Finance Council will be holding a Town Hall meeting to review it with our parishioners on Thursday, April 16th, 2026, at 7:00 pm in our Parish Hall. Please plan to attend.

Next weekend is our first ShareLife collection. Let us support many in need.

Are you civilly married or in a common-law relationship, possibly with previous marriages? 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 a good conscience.

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