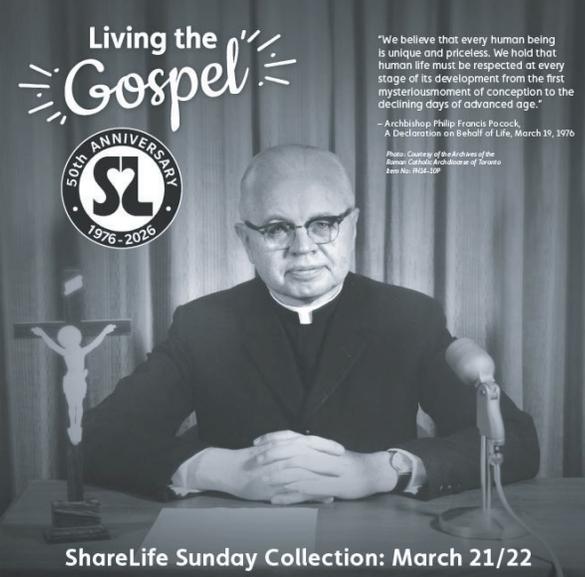


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Sunday 8:00 a.m. & 9:30 a.m.

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.

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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 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
TUES.	March 24 th Multiple Intention Mass 11:10 a.m. NEW! Adoration 12:10 pm Mass at St. Gregory's + Jean Harrison, req. John & Suzanne Neal
WED.	March 25 th 8:30 a.m. Mass at Holy Cross Parish 7:00 p.m. Mass at St. Gregory's
THUR.	March 26 th 8:30 a.m. Mass at Holy Cross
FRI.	March 27 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 ~ Intentions for Vocations <i>After Mass in Lent: The Way of the Cross</i>
SAT.	March 28 th 3:30 p.m.- 4:15 p.m. Holy Cross Confessions 4:30 p.m. Mass at Holy Cross
SUN.	March 29 th <i>Palm Sunday</i> 8:00 a.m. + Mario & Maria Cassano, req. Their Daughter Theresa & Family 12:00 Noon – Mass at Holy Cross

ShareLife

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

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.

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.

Winter Wreaths

Resurrection Cemetery would like to remind families that all winter wreaths will need to be removed on March 31, 2026. If you wish to keep your wreath, kindly arrange to collect it before this date. Please note that they are unable to hold or store any wreaths after they have been removed.

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>

Learn how to **obtain a plenary or partial indulgence** in your Parish church (<https://bit.ly/sacredindulg>), or via Jubilee Year of St. Francis (<https://bit.ly/stfra26>)



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.

World Youth Day

Archdiocese World Youth Day Mass 2026, is open to all young adults ages 19–39. Gather with young adults from across the Archdiocese for a powerful evening of faith, prayer, and community as we celebrate the Vigil Mass for the Solemnity of Christ the King. The Mass will be celebrated by His Eminence Cardinal Frank Leo on Saturday, November 21, 2026, at 7 p.m. at Saint Thomas More Parish, 2234 Ellesmere Rd, Scarborough, ON, M1G 3M9.

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!



Wednesday April 1st

Mass at 8:30 am – Holy Cross

Holy Thursday, April 2nd

Mass at 5:00 pm – Holy Cross
Mass at 7:00 pm – St. Gregory's

Good Friday, April 3rd

Celebration of the Lord's Passion:

12 noon – St. Gregory's followed by Stations of the Cross
3:00 pm – Holy Cross- followed by Stations of the Cross

Easter Vigil Saturday, April 4th

Mass at 6:00 pm – Holy Cross
Mass at 8:30 pm – St. Gregory's

Easter Sunday, April 5th

Mass at 8:00 am – St. Gregory's
Mass at 9:30 am – St. Gregory's
Mass at 12noon – Holy Cross

**Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
Information Night**

April 30th, 7 pm – 9 pm, St. Gregory's Parish Hall

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. **Would you like to catechize children, or do you know how to work with wood or sewing?** 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.



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/ymstgbc> or scan QR code. For more information or to register, please contact our youth minister, Kim Carson, at: ymstgbc@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.



St. Carlo, help us to use the internet well!

We are witnessing today how the use of the internet has led to both positive and very negative consequences for individuals, families, groups, and societies. St. Carlo Acutis was an exemplary user of the internet. For example, he created a website promoting the approved Eucharistic miracles (<https://bit.ly/euchamir>). Since St. Carlo was such a good internet user, I invite you to sign a petition asking Pope Leo XIV to name Carlo Acutis *the universal Patron Saint of internet users* here (<https://bit.ly/4akspKq>) or by scanning the QR code.



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.

Lenten Confessions:

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

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

God wants us, through the Church, 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!

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

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

Jesus Youth Oshawa Lenten Night Vigil

Saturday, March 28th 2026

At St. Gregory's church from 6:00 pm to 10:00 pm
Join us for Eucharistic Adoration/ Praise/ Worship,
Fellowship/ Intercessory Prayer & Personal Sharing.

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.

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

Sacrament of Baptism

If you are interested in having your child baptized, please request a registration form from the priest after attending Sunday Mass.

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.

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.

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.



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