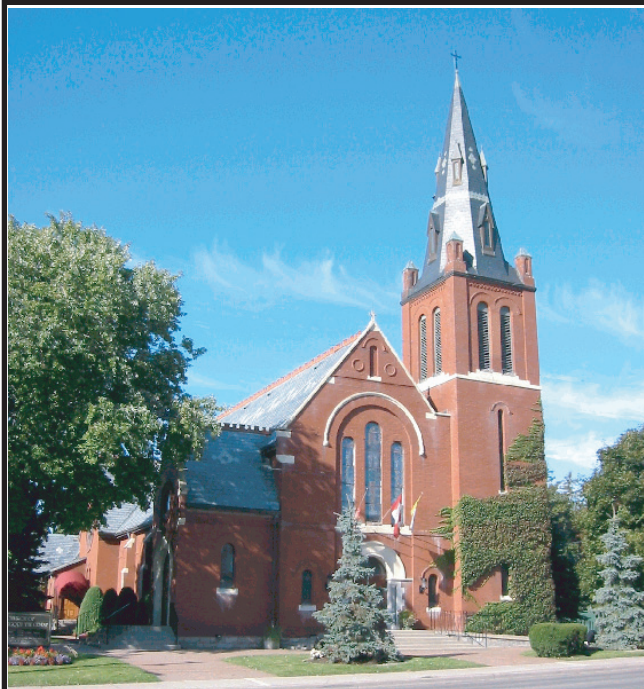


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Office Hours

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 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

Catholic Cemeteries

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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.	Sept. 13 th 24 th Sunday in OT, Mass at St. Gregory's 8:00 a.m. ~ For the People 9:30 a.m. + Frank Davies, req. His Wife & Family 12:00 Noon – Mass at Holy Cross
TUES.	Sept. 15 th – <i>Our Lady of Sorrows</i> 12:10 pm Mass at St. Gregory's + John, Annie & Rev. T.P McLaughlin, req. Pat Mitchell
WED.	Sept. 16 th <i>Saints Cornelius, Pope, & Cyprian</i> 8:30 am Mass at Holy Cross Parish
THUR.	Sept. 17 th <i>Saints Robert Bellamine & Hildegard</i> 8:30 a.m. Mass at Holy Cross Parish
FRI.	Sept. 18 th 6:00 p.m.- 6:45 p.m. Confessions & Adoration at St. Gregory's 7:00 p.m. Mass at St. Gregory's + William Grant Rosamond, req. The Rosamond Family + William Arnold Rosamond, req. The Rosamond Family
SAT.	Sept. 19 th <i>Saint Januarius</i> 3:30 p.m.- 4:15 p.m. Holy Cross Confessions 4:30 p.m. Mass at Holy Cross
SUN.	Sept. 20 th , 25 th Sunday in OT, Mass at St. Gregory's 8:00 a.m. + Caitriona Sweeney, req. Ron & Brigid Fisher 9:30 a.m. ~ For the People Family 12:00 Noon – Mass at Holy Cross

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

Sacrament of Baptism

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



If your son/daughter is attending a Catholic School, please ensure that the school has a **copy** of **your child's Baptismal Certificate**. If your child is not baptized, please see your parish Priest about preparing to baptize your child. For your child to be baptized, one or both parents **must** be baptized **ROMAN CATHOLIC**. To make an appointment, please contact the Parish.



We are happy to announce our Children's Liturgy has returned. If you wish your child to participate, simply bring them to the Sacristy before the 9:30 a.m. Mass.

Building Fund

Today, we will be taking up our Building Fund Collection. Your generous support will help alleviate the expenses of our ongoing and upcoming Parish projects.

First Holy Communion Registration

Parents please note that on **Wednesday September 30th at 6:30 p.m.** will be registration for First Holy Communion in St. Gregory's Parish Hall. Please bring copies of your child's **Birth Certificate and Baptismal Certificate**. The suggested donation of \$40 for materials will be accepted.

Confirmation Registration

Parents, please note that the dates for Confirmation will be decided. For registration for Confirmation in Holy Cross Parish Hall, please make ready to bring copies of your child's **Birth Certificate and Baptismal Certificate**. The suggested donation of \$40 for materials will be accepted.

Help Needed for Sacramental Preparation

We are looking for volunteers to join the Sacramental Teams including First Holy Communion and Confirmation. Please call or email the office if you are interested.

Children's Liturgy

We are looking for volunteers to lead a Children's Liturgy program the 9:30 am Sunday Mass. If you are interested please contact the office.

Would you like to become a Catholic, or are you a Catholic who has not been confirmed? Join us at the **Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (R.C.I.A.)**. Please ask the Priest for a registration form. The meetings will begin soon.

Oshawa Catholic Chaplaincy

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/>

Archbishop Leo has prepared his annual homily for Stewardship Sunday on September 20. The homily is now available for download in video, audio and written versions, including translations at www.archtoronto.org/stewardship under the "Stewardship Sunday" tab.

ARISE CONFERENCE - For Young Professionals

Date: September 26, 2026

Location: Canada Events Centre, Whitby

Conference includes: International speakers such as Joe Heschmeyer (from Catholic Answers), networking and community building, catered lunch and dinner, Mass and Adoration.

Tickets available here: [YPCT 2026 Arise Conference](http://YPCT2026AriseConference).

For more details, you can visit our Instagram page 'YPCToronto' as well as our website www.ypct.ca.

Have a wonderful & blessed week!

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

Donation of organs and St. Carlo Acutis

St. Carlo's family wanted to donate his organs after his death. Thus, his mother says, "We wanted to donate his organs. We were not allowed, however, because they told us that they had been compromised from the leukemia." (<https://bit.ly/mysoncarlo>, 24). Donating organs is good. It is the final gift of one's body to other people so that they may live.

There is a need for caution, however. The organs may never be taken from a person who is still alive. There are different ways to discern if the person is alive. Some physicians and lawmakers at times ignore some of the indicators that the person is still alive and go ahead with taking out the body parts, thus rushing the patient's death. The person may appear to be dead, but some aspects of his body are still alive. Thus, it may be necessary to inform oneself about donating organs.

On the other side, giving one's blood as a blood donor may be praiseworthy, and even donating a kidney to a relative may be considered. Interestingly, St. Carlo's body is now in Assisi, while particles of his hair are shared. Our Parish, St. Gregory the Great, has a piece of his hair, which is a first-class relic, meaning it is a part of his body. Where the part of the Saint's body is, the Saint is there. St. Carlo is there for us, in Heaven, but also here at St. Gregory's church. St. Carlo Acutis – pray for us!

Bishop's Collection

On **September 26/27**, the Annual Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada will be held. The money raised will help finance the activities of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCC). This organization was created by and for the Bishops of Canada to support one another in their pastoral responsibilities and to respond to major issues in Canadian society and the Church. For more information, please visit: www.cccb.ca. Envelopes will be located at the back of the Church. Envelopes will be located at the back of the Church.

Humanitarian Relief

Nepal Mudslides & The Colombia Earthquake

The Archdiocese of Toronto is accepting donations to support humanitarian relief efforts following the devastating mudslides and flooding in Nepal & The Columbia Earthquake. These disasters have resulted in significant loss of life, displacement and widespread damage to homes, roads, bridges and other critical infrastructure. Those wishing to help may donate online through www.archtoronto.org, by phone through the Donations Processing Centre at **437-529-1287**, or through the parish. Funds will be channelled through trusted Catholic partners assisting those most affected. Please pray for those who have died, those who are grieving or displaced, and all those providing emergency assistance and support.

"The poor are the ones who are most forgotten, and it is to them that we must bring the light of love." St. Theresa

Spiritus Durham Line Dance

Young adults 18-39 from Durham and Scarborough are invited to Spiritus Durham Line Dance on September 30 from 7 pm to 9:30 pm at Holy Cross Hall.

RENEW TORONTO YOUNG ADULT CONFERENCE -

November 20-21, 2026

Join us for our annual RENEW Toronto Young Adult Catholic Conference for young adults ages 19-39.

SAVE THESE DATES!!

October 2 – Late Registration Pricing in Effect

November 4th – Registration Closes

Please visit: <https://www.renewtoronto.org>

World Youth Day Mass 2026

November 21 at 7 p.m.

St. Thomas More Parish, Scarborough

Celebrant: His Eminence Cardinal Frank Leo



World Youth Day Pilgrimage to Seoul, South Korea



Fr. Marijan invites young adults ages 19–39 to let us know if they are interested in travelling with OCY for this incredible pilgrimage. If you are interested, please contact: bit.ly/3PofC34

Your Faith in Action: 2026 Food Security Grants

For the fourth consecutive year, ShareLife and Catholic Charities are committing funds through the Food Security Grants program. Made possible through the faithful generosity of ShareLife donors, this year, \$850,000 in Food Security Grants will strengthen local food banks, meal programs and other community-based initiatives serving individuals and families in need. Your compassionate support of our parish's ShareLife Campaign helps make this work possible. Please support the fight against hunger by giving at the parish using a ShareLife envelope or at sharelife.org/donate. Thank you for living the Gospel!

Attention Men

The Knights of Columbus is planning to introduce a COR program for men in our parish on the 3rd Thursday of each Month at 7:00 p.m. in the Knights of Columbus Room over in the Parish Hall. The first meeting will be Thursday, September 17th. COR is a program which consists of three key elements of prayer, formation, and fraternity. Prayer, formation, and fraternity direct the heart to a closer relationship with God and each other. We are offering every Catholic man in our parish ongoing opportunities to encounter Jesus Christ, grow in faith, strengthen his prayer, life, and transform his relationships. For more information, please contact Ted Monchesky at core@monchesky.com

Attention Ladies

Our Catholic Women's League (CWL) will be having our first meeting on **Sunday, September 27th** following the 9:30 mass in the parish hall. All ladies of the parish are invited and welcomed to attend.

Please help our St. Vincent de Paul by donating as you leave Mass or by using one of their envelopes and placing your donation in the collection basket.

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