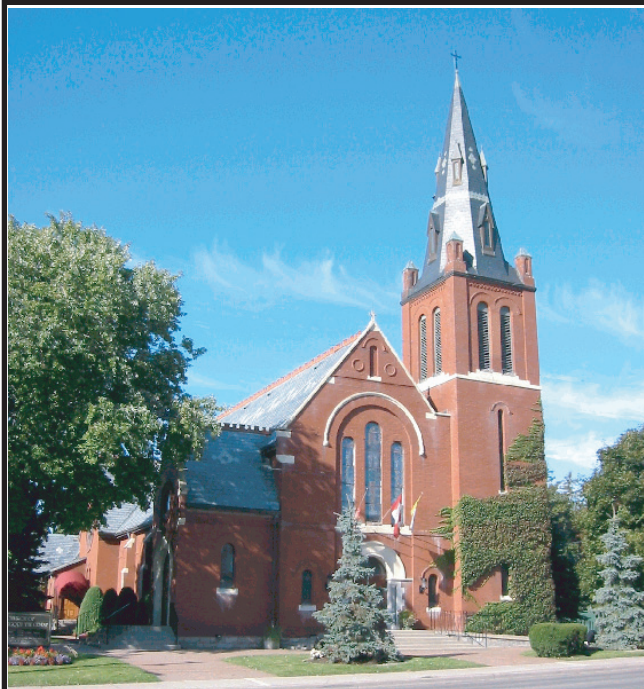


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Office Hours

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 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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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.	Sept. 20 th , 25th Sunday in OT, Mass at St. Gregory's 8:00 a.m. + Cairtriona Sweeney, req. Ron & Brigid Fisher 9:30 a.m. ~ For the People Family 12:00 Noon – Mass at Holy Cross
TUES.	Sept. 22 nd 12:10 pm Mass at St. Gregory's
WED.	Sept. 23 rd <i>St. Pius of Pietrelcina</i> 8:30 am Mass at Holy Cross Parish
THUR.	Sept. 24 th 8:30 a.m. Mass at Holy Cross Parish
FRI.	Sept. 25 th 6:00 p.m.- 6:45 p.m. Confessions & Adoration at St. Gregory's 7:00 p.m. Mass at St. Gregory's + Julie Dobos, req. John & Suzanne Neal ~ Intentions of Paul, Justin, Elyse, Matthew & Xavier req. The Rosamond Family +Doris Sabljic, req. John Bruno
SAT.	Sept. 26 th <i>Saints of Cosmas and Damian</i> 3:30 p.m.- 4:15 p.m. Holy Cross Confessions 4:30 p.m. Mass at Holy Cross
SUN.	Sept. 27 th , 26 th Sunday in OT, Mass at St. Gregory's 8:00 a.m. + Tommy Loder, req. his Mom Jane 9:30 a.m. ~ For the People Family 12:00 Noon – Mass at Holy Cross

Come and See – Discernment Weekend

At St. Augustine's Seminary, there is a prayerful and supportive environment for young men ages 18+ to reflect, hear vocation stories from the seminarians and engage in meaningful conversation with seminarians and priests as well as partaking in social gatherings. Upcoming dates: November 6 (6:30pm) until November 8 (2 p.m.) <https://www.vocationtoronto.ca/comesee>

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**. Call the office for more information.

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

Have a wonderful & blessed week

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 first meeting will be on Tuesday October the 5th at 7:00 p.m. in our Parish Hall.

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

On September 26, 2026 at 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](https://ypct2026.com).

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

Bishop's Collection

Next weekend, **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 (C.C.C.B.). 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.

Life Chain 2026

Please join us to silently and prayerfully intercede to the Lord to end abortion and heal our nation, to partner our love and protection with God for local preborn and to witness for the millions lost in Canada through abortion. Life Chain will be held on Sunday, October 4 from 2 – 3 p.m. to show support for the protection of the unborn. Our meeting point is at Simcoe St. N and Adelaide St.



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



Congratulations, Paul!

We at Holy Cross and St. Gregory's would like to CONGRATULATE Paul Butka, our sacristan, on receiving the St. Michael Award.

Since 1988, Paul has faithfully served as sacristan at St. Gregory the Great Parish, dedicating countless hours to ensuring the church, sanctuary and sacristy are prepared for the worthy celebration of the liturgy. For nearly four decades, he has generously volunteered his time in support of parish life, assisting at Masses, weddings, funerals and the annual Mass for the Faithful Departed at Resurrection Catholic Cemetery in Whitby. Since 2022, Paul has also extended his service to Holy Cross Parish in Oshawa, continuing his quiet and dependable ministry in support of clergy and the faithful. His unwavering commitment, humility and devotion to the Church have made him a treasured presence in both parish communities and an outstanding witness of faithful service. If you would like to support Paul at the St. Michael Award Ceremony, it will be held at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica, 65 Bond St, Toronto at 12noon on Sunday, September 27, 2026.

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

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. 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.

DID YOU MOVE THIS SUMMER?? Please contact the office if you know of someone who has moved out of our parish this summer so we may update our records. If you are new to our Parish, welcome! Please register your family by filling out a registration form located in the foyer and place it in the collection basket. If you would like a box of envelopes, please call the office and a box will be assigned to you and placed on the table in the vestibule the following weekend.

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING - PAG If you wish to use Pre-Authorized Giving for your Offertory envelopes, please pick up a form from the foyer of the Church. Thank you!

Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation Fund Collection ~

Catholics throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to participate in the annual collection on October 4th to support the *Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation Fund*. The collection is a national grassroots effort to assist healing and reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples of This Land. Funds will support culture and language revitalization, education and community building, healing and reconciliation for communities and families and dialogue involving Indigenous elders, spiritual leaders and youth with a focus on Indigenous spirituality and culture. For more information, go to: www.archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation

Training For Lay Pastoral Visitors

The annual archdiocesan formation and training for Lay Pastoral Visitors will be offered online on Thursdays, October 22, 29, November 5, 12, 19 & 26 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. This program will prepare you to provide pastoral visits and bring Holy Communion on behalf of the parish to the sick elderly, and homebound. The program is open to both new and experienced volunteers. Registrants are required to participate in all online sessions, complete pre-homework and pass a final assessment. There is no cost to attend, but register early as capacity is limited. Register here: <https://bit.ly/tflpvto>

Feast of St. Francis of Assisi ~ Blessing of Animals

We will be having a blessing of animals on the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi. The service of the blessing of the animals will be on October 3, from 9 am to 9:30 am at St. Gregory, and from 9:45 to 10:15 at Holy Cross Church. Please keep your pets safe.

Do not be afraid of undertaking too much of what you can do without coming and going; but fear only the thought of doing more than you are doing and more than God is giving you the means to do.

Vincent de Paul

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