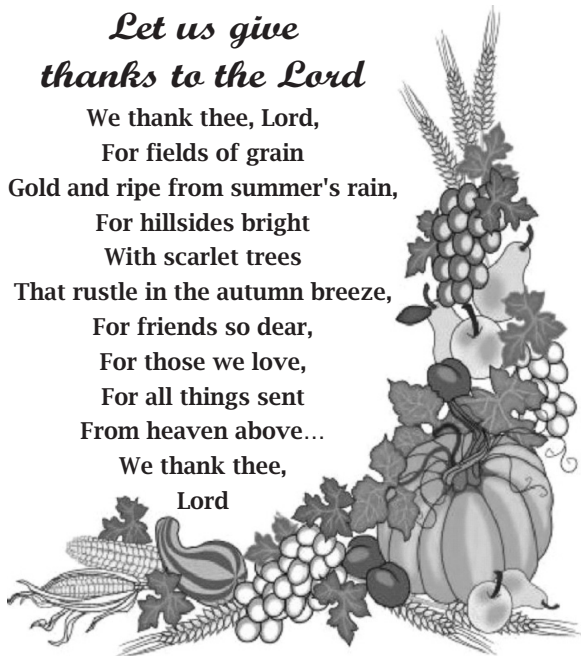


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Let us give thanks to the Lord

We thank thee, Lord,
For fields of grain
Gold and ripe from summer's rain,
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That rustle in the autumn breeze,
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For those we love,
For all things sent
From heaven above...
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Lord



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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 5:450 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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Durham Catholic District School Board

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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.

SUN.	October 11 th 28 th <i>Sunday in OT, Mass at St. Gregory's</i> 8:00 a.m. ~ For The People 9:30 a.m. + Rosa & Natale Presta, req. Their Children 12:00 Noon – Mass at Holy Cross
TUES.	October 13 th 12:10 Mass at St. Gregory's + Mary Ann O'Neil, req. The Mitchell Family
WED.	October 14 th <i>St. Callistus</i> 8:30 am Mass at Holy Cross Parish
THUR.	October 15 th <i>St. Teresa Of Jesus</i> 8:30 a.m. Mass at Holy Cross Parish
FRI.	October 16 th <i>St. Hedwig & St. Margaret Mary Alacoque</i> 6:00 p.m.- 6:45 p.m. Confessions & Adoration at St. Gregory's 7:00 p.m. Mass at St. Gregory's + Rudy & Elisa Monego, req. Their Family
SAT.	October 17 th - <i>St. Ignatius of Antioch</i> 3:30 p.m.- 4:15 p.m. Holy Cross Confessions 4:30 p.m. Mass at Holy Cross
SUN.	October 18 29 th <i>Sunday in OT, Mass at St. Gregory's</i> 8:00 a.m. ~ For the People 9:30 a.m. Americo & Angela Coscarella, req. Their Children & 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. Upcoming dates: November 6 (6:30pm) until November 8 (2 p.m.)
<https://www.vocationstontario.ca/comeandsee>

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

If you missed registration for First Holy Communion last week, it is not too late to sign up. Please ask for a registration form from the Priest after participating at Mass or contact the Parish Office. Please drop off the registration form and bring copies of your child's **Birth Certificate and Baptismal Certificate to the parish office**. The suggested donation of \$40 for materials will be accepted.

Confirmation Registration

Parents, please note that Confirmation registration will be on **Wednesday, October 28th, 2026, at 6:30 pm** in Holy Cross Parish Hall. Please bring copies of your child's **Birth Certificate and Baptismal Certificate**. The suggested \$40 donation 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.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults – RCIA:

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.) provides instruction and spiritual formation to anyone 16 years of age and older who are not baptized, or baptized in another Christian community, who would like to become a member of the Catholic Church. Catholic adults who have not yet celebrated their First Eucharist or the Sacrament of Confirmation may also take part. **Register by asking the priest for a registration form after attending Sunday Mass.** Meetings are every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. in our Parish Hall.

The Pivotal Players – Volume I

Join Bishop Barron on a journey to unlock the truth about the most influential figures in the Catholic Church. Register via the St. Gertrude's website, at their Parish Office or by contacting Beth Cook, bethcook905@outlook.com

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/>

Attention Students:



Are you headed to university or college this fall? Campus Ministry is waiting for you! Connect with campus ministry to find a welcoming community of friends and faith. Visit <https://bit.ly/chaplc> to check out campus ministry on your campus!

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!!

November 4th – Registration Closes

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

World Youth Day 2026 Mass

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

Today there will be a second collection for our building fund

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

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 next meeting will be Thursday, October 15th.** 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

Help Shape DCDSB's New Multi-Year Strategic Plan

As we begin developing the Durham Catholic District School Board's (DCDSB) next Multi-Year Strategic Plan, we want to hear from you. Your feedback will help shape our priorities and guide the future of Catholic education in Durham Region.

<https://bit.ly/26DCDSBMYSPTS>

For more information about the Multi-Year Strategic Plan process, timelines, and engagement opportunities, visit: dcdsb.ca/StrategicPlanning. Thank you for sharing your voice and helping shape the future of DCDSB.

ARE YOU NEW TO THE PARISH? 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!

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>

Let us pray for our priest(s) and fellow Parishioners; for the Church, the Pope; that there may be many & 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.

Our CWL next meeting will be on October 25th following the 9:30 mass in the church hall. All ladies of the parish are welcome to attend. Membership dues (\$40.00) are due this month. The envelope is in our parish envelope box. It can be put in with the regular offertory.

Please note that next weekend there will be a second collection for World Mission Sunday.

He died? Where is he now?

When Carlo died, his grandma somehow knew it. She said to her daughter, Carlo's mother, "that she already knew [that Carlo died], because she had heard Carlo's voice tell her: 'Grandma, I am in heaven with the angels. I am very happy. Don't cry, because I will always be there beside you'" (<https://bit.ly/mysoncarlo>, 25). It is good that the Church is always very skeptical about these types of death experiences because it is difficult to verify them. They are a matter of personal experience, which, as long as they don't contradict the Church's teaching, may be received as a private consolation with a grain of salt.

It may matter to us, though, that after death, we will find ourselves in the presence of the just and merciful Judge Jesus. There, our options are narrowed to Heaven, for those who, like St. Carlo, have been purified during their life here on Earth; Purgatory for those who are not holy enough to enter Heaven but are without grave sin; Hell for those who knowingly and willingly reject the truth and mercy of God. Let us pray and cooperate with the grace of God, that all of us may seek and receive Heaven, 'happiness with angels,' and, if necessary, only make a quick stop in Purgatory. Oh, how good it would be if we could say after our death with Carlo, "I am in heaven with the angels. I am very happy" (*ibid*)! Is there something we should do about it, to have such an amazing destiny?

Pope Leo's Intentions for October - A Prayer for Unity

"Lord Jesus, You, who in diversity are one and look lovingly at every person, help us to recognize ourselves as brothers and sisters, called to live, pray, work, and dream together."

Hey students in grades 9 – 12!

Calling all Grade 9-12 students: Adoration, praise, and worship with confession from 6:30 pm to 7:15 pm for Grades 9 –12 at St. Gregory's Church on November 19. Following this, there will be a social in the hall until 8:30 pm.

Resurrection Catholic Cemetery

Families are kindly asked to ensure that all summer decorations and items at the graveside are removed by **October 31, 2025.**

All Souls' Day Mass will take place on **Saturday, November 7th, 2026, at 2:00 p.m.** at Resurrection Catholic Cemetery.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul will once again be collecting personal hygiene items (toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap, shampoo, etc.) for our Neighbours in Need. Also, this year we would like to offer them clean, warm clothing such as coats, sweaters, socks, shoes and boots. Please leave any donations in the box at the back of the Church for distribution at our Christmas event. They will be greatly appreciated.



***The OFFICE will be
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for Thanksgiving!***

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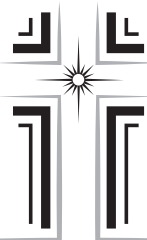
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