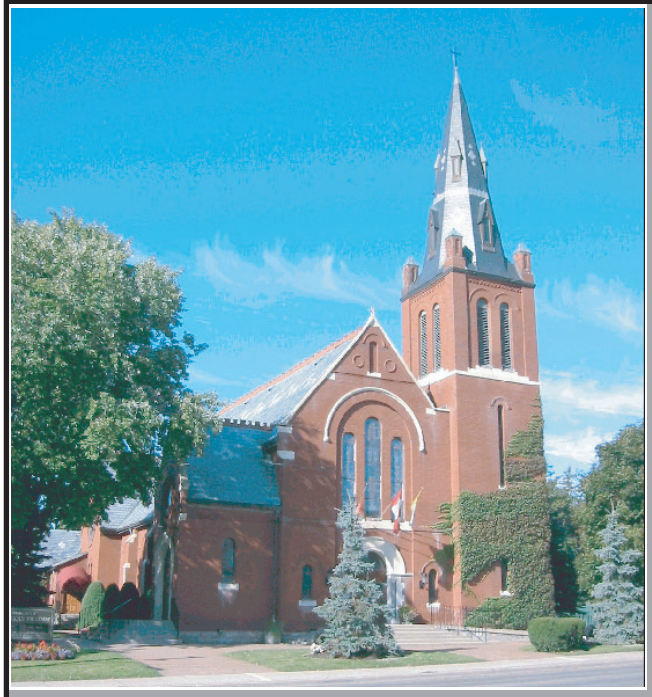
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Weekend Mass
Sunday 8:00 a.m. & 9:30 a.m.

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
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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.

SUN.	Nov. 15th , 2026 ***Thirty-Third Sunday in OT*** 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
TUES.	Nov. 17th ***St. Elizabeth of Hungary*** 12:10 Mass at St. Gregory's + Shirley, Richard & Donald Lafleur, req. Deborah Lafleur & Family
WED.	Nov. 18th 8:30 am **Mass at Holy Cross Parish**
THUR.	Nov. 19th 8:30 a.m. **Mass at Holy Cross Parish**
FRI.	Nov.20th 5:45p.m. - 6:45 p.m. **Confessions & Adoration at St. Gregory's** **7:00 p.m. Mass at St. Gregory's**
SAT.	Nov. 21st ***The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary*** 3:30 p.m.- 4:15 p.m. **Holy Cross Confessions** 4:30 p.m. **Mass at Holy Cross**
SUN.	Nov. 22nd ***Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of The Universe*** 8:00 a.m. ~ For the People 9:30 a.m. + Rosa & Natale Presta, req. Their Children & Family 12:00 Noon – Mass at Holy Cross

First Holy Communion Class

Please note the next class for our First Communion Students will be a ***retreat on Saturday November 28th, 2026 at 10:00a.m.*** over in our Parish Hall.

Confirmation Registration

If you missed Confirmation Registration for grades 7 & up, it is not too late. **The next class is today Sunday, November 15th, 2026, 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.

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 is 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.

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.

Youth Corner

St Gregory the Great and Holy Cross **Edge Youth Group is back!** All youth in grades 6-8 (grades 5-9 are welcome). Our next gathering will be a Social on ***Wednesday November 18th from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. i***n St. Gregory's Hall. EDGE usually runs every other Wednesday. Scan QR code.

Adoration for 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.

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/
Visit https://bit.ly/chaplc for campus ministry on your campus!

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

The OCY has closed its registration for World Youth Day in South Korea, August 1-10, 2027. You still may seek another Parish to go with. Contact the OCY for more information, https://ocytoronto.org/wyd-seoul-2027.

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.

Shepherd's Trust Collection Today

The Shepherd's Trust ensures our priests can live their retirement years with dignity.

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, November 19th.*** 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 cor@monchesky.com

MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS ALL SOULS ENVELOPES are in your box of envelopes and at the back of the Church. The envelopes, with the list of names you wish to be remembered, will be placed before the altar and remembered at all Masses during November.

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

Red Wednesday Mass at St. Michael's Cathedral

People around the world will mark Red Wednesday, an initiative of Aid to the Church in Need (ACN). This global day highlights the persecution of Christians and reminds us that religious freedom is a human right. You are invited to assist at the Red Wednesday Mass presided over by Bishop Vincent Nguyen on Wednesday, November 18, 2026, at 5:30 p.m., at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica, 65 Bond Street, Toronto. This annual observance—marked in cities throughout the world—unites us in prayer and solidarity with persecuted Christians. St. Gregory and Holy Cross will be illuminated in red to remind us of the love and martyrdom of Christians around the globe.

WE BURY OUR DECEASED

Please be aware of the need to give a proper Catholic funeral to our deceased. Catholics are not permitted to keep the ashes of the dead at home, to divide them or scatter them. If you have any ashes of your family members, please get in touch with Fr. Marijan so that we may organize a burial and allow our departed to rest in the peace of Christ.



Collection Envelopes

It is once again that time of year! As we are slowly getting the boxes of envelopes ready, we ask that, if you are new to our parish, please register by completing a Registration Form located in the foyer. If you have recently moved, please update the office with your current address, and if you know someone who no longer attends this Church, please let us know. We will be printing the labels shortly. Thank you in advance!

From the most tragic to the best

In the next sentence, following last week's reflection, St. Carlo's mother Antonia wrote, "It is life's most tragic situations that bring out the best in us and teach us who we really are" (https://bit.ly/mysoncarlo, 27). Normally, nobody wants 'tragic situations' of any kind. Yet our fallen nature, our choices, events beyond our control, and even our sins cause tragedies in our lives of varying intensities. It may be that we have done certain things that we are deeply embarrassed by right now. But Christ somehow marvellously has the power to transform tragedies into joy, making us desire to be better persons. He wants us to discover who He really wants us to be and help us obtain that. Our Lord desires that we allow Him to fulfill His beautiful plan of love in us, in our lives. It may be that currently you are beaten by a 'tragic situation.' Don't lose heart; ask Jesus to help you, and He will "bring out the best in [you] and teach [you] who [you] really are" in Him (*ibid.*). Or, the Lord brought the best in you from a 'tragic situation.' How can you allow God to accomplish the same through you in your neighbour who is crushed by the cross of life? Our all-loving God wants to 'bring out the best in all of us.' He wants us to be in Him the best persons that He created us to be. Then allow Him to make you the person He wants you to be.

Pope Leo's Intentions For November

For the proper use of wealth: That wealth be used for the common good, avoiding selfishness and fostering solidarity.

Theology of the Heart

This Study will take us into a deeper spiritual understanding of the heart and what it means in our Catholic tradition. The Heart appears repeatedly in Scripture, Catholic prayers, and Holy images. It remains central to our relationship with God and our very self. Theology of the Heart will explore this and aim to deepen our relationship with God and our understanding of this important Holy image. This faith formation study will be held every Thursday at 6:30 pm in the hall, led by Paul Coates. Everyone is welcome.

World Day of the Poor - November 15, 2026

The theme is: "The Lord is the refuge of the poor"

Excerpt from Pope Leo's Message:

He writes that the poor are the first to suffer the consequences, and it is no coincidence that their numbers are growing in many societies. The absence of God no longer places people side by side in mutual respect, but places one above the other in a relationship of domination and oppression. Thus, a desecrating logic of abuse and exclusion is laid bare, one that marginalizes and humiliates. Not only individuals but entire populations find themselves in this condition.

Pope Leo is confident that this World Day of the Poor will serve as a significant step toward rediscovering the faces of so many brothers and sisters who seek refuge in God and long to feel at home in our communities. Let us remain faithful to the Word of God, which calls us to a conversion of heart. Read more at https://bit.ly/wdp26

Angel Tree

Starting NEXT WEEKEND, our "Angel Tree" is back! Please consider donating gift cards of $20 or more redeemable at various local stores such as Walmart, Superstore, Old Navy, Giant Tiger, etc. We will also accept cash, which will be converted to gift cards. There will be a box at the exits of the Church to put them in until December 6th. You may also bring them to the Parish office during the week. Thank you for your support!

Hygiene Kits & Warm Clothing

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 they 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 Sanctuary Lamps burn for the month of November for **Terry McLaughlin & All Souls,** requested by Patricia Mitchell.*

Catholic Women's League

The CWL will hold its Christmas Raffle again this year. We will begin selling tickets starting today, November 15th, 22nd, & 29th, with the draw being on December 6th, 2026. Tickets are again $10.00 or 3 for $20.00. CASH ONLY. The proceeds from the raffle will support our Community Charities. We thank you for your continued support in this important event.

CWL Membership Dues: CWL Membership Dues of $40.00 are due by the end of November. You are more than welcome to place your envelope in the collection basket at Mass.

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