

MASS Intentions

Saturday January 27

4:30pm For Our Parish Family

Sunday January 28 (4th Sunday of Ordinary Time)

12-noon †Luca Guglielmo

Tuesday January 30

St. Gregory the Great at 12:10 p.m.

Wednesday January 31 (St. John Bosco)

8:30am †Ermelinda Pinto

Thursday February 1

8:30am †John Pasco

Friday February 2 (World Day of Consecrate Life)

Confessions at St. Gregory's – 6 p.m.-6:45 p.m.

St. Gregory the Great at 7:00 p.m.

Saturday February 3

Confessions here 3:30 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.

4:30pm †Mary Plavetich


Sunday February 4 (5th Sunday of Ordinary Time)

St. Gregory the Great at 8:00 a.m.

St. Gregory the Great at 9:30 a.m.

12noon For Our Parish Family

Reminder!!!!

 Please do not use envelopes from previous years or other people's envelopes as this causes confusion for our records. If you are a visitor to our parish, "WELCOME", but please only use the pink visitor envelopes available in the foyer. Thank you.

DAY OF REFLECTION

Monday, January 29, 2024,

9:00 AM - 3:30 PM

**Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre
2325 Liverpool Rd., Pickering**

Topic: "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give you." At Mass, just before communion, we have a Rite of Peace. This is no accident. Today we have a time for reflection on the importance of this rite. We offer a sign of peace to one another, we pray for peace in our world and in our lives, but we also open ourselves in a new way to receive this gift from Christ. Facilitator: Fr. Jim Kelly, SJ. A suggested offering of \$65 per person. Includes break, lunch and mass along with the program.

REGISTER: <http://manresa-canada.ca>

CONTACT: registration@manresa.ca or 905-839-2864



Job Opportunity in Youth Ministry



St. Gregory the Great and Holy Cross Parishes in Oshawa are looking to hire a full-time youth minister. The deadline for application is February 16, 2024. More information at: (<https://bit.ly/workasYMathHCSTG>) OR, (<https://bit.ly/3vg6lQ4>)

Marriage Sunday

As part of Marriage Sunday 2024 celebration, Archbishop Francis Leo will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, especially those celebrating milestone wedding anniversaries (25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+) in 2024. The Mass will take place at 3pm on Sunday February 11, 2024 at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond St., Toronto).

Couples celebrating 25th, 40th, 60th or 60+ anniversary in 2024 may register for reserved seating. Reserved seating is limited, so please register early. All other seating is on a first-come, first served basis. Those who are unable to attend at the Cathedral are invited to join the celebration via livestream Mass. Registration and other important information can be found at www.archtoronto.org/marriage. For questions, please email formation@archtoronto.org or call 416-934-3400 ext. 523

Are you civilly married or in a common-law relationship, possibly with previous marriages? If yes, contact the priest so that we can see how to help you seek an annulment and (or) Marriage in the Church. In this way, eventually, you will be able to receive the Sacraments with good conscience.

Sacramental Prep

Did you miss Registration for 1st Holy Communion or Confirmation? It's not too late.

Please attend a Prep Class.

First Communion Prep Class #4 at 10:45 a.m.

Sunday February 4, 2024 at St. Gregory the Great Parish Hall (190 Simcoe St. N.)

Confirmation Prep Class #4 at 10:45 a.m.

Sunday Feb. 11, 2024 in Holy Cross Parish Hall.



St. Vincent de Paul of St. Gertrude's Parish.

Help line, 905-431-1796

Please remember Holy Cross Parish in your Will.

A Time to Prepare

As we begin to approach Lent, it is good to pray, asking God how does he want us to enter into his holy season. If our Lent in the past has been focused more on giving up, has it been the giving up of some habitual sin in our lives? If our Lent has been more centered around doing more, has it been in loving more intentionally? After Lent we should [ideally] see some significant change in our spiritual lives. Lent is not a forty-day exercise without results. It is our annual pilgrimage to the celebration of our redemption by Jesus, our Lord and Saviour. But after His death on Good Friday, there is His resurrection on Easter Sunday. He died for our sins and rose to new life. Our Lenten journey is to lead to the same mystery in our own lives. Something is to die, so new life can become a reality of our lives now.



Countdown to Lent

Ash Wednesday is coming!
Lent begins February 14th.

Each year in our spiritual journey we need to renew (have a fresh start) and enter into a period of **REPENTANCE, CHANGE OF HEART and PRAYER.**

MASS TIMES FOR ASH WEDNESDAY

8:30AM - Holy Cross Parish

7:00PM - St. Gregory the Great Parish

Stations of the Cross during Lent

There will be Stations of the Cross every Thursday (beginning Thursday February 15th) at 5:00pm. All are welcome!



Estate Planning - From a Catholic Perspective

Sunday, February 4th at 10:30 A.M. at St. Philip the Apostle Parish. You will learn how to avoid problems in your Will, with Power of Attorney, the proper Estate Trustee selection, and how to create your personal Catholic legacy. All are welcome!

Catholic Family Services of Durham

Heart to Heart Gala, Saturday, February 24, 2024

Deer Creek Golf & Banquet Facility.

The funds raised allow our highly-trained staff to provide quality counselling services to over 2300 community members each year. Tickets are just \$120 each. To purchase tickets or to participate in the online silent auction, visit:

<https://trellis.org/heart-to-heart-gala-2024>

Renovation Collection

Next weekend February 3/4, there will be a second collection for the Parish Renovation Fund.



Join Us at Faith Formation Study:

Theology of the Body - Part 2 -

Redemption of the Body

You are invited to join us for a Faith Formation Study: Theology of the Body of St. John Paul II, presented by Paul Coates, (M.Div.). In Part II we will reflect on the mystery of Redemption of our bodies by our Lord Jesus Christ. Join us at St. Gregory's Parish Hall (190 Simcoe St. N., Oshawa), for eight Thursdays beginning January 25 to March 21, 2024, except March 14, from 7 pm to 9 pm. The cost is \$40 per person, students may make a donation, and everyone is welcome!

REGISTER AT: <https://bit.ly/TOBSTGTWO>

Patristic Conceptions of Martyrdom & Their Relevance

All are welcome to attend the St. Augustine's Seminary talk on "Patristic Conceptions of Martyrdom and Their Relevance Today" by Dr. Katherine E. Milco, Ph.D. taking place on January 30 at 6:30 p.m. in Charbonnel Lounge, University of St. Michael's College, Elmsley Hall, 81 St. Mary St., Toronto. For more information and to register, visit <https://staugustines.on.ca/events>.

Join our new Sunday noon choir!

Due to interest and enthusiasm among some of our Parishioners regarding singing at Mass, we are looking for volunteer singers to sing in our mixed choir (adults, youth, and children). Our Sunday noon musicians Karen and Allan will have a tryout for potential choir members immediately after the Sunday Masses. The rehearsals for the choir singers will be one hour before Sunday noon Mass. The singers will be expected to come to church by 10:50 am on Sundays. Even if you are not sure how, come and (learn to) sing.



Kindergarten Registration is now open.

To register your child, they must be turning 4 years of age by December 31, 2024 to register in Junior Kindergarten and 5 years of age for Senior Kindergarten. To complete your online registration please visit:

<https://osas.dcdsb.ca/Account/Home>

Please remember Holy Cross Parish in your Will.