## Festival of Faith for Christian Unity 2025: The Fatherhood and Care of God Who Rules the Universe

Fr. Marijan invites you to join us at an ecumenical event on **Saturday, February 15, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.** at St. George's Memorial Church, 51 Centre St. S., Oshawa. It is organized by the St George's Memorial Church, Sponsored by the Greater Toronto Area Council of Christian Churches, and the Archdiocese of Toronto.



The Sanctuary Lamp burns this week for: Ermelinda Pinto

## Sacramental Prep

First Communion Prep Class #5 at 10:45 a.m.
Sunday February 23, 2025 at St. Gregory the Great
Parish Hall (190 Simcoe St. N.)

<u>Confirmation Prep Class #5 at 10:45 a.m.</u> Sunday February 9, 2025 in Holy Cross Parish Hall.

**RCIA** is at St. Gregory's Hall on Tuesdays at 7 PM.

#### **Renovation Collection**

This weekend (February 1 & 2) there will be a second collection this weekend for the Parish Renovation Fund.

### MASSIntentions

**Saturday February 1 Holy Cross** 

**4:30pm** For the People of Our Parish

**Sunday February 2 Holy Cross** 

**12-noon** †Ermelinda Pinto

Tuesday February 4

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

Wednesday February 5 Holy Cross

8:30am †Maria Cassano

Thursday February 6 Holy Cross

8:30am

Friday February 7: Confessions & adoration -

St. Gregory's - 6 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.

**Saturday February 8 Holy Cross** 

3:30 pm - 4:15pm Adoration and Confessions

**4:30pm** For the People of Our Parish

**Sunday February 9 Holy Cross** 

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

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

**12-noon** †Ottavio Osso

#### The Youth Corner



St Gregory the Great and Holy Cross have started a group for our youth in grades 6-8. Our



next gathering will be **Wed. Feb. 5<sup>th</sup>**, **2025** from 6:15 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in St. Gregory's Hall. EDGE usually runs every other Wednesday. Download registration form: <a href="https://linktr.ee/ymstghc">https://linktr.ee/ymstghc</a> or scan QR code. For more information or to register, please contact our youth minister Kim Carson at: <a href="mailto:ymstghc@archtoronto.org">ymstghc@archtoronto.org</a>

#### Young Adults at St. Gregory The Great & Holy Cross Socials and Faith Formation



Who: ages 18-39. Next social is March 1st

**Socials**: Every 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month 6:30-9:30pm **Faith Formation**: **WISDOM** A nine-part faith formation program. Next meeting is **Feb. 15**, 6:30pm – 9:30pm

Where: St. Gregory's Parish Hall 190 Simcoe St. N. Connect and Register: stgregsandholycrossya@gmail.com

<u>Instagram:</u> @stgregsandholycrossya https://linktr.ee/stgregsandholycrossya

#### <u>Jubilee of Youth 2025</u> Fr. Paul Magyar, Fr. Marija



Join Fr. Paul Magyar, Fr. Marijan, and the OCY team for a pilgrimage of a life time! Please fill out the form in the

link below to receive updates about our information session and registration. **Event Details:** 

**Date:** July 23rd – August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025, in Rome, Italy **Interest Form:** https://bit.ly/YA25Jubilee



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/

# First Reconciliation is something to to

#### **CONGRATULATIONS!!!**

Congratulations to all the boys and girls who made their First Reconciliation last weekend!

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

## Marriage Sunday

Bishop Ivan Camilleri will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, with special recognition for those celebrating 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup> or 60+ wedding anniversaries in 2025. The Mass will take place at 2:30 p.m. Sunday February 9, 2025, at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond St., Toronto). All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their marriage commitment.

All are welcome to attend. Couples celebrating a 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup> or 60+ anniversary in 2025 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 the Cathedral are invited to join the celebration via live stream Mass. The broadcast will begin at 2:15p.m. https://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live/.

#### Natural Family Planning

Trying to achieve pregnancy? The Billings Ovulation Method<sup>TM</sup> helps you to understand your unique patterns of fertility & infertility so you can have the best possible chance of conceiving. The initial presentation is held online. To register or ask questions go to: https://www.naturalfamilyplanning.ca/

#### MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSES Holy Family Parish, Whitby

Friday, March 21st from 7:00pm to 9:00pm and on Saturday, March 22nd from 9:00am to 5:00pm. For more information and to register, please call the office at 905 665 6470 ext. 201 or email:

holyfamilywh@archtoronto.org

#### St. Leo the Great Parish, Brooklin

May 1, 2 & 3 from 6pm to 8:30pm. For more information, please call their Office at: 905-655-3286

Are vou civilly married or in a commonlaw 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.

#### 2025 Envelopes

Thank you to all those who have picked up their envelopes. You can pick up your envelope box from the office during office hours. Consider signing up for P.A.G.

#### **INCOME TAX RECEIPTS**

All Income Tax Receipts have been sent to processing. You should receive your receipts in the mail on or before February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025. If after the 10<sup>th</sup>, you have not received yours. Please contact the parish office.

#### Thanks be to God for the Jubilee and thank you!

At the moment of publishing this bulletin, St. Gregory's Jubilee Mass with bishop Vincent Nguyen and more than 15 priests has not happened yet. Nevertheless, we hope all went well. Thank you to all who have made this celebration a success, to all pilgrims of hope from Holy Cross for joining us. May these Jubilee celebrations awaken and reinvigorate the hope of many in our midst. See below for our next adventure.



#### Pilgrimage to St. Barnabas Parish, Scarborough Jubilee Year 2025

Pope Francis is calling on all the faithful to become Pilgrims of Hope. Cardinal Leo will preside at St. Barnabas Parish, Scarborough on Wednesday, February 19<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. For more information: https://stbarnabasto.ca Fr. Marijan is going to try to organize a pilgrimage to St. Barnabas. Please speak to him after Mass if you are interested.



#### Catholic Family Services of Durham 20th Annual Heart to Heart Gala

Date: Saturday, February 22, 2025

Where: Deer Creek Golf & Banquet Facility, Ajax. Tickets are \$120 each. Contact Tania McClean, 905-725-3513 x 121 or to purchase tickets:

https://trellis.org/hearttoheartgala2025

#### **Calendars**

2025 calendars are still available at the back of the Church for a minimum donation of \$2.00 each.



#### **CWL CORNER**

Monthly Meeting Tuesday February 4th. Rosary at 6:40pm followed by Meeting at 7:00pm in Parish Hall. All ladies are welcome.

Come out and support the CWL of Holy Cross.

#### How to become a fully initiated Catholic?

Are you a non-Catholic or a non-Christian who would like to become a Roman-Catholic Christian, or even a Roman-Catholic who didn't receive First Communion or Confirmation? If yes, please speak with Fr. Marijan.

#### Mass Intentions

A reminder that we are taking bookings for Mass Intentions and the Sanctuary Lamp for 2025. Please call or come to the Office during Office hours.

Please note: only one Sunday Mass will be available as the other Mass will be for the Parish.