# MASSIntentions

**Saturday February 15 Holy Cross** 

4:30pm For the People of Our Parish

**Sunday February 16 Holy Cross** 

**12-noon** †Stan & Ted Marchut

Tuesday February 18

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

**Wednesday February 19 Holy Cross** 

8:30am †Antonio Giarrizzo, †Vincenzo Cappuccitti

Thursday February 20 Holy Cross

**8:30am** †Augusto Chiodo, †Abe & Joan Taylor Sr.

†Veryl Krout

Friday February 21: Confessions & adoration – St. Gregory's – 6 p.m. – 6:45 p.m.

**Saturday February 22 Holy Cross** 

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

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

**Sunday February 23 Holy Cross** 

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

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

12-noon

†Ermelinda Pinto

#### **Calendars**

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

# 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.)

Confirmation Prep Class #6 at 10:45 a.m.

Sunday March 2, 2025 in Holy Cross Parish Hall.

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



### St. Jude's Knights of Columbus General Meeting:

Sunday February 16th at 7:30pm

<u>Catholic Family Services of</u>
<u>Durham</u>
20<sup>th</sup> Annual Heart to Heart Gala

https://trellis.org/hearttoheartgala2025



<u>Date:</u> Saturday, February 22, 2025 <u>Where:</u> Deer Creek Golf & Banquet Facility, Ajax. Tickets are \$120 each. Contact Tania McClean, 905-725-3513 x 121 or to purchase tickets:

## Please remember Holy Cross Parish in your Will.

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

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

Socials: Every 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month 6:30-9:30pm

<u>Faith Formation:</u> <u>WISDOM</u> A nine-part faith formation program. Next meeting is **March 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

## 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. 19<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>

#### **Jubilee of Youth 2025**



Join young adults 19-39, 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 Last day to register is February 27 at 5 PM!
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! <a href="https://oshawacatholic.ca/">https://oshawacatholic.ca/</a>

#### Reminder!!!!!

If you are a visitor to our parish, "WELCOME". If you are interested in making a donation, please use the visitor envelopes available in the foyer. Thank you.

## <u>Toronto Oratory's Theology Summer School</u>

will be providing the introduction to the Catechism in the first week. This year's topic for the second week will be **Jubilee Years**. This will include some historical, theological, and artistic topics, as well as exploring the themes of the current Jubilee Year. https://oratory-toronto.org/summer-school/

#### 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 March 5<sup>th</sup>.

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 March 6th) at 5:00pm. All are welcome!



Are you civilly married or in a commonlaw relationship, with previous marriages or divorces? 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.

# MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSES

#### **Holy Family Parish, Whitby**

Friday, March 21<sup>st</sup> - 7:00pm to 9:00pm, Saturday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> - 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. John the Evangelist, Whitby

Monday Evenings 7pm-9pm, April 7 to May 12. \$300 per couple. Call 905-668-3676 to register.

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

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



# 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.

#### Parish Soup Sunday

The Knights of Columbus - St. Jude Council will be hosting a Parish Soup Sunday THIS Sunday February 16th after the 12noon Mass. Soup and Sandwiches will be served. Cost is a donation at the door. All are welcome!



#### 16th Annual Dynamic Women of Faith Conference

Saturday, March 22, 2025 from 9am to 4pm Old Mill (includes a light lunch). Closing Mass will be celebrated by: Most Rev. Robert Kasun CSB.

For more information, please call Dorothy Pilarski at: 416-907-1042.

Register at: <a href="https://dynamicwomenfaith.com/">https://dynamicwomenfaith.com/</a>

#### **INCOME TAX RECEIPTS**

Please contact the Parish office if you have not received your income tax receipt.

Come & See — Discernment Weekend Retreat March 14-16, 2025 at St. Augustine's Seminary Friday, March 14 at 6:30 p.m. until Sunday, March 16 at 2 p.m.

To register <a href="www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee">www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee</a>.
For more information, <a href="www.vocations@archtoronto.org">vocations@archtoronto.org</a>

# Dominican Friars Youth Interfaith Video Contest 2024 (Runs until April 15, 2025)

Theme: "Faith as a Pathway from Division to Unity."

Students (ages 13–19 years) in the Catholic School located in the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to participate. Students are encouraged to make a three-minute video encapsulating the theme. Register on the website and submit their entries by filling in the details on the submission form at: https://bit.ly/DFVCSubmission

CONTACT: <u>interreligious@archtoronto.org</u> or call 416-934-3400 ext. 527

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.