



We would like to take this opportunity to welcome each and every one of you back. We hope you had a very safe, happy and enjoyable summer.

For those of you who are new to our Parish, “WELCOME”. We are a small community with a big heart!

If you are new or have been attending Holy Cross, **but do not know if you are registered**, or have recently moved to a different address, please complete a registration form as soon as possible. This is important as you must be registered if we are to have jurisdiction in matters of weddings, funerals, baptisms, letters of reference, income tax receipts etc.

So, if you have not yet registered, please pick up a registration form located in the foyer of the Church and register today! Once you have filled it in, just drop the completed form into the collection basket. Thank you!

Renovation Collection

This weekend there will be a second collection for the Parish Renovation Fund.

Donation of organs and St. Carlo Acutis

St. Carlo's family wanted to donate his organs after his death. Thus, his mother says, “We wanted to donate his organs. We were not allowed, however, because they told us that they had been compromised from the leukemia.” (<https://bit.ly/mysoncarlo>, 24). Donating organs is good. It is the final gift of one's body to other people so that they may live.

There is a need for caution, however. The organs may never be taken from a person who is still alive. There are different ways to discern if the person is alive. Some physicians and lawmakers at times ignore some of the indicators that the person is still alive and go ahead with taking out the body parts, thus rushing the patient's death. The person may appear to be dead, but some aspects of his body are still alive. Thus, it may be necessary to inform oneself about donating organs.

On the other side, giving one's blood as a blood donor may be praiseworthy, and even donating a kidney to a relative may be considered. Interestingly, St. Carlo's body is now in Assisi, while particles of his hair are shared. Our Parish, St. Gregory the Great, has a piece of his hair, which is a first-class relic, meaning it is a part of his body. Where the part of the Saint's body is, the Saint is there. St. Carlo is there for us, in Heaven, but also here at St. Gregory's church. St. Carlo Acutis – pray for us!

Holy Cross Parish Spring Food Drive

Please remember our Food Drive is ongoing throughout the year. Please place all donations at the Altar. The items we receive, we donate to **food banks** at **Simcoe Hall Settlement House, New Life Seventh Day Adventist, and Gate 3:16**. Thank you in advance!

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/3Xrb3qt> or <https://ocytoronto.org/chaplaincyconnect> 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!!

October 2 – Late Registration Pricing in Effect

November 4th – Registration Closes

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

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

Spiritus Durham Line Dance

Young adults 18-39 from Durham and Scarborough are invited to Spiritus Durham Line Dance on September 30 from 7 pm to 9:30 pm at Holy Cross Hall.

World Youth Day Mass 2026

November 21 at 7 p.m.

St. Thomas More Parish, Scarborough

Celebrant: His Eminence Cardinal Frank Leo



Pope Leo's Intentions for September

For the care of water: Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it.

ATTENTION ALL PARISHIONERS

We kindly ask you not to park in front of the garage doors. Thank you.

The staff of The Refuge has asked us not to park on the west side of their parking lot, at the front, as those spots are for tenants of the building. If you do park there, your vehicle will be towed.

DID YOU MOVE THIS SUMMER??

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.

Please remember Holy Cross Parish in your Will.



If your son/daughter is attending a Catholic School, please ensure that the school has a **copy** of **their** **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**. To make an appointment, please call or email the parish office at: 905-723-5259 or holycrossos@archtoronto.org

Sacrament of Baptism

If you are interested in having your child baptized, please request a registration form from the priest after attending Sunday Mass. We ask that couples be registered with the Parish and that the Catholic parent(s) regularly attend Sunday Mass.

Sacramental Prep

2026-2027

FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION

REGISTRATION

1st Communion:

*Wednesday, September 30th, 6:30-8:30pm
at St. Gregory the Great Parish.*

Confirmation:

TBD

Parents of a 1st Communicant or a Confirmand

*You will need to bring a copy of your child's Baptismal
and Birth Certificate in order to complete the
registration.*

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING - PAG

If you wish to use the Pre-Authorized Giving Method for your Offertory envelopes, please pick up a form available in the foyer of the Church. Thank you!

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.

Volunteers needed for Live-Streaming

We are looking for volunteers at 4:30 PM Saturday vigil Mass to help with video-recording and **live-streaming** of the Mass. Contact the office.

Volunteers needed for Children's Liturgy

Children's Liturgy volunteers are needed for the noon Mass! To volunteer, please contact the office.

*Anyone who is interested will have to go through a free
Volunteer Screening process through the Archdiocese as
per Archdiocesan policy.*



FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING WEBINAR

Saturday, September 26, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.

Participants will learn about: How to avoid problems in your Will, Powers of Attorney, and Estate Trustee selection. How to create your own Catholic legacy. Catholic traditions around cremation, burials, and funerals. To register: Scan the QR code, or visit qrco.de/WebSep26



THE CWL BAZAAR IS COMING!! SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14TH 9:00 AM TO 2:00PM

The Catholic Women's League is having their annual bazaar and we need your help. We will have our regular tables. 50/50 Draw, Knitting, Crafts, Plants, White Elephant, Toys, Books, Face Painting, Bake Table, Penny Table, Tea Room.

Bishop's Collection

On **September 26/27**, the Annual Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada will be held. The money raised will help finance the activities of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCCB). This organization was created by and for the Bishops of Canada to support one another in their pastoral responsibilities and to respond to major issues in Canadian society and the Church. For more information, please visit: www.cccb.ca. Envelopes will be located at the back of the Church.

MASS Intentions

Saturday September 12 (Holy Cross)

6:00pm For the People of Our Parish

Sunday September 13 (Holy Cross)

12noon †Ermelina Pinto

Tuesday September 15 (Our Lady of Sorrows)

St. Gregory the Great Adoration at 11:10am

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

Wednesday September 16 Holy Cross

(St. Cornelius & St. Cyprian)

8:30am †Raymond & Vanessa Whorms, †Margaret McNair

Thursday September 17 Holy Cross

8:30am †Mr. & Mrs. James & Julie Szerecz

Friday September 18

Confessions & Adoration at

St. Gregory's – 5:45 p.m.-6:45 p.m.

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

Saturday September 19 Holy Cross

3:30 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. Adoration & Confessions

4:30pm For the People of Our Parish

Sunday September 20

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

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

12noon †Augusto Chiodo

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