## Renovation Collection

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

## 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.

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## WE REMEMBER OUR DECEASED IN PRAYER

**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 remembered, will be placed before the altar and remembered at all Masses during November.

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## Book of Remembrance

During November, we are invited to pray for and write in the names of loved ones who have died. They will be prayerfully remembered during the month.




## United in Prayer for Persecuted Christians on Red Wednesday - November 18, 2026

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. The Archdiocese of Toronto invites the Catholic community to participate in Mass at 5:30 p.m. at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica. More info: www.acn-canada.org/rw Contact: el@acn-canada.org or (416) 785-0498.

## Shepherd's Trust Collection

As members of our Catholic community, we regularly benefit from the tireless service of our priests. Called to God and ordained to care for His people, our priests serve our families, in churches, schools, hospitals, nursing homes, missions and on the streets. The Shepherd's Trust ensures our priests can live their retirement years with dignity.

**The Shepherd's Trust collection will take place NEXT WEEKEND, November 14/15. Envelopes are available at the back of the Church.**

Please keep in mind that we have hungry and homeless people in our community. Please remember that we have an ongoing Food Drive throughout the year.

## Hey 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 St. Gregory's Hall until 8:30 pm.

## *World Youth Day Mass 2026*

November 21 at 7 p.m.
St. Thomas More Parish, Scarborough
Celebrant: His Eminence Cardinal Frank Leo

Holy Cross and St. Gregory's are once again offering a EDGE Catholic Middle School Ministry Program for our youth in grades 6-8. Our first meeting night will be held on **Wednesday, November 18th** from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in St. Gregory's Hall. Scan the QR Code to register.

## 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/chaplc to check out campus ministry on your campus! Chaplaincy in Oshawa, https://oshawacatholic.ca/

## 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.

## *Pope Leo's Intentions for November*

**For the proper use of wealth:** Let us pray for the proper use of wealth, that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service of the common good and solidarity of those who have less.

## *First Communion Retreat at 10:00 a.m.*

Sunday, November 28, 2026 at
St. Gregory's the Great Parish Hall
(190 Simcoe St. N.)

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## *Confirmation Prep Class # 2:*

Wednesday, November 22, 2026
at 6:30 p.m. in Holy Cross Parish Hall.

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## *RCIA*

Would you like to become a Catholic, or are you a Catholic who has not been Confirmed? Join us at the **Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (R.C.I.A.).** Ask the priest for a registration form after attending the Sunday Mass. Classes are every Tuesday evening at 7 pm in St. Gregory's Auditorium.

**Please remember Holy Cross Parish in your Will.**

## MASS Intentions

**Saturday November 7 Holy Cross**
**4:30pm** For the People of Our Parish
**Sunday November 8 Holy Cross**
**12-noon** †Giuseppe, Benedetto & Salvatore Bruno
**Tuesday November 10 (*St. Leo the Great*)**
**St. Gregory the Great Adoration at 11:10 a.m.**
**St. Gregory the Great at 12:10 p.m.**
**Wednesday November 11 Holy Cross**
**Remembrance Day**
**8:30am** †Luigi & Restituta Cappuccitti
**Thursday November 12 Holy Cross (*St. Josaphat*)**
**8:30am** †Gerald Kissel
**Friday November 13**
**Confessions & Adoration at**
**St. Gregory's – 5:45 p.m.-6:45 p.m.**
**St. Gregory the Great at 7:00 p.m.**
**Saturday November 14 Holy Cross**
**3:30 pm – 4:15 pm Adoration and Confessions**
**4:30pm Holy Cross** For the People of Our Parish
**Sunday November 15 (*World Day of the Poor*)**
**St. Gregory the Great at 8:00 a.m.**
**St. Gregory the Great at 9:30 a.m.**
**12noon Holy Cross** †Alberto Dantas

## 2027 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!

***The Sanctuary Lamp burns this week for:***
Mr. & Mrs. Nicholasa Pasion &
All Deceased Family Members



## *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 front of the Church to put them in until **December 6th.** Thank you for your support!

## CARDINAL'S DINNER

Tuesday, Nov. 17, 2026. Cocktail: 6pm; Dinner: 7pm
Pearson Convention Centre. 2638 Steeles Ave. Brampton.
Tickets are $225.00 per ticket.
To purchase tickets: www.archtoronto.org/cardinalsdinner

## CWL BAZAAR NEXT WEEKEND!!
## SATURDAY, NOV. 14TH 9AM TO 2PM

50/50 Draw, Knitting, Crafts, Plants, White Elephant, Toys, Books, Face Painting, Bake Table, Penny Table & Tea Room.

**-Donations for the Penny Table must be new with a minimum cost of $25.00.**
**-Donations for the White Elephant Table: gently used items. NO clothing or large items.**

**Drop off for Penny Table/White Elephant items:**
Thursday, November 12, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm
Friday, November 13, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

**Drop off for Baked Goods:**
Friday, November 13, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm
Saturday, November 14, morning before 9am

**For more information, please call Adele (Bazaar Convener) 905-723-9243.**

To Our friends at Holy Cross: *Thank You!* Thank you for your generosity and for donating thousands of pounds of food to Simcoe Hall. Your generosity will make a difference in the lives if the individuals and families we serve. We are so grateful for the continued support and friendship of Holy Cross Church and for your commitment to helping our community. With gratitude.

## *God prepared her*

As St. Carlo's mother reflected upon the death of her son, she remembered an event that "had unleashed a series of memories which, although painful, helped [her] to reflect and convince [her] that the Lord had once again prepared [her] to confront the premature death of [her] son" (https://bit.ly/mysoncarlo, 27). The Lord 'prepared me,' she says. The Lord prepares us.

That preparation means that the life, suffering, and death of her son, her life, the lives of all people, past, present and future are in the hands of our good God. He who is outside of time knows what happens to us at all times. Our God benevolently guides our histories, comedies and tragedies of our bigger or smaller dramas of life. He permits events, even if He doesn't approve of them, but always seeks to soften the negative impact and turn it to the good of all.

God ultimately prepares people for eternal life. Our Lord readied her son so much with his approval that St. Carlo became a canonized saint. He prepared her through consolations spanning decades so that, mysteriously, she may see God's providence and carry the torch of the Faith, passed down by her son, spreading the flame in a relay that will lead to eternity.

How and what is God preparing you for? Trust in Him; He is forming you; entrust yourself into His loving hands.

**Please remember Holy Cross Parish in your Will.**