St. Gertrude's Parish

OUR MISSION STATEMENT:

St. Gertrude's Parish is a believing community committed to manifesting Christ's love through celebrating the sacraments, sharing Gospel values, serving one another and all who hunger for Jesus.

PASTOR: Reverend Peter Choi

ADMINISTRATION: Teresa Walsh

YOUTH MINISTER: Renee Lynn Maloney

PARISH OFFICE:

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Closed 12:00 noon - 1:00 p.m. daily.

Parish Office: stgertrudes@bellnet.ca Website: www.stgertrudesoshawa.org

Youth Minister: st.gertrudes.ym@gmail.com

SUNDAY MASS:

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 9 a.m., 11 a.m. (Children's Liturgy), 6:15 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASS:

Monday to Saturday 8:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Celebrated the 2nd Sunday each month during Mass. Please contact the parish office to arrange.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday 4:15 p.m. - 4:45 p.m. Sunday 5:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

12 months advanced notice required Preparation course is a prerequisite

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ST. GERTRUDE OUR PATRONESS

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 13th

8:00am Parish General Intentions

5:00pm † Joseph Protasowski

Sunday, February 14th

9am † Severino Pulla 11am † Angelina Russo

6:15pm Our Parish Community

Monday, February 15th

8:00am † Emilienne, Ghislain, Rolland Desjardins

Tuesday, February 16th

8:00am † Joseph Moher

† Andre Pacquet

Wednesday, February 17th

8:00am † Margaret Thompson

Thursday, February 18th

8:00am † Stephen Jones

Intentions of Dan Brock

Friday, February 19th

8:00am Parish General Intentions

Saturday, February 20th

8:00am † Frances Kuhnen 5:00pm † Ramona Fonseca

Sunday, February 21st

9am Thanksgiving of the Buddel Family

† Mike & Doreen Cain6:15pm Our Parish Community

Office of Vocations is hosting a COME & SEE WEEKEND at St. Augustine's Seminary from Friday Feb. 26 (7pm) to Sunday Feb. 28 (1.30 pm). Provides a time to pray, to learn what seminary formation is about and time to interact and socialize with the Seminarians & Priests of the Seminary. The weekend offers opportunities for Communal Prayer, Mass, Adoration & Confession. For more information call 416-968-0997 or email vocations@archtoronto.org



St. Vincent de Paul Lenten Collection cans NOW available. Please return by Palm Sunday.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations will be celebrated each Friday evening during Lent at 7:00pm by one of our Parish groups as listed below. Thank you to the Squires for helping this past Friday.

Date	Group
Feb. 19	Catholic Women's League
Feb. 26	Altar Server's
Mar. 4	St. Vincent de Paul
Mar. 11	Knights of Columbus
Mar. 18	Legion of Mary
Mar. 25	Youth Ministry

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St. Gertrude's Paris Lenten Retreat "Repentance and Conversion" Retreat master – Fr. Thomas Lim

The message of repentance has always played a central role in Jesus' teaching and ministry. Matthew, for example, writes: "'From that time Jesus began to preach this message: 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is near'" (Mt. 4:17). What does it mean to repent? Why is repentance necessary? What are the elements necessary for a true and sincere repentance? Is there such a thing as a correct spiritual path that leads to God? Fr. Thomas Lim will discuss these questions and other issues related to Jesus' call of repentance and conversion in our parish's upcoming parish Lenten retreat: "Repentance and Conversion."

Saturday March 5, 2016

Starting with 8 am Mass, breakfast followed by main talk beginning from 9 am.

There will be time for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction with retreat concluding around 3:30 pm.

There will be a break for lunch. Please bring your own lunch or you can get something quick near the church.

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Dates:

February 19, 2016: 50 donor spots available February 20, 2016: 47 donor spots available If you are interested in donating blood, you can book an appointment on those dates by: visiting blood.ca or call 1-888-2donate.

Family of Faith Update

Many thanks to all who have contributed to the campaign. It is not too late to make a gift! We are only \$285,000.00 away from our goal.

SPIRITUAL BOUQUET

IN CELEBRATION OF THE NEW VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD IN THE ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO

"Here I am Lord; I come to do your will." Psalm 40 Our Ordinandi need our prayers and support for the work they are preparing themselves to do as Priests in our Catholic Church.

Our prayers and support are made to them in the form of a Spiritual Bouquet presented to the Ordinandi at the annual Ordinandi Dinner.

Our Spiritual Bouquet for the Ordinandi Class of 2016 will comprise of offerings of Masses, Rosaries and other forms of prayers

These offerings are not paid offerings but prayers and devotions done freely and lovingly, no name is required.

There is no time limit and you can offer as many as you wish and start your dedications at any time. This Spiritual Bouquet is open to all. The CWL are gathering dedications at both entrances of the Church the weekend of Feb. 13/14. Please take a moment after Mass to offer your dedications.

MEN'S LENTEN DAY OF RETREAT

Saturday, February 27, 2016 9:30a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Queen of Apostles renewal Centre, Mississauga. Deacon Doctor Greg DeMarchi will preach on the theme: "God's mercy as an entrance to prayer and spiritual life." Coffee cart with muffin on arrival: and full hot meal at lunch is included. To register please call 905-278-5229

COLLECTION FOR CHILDREN IN CENTRAL AMERICA.

Thank you for being so generous towards this collection. We were able to send 675 items of socks and underwear to the kids. These items will be much appreciated.

2015 INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

Tax receipts are located at the back of the church. Please take a moment to pick yours up. Receipts not picked up by Feb. 22^{nd} will be mailed. Receipts are issued for yearly donations of \$25.00 and up. Please note that St. Vincent de Paul Society and Family of Faith receipts are issued separately.

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