

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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Office hours: Mon - Fri 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

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 6th

8:00am Parish General Intentions
5:00pm Intentions of Teresa Szabunia

Sunday, February 7th

9am Our Parish Community
11am † Bernice Brennan
6:15pm † Peter Bavaro

Monday, February 8th

8:00am † Joao Dias & Ana Soares

Tuesday, February 9th

8:00am Special Intentions of Joy Perreira
† Joe Bonello
† Helen Startek

Wednesday, February 10th

8:00am ASH WEDNESDAY MASS
7:00pm ASH WEDNESDAY MASS

Thursday, February 11th

8:00am † Helen Startek

Friday, February 12th

8:00am † Clorinda Garritano

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

LENT

COLLECTION CANS

The St. Vincent de Paul society will once again have Cans available beginning Ash Wednesday for you to take home and use during Lent. We ask that all cans be returned back to the parish by Holy Thursday.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Each Friday during Lent at 7:00pm led by one of our Parish groups. Everyone welcome!

Soup (6:15- 6:45), Stations 7pm,

CONVERSION 8-9pm

Bishop Robert Barron's DVD-based program, *CONVERSION: Following the Call of Christ*. Bishop Barron uses 6 figures from the Bible to explain the dynamics of conversion: how to discern God's call to us, how to overcome the obstacles we put up to answering the call and the fruit of saying "yes" to God. For more information, please contact Beth Cook (beth_cook@rogers.com). Registration is required for soup and Conversion to help us know how many will be attending. Sign up forms are on the bulletin boards. Free will offerings will be appreciated.

World Youth Day Pilgrimage led by Fr. Jim Lowe,
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Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend!
Upcoming Weekend: February 19-21, 2016
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For more information and application, please

go to www.wwme.org or contact:

Gerard & Marge McCauley at

gerard.marge@rogers.com or (905) 792-1925



ST. PATRICK'S DAY

Brenda Ruest Dinner & Dance

St. Gertrude's Parish

Saturday, March 12th,

Cocktails 6pm, Dinner 7pm

Tickets \$35/person now available
after masses.

Knights of Columbus

General Meeting, Ash Wednesday Feb. 10th

Please note time change to 8:00pm as

Ash Wednesday mass is 7:00pm

Family of Faith Update

Many thanks to all who have contributed to the campaign, approaching 180 pledges so far and a total of \$715,000.00! It is not too late to make a gift! We are only \$285,000.00 away from our goal. As the campaign is winding down at the parish level there are some important things to remember.

If you are submitting your pledge *by cheque* please ensure all cheques for the campaign are payable to **Family of Faith** and you are to **mail directly** to Toronto, at the following address: **Family of Faith, Donations Processing Centre, Archdiocese of Toronto, 1155 Yonge Street, Toronto, ON M4T 1W2.** Directions for submitting cheques are sent with remittance information.

If you wish to make a ***cash donation*** to the Campaign, these must also be sent to Toronto. Please do not submit cash donations through the collection plate or to the parish office. Please specify St. Gertrude's Parish and ensure you have included your name, full address as all receipts will be handled by Toronto.

If you have arranged ***direct deposit or credit card***, the administration of your payments is done by the same office and so all inquiries about pledges should be directed to the Toronto Family of Faith Office. You can call the Archdiocese at 1-416-934-0606 ext. 817 . Please remember payments are processed the first of each month.

Thank you once again for your generous gifts and we will keep you posted as the parish begins to receive our share of the funds collected so that we can continue with our important initiatives.

We thank all families who have also chosen to help us pay down our existing Capital campaign loan by using the gold colored envelope each month in your box of parish envelopes or through parish capital PAG donations. Our loan balance at the end of 2015 was \$496,000.00.

DEVOTION TO THE HOLY FACE OF JESUS PRAYERS.

You are invited to join the Third Order Secular Franciscan Fraternity of St. Angela Merici to pray with them following the 8am morning mass on Shrove Tuesday, February 9th.

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"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.

COLLECTION REMINDERS

The Parish has different bank accounts for the Capital Loan and the Maintenance fund. Please do not include these donations on the same cheque as your Sunday collection which is deposited in the main operating account. Please write a separate cheque and place in the appropriate gold or blue envelope. Thanks for your help in this banking matter.

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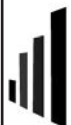
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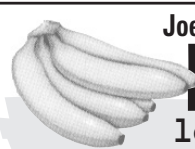
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