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Nov 27, 2022

First Sunday of Advent

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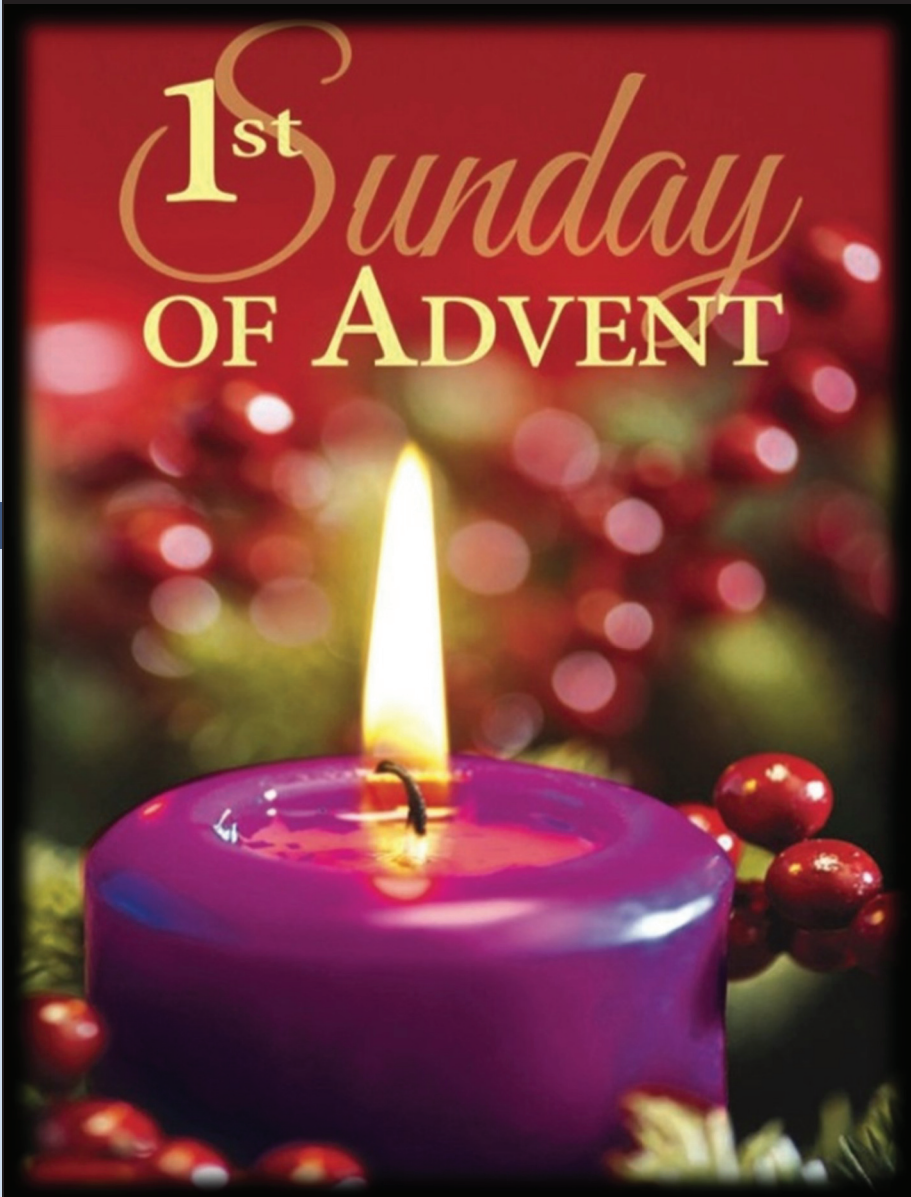
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1st Sunday OF ADVENT

Daily Mass Schedule

Monday to Saturday 9:00am

Fridays 9:00am

Holy Hour 6:00pm

Mass 7:00pm

Adoration Chapel

Monday to Friday 9:30am to 8:00pm

Saturdays 9:30am to 4:00pm

Sunday Eucharist

Saturdays 5:00pm

Sundays 8:00am, 9:30am,

11:00am, 12:30pm and

2:00pm - *Spanish Mass*

Reconciliation

Fridays 6:00pm - 7:00pm

Saturdays 4:00pm - 4:45pm

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Parish Schools

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Office Hours:

Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays

9:30am to 5:00pm

Tuesdays and Thursdays

9:30am to 8:00pm

Note: Office is closed for lunch
from 1:00pm to 2:00pm

Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Monday to Friday

9:30am to 8:00pm

Saturdays

9:30am to 4:00pm

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

1st Sunday of Advent



MASS INTENTIONS

Sun., Nov. 27 Is 2.1-5 ~ Rom 13.11-14 ~ Mt 24.37-44

First Sunday of Advent

9:00am Joan Simone *deceased*

11:00am For our parishioners and their families

Mon., Nov. 28 Is 4.2-6 ~ Mt 8.5-11

Tue., Nov. 29 Is 11.1-10 ~ Lk 10.21-24

7:30pm Nellie Lewis *deceased*

Wed., Nov. 30 Rom 10.9-18 ~ Mt 4.18-22

Saint Andrew

9:00am Elisabetta Piccolo *deceased*

Thursday, Dec. 1 Is 26.1-6 ~ Mt 7.21,24-27

9:00am Frank & Rose Unterfranz *deceased*

Friday, Dec. 2 Is 29.17-24 ~ Mt 9.27-31

9:00am Steve Loivor *deceased*

Sat., Dec. 3 Is 30.19-21,23-26 ~ Mt 9.35-10.1,5a,6-8

Saint Francis Xavier

5:00pm For the intentions of Veronica Ferro
For the intentions of São Santos and living
and deceased family members
Josef & Veronika Grunsteim *deceased*

Sun., Dec. 4 Is 11.1-10 ~ Rom 15.4-9 ~ Mt 3.1-12

Second Sunday of Advent

9:00am Jack Brennan *deceased*

11:00am For our parishioners and their families

Please pray for the sick especially those whose names are recorded in our Parish book of intentions and for the repose of the souls of those who have died; may the souls in Purgatory, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Please call the office if you would like to add an intention in our Parish book of intentions.

During the month of November we will remember:

Dagmar Novak – November 6, 2021
Mary Stella Apa – November 22, 2021
Czeslaw Bernasiewicz – November 28, 2021
Elaine Gertrude Cancelli – December 4, 2021
Doris Margaret Morris – December 21, 2021
Edoardo Lucarelli – January 11, 2022
Frances Marie Pogorski – January 13, 2022
Eugene Francis Sabatino – February 19, 2022
Denis Joseph McBride – March 5, 2022
Ivan Frank Mihaljek – March 11, 2022
Julia Wroblewski – May 3, 2022
Eileen Mary Spagnolo – May 4, 2022
Michael Joseph McInerney – May 27, 2022
Tito Da Silva – June 7, 2022
Esmeralda Ardito – June 30, 2022
Adalberto Bettencourt – July 30, 2022
Constantine Chin – July 28, 2022
Herman Anthony Jardine – August 17, 2022
Johanna Ivanyi – August 29, 2022
Gina Morrone – October 20, 2022
Elisabetta Piccolo – October 22, 2022

Registration forms for the preparation of the sacrament of **Confirmation** for the year 2023 are now available from the Church office during the hours of 10 am-12noon and 1 pm-4 pm.

Registrations for Confirmation close on **Sunday, December 4, 2022.**

Completed forms must be submitted to the church office. If you have questions or concerns, please call the Church office at 416-239-4831



ABC presents
ADVENT retreat day
"Christmas Presence"

SATURDAY DECEMBER 17 2022

beginning at 10am, completed by 4pm.
at St. Gregory's Church 122 Rathburn Road Toronto

*What does it mean for God to be present to us?
What does Jesus offer to us? What do we offer to God?*

An About Being Catholic spiritual retreat day hosted by St. Gregory's Parish Catechists Adam and Julia Kozak featuring enlightening presentations, open discussions, prayer and focused reflection time. You are invited to bring any family/friends if you would like to.

A lunch will be provided

There is no fee.

Who is this for: from lifelong Catholic to those just exploring faith...
all are welcome.

To take part, please simply email us with your name and if you are bringing anyone with you before December 14th:
aboutbeingcatholic@gmail.com



FUNDRAISER EVENT:

CHRISTMAS BAKE SALE & CHRISTMAS TREASURE TABLES

Organized and hosted by St. Gregory's CWL

Sunday, November 27th: 8am – 1:30pm

In the Parish Hall



Come prepared to shop and have a baked goody with your coffee or tea. We will be selling all home-baked goods and everyone's favourite home-made pie. New and gently used Christmas items will also be up for sale at the Treasure Tables. Raffle items and beautiful baskets will also be available.

Daily Advent Reflections

This Advent Season you are invited to take part in an online Daily Devotional Reflection with St Gregory's Parish Catechists, Julia & Adam Kozak.

This Season you are invited on a journey to delve deeper into the theme of "*Christmas Presence.*"

To receive the link for the daily reflections on your email, please email Julia at: ABCdailyReflections@gmail.com

FIRST Friday

December 2nd

Mass – 9:00am

Holy Hour – 9:30am -10:30am



First Tuesday

December 6th

Exposition – 6:30pm to 7:30pm followed by Benediction

Mass – 7:30pm

Sunday OFFERING envelopes

The 2023 envelope boxes are now available for pickup at the back of the Church.

The envelopes are displayed numerically. If you do not remember your envelope number, simply use the alphabetical list provided to match your last name to your box number.

This year we noticed that at least 200 envelope boxes were not being used therefore, we have eliminated the 600 series number from our system and have assigned new numbers to the parishioners who belonged to that series. We thank you all for your understanding.

Giving Tree



This Christmas season, parishioners of St. Gregory's will once again be organizing a Giving Tree to help those in need in our community.

Gifts will be collected and donated to needy families in our community. Beginning the weekend of November 26/27, cards indicating the needs of children and adults will be posted in the church. Simply select a card, and before the weekend of December 10th and 11th bring a wrapped gift to the church office for that child or adult.

If you do not have time to shop and would like to participate, envelopes for financial donations will also be available.

Thank you for your generosity.

St. Gregory's CWL Membership Form

2023 CWL Membership dues are \$40. To join or renew your membership, please include this completed form along with your payment, by **Cash** or **Cheque** payable to: *St. Gregory's Catholic Women's League.*

Place in an envelope marked "CWL Membership" and drop in the collection basket at any Mass, or by mail to:

St. Gregory's CWL,
122 Rathburn Rd, Etobicoke M9B 2K6.

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone Number _____

Email Address _____

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Other: E-transfer: cwl.stgregorys@gmail.com



Around our Church and our Community



Lay Spiritual Formation Advent Retreat: Catechists: Stewards of the Mysteries of God

Saturday, December 10th, 2022
9:30 am to 3:00 pm

Location: In-Person event at St. Augustine's Seminary (2661 Kingston Rd, Scarborough ON)

Registration starts at 9:00am

This event will also be held **ONLINE** via Zoom.

Cost: In-Person - \$50.00 plus HST
Online - \$20.00 plus HST

To register Visit: staugustines.on.ca

If you have any questions, please contact the Event Coordinator, Chère MacLean at

chere.maclea@utoronto.ca

Please note: The recommended age of all attendees is 15 and over.



First Sunday of Advent November 27, 2022

“They shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks.”

If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.

E-mail: vocations@archtoronto.org

www.vocationstoronto.ca



Death and Living with Grief

Keynote Speaker: Jenifer Merifield

Location: Online via Zoom

Date/Time: Wednesday Nov. 30, 2022 @ 7:00 pm

Register at: <https://dlwg.eventbrite.ca>

For more information please email:

Arcangelo Limanni, MRE

alimanni@cfstoronto.com (647) 215-3978

Online Course: Examining the Holocaust and World War II

Monday, December 12
January 16, 2023



A VIRTUAL COURSE RECOMMENDED BY THE OFFICE FOR PROMOTING CHRISTIAN UNITY AND RELIGIOUS RELATIONS WITH JUDAISM

This asynchronous online course is part of Holocaust Education Week in November and prepares for the observance of International Shoah Remembrance Day held annually on January 27. Through film and facilitation, it will explore how the Nazi ideology of racial antisemitism and territorial expansion led to and shaped the World War II and the Holocaust. Participants will gain a firm understanding of democracy, dictatorship, propaganda, collaboration, resistance, intervention, genocide, citizenship and how governments can be held accountable. This course is of benefit to everyone and is especially of importance to secondary school educators of Religion and European/American/World History as well as other disciplines where the Shoah is treated.

See details and enroll at <https://bit.ly/3UgGaAa>.

Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre is offering a Bereavement Day of Retreat



Saturday December 10, 9:00 am – 3:00pm

Theme: “Let the healing hands of Jesus bless you with peace and Healing”

Preached by the centre team

Cost: \$45.00 includes lunch

Contact: 905-278-5229 or office@qoa.ca

Religious Education and Faith Formation



St. Andrew the Apostle

Patron St. of Scotland, Greece, fishermen and sailors

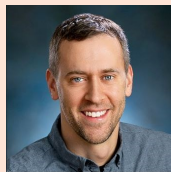
A big-hearted fisherman becomes a daring Apostle of the Lord

Andrew was a fisherman from Bethsaida in Northern Israel. He lived on the shores of the Sea of Galilee, which is really a lake, where many of Jesus' miracles took place. Jesus chose mostly fishermen and small farmers to be His disciples, perhaps because in these professions a man can plan, sweat, and calculate, and still, in the end, fail. Success is not appreciated unless failure is an option. Farmers and fishermen must depend on God's providence for success. No amount of preparation can make the clouds open and the rains pour down, and no amount of careful planning will make the nets burst with fish. Farmers and fishermen are hard-working, careful, thoughtful, and yet entirely dependent on the weather and other factors outside of their control. They must work, pray and trust in God in equal measure. They must have the discipline of faith. These are the qualities that made Andrew and others such great disciples.

Saint Andrew, we ask your intercession as an Apostle in heaven to make all Christians more generous in responding to the Lord's invitation to follow Him. Embolden us to share the faith with our families, as you did with your brother Simon Peter, and to be outspoken in our beliefs.

[Click Here to Read More](#)

Don't Take Yourself Too Seriously Chris Stefanick Show



Nobody likes a grumpy saint. You could be the most pious person walking the face of the Earth. But if you're a spiritual curmudgeon, then you're kinda missing the whole point. Because God wants you to HAVE FUN! Like St. Teresa of Avila once said, "A sad nun is a bad nun." In fact, having fun is so important that there's a virtue for it!

[Watch Here](#)

God, Who Are the Angels?



God created the angels and some chose disobedience and were driven from Heaven. St. Michael's role as protector and the Guardian Angels was introduced.

[Formed for Kids](#)

The Search Am I Saved? | Episode 6



What Jesus did for us through His life, death and resurrection was the greatest act of love in history. He saved us. He did this for each one of us, personally, but some might feel unworthy of this gift of love. We may feel we have too much baggage, may feel unlovable. But God didn't come to reveal Himself to us on a pedestal, He came to enter into our messy human condition, to fix us from within, to transform us from the inside out. Some might be surprised by how generous the love of God really is. We don't deserve God's love, but that's the amazing reality of God's mercy. This relationship with God isn't all about our love for Him, it's about His love for us that changes our lives forever.

[Watch Formed](#)

Office Schedule

Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays: From 9:30am to 5pm

Tuesdays and Thursdays: From 9:30am to 8pm

Mass Intentions by phone: Please call 905-451-2300
(during office schedule)

Meetings by Appointment Only

Note: During lunch the office will be closed from 1:00pm to 2:00pm

Adoration Chapel

Monday to Friday	9:30am to 8:00pm
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Saturdays	9:30am to 4:00pm
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Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday to Saturday	9:00am Mass
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Friday Evenings	6:00pm to 7:00pm Holy Hour followed by 7:00pm Mass
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Sunday Mass Schedule

5:00pm Mass (Saturday Vigil Mass)

8:00am Mass

9:30am Mass

11:00am Mass

12:30pm Mass

2:00pm Mass (*Spanish*)

Confession Times

Fridays	6:00pm to 6:45pm
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Saturdays	4:00pm to 4:45pm
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Church open for Prayer

Monday to Friday	8:00am to 8:00pm
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