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Rectory Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday & Friday 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday & Thursday 9:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m

Our Mission: love God, love others, make disciples

Parish Mission Statement: *Holy Family Parish thanks God for His gifts to us of time, talent and treasure. In following the Lord's command to "make disciples of all nations...." (Mt. 28:19), each of us will use these gifts in praising God. WE will work in the service of our community by encouraging and helping all to reconnect to our Church, renew our faith and rebuild our commitment to God.*

PASTOR:

Rev. Fr. Laszlo Nagy

ASSOCIATE:

Rev Fr. Matthew McCarthy

OFFICE MANAGER:

Tess Bondoc

Director of New

Evangelization: Mary Kay Boase

Lay Pastoral Assistant: John Reid

Youth Minister: Camille Herrera

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PARISH MINISTRIES:

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Extraordinary Ministers	905-430-8552
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Holy Family Stitchers	905-668-0551
Homeless Mission	905-430-2515
Hospitality Ministry	905-665-6470
Intercessory Prayer Group	905-665-6470
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Legion of Mary	905-666-8471
Marriage Preparation	905-665-6470
Mother's Group	289-240-8995
Outreach Ministry	905-430-2515
Praise & Worship Group	905-665-8177
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Volunteer Screening	905-439-5805
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SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 12:30 p.m.

DAILY MASSES:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday: 9:00 a.m.
Novena Mass to Our Lady of Perpetual Help is every Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. Exposition is 1 hour before all weekday Masses.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday 4 p.m. to 4:55 p.m. or upon request.

BAPTISM:

Contact the Parish office.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

"Couples planning to be married must contact the priest ONE YEAR in advance. You must take a Marriage Preparation course and be a registered member of Holy Family Parish. If either party has gone through any form of civil or religious marriage with another person, the priest is not permitted to set a date for the wedding until the Bishop's office has been contacted."

PARISH DEVOTIONS:

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

- Beginning one hour before all weekday Masses.
- Friday from noon to just before the 7 p.m. Mass.
- On the First Friday of the month, Adoration will continue after Mass until midnight.

Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet

- Rosary is recited 1/2 hr before all weekday masses.
- Scriptural Rosary is 1st Saturday of the month after the 9am Mass.
- Divine Mercy Chaplet is every Friday at 3 p.m.

**NEW PARISHIONERS ARE WELCOME TO REGISTER
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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

Get involved - become a Knight. Please contact Grand Knight Norm Sawula at 905-668-1799. Meetings are 2nd (General) and 4th (Executive) Wednesday of every month.



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE:

CWL Meetings are held in the Holy Family Church Hall on the 1st Wednesday of each month. Please contact CWL President, Evette D' Cunha at 905-430-4594. The Rosary is at 6 p.m. followed by Mass at 7:00 p.m. There are no meetings held in the month of July and August.

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



Monday, March 11, 7pm

+Edmund Vernetto req by
Sheila Tobin

Tuesday, March 12, 9am

Sp Int for Conroy Family

Wednesday, March 13, 7pm

CWL Members Living & Deceased
Knights of Columbus Members Living and
Deceased

Sp Int for Fr. László Nagy and
Fr. Matthew McCarthy req by Cheryl
Robinson

+Iris Reddy req by Vera & John Hugel
Sp Int for St Augustine Seminarians req by
Steve & Marie Sergeant

Thursday, March 14, 9am

+Winnie Yates req by The Yates Family

Friday, March 15, 7pm

+Holy Souls in Purgatory req by Steve &
Marie Sergeant

+Cobie Sneek req by Sneek Family

Saturday March 16

9:00am +Angela Adriano req by
Angie & Frank Campanelli
Sp Int Anthony Vanberkum for
Ordination as Deacon

5:00pm +Ted Mizzi req by his wife and
Children

YOUNG ADULT MEN'S GROUP

We are inviting all young adult men ages 18 yrs. to 36 yrs. to join us in a small group setting. The topic is on Dr. Edward Sri's Who Am I to Judge? Responding to Relativism with Logic and Love. In an age in which preference has replaced morality, many people find it difficult to speak the truth, afraid of the reactions they will receive if they say something is right or wrong. This study will help young men to understand the view of morality and will equip them to engage relativism, appealing to both the head and the heart. **Fr. Matthew McCarthy** will lead the discussions. The study will begin on **Wednesday, March 13 to May 8 (excluding April 10) from 7:30pm to 9:00pm in the Knights Room.** Email holy.family@rogers.com to register.

DO YOU KNOW THAT THE WEEKLY HOMILY IS IN OUR WEBSITE?

VISIT <https://www.holyfamilywhitby.ca/>

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

FOR THE MONTH OF: **February 2019**

Offertory Contribution	\$28,387.20
Restoration & Maintenance	6,830.66
PAG Contributions	9,961.00

Total Contribution:	\$45,178.86
Total Church Expenses:	-\$54,586.03

THE ARTWORK OF THE SISTINE CHAPEL CEILING:

BEAUTY, PROPHECY AND GOD'S PLAN FOR THE SALVATION OF MANKIND.

On **March 13 at 7:30 PM**, speaker and art professional, Deanne Macewko will be presenting a talk here at Holy Family Parish, on the historic artwork of the Sistine Chapel Ceiling, created by the great Renaissance artist, Michelangelo. In this talk she will outline the prophetic program depicted on the ceiling focusing on the theological, allegorical, and symbolic meanings embedded within this great work of art. This talk is a good accompaniment to the Lenten Journey and celebration of the Easter Triduum.

SMALL GROUP OPEN HOUSE - TUESDAY MARCH 26TH 7PM.

Come to the Small Group Open House where you will be able to connect with a group and see firsthand what a Small Group looks like and what happens during a meeting. Visit the Small Group webpage on our new website holyfamilywhitby.ca for more information and to register.

YOUNG ADULT MASS

We are inviting all young adults in the parish, ages 18 years to 39 yrs. to join us on **Sunday March 24 at 7pm for Mass**, followed by a young adult event in the church hall. If you have a young adult in your family, or know someone, especially those who have not been to church in a while, please invite them to attend the Mass. All the greeters, choir, readers and servers will be young adults of our parish. This will be a great opportunity for them to reconnect and renew their faith and have conversations with people their age about life and faith.

HOLY FAMILY LENTEN RETREAT

Holy Family Lenten Retreat will be on **April 8 to April 10**, Monday to Wednesday at 7pm. Lenten Reconciliation will follow after the retreat on Wednesday, April 10. The retreat will be given by Fr. Allan MacDonald, General Superior of the Companion of the Cross

YOUTH MINISTRY

EDGE & Life Teen Camp will take place respectively on August 17-21 and August 5-10. Both camps are a chance for students in grades 5-12 to be away for a week and focused on growing in community and their relationship with God. Both camps take place at great facilities aimed at outdoor activities and faith formation alike. For questions and to register, please contact Camille at hfwym91@gmail.com

March Break! Jr. EDGE and Life Teen will not be taking place this week due to March Break! We are excited to see everyone again on March 27 and 28!

A Lenten List

Still wondering what you should do for Lent? If you haven't started yet, it isn't too late! Here are 3 tips for what can be done during this season:

- 1) Take something up! One thing we can do a little more, for example, is to pray! Think of a way to make sure you're praying for a bit every day.
- 2) Give something up! There is always a distraction or two we can do without! Think of something you can give up for this season to make more room for Jesus in your life.
- 3) Live out generosity! Think of ways you can give back. Perhaps a small donation to the church, some food for those who don't have any, or a visit to a retirement home?



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EVERY FRIDAY DURING LENT
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MARCH 10, 2019

WEEK SIX: REBUILT BOOK CLUB

ARE YOU ON THE LOOKOUT FOR SOMETHING NEW FROM GOD?

We have now reached the conclusion of our book club based on the Rebuilt story of the Catholic Church of the Nativity in Baltimore Maryland. For six weeks, people gathered to reflect on the book, watch videos of the authors, Pastor Fr. Michael White and his associate Tom Corcoran, and discuss how any of this can apply to or help us here with our mission at Holy Family in Whitby. All of the materials and resources are available on the Rebuilt page of our new website, so please feel free to explore it to see what it was all about. The book club may be over, but here's the main point, our work is not, we do not end here.

Rather, we now move into the next phase of our action in faith to fulfill our mission to: "love God, love others, make disciples". And we do so not only with deeper understanding of what that mission means and what God is calling us to do from a spiritual perspective, but also with awareness and appreciation of the practical aspects of how to take these steps personally and collectively. We can learn from the experiences of the Church of the Nativity, but our experiences here will be different. From the outset, it was our vision to bring parishioners into the conversation to first help us fully understand our context here in Whitby, and second to discern how we can apply what we have learned to help us grow as disciples and build our real community and family of faith at Holy Family.

In the final video for his "Rebuilt" homily series, Fr. Michael used the scripture from Isaiah 43 in talking about God's people hoping for their temple to be rebuilt, but being unsure of how to do it, where to start, and while being hopeful in faith, still feeling overwhelmed. The message in Isaiah is of course for the people to continue to depend on God and live their lives as He commands, but now to also look for God to do something new. This does not mean God is changing, our faith teaches us that scripture, what we know of God, and the Eucharist do not change – this is the orthodoxy of what we believe. But in our modern world, there are things that can change in dynamic ways with relation to our church. This creates a tension of "dynamic orthodoxy": firmly rooted in the orthodoxy of our faith, we can be dynamic in our approach, eagerness and creativity about how we connect and deliver the message. Pope Francis, for example, has himself in *Laudato Si* embraced the possibilities of using our digital technology for the good of communicating and sharing the faith, and serving the environmental issues of being stewards of our earth.

Over the past few weeks, we have been asking ourselves some key questions to help us come to understand more clearly a few aspects of how we can live out our parish mission in real ways. When we consider what our "why" is, we can motivate ourselves to engage in church to deepen our own faith, but also to help bring others into a closer relationship with God and faith. When we are trying to take steps forward, we ask ourselves if we are truly relying on and trusting God. The going might get tough, and if it does, are we ready to put our faith in His plan for us and stay the course? If we are to be true to what our mission means, and set out to make disciples, we need to consider how this impacts the culture of our church. Of course, it first means that we need to work on being disciples ourselves, and then work to support an environment and community that welcomes and invites others to become members. One of the steps we can take to become disciples is through service. The difficulty here is to first of all know our gifts and strengths and then to find a way that we can offer our time in a ministry or mission that matches our talents and our busy schedules. (To help with this, we now have a link on the service page of our website that takes you to a charism questionnaire that you may complete to discover your own special gifts.) Once we determine if we are ready to serve in the church, there are a variety of ways to do this. Our NextSTEPS booklet was designed to be the tool to help you with this. Make a copy of it your own, and let it help guide you on your faith journey. And now, finally, if we have discerned, if we have prayerfully opened ourselves to the idea that God can and will work through us as members of the body of His church to build it up, are we now on the lookout for the new things He will do in our lives and in the community of Holy Family? We might feel anxious about challenges ahead, we might feel excited about opportunities, we might feel inspired by the faith stories of others, but we should also feel joined together in a caring community that believes that we can do this!

We have been truly privileged to participate in this book club with so many wonderful people, and we look forward to the amazing things God has planned and will bring us to do here at Holy Family. Thank you for your interest, support, and prayers to make this a truly faith-filled and loving parish on a mission to love God, love others, and make disciples.

To close this series of messages about our book club and the journey we are taking in our faith, I'd like to leave you with this special prayer of St Theresa of Avila:

May today there be peace within. May you trust God that you are exactly where you are meant to be. May you not forget the infinite possibilities that are born of faith.

May you use those gifts that you have received, and pass on the love that has been given to you. May you be content knowing you are a child of God.

Let this presence settle into your bones, and allow your soul the freedom to sing, dance, praise and love. It is there for each and every one of us. Amen.

Mary Kay Boase
Director of New Evangelization

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