

## SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



### **MASS** **INTENTIONS**

#### **Monday, December 7**

7 p.m. +Giovanna Ruggeri req by  
Bryant Family

#### **Tuesday, December 8**

9 a.m. Sp. Int. Michael Tota req by  
Tota Family

9 a.m. Sp Int for 92nd Birthday of  
Edmund Wijesinghe

#### **Wednesday, December 9**

7 p.m. +Frank & Jenuina Gaspar  
req by Teresa Ormonde

#### **Thursday, December 10**

9 a.m. +Bill Edwards req by  
CWL Members

#### **Friday December 11**

7 p.m. +Len Tobin req by  
Hettiaratchi Family

7 p.m. Fr. Heffernan

7 p.m. +Margot & Zoltan  
Weindorfer req by  
Bob Weindorfer

7 p.m. +Moirra Corcoran req by  
June & Ed Sobanski & Fam.

7 p.m. Thanksgiving for Martina  
Peter

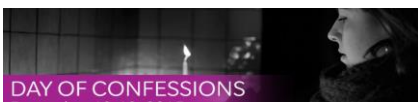
7 p.m. +Ron Payment req by  
Mike & Marg Burke

7 p.m. Thanksgiving for Infant  
Jesus req by Merle Chew

#### **Saturday, December 12**

9 a.m. +Joseph Gillard req by  
His Family

5 p.m. +Mary Ann Daniels req by  
Her Parents & Sister



Preparation for and the celebration of Confession allows us to set aside disruptive ways, to be renewed in heart and spirit, to be reconciled with our God who abounds with gracious, gentle tenderness. From December 13 to 19, 2015, each parish in the Archdiocese of Toronto will be holding a **Day of Confessions**. **Confessions at our parish will be available on December 16, 2015 from 3:00pm to 9:00pm.**

### **FAMILY OF FAITH CAMPAIGN**

The **Family of Faith** Campaign is a vision of His Eminence Cardinal Collins, to benefit and grow our faith community, our Archdiocese and most importantly Holy Family Parish. Our faith community here is vibrant, energetic, active and continually growing. The resources of the **Family of Faith** initiative will be used here at Holy Family to enhance our continued growth. We have supported our church to make it the beautiful place of worship which we now enjoy. Now, with this **Family of Faith** initiative we can completely focus on the human and spiritual needs of our parishioners.

Significant long term and lasting investments will be made to benefit these ministries:

- Our youth through expanded programs in children's liturgy, choir, Edge, Life Teen and sacramental preparation.
- Our adults through expanded programs in Bible study, R.C.I.A., marriage preparation and support of our married, widowed, separated, divorced parish members.
- Our community through expanded support of Saint Vincent de Paul, St. Vincent's kitchen, the homeless and of course our refugee family.

The **Family of Faith** initiative has already been of great benefit to us here at Holy Family as our website, through funding from the Archdiocese portion of the campaign, has been recreated. Visit our new platform at [www.holyfamilywhitby.ca](http://www.holyfamilywhitby.ca).

To do all that is envisioned to position our parish for continued and vibrant growth in the future Cardinal Collins is urging you to give sacrificially in support of our **Family of Faith** initiative. This will give you the opportunity to be an integral part of this legacy which will have everlasting benefits to our parish.

Members of the **Family of Faith** committee will be contacting you with an invitation to attend an information session that will outline the complete details of this Family of Faith campaign. This information will enable you to best determine how you can contribute and be a part of this legacy. You are encouraged to seize the opportunity to attend and respond positively. You can stay in touch at [www.ourFamilyofFaith.ca](http://www.ourFamilyofFaith.ca)



### **CHRISTMAS CAROL PERFORMANCE**

Saturday, December 12th, 6.30 pm

The choirs of Holy Family Parish welcome all to an evening of Christmas Carols on **Saturday, December 12th after the 5 pm mass** in church. Feel and share the joy of Christmas as you listen and sing along to timeless carols. Admission is free. Bring your family, friends and Christmas Spirit.

### **HOLY FAMILY ADVENT RETREAT**

Set aside a few evenings to shift your focus during the hectic days leading to Christmas. Come & attend Holy Family's Advent Retreat on:

**Monday December 14th 7pm Mass**

**Tuesday December 15th, 7pm Mass**

**Wednesday, December 16th, 7pm Mass**

Advent Reconciliation will follow after the Mass on December 16th. This advent retreat will focus on the heart's readiness in anticipation of the coming of our Lord and Saviour. Speaker is Fr. Mark Robson. Join us as we reflect and pray on the true meaning of Christmas.



## CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Regular weekly mass schedule for  
Monday to Friday  
Dec. 14 – 23, 2015.

### CHRISTMAS EVE

THURSDAY, DEC. 24 6:00 p.m.  
Family Mass celebrated in the Church & Hall  
8:00 p.m.  
10:00 p.m.  
12:00 Midnight (with Incense)

### CHRISTMAS DAY

FRIDAY, DEC. 25 8:00 a.m.  
9:30 a.m.  
11:00 a.m.  
12:30 p.m.

### NEW YEAR'S EVE

THURSDAY, DEC. 31 5:00 p.m.

### NEW YEAR'S DAY

FRIDAY, JAN. 1 8:00 a.m.  
9:30 a.m.  
11:00 a.m.  
12:30 p.m.

**OFFICE CLOSED: Monday, December 28**

## HOLY FAMILY HOMELESS TEAM

Our Holy Family Parish Homeless mission team will be having an evening of sorting and packing winter warm items for our less fortunate homeless brothers and sisters. This will take place on Friday, December 11th starting at 6:30pm in our parish hall. We will also be discussing and establishing a new homeless project where we will be serving warm food from a registered homeless hostel outdoor parking lot on various days during the cold months. Please do come and join us and embrace those who are far less in comfort and lessened friendship. They are our Christian brothers and sisters in the Lord. Mary Anne Belanger, Alan Perron and the Parish Homeless Ministry team."



## CALLING SINGERS & NON-SINGERS!

No prior experience necessary! Come join our Adult Choir and enjoy singing to praise our Lord. It will be a fun environment with a lot of learning potential! Our Youth choir is looking to expand! Please come see Alicia Del Vecchio at either 11am or 12:30pm mass on any Sunday to sign up for either choir! Instrumentalists also encouraged to join and share their passion for music! Contact: Alicia Del Vecchio at her email: [aliciadelvecchio777@gmail.com](mailto:aliciadelvecchio777@gmail.com) for more information

## HOLY FAMILY SENIORS GROUP

Holy Family Seniors Group Christmas Meeting is on Wed. Dec. 9th from 1:00pm to 2:30 pm in the church hall. There will be Christmas Cookie Exchange and Christmas Draw. All are welcome. This will be our last meeting until 2016. Call Beth at 289-240-1499 for more details and information.



The Children's Christmas Party this weekend was a total success! Thank you so much **Ms. Mary Kay Boase** for all your hard work to make the party so special! We had tons of fun and are full of the Holy Spirit in anticipation for our Lord Jesus Christ to come! Special thanks to all of our amazing high-school volunteers who came out to help!

### This Week in Youth Ministry



This Thursday at EDGE we are having a night all about Advent! We will be learning what this special time really means and making our own Advent wreaths!



This Tuesday at Life Teen, we are learning about the liturgical season of Christmas and how to say yes to Jesus in our own lives.

**Register Now**

Registration forms and more info can be found under the Youth Ministry bulletin board or on our website [holyfamily-youthministry.weebly.com](http://holyfamily-youthministry.weebly.com)