

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Mass Intentions for the Week Holy Family Parish



Monday, April 24, 7 p.m.

Sp. Int for Fr. László Nagy, RCIA & +Basdeo, Sonia & Myrna Mungal req by Lynette Mangan

Tuesday, April 25, 9 a.m.

+John Defreitas req by Camille Litt

Wednesday, April 26, 7 p.m.

+Zoltan Weindorfer req by Bob Weindorfer

+Catherine Chircop req by Legion of Mary Members

+Rosaria & Tindaro Calabrese req by Calabrese Family

+Antonio Naccarato req by Maria Naccarato & Family

Thursday, April 27, 9am

+Lysda Vernetta req by Sheila Tobin

Friday, April 28, 7pm

+Maria & Francesco Ignazzitto req by Palazzolo Family

Saturday, April 29

9 a.m. +Cheryl Cordick req by Maurice Coe

5 p.m. Special Intentions

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Please pray for the healing and recovery of all the sick members of our parish especially: Jim Cushnan, Maureen Keogan, Laura Beaupre, Reginald Wade, Wayne Scott, Grace Hancock and Shirley Barrett.

MARCH FOR LIFE

Mark your calendars: **Thursday May 11th, 2017**. Join thousands in Ottawa for the annual **March for Life**. A bus will be leaving from Holy Family Parish. Remember the words of our first Prime Minister: "Abortion saps the very lifeblood of a nation." - Sir John A. MacDonald. Life - We Stand On Guard For Thee! Contact: Patricia 905-668-7292.

HOSPITALITY SUNDAY

We are inviting all parishioners to come to the church hall after all Masses this weekend for some coffee, tea, refreshments and have an opportunity for fellowship with other parishioners.



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Today is Divine Mercy Sunday. The message of The Divine Mercy is simple. It is that God loves us – all of us. And, he wants us to recognize that His mercy is greater than our sins so that we will call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy, and let it flow through us to others. Thus, all will come to share His joy.

The Divine Mercy message is one we can call to mind simply by remembering ABC:

A - Ask for His Mercy. God wants us to approach Him in prayer constantly, repenting of our sins and asking Him to pour His mercy out upon us and upon the whole world.

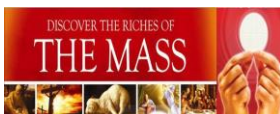
B - Be merciful. God wants us to receive His mercy and let it flow through us to others. He wants us to extend love and forgiveness to others just as He does to us.

C - Completely trust in Jesus. God wants us to know that the graces of His mercy are dependent upon our trust. The more we trust in Jesus, the more we will receive.

Spend time to learn more about the mercy of God, learn to trust in Jesus, and live your life as merciful to others, as Christ is merciful to you.

ADULT FORMATION

REGISTER TODAY to ensure you have your study materials for **A Biblical Walk Through the Mass** which begins **Monday, MAY 1(10:30 am or 7:30 pm)** at Holy Family Parish. You will be enriched immeasurably as Dr. Edward



Sri takes us on **A BIBLICAL WALK THROUGH THE MASS – UNDERSTANDING WHAT WE SAY AND DO IN THE LITURGY**. You will be equipped to worship in a richer and more fruitful way as you understand the Biblical roots and the profound significance of the words and gestures we share at Mass. Registration will take place **TODAY** after mass or through the church office during regular business hours. **Don't miss this opportunity!**

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Holy Family Parish will be having a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Saturday, **May 6th at 11am**. Registered parishioners celebrating **Milestone Wedding Anniversary in 2017 (10th, 20th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th, etc.)** are invited to renew your vows and commitment at a special Mass to celebrate your anniversary. Families and friends are welcome. Light refreshments will be served in the hall after the Mass. Call the office at 905-665-6470 to register or for more information.

THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS!

We wish to share with you and extend to you on behalf of the Archdiocese of Toronto, a sincere and heartfelt thank you to all the people who volunteer in our parish. The Archdiocese of Toronto is celebrating 175 years, and has declared the week of **April 23 - 29, 2017 as Volunteer Appreciation Week** in honour of the over 30,000 volunteers who serve in the 225 parishes of the Archdiocese. This is in recognition of the dedicated time and effort given by so many to accomplish every aspect of the good work in our parishes which allows our people to participate in the Church. From those who are very visible and serve the Mass: Lectors, Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers and Daughters of Mary; to those who support faith formation as catechists and Bible Study facilitators; to those who work more behind the scenes: St. Vincent de Paul Society, Catholic Women's League, Knights of Columbus, Legion of Mary, Extraordinary Eucharistic ministers to the Sick; and so many, many more groups, teams and ministries of people. The vitality and celebration of faith we experience here at Holy Family is strengthened and nurtured by the contributions of all of our many volunteers. We thank you for all that you do, and we know that through your example of living and serving your faith, you bring others closer to their faith. Please know that in this way, you also are evangelizers, and we encourage you to be very intentional about that, and invite others to join you in your good work. Thank you for volunteering!

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Living the Gospel by helping the vulnerable in our society...

Tim and Donna met 25 years ago and have made the Friday and Saturday social nights at Our Place a regular part of their lives. Their intellectual capacity is somewhat limited but they do maintain their own independent apartments. While Tim is currently caring for his aging mother following her recent surgery, Donna is able to support Tim by cooking meals and offering caring attention. As Tim overcomes some social shyness in his own life, he also takes care of some of Donna's daily needs with household chores, and working on the computer. The support role ShareLife plays enables Our Place to be a caring partner to these vulnerable people. ShareLife funded agencies like Our Place helps many intellectually disabled men and women through compassionate and caring support.

OUR GOAL IS \$80,000.00.

WE HAVE RAISED \$43,918.80

NEXT SHARELIFE SUNDAY IS MAY 7, 2017

PLEASE GIVE GENEROUSLY

ALPHA COURSE

We would like to extend a huge thank you to the Society of St Vincent De Paul members who prepared the delicious food for our last Alpha session. Our first Alpha has now completed the 10 sessions of inspiring video talks and discussions, and now many of our participants will be continuing the friendships they developed through Alpha in Discipleship Small Groups. Such a joy it has been to be in the company of people who desire to talk about faith and want to nurture their relationship with Jesus! The Holy Spirit was truly at work! We wish to extend our heartfelt appreciation for all of those who made the Alpha possible: the Ministries for the delicious meals, the set-up and tech/AV people, the table hosts and helpers, Fr. László for his support and encouragement for this program and **Mary Kay Boase**, the heart of our Alpha Course for all her hard work and dedication.



Month of March 2017

Offertory Contribution	\$31,389.45
Restoration & Maintenance	3,951.00
PAG Contributions	8,605.00

Total Contribution:	\$43,945.45
Total Church Expenses:	\$73,049.14

HOLY FAMILY GIFT STORE

If you are looking for keepsakes for Baptism, First Communion & Confirmation, please take a moment to look at the beautiful items in our gift store. We have plenty of new gifts/souvenirs you can choose from.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Stuebenville Toronto

- July 28-30 2017 (UOIT Campus)
- High school teens
- A powerful conference of evangelization, full of faith, music, sharing, guest speakers, activities, and fun

Life Teen Camp

- August 7-12 2017 (Jackson's Point, ON)
- High school teens
- A week of summer camp just for students of our Life Teen program to encounter Christ and have a camp experience like no other

EDGE Camp

- August 23-27 2017 (Camp White Pine)
- Students in grades 5-8
- An exciting faith-filled week of summer camp for students registered in our EDGE program

Youth Programs

- Life Teen every Monday from 7p-9p: Grades 9-12
- Youth Alpha every Tues from 2:45p-4p at Austin High School
- EDGE every Thursday from 6p-8p: Grades 5-8



I BELIEVE... I WANT TO SHARE...
 Be inspired and learn as you grow both in faith and in your ability to share faith. Discover new purpose in your life: answer that 'call' from your heart.

"Put out into the deep" with experts in New Catholic Evangelization. (Lk 5:4)

**The New Evangelization Summit:
 Learning to Share the Good News
 Live-streamed from Ottawa to Holy Family Church**

Friday, May 12: 7 - 9:30 pm and
 Saturday, May 13: 9 am - 4:30 pm
 Some tickets still available! Call 905-665-6470 or
 Go to: <https://www.newevangelization.ca>
 "Are not our hearts burning within us?" (Lk 24:32)

CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK- April 30-May 5

Walking Forward Together

We invite all parishioners to join in celebrating Catholic Education Week 2017, WHICH RUNS FROM April 30 to May 5. For more than 165 years, Ontario's publicly funded Catholic schools have been integrating our faith into all aspects of school life, nurturing the gifts and talents of every student. We celebrate the distinctive contribution that Catholic schools provide, giving thanks and offering our prayers for all those who faithfully journey with our young people each day. For more info visit www.goodnewsforall.ca.