

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT



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Monday, March 27, 7 p.m.

+Mary Gallagher req by Pat Belcourt

Tuesday, March 28, 9 a.m.

+Felipa & Francisco Cuenta Sr. req by Cuenta Family

+Ken MacDonald req by Donna MacDonald

Wednesday, March 29, 7 p.m.

+Maria & Diego Ruggeri req by Calabrese Family

+Rafaele Alvaro req by Wife Maria Alvaro

Sp Int for Bill & Sylvia Turner & Family req by Mary Ann Etorma

Thursday, March 30, 9 a.m.

+Luz Ruelos & Gabriel Cannistraci req by Ian & Zonita Reid

Friday, March 31, 7 p.m.

+Jaimie Alvarez req by Allison Kilgour & Family

Sp Int Jim Cushnan

Saturday, April 5

9 a.m. +Eric Kirner req by Brian & Elfrida Jeppesen

5 p.m. +Gerald & Grace Cardona req by Cardona Family

HOLY FAMILY FOLK CHOIR

Love to sing to give praise to God? We are welcoming new members for our Folk Choir who sings at the 9:30am Mass. Please contact Carlos at 905-668-7292.

PARISH LENTEN RETREAT: DISCIPLESHIP AND CALL TO CONVERSION

You are invited to attend the Holy Family Parish's Lenten Retreat on **Monday, April 3rd, 7pm Mass, Tuesday April 4th, 7pm Mass and Wednesday, April 5th, 7pm Mass**. Lenten Reconciliation will follow after the Mass on April 5th. Join us and allow Jesus Christ through the richness of His Word, to love you into fullness of life and answer His call to become His disciple. Our retreat will be conducted by **Fr. Michael Sweeney, OP, Co-Founder and Co-Director of Catherine of Siena Institute in Colorado**.

ALPHA COURSE



We would like to extend a huge thank you to the Refugee Committee under the leadership of Alan Perron, who prepared the delicious food.

We are so excited to announce that we are having the 2nd Alpha course on April 25 to June 27, Tuesdays at 7pm in the parish hall. Alpha weekend is on June 9 & 10. Please invite your family and friends to attend this course. We will have a wonderful supper for all our guest. Please RSVP at the back of the church or online at <http://holyfamilywh.archtoronto.org>

ALPHA MARRIAGE COURSE



Holy Family Parish is inviting married couples to a romantic dinner and great tips for marriage! The **Alpha Marriage Course** is a unique and practical seven week course that will run from **April 5 to May 17** Wednesdays, 7:00pm to 9:30pm at Bella Notte Restaurant (3570 Brock St N, Whitby). Anyone interested in attending the course should contact Ryan & Linda Harlock at ryan_linda@sympatico.ca or 905-743-9466. Cost includes course materials & all meals. Space is limited. **Cost: \$50 deposit** is required upon registration to secure your spot and pay for the first evening.

YOUTH MINISTRY FUNDRAISER

Order your beautiful spring Easter plants from the Youth Ministry and support a child to go to camp this summer!

Over the next 2 weekends the youth of Holy Family Parish will be selling Vandermeer Nursery Easter plants to fundraise for our summer camp programs! We have many youth whose families cannot afford to send them to our Catholic camps and conferences in the summer time. These camps not only give students an amazing experience with camp activities, making friends and conquering fears, but also provide encounters with Jesus Christ through Adoration, daily Mass and Confession. We are hoping to be able to sponsor or subsidize as many kids as we can but we need your help! Please consider purchasing a lovely spring flower arrangement for your loved ones to celebrate the conquering of our Lord Jesus Christ over death and opening the gates of Heaven to humanity! Deadline for orders is Wednesday April 5th 2017 and will be ready for pick up at the Church on Wednesday April 12th.

PILGRIMAGE TO SICILY & ITALY

We are inviting everyone to join Fr.László in the pilgrimage to Italy and Sicily from September 24 to October 7. Please get a copy of the itinerary at the back of the church. There will be **an information session this Wed., March 29 at 7:30pm in the hall**. All those interested to join the pilgrimage are encouraged to attend.

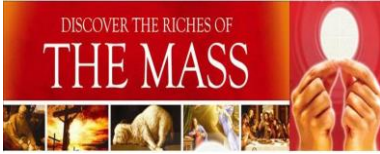
PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

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

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday of Lent, the Holy Rosary will be recited at 6 p.m. followed by Stations of the Cross at 6:30 p.m. Mass will follow at 7:00 p.m.

HOLY FAMILY PARISH



ADULT FORMATION

A Biblical Walk Through the Mass is beginning soon at Holy Family Parish.

Register now and purchase the study materials by Dr. Edward Sri – A BIBLICAL WALK THROUGH THE MASS – UNDERSTANDING WHAT WE SAY AND DO IN THE LITURGY and the Study Program Student Workbook. REGISTERING NOW will ensure you have the materials to participate fully when the study starts. This study will equip you to worship in a richer and more fruitful way as you understand the meaning behind the parts of the Mass. The profound significance of the words and gestures we share at Mass are explored through their Biblical roots. Registration takes place after all weekend masses at the back of the church or through the church office during regular business hours.

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

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.

FELLOWSHIP AFTER THE MASS

Most parishioners who sprint for the exit doors and rush to their cars to get home as soon as the priest grants his final blessing, often miss an amazing chance for fellowship and encouragement in their faith. In addition, our parish miss a great opportunity for encouraging you to be involved in discipleship, and for sharing the programs and ministries that can change your lives. Our **Hospitality Sundays** (every other Sunday, next month will be on April 9 & 23) provide wonderful and easy opportunities for you to stay after Mass to grow in your faith and build on what you experienced during the previous hour. We invite you to come to the parish hall and share some refreshments, donuts, muffins, coffee and meet fellow parishioners for fellowship and conversation.



"Living the Gospel" locally and around the world...

How do we "Live the Gospel" toward others when our daily lives are so busy? For some it is volunteering at a soup kitchen, or it may be caring for an elderly relative. If we do not have the time to actively participate, we can support the many ShareLife funded agencies within our community that bring the hands of Christ to those in need. Our annual appeal provides resources to 42 agencies, bringing much needed programs and services to those both here in our communities and around the world. Next Sunday is the first ShareLife collection. Over the next week, consider your ability to "Live the Gospel" by helping those who are vulnerable and in need, and make a contribution to ShareLife

NEXT SUNDAY APRIL 2, 2017 IS SHARELIFE SUNDAY

PLEASE GIVE GENEROUSLY

HOLY FAMILY CHOIR

Calling all high school students needing volunteer hours! We require a few volunteers to do create PowerPoint presentations using our hymnal. If you are interested, email: aliciadelvecchio777@gmail.com. **We are seeking an experienced sound person to attend our 12:30pm masses** and manage the balancing and sound board for the contemporary choir's music. As well, we are looking for someone to manage our visual portion of the team. If you are interested, email: aliciadelvecchio777@gmail.com.

C.W.L.

Attention Catholic Women's League members! Please join us for the General Meeting on **Wednesday, April 5th 2017** at 7:30 pm in the Church hall. Find out about all the exciting activities you can be involved in and re-connect with your friends. New members are always welcome!



CELEBRATION CANADA 150

Mark Saturday June 3rd in your calendar and join with fellow parishioners in celebrating Canada's 150 year of Confederation.

We welcome your ideas to help make our celebration a success and if you would like to be a part of the organizing committee, please contact the church office or call Paddy Cauley 905 430 6906.