

THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST



Monday, June 25, 7pm

Sp Int for Fr Laszlo Nagy req by the Rayen & Fernando Families

Tuesday, June 26, 9 am

+Carmine Plastina req by the Plastina Family

Wednesday, June 27, 7 pm

Thursday, June 28, 9 am

+Cobie Sneek and Sp Int for Nick Sneek req by George & Margaret Hodgkinson.

Friday, June 29, 7 7 pm

+Antonio Roberto Bianco req by Maria & Roberto Bianco and Family.

+Maria Alvaro req by Pina Gattellaro & Family

+Giovanna Ruggeri req by the Bryant Family. Jean-Marc Daga req by the Family.

Francis Xavier Fernando req by Marry Anne Fernando.

+Antonio Scarcelli req by the Luele Family

+Ken Mac Donald req by the Mac Donald Family.

Saturday June 30

9:00am +John Burke req by Mike & Marg Burke

5:00pm +Mike Pulla req by Cesina Pulla.

BLESSINGS FOR FATHER LASZLO

Please join us in celebrating two important milestones for our pastor, Fr. Laszlo!!! Saturday, June 23 marks his 10th year here at Holy Family, and Monday, June 25th will be the 23rd anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood. We have been truly blessed by God to have the pastoral care and spiritual leadership of Fr. Laszlo. We wish him continued joy, health and happiness in his Ministry, and keep him in our prayers always.

PILGRIMAGE TO SPAIN & PORTUGAL

We are inviting everyone to join Fr. László on a 14 day pilgrimage to **SPAIN AND PORTUGAL** from Oct. 21 to Nov. 3, 2018. The itinerary is located at the back of the church. Please call Halina or Stan at 416-444-6666 or 1-877-999-8868 to **reserve your spot before it's too late!**

OFFICE CLOSED FRIDAY

Please note that the parish office will be closed on Friday June 29th and will reopen on Tuesday July 3rd at 9:30am.



FIND A SMALL GROUP THAT'S RIGHT FOR YOU

Life is not meant to be lived alone, in fact, God hates loneliness. You were created to experience life with other people, and that's why at Holy Family, we encourage you to get into a Small Group. A small group is a group of three or more people who gather in a home, workplace **or even**

online. Groups come in all shapes and sizes- married couples, singles, men, women, under 30 over 40 the list goes on. No matter where you are in life, there's a small group for you. **Visit our website for a list of available programs and complete the online registration. Once we have a group that fits your requests we will contact you.**

Consider starting your own Small Group. It's easy - Just register your group online and we'll walk you through it! All you need is a group of 3 or more people (*friends, family, neighbours or even coworkers*), a place to host with a TV (*most groups alternate homes*), a few snacks & beverages. Then choose one of the six available programs and set a date & time each week or alternate week to meet. Each program consists of a series of videos and a downloadable guide with questions to facilitate a group discussion. We can even match you up with new members. **Contract Sue for more information holyfamily.sue@gmail.com.**

At the end of the day, starting a small group is all about **evangelization & discipleship.** It's about growing in faith together and surrounding ourselves with the Word of God. It's about prayer and community. It's about love, encouragement, spiritual growth and great fellowship. So what's stopping you from starting one? You can do this!



SUMMER ALPHA STARTING JULY 12

Holy Family will be offering a **summer Alpha** for any interested adults. It will take place on **Thursday** evenings from **6:00-7:30pm** beginning July 12 and run until September 13. **Babysitting will be available.** Alpha always includes gathering in fellowship with food, then a video talk followed by

small group discussion. A simple meal will be provided. Over 300 parishioners have already experienced this inspiring non-denominational approach to exploring the important questions of life and faith in a comfortable and friendly environment. Participants do not need to be Catholic or parishioners, so please consider inviting a friend. There is no cost. Please email Mary Kay Boase directly at mk.boase@rogers.com for further information or to register. Please indicate if you will require babysitting and the age of your children.

YOUNG ADULT ALPHA ON NOW!

Young Adult Alpha runs at **Pearson Pub, 101 Mary Street Whitby** on Tuesday evenings, 7pm to 9pm. Please visit our website holyfamilywh.archtoronto.org to register on-line, or call 905-665-6470 or email holy.family@rogers.com. You may also sign-up at the back of the church. Consider bringing a friend! (*Anyone, they do not have to be part of our church!*)

RCIA ALPHA STARTING AUGUST 21

There will also be an Alpha starting on **August 21st**. This Alpha is open to anyone and will use the same format as the summer Alpha (*see details above*), including babysitting. Exact times TBA. Please call the parish or email Mary Kay mk.boase@rogers.com for more information or to register.

HOLY FAMILY PARISH CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

If you are looking to nourish and grow strong in your faith, come join us in Praise and Worship on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 PM in the Church Hall. We reflect on the coming Sunday's readings, and pray for our Parish and personal intentions. We sing contemporary contrition, supplication and adoration songs. For details call 905 665 8177.



PROFESSIONAL GRAPHIC DESIGNER

We are looking to hire an experienced professional graphic designer for a temporary project. Please contact Mary Kay for more information at 905-665-647- ext. 210 or email her at mk.boase@rogers.com or contact the parish office.

JUNE 24, 2018

REGISTER FOR CAMP TODAY!

1) GRAND CAMP WEEK OF JULY 9

Grand Camp - registration will be closing soon, so please make sure you get your name in if you want to bring your grandchildren to our Grand Camp. We will have fun activities and great lessons in faith, but most importantly, we will have wonderful times for grandparents and grandchildren to share and make lasting memories of their special relationship. We are very excited to be able to offer this unique family opportunity and look forward to seeing you there! Registrations available on-line on our parish website, and at the back of the church. You may also call the church office to register. For more information, contact Mary Kay Boase at mk.boase@rogers.com or Alan Perron at alandioper@gmail.com

2) YOUTH CAMPS WEEK OF JULY 22

Games, activities, music, laughter, lessons, talks, questions, discussions, celebration, Sacraments, paint, and water...It's Holy Family Summer Camp!

• **Day camp for children ENTERING into grades 1-6** July 23-27, 8:30am-2:30pm. Cost; first child \$75, second child \$60 and free for 3rd & 4th child in the same family.

• **Evening program for youth ENTERING into grade 7 to graduating grade 12:** July 22-26, 6:30pm - 9pm. The cost for this program is only \$10 for the whole week. Registration forms for both camps can be found under the bulletin board or online at: <https://holyfamilywh.archtoronto.org/Ministries/children-youth/youth-ministry>

MARTYR'S SHRINE ~ THIS FRIDAY

On **Friday June 29th** Fr. László would like to invite all **adults** as well as the **children** involved in EDGE, Children's Choir, Daughters of Mary & Altar Servers up to **Martyr's Shrine, Midland** for a day of fun! It is free for the children and a \$10 fee for Adults. Bring a packed nut-free lunch, water bottle/juice, snacks, and a few dollars for ice-cream at McDonalds along the way. **Sign-up at the back of the Church!**

FATHER LEO J AUSTIN USED UNIFORM SALE

The annual used uniform sale takes place on Saturday July 14th from 1-3pm at the school. Please call the school at 905-666-2010 ext. 41345 for more information.

IMPORTANT NOTICE FROM THE PARKING LOT MINISTRY

Beginning July 1st, we will be implementing changes to our parking lot to ensure that we:

1. Create a safe drop-off zone for those people who need special accessibility to enter the church
2. Maximize the flow of cars entering the north Ribblesdale entrance so that they are not backed up onto the street
3. Extend the presence and welcoming of our hospitality ministry to include greeting and assistance in the parking lot

In order to achieve this, we will be re-directing anyone who needs to drop off parishioners to the front entrance of the church by the ramp. Cars will use the southernmost Ribblesdale entrance in a one-way direction to safely drop off passengers, then proceed to go park in the parking lot. Cars will no longer be able to stop in front of the side entrance of the church to drop off passengers, this is what causes the back-up onto Ribblesdale which

has now become further complicated by the new traffic light. There will be new signage installed, as well as Parking Lot Ministers present and visible to assist with these new safety procedures. Please help us with the successful implementation of this new process by being aware of it, sharing it with others in your family who might be driving to the church, and following the kind directions of our parking lot ministers with patience and understanding.



ELEVATOR ACCESSIBILITY

We want to remind our parishioners who have mobility concerns that the church does have an elevator which allows access to both the upstairs sanctuary and the downstairs hall. If you need to use the elevator, please see an usher or a hospitality greeter when you are here for Mass, or contact the office to make arrangements for assistance. If you or a family member requiring assistance will be attending a church function, please let one of the ushers know so that we may make arrangements for accessibility.

FAMILY OF FAITH CAMPAIGN UPDATE

As many of you remember, two years ago we completed our active fundraising for our parish's Family of Faith campaign. Our participation in this important program not only greatly helps our parish, it helps establish funds for the Archdiocese of Toronto to fund a number of initiatives outlined in the Pastoral Plan. Some of the priorities include:

- Financial support to parishes to help ensure growth and sustainability;
- Supporting Catholic education through parish and campus based ministry to keep our youth engaged in an active life of faith;
- Investing in resources that will help all of our clergy grow and be the pastoral leaders we all rely on them to be;
- Ensuring there is a strong Catholic voice in an increasingly secular world;
- Establishing a new capital fund to provide financing to new churches and to support those parish communities that may be struggling with significant building issues.

We encourage you to continue to contribute towards your Family of Faith pledge, 25% of your total pledges comes right back to the parish. These funds are being used for the New Evangelization, Discipleship and Spiritual Renovation Programs here at Holy Family. In addition, we receive funds from the Family of Faith as a separate subsidy for; Lay Pastoral Assistant, Youth Ministry, App Funding as well as the Disciple Maker Index and Gallop Surveys. All of which would not be possible without your generous support!

10TH ANNUAL TASTE FESTIVAL

Preparations have begun for the Holy Family Parish **Tenth Annual Taste Festival**, a celebration of our church community's cultural diversity and will take place on Saturday, **September 15, 2017** on Parish grounds. Highlights of the event are: Sample foods from different countries of the world; Vendor Exhibits; Variety of entertainment for the entire family. **At this time, we are looking for parishioners able to donate and prepare cultural dishes from their native land. Contact the event coordinator, Maureen Licsi at holyfamily.lmaureen@rogers.com if you can help in this way or if you would like to help plan this amazing event!**