Holy Family Parish

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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

Parish Mission Statement:

The Holy Family Catholic 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

Office Assistant: Sue Kanemy

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
AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH

PARISH MINISTRIES:

Adult Choir	905-449-1337
Adult Faith Formation	905-665-6470
Alpha	905-668-8353
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Fr. Leo J. Austin High School	905-666-2010
All Saints High School	905-666-7753



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.



Monday, Sept 24, 7pm

+Francis Xavier Fernando req by Mary Ann Fernando.

Tuesday, Sept 25, 9am

Thanksgiving, Mr & Mrs Ian Reid

Wednesday, Sept 26, 7pm

- +Natalia Maria Burian req by the Burian Family
- +Vito Ditta req by Sandra Mc Leish
 Sp Int for the Walsh Family reg by Ann

Thursday, Sept 27, 9am

Roger Tyron Fernando req by Mary Ann Fernando.

Friday, Sept 28, 7pm

Sp Int for Fr Laszlo & Fr Matthew

Saturday Sept 29

9:00am +Bruno Adriano req by Angie Campanelli

5:00pm Thanksgiving St Michael Archangel req by Mary Ann Fernando

BISHOP'S COLLECTION FOR THE NEEDS OF THE CHURCH

The annual Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada will be held next weekend, SEPTEMBER 29/30. The monies raised will be sent to our diocese, which will use these revenues to help pay its annual contribution to the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB). Through the work of the Bishops of Canada who are its members, the Conference is involved in national and international areas of pastoral activity, including social justice, ecumenical and interfaith relations, collaboration with Aboriginal Peoples, life and family issues, liturgy, catechesis, doctrine and interfaith relations, collaboration with Aboriginal Peoples, life and family issues, liturgy, catechesis, doctrine and relations with Catholic associations and movements.

THANK YOU!

We would to extend our sincere appreciation & thanks to all the volunteers who made the TASTE FESTIVAL a huge success! Thank you to all the different food booths that featured the very diverse culture in our parish, to our Knights of Columbus, CWL, Hospitality and different ministries who came out and helped. Special thanks and appreciation goes to the event coordinator, Maureen Licsi. CONGRATULATIONS to the winners of the raffle: First Prize (WestJet Flight) Coleton; Second Prize (Blue Mountain) Sham Singh and third Prize (St. Anne's SPA) Brad Smith.

COME HEAR ABOUT OUR MISSION FOR OUR YOUTH MINISTRY!

Join our youth minister, leaders & staff to hear about our mission for youth ministry.



The launch dates for each of our Youth Ministries will begin with 30 minutes of orientation and registration. This is a time for parents and families to get the first scoop of what is happening this year, receive the information they'll need, and hear about how the Youth Ministry connects to our Parish Mission: To love God, love others, and

make disciples! This will take place in the parish hall for parents, family, and youth!

EDGE ORIENTATION AND REGISTRATION NIGHT will take place on **October 4** from 6:00-6:30 PM. It will be followed by a social for our youth from grades 6-8 while parents are invited to stay for a "Come & See" session of our Alpha program from 6:30-8:00 PM!

<u>JUNIOR EDGE ORIENTATION AND REGISTRATION NIGHT</u> will take place on October 10 from 6:00-6:30 PM. It will be followed by a social for our youth from grades 3-5 while parents are invited to stay for a "Come & See" session of our Alpha program from 6:30-7:30 PM!

<u>LIFETEEN ORIENTATION AND REGISTRATION NIGHT</u> will take place on **October 11** from 7:00-7:30 PM. It will be followed by a social for our youth in high school!

Registration forms can be found under the Youth Ministry Bulletin Board, on our parish website, or received by emailing Camille at hfwym91@gmail.com

We are still looking for youth ministry leaders to volunteer with Lifeteen, Edge & Jr Edge.

Do you want to journey with our young people in faith? Do you want to put your many gifts to use? Do you want to help teach and learn? Are you looking for hours? Please email Camille at hfwym91@gmail.com to be a part of our Youth Ministry leadership family!

UPCOMING FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES at HOLY FAMILY

Please take advantage of one of our many programs starting up this fall!

<u>YOUNG ADULT ALPHA</u> A new Young Adult Alpha will begin on **Tues Sept 18**th at **7pm** and will meet at Pearson Pub, 101 Mary Street Whitby. Call the parish to register 905-665-6470.

CHRISTLIFE 'SHARING CHRIST' Last installment for the CHRISTLIFE series "Sharing Christ" starts Tues Sept 25 with a morning (10:30am) and an evening (7:00pm) group. This is a 7-week series looking at how we are called to share Christ through the evangelizing example of our own lives.

<u>GALATIANS: SET TO LIVE FREE.</u> Our fall Bible Study will begin on **Mon Oct 15th** and run until Dec 3rd morning (10:30am) and evening (7:30pm) in the parish hall. Paul's letter to the Galatians addresses the most important question we can ask: "What must we do to be saved?" so you won't want to miss this one! Sign up is at the back of the church \$40 workbook fee.

<u>PRAISE & WORSHIP</u> If you are looking to grow your personal relationship with Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ then please join us on Fridays for Praise and Worship organized by Holy Family Charismatic Prayer Group every Friday after the 7:00 PM Mass in the Church Hall.

DR EDWARD SRI. Dr. Sri is coming to our parish! He is a well-known theologian, author & speaker. Join us on **Fri Oct 12** at 7pm, tickets are \$15 and are available at the back of the church.

<u>KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PANCAKE BREAKFAST NEXT SUNDAY!</u>

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a breakfast on **Sunday September 30**th after all mass times. The breakfast will include scrambled eggs, bacon, pancakes, juice coffee and tea. The cost is \$5/person and \$15/family. Proceeds will be donated to the Holy Family St. Vincent DePaul Society. *Come out for good food and fellowship!*



ARE YOU IN NEED OF PRAYER?

We encourage you to use our Prayer Request Box located in the back of the church. Simply fill out the provided Prayer Request Card, place it in the envelope and drop it in the box. Our Intercessory Prayer Group will pray for you. Please rest assured that your request will remain strictly confidential.

OUR MISSION: REVEALED

WORKSHOP Saturday September 29th

Now you have heard our new mission. Can you say it? Will you remember it? Only 6 words hold the full meaning and purpose of our Christian calling. There is a lot to understand, but those 6 words simplify the depths of Jesus' teaching and give us the direction for our lives. How can we be sure we know what it is we are to do? We will continue to hear more about Our Mission over the next weeks. Be attentive, ask questions and pray. We are calling all MINISTRY LEADERS, and all others interested in engaging in our mission, to gather, learn more and be equipped to share our mission with others. This workshop will be on Sat. Sept 29 9:30 - 12:00. Please sign up at the back of the church or email John Reid pastoralassistant.holyfamily.gmail.com Mary Kay Boase at mk.boase@rogers.com

SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL "ANNUAL COIN CAN COLLECTION"

Members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be at the back of the church after all masses on the weekend of **Sept 29/30 & Oct 6/7** handing out coin cans for their annual Christmas fundraising drive. This activity takes place once a year, and the funds raised are used to help families in need in our community at Christmas. The cans are to be returned by **Sun Nov 25**th. Members of the society will be available to answer any questions you may have. Thank you for your support.

WALK, RUN OR RIDE for CHRIST

There are only 2 weekends left to register for Holy Family's Walk, Run or Ride For Christ which will take place on **Sat Oct 13** at Kiwanis Pavillion at Heydenshore along the Whitby Waterfront Trail.

If you cannot participate in the Walk, Run or Ride, you can for a small fee of \$10.00 per person (children under the age of 10 years are free) join us for the BBQ. If you would like to attend the BBQ only, you will need to sign up at the back of the Church no later than Sept 30.

Also, to all of you who have registered, just a reminder that all Pledges, Donations "MUST" be received back at the Church no later than Oct 7.



This week we want to explore the significance of the second part of our mission.

love others

When Jesus said, "The second command is this: 'Love your neighbor as you love yourself," he was still quoting from the Torah—Leviticus 19:18 to be specific. And this was also an often-misunderstood passage.

During Jesus' lifetime, Rabbis were often busy arguing over the meaning of the word neighbour. For most of them, a neighbour was a Jew who strictly observed the Law. Other people were hated and considered enemies. Jesus sought to broaden their definition of neighbour, so he told them the story known as The Good Samaritan (which would be better titled The Loving Neighbour), in order to teach them that a neighbour is any person we encounter who has a need of any kind. The question isn't, "Who is my neighbour?" but, "Am I being a neighbour?" Loving your neighbour essentially means loving the people around you—all of them.

Loving our neighbour is second in importance only to loving God because loving people is really just an extension of loving God. Jesus couldn't have given us the greatest command without also giving us the second greatest command, because the two are completely entwined. Loving people is the visible manifestation of loving God!

Loving God means loving people. And loving people means going out of our way, rearranging our schedules, or using our resources to meet the needs of the people around us. When you put your arms around someone who needs a shoulder to cry on, you are fulfilling the greatest commands. When you give an unexpected gift to someone struggling to pay their rent, you are loving your neighbour and your God. Ultimately, we love people the most when we share with them the same loving relationship with God that we have.

Loving God entails loving others. The two are inextricably bound—you cannot love God and NOT love others. It is the very depth of God's character to love, and as believers, our character must reflect God's character.

Jesus wanted to make it very clear. If we love God, then we need to love others just as God does. That means no filter—no weeding out the people we want to love from those we don't. In other words, besides loving those who are easy to love, we are to love those we would naturally revile. We are to love the unlovely, the person we least admire, the person that hurt us or our family, the man or woman we have nothing in common with, and the person we dread the most. We are to love our enemies!

What a difficult thing. Why would Jesus command us to do such a thing? Because that is exactly what God has done for us. Romans 5:8 says, "But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us."

God loved us when we were not only unlovely, but when we were rejecting Him. And it was this love—His sacrificial love—that saved us in the midst of our sinfulness.

Since the Lord loved us in this way, so we too, as His followers, are to love our neighbour (the sinful, unlovely, and enemy) in this way as well. God, who is love, helps us to love all others as He loves us: generously, graciously, and limitlessly. In the name of the One who loved us enough to die for us, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Be aware of all the ways you can love your neighbour over the next week. Then next Sunday we will hear about our commission as Christians to MAKE DISCIPLES.

Fr. Laszlo

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