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*Father, You revealed Your Son to the nations
by the guidance of a star. Lead us to
Your Glory in Heaven by the Light of Faith.*



Monday January 6, 7 p.m.

Sp Int Louis Villavarayan & Family

Tuesday January 7, 9 a.m.

+Thomas DeSouza req by
The Adams Family

Wednesday January 8, 7 p.m.

CWL Members, Living & Deceased
Knights of Columbus Members, Living
And Deceased

+Maureen Keogan req by Keogan Family

Thursday January 9, 9 a.m.

+Kathleen Egan req by Marg and
Mike Burke

Friday January 10, 7 p.m.

Special Intentions

Saturday January 11

9 a.m. Sp Int Theresa Madina & Family
req by Marleine & Chaoul
Noujaim

5 p.m. Sp Int for Fr. László and Fr. Ravi

THANK YOU!

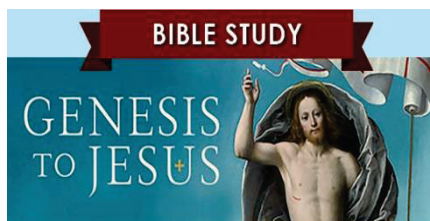
To all the volunteers and parish ministries, who participated in our Christmas and New Year's celebration. Special thank you to the Hospitality Ministry, Kitchen Angels and the Holy Family choirs who serenaded the parishioners with beautiful songs and Christmas carols. Thank you to all the volunteers who helped set up our beautiful Christmas tree and flowers in the altar. Also, thank you to the **Plastina Family** for the Christmas flowers.

2020 ENVELOPES

Please do not forget to pick up your 2020 envelopes at the back of the church. Please verify that the information on the envelope box is correct. For any changes or address updates, please use the parish registration form in the lobby or email the office at holy.family@rogers.com. Please use your new envelopes in January and recycle your old one.

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Save the Date
February 15, 2020
7:00pm



Join us and learn the basic Catholic principles for reading Scripture. Part 2 of the study starts on January 13 every Monday- morning sessions at 10:30am and evening sessions at 7:30pm



Life Shared Small Group Series

Do you want to share your faith but don't know how?

Do you feel confident in your own faith and would like to invite someone to come to Mass or to join the next Alpha? Join us for an exciting new 3-part series "Life Shared" produced by Alpha Canada! It's designed to spark conversation, prayer & action, to empower you with practical steps to invite others to share a life experience of faith. The 3 sessions are 90 mins each, and will run on Tuesdays at 10:30am or 7:30pm from **January 7th to 21st**. Find out more or register at holyfamilywhitby.ca/lifeshared.

GOT QUESTIONS? TRY ALPHA!

We are inviting all of you to our next Alpha Course beginning **Tuesday January 28th**. We are offering both a morning session (10:00- 11:30am) and an evening session (7:00- 8:30pm) in the church hall. This series of interactive sessions exploring the basics of Christian faith has been enjoyed by hundreds of people in our church community. Each session looks at different questions designed to create conversations. No pressure, no follow up and no fee; just an open, informal and honest space to explore and discuss life's big questions together! All are welcome – Catholic, Christian or not! To find out more, or to register, go to holyfamilywhitby.ca and click on **ALPHA**.



Grads 3-5 returns on Jan 8th



Grades 6-8 returns on Jan 9th



Time Travellers (K-5), Sun. Jan 12th
Kids Small Groups (1-6), Sun. Jan 12th



High School returns on Jan 16th

Please visit holyfamilywhitby.ca and click on 'Kids and Youth' or email youthministryholyfamilywhitby@gmail.com

As we begin a new year, we are filled with expectation for new beginnings and new possibilities. We're hopeful! Let us be open to goodness despite of difficult circumstances we may experience. As we resume all our programs this 2020, we pray that all of you will experience God's presence in your lives.



LET US ADORE JESUS!

Today’s Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord is hopeful and relevant to our lives like the other stories that surround the birth of Jesus.

In Matthew’s gospel, we’re told that the magi are “from the east.” They were foreigners to the people of Israel. They didn’t belong. And they certainly didn’t deserve to encounter the living God. They were not the chosen people. Yet, in being welcomed into the presence of the Christ child by His mother, Mary, the magi remind us that the gift of the Savior Jesus, is given to the whole world. Jesus comes for all who seek His presence in their lives – the people of Israel, as well as the Gentiles – foreigners who are looking for God. And all of us, to a certain extent, are foreigners, not only because of our country of origin, but because of our life style, our behavior, our addictions, our struggles and so many other aspects of our lives. The message of gospel that is proclaimed on this great feast is that all of us are welcome to encounter the Christ. No one is excluded from the love of God.

What we take from this for our own lives is that God will use what is familiar to us to call us to Himself. Look for the “star” that God is using to call you. It’s closer than you may think. Another thing to consider is that the Magi fell prostrate before the Christ Child. They laid their lives down before Him in complete surrender and adoration. They set a perfect example for us. Perhaps you could try literally lying down prostrate in prayer today, in imitation of the Magi, or at least do so in your heart through prayer. Adore Him with a complete surrender of your life.

Reflect, today, upon these Magi and see them as a symbol of what you are called to do. You are called from the foreign place of this world to seek out the Messiah. What is God using to call you to Himself? Do not hesitate to acknowledge the full truth of who He is, lying prostrate before Him in complete and humble submission.

I pray that the grace and spirit of this beautiful Feast Day will strengthen us and inspire us to serve the Lord with joy and gladness today and always!

Prayerfully yours in Christ,
Fr. László Nagy, Pastor

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING PLAN

The Pre-Authorized Giving Plan (PAG) will assist you in your support of the work of Holy Family Parish through your regular parish offerings (**does not include special collections**). The work of our parish is made possible through the giving hearts of our parishioners. In *response* to changing lifestyles and demands on time and energy, Holy Family Parish seeks, through Pre-Authorized giving, to assist you in your giving.

The chart below may assist you, along with your prayerful consideration, as to the amount of your regular Sunday offering:

INCOME VS. PROPORTIONAL GIVING

Suggested Weekly Gift to Parish

Annual Household Income	1%	5%	10%
\$25,000	\$4.00	\$20.00	\$40.00
\$30,000	\$5.00	\$25.00	\$50.00
\$35,000	\$6.00	\$30.00	\$60.00
\$40,000	\$7.00	\$35.00	\$70.00
\$45,000	\$8.00	\$40.00	\$80.00
\$50,000	\$10.00	\$50.00	\$100.00
\$60,000	\$12.00	\$60.00	\$120.00
\$70,000	\$14.00	\$70.00	\$140.00
\$80,000	\$16.00	\$80.00	\$160.00
\$90,000	\$18.00	\$90.00	\$180.00
\$100,000	\$20.00	\$100.00	\$200.00
\$120,000	\$23.00	\$115.00	\$230.00
\$150,000	\$29.00	\$145.00	\$290.00

To calculate what you would like to give based on your annual household income, please complete the chart below:

annual household income	% you wish to give	Divided by 52 weeks	Weekly offering
\$	%	\$	\$

As a Church, we rely on your support and generosity. We work hard to support and to keep you spiritually fed, intellectually stimulated, and evangelically inspired. We are continuously overwhelmed by your generosity and genuinely grateful for your unceasing support of our mission. Visit holyfamilywhity.ca and click on GIVING to find out more about our Pre Authorized Giving Plan or to increase your monthly donation today.

CWL ANNOUNCEMENT

The Catholic Women's League will be holding their General Meeting on **Wednesday, January 8th after the 7:00 pm Mass**. We have a guest speaker, Rose Silva, VP & Co-founder of Good Pantry (previously Real Layers Baking). All women parishioners and guests are welcome to attend. Please come and see what we are all about and the work we do for our parish and our community. Email us: cwlholyfamilywhitby@gmail.com.

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