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# 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

#### Our Mission: love God, love others, make disciples

**Parish Mission Statement:** Holy Family 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.

# love God love others make disciples

### PASTOR:

Rev. Fr. Laszlo Nagy

ASSOCIATE PASTOR:
Fr. Ravibabu Kakumanu

**OFFICE MANAGER:** Tess Bondoc **Director of New Evangelization:** 

Mary Kay Boase
Lay Pastoral Assistant: John Reid
Young Adult Minister: John Rugosi
Youth Minister: Stephanie Paglia

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 4:00 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 7:00 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 9 a.m. Mass.
- Divine Mercy Chaplet is every Friday at 3:00 p.m.

NEW PARISHIONERS ARE WELCOME TO REGISTER
AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH

#### **PARISH MINISTRIES:**

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Adult Faith Formation	905-665-6470
Alpha	905-668-8353
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Daughters of Mary	905-668-8535
Eucharistic Ministers	905-556-1958
Extraordinary Ministers for the Sick	905-430-8552
Gift Store	905-721-8909
HF Kids	905-668-8353
Holy Family Stitchers	905-668-0551
Homeless Mission	905-903-5153
Hospitality Ministry	905-665-6470
Intercessory Prayer Group	905-665-6470
Lectors	905-809-1750
Legion of Mary	905-430-2368
Marriage Preparation	905-665-6470
Mothers Group	905-725-0868
Outreach Ministry	905-430-2515
Praise & Worship Group	905-665-8177
ProLife	905-665-6470
R.C.I.A.	905-925-6828
Rosary Apostolate	905-743-9466
Seniors Group	289-200-3945
Small Group Coordinator	905-665-6470
St. Vincent's Kitchen	905-668-8353
Society of Saint Vincent de Paul	905-668-8752
Sacramental Prep Class	905-665-6470
Ushers	905-665-9385
Volunteer Coordinator	905-447-8197
Volunteer Screening	905-439-5805
Young Adult Ministry	905-665-6470

#### **PARISH SCHOOLS:**

Youth Ministry

St. Bernard	905-668-3772
St. Mark	905-721-2460
St. Matthew	905-430-8597
St. Paul	905-728-7011
St. Theresa	905-668-8261
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 September 28, 7 p.m.

Sp Int Florence Bankhead and Rose Ramos req by Nancy Fernandes and Claudia Herod

#### Tuesday September 29, 9 a.m.

Thanksgiving to the Archangels req by Mary Ann Fernando

#### Wednesday September 30, 7 p.m.

- +Lorraine Roy req by Susan Delorme
- +Savio Fernandes req by

Fernandes Family

#### Thursday October 1, 9 a.m.

+John Harold Whitehead req by Marlene St John

#### Friday October 2, 7 p.m.

Sp Int Fr. László & Fr. Ravi

#### **Saturday October 3**

**9 a.m.** Sp Int for Legion of Mary Members

5 p.m. +Mike & Cessina Pulla

#### **BECOMING CATHOLIC: R.C.I.A.**

Are you interested in learning more about joining the Catholic Church or seeking to complete their initiation into the Church (First Communion and Confirmation)?

We are here to help you discover your faith and journey with you to discern and take the next steps to know more about Jesus. Sessions run every Tuesday evening. To check out the RCIA brochure, go to our website:

https://www.holyfamilywhitby.ca/becomin g-catholic/

Our first session will start on September 29, Tuesday from 7:00pm to 9:00pm in the parish hall. For more information/details and to register, call Bob at 905 -925-6828 or email: holy.family@rogers.com

# SSVP- HELP SUPPORT THOSE IN NEED!

Members of the Society of St Vincent De Paul will be handing out the Christmas Coin Cans and envelopes to help support those in need this weekend, September 26/27. They will set up tables outside each doors of the church. Please help support our sisters and brothers in this difficult time.

**Coins for Life containers** were handed to parishioners in March. Please return CONTAINERS BACK TO PARISH THIS WEEKEND, September 26/27.



# ON BECOMING A NET MISSIONARY!

Kyle is the unsung hero of youth ministry here at Holy Family. He has been involved in youth ministry for many years, first as a teen himself and now as a young adult leader serving in every youth program and almost every parish event here at HF. Kyle is an extraordinary leader and role model; his dedication and passion for making meaningful and faith filled relationships with youth and teens has set up a wonderful foundation for our youth to journey in their own relationship with Christ. He is

incredibly dedicated, joyful and has a heart built to serve the Kingdom!

This year Kyle will be moving on to a new and exciting chapter as he is becoming a "NET" Missionary. What is NET? NET stands for "National Evangelization Teams" whose mission is to travel to different parish communities across Canada "to Challenge young Catholics to love Christ and Embrace the Life of the Church". Kyle will be dedicating his next year to humbly serve as a NET missionary and bring the love and life of Christ to communities across the country. We are so proud of you Kyle and so excited for how God will be using you to continue to build His Kingdom! THANK YOU, WE LOVE YOU KYLEIIII

You can support Kyle in his mission here: <a href="https://www.netcanada.ca/donate">https://www.netcanada.ca/donate</a> and by keeping him in your prayers!!!!

#### **PASTORAL REFERENCE LETTER**

In order for people seeking teaching positions within the Catholic school system to have their Pastoral Reference Letters to be signed:

- a. You must be a registered parishioner,
- b. Attending Sunday Mass regularly,
- c. Have participated in the sacramental and pastoral life of the Church community,
- d. Volunteered in different parish ministries (Lector, Eucharistic Minister, Catechist, Youth Ministry, Hospitality, etc.) for at least 4 months.
- e. Be in good canonical standing within the Church, that is not living in common law or married outside the church.
- f. Financially support the work and mission of the church particularly ShareLife, the Missions and your own Parish.

Please be aware that all pastoral references are positive but honest expressions of the Pastor's assessment of the candidate's current level of faith, faith practice and involvement. This assessment is based on personal knowledge and the responses given by the candidate in the interview. Fr. László cannot sign a reference form if he does not know the person and has no personal knowledge of the individual's involvement in the parish.

# **SL ShareLife**

#### ShareLife agencies need your support during Covid-19

Living the Gospel by providing for those in need. "Without you, ShareLife could not fulfill its mission to Live the Gospel by providing for those in need. Together we are making a real difference! My prayer is that we may continue to respond to God's love by going forth from ourselves to seek the good of others." — Cardinal Thomas Collins

October 11 is ShareLife Sunday. Please give generously. ShareLife agencies need your support now, more than ever!

Life Chain Sunday Oct 4, 2-3pm, Dundas & Thickson



### **Building a Culture of Discipleship Part 3**

#### Dear Parishioners,

Each and every person here at Holy Family is on their own journey of faith. There can be no presumptions about what people know or what they have experienced, or how they have come to believe and understand their faith. There is the need in all cases for the necessary catechesis for all of us to learn about the fundamentals of our Catholic faith. And while it seems that our tradition and preferences for personal comfort have been that faith is a personal and very private thing, we have come to understand this: that it is definitely personal, but that it can only deepen, and we only become disciples through living and sharing our faith with others. But it is important to note that this living and sharing is based on our real and caring relationships with those others. This has been a big part of the changes that have taken place in our parish over these past few years. More and more people know each other and have developed the interpersonal relationships that have opened their lives to sharing faith with each other.

What is the basis of our faith? There is the saying that the answer to all questions is: Jesus! The person of Jesus, who we can know intimately and have a relationship with, who was human, and is divine, suffered, died and rose again to assume all of our sins, shame and guilt, is the very basis and source of our faith. It is through Jesus that we are able to even begin to understand and know our heavenly Father, God. But it also through the lived example of Jesus that we can know how to experience our lives in a way that brings us closer and closer to God.

As we enter into this "new time" of life that we are all in right now, still apprehensive about the pandemic, realizing the changes in the world and our lives which lead us to focus on those things that are truly important and life-giving, we are all invited to consider and explore how our faith will impact this "new time". And in this stressful and worrisome time, do you feel the presence of Jesus in your life in a way that brings you peace? We have begun to meet in small groups with people to join in three simple conversations that have the capacity to open our hearts to that real and meaningful depth of faith that can make a difference in our lives. Last week we spoke about the first conversation being about prayer – specifically to ask for prayers for our own needs, and to pray for others.

The second conversation is simply a question: How did you come to know Jesus? Interesting question, isn't it? For some, it may have been a gradual process over a lifetime of coming to know who Jesus is, for others it may have been a dramatic and sudden experience. Some of us may never have even considered this question, but if we are to be truly engaged in following Jesus to go out and make disciples, and if our faith is to be a very real part of our personal and daily lives, then we should be able to reflect on how we came to know him, just as we think about how we grow in relationship with anyone else. Some people speak of an "encounter" with Christ, and they may have had that very real type of experience, but it is not the only or necessary way to know Christ. The important thing is that we do discover him in a way that we do know him as a friend in our lives, that we do follow him in how we live and contribute to this world, and that we share our joy and love of him to evangelize and make disciples.

We invite everyone to be a part of helping us continue to build our culture of discipleship at Holy Family. Please look for more information, more opportunities, and consider saying "yes" when you are invited to have a conversation about your faith.

May God continue to bless us all, and strengthen us with His Spirit for living in this time and place.

Fr. László Nagy and Parish Leadership Team



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