

# 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.

#### PASTOR: PARISH MINISTRIES:

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Adult Faith Formation Alpha Altar Servers Choir Daughters of Mary Eucharistic Ministers Extraordinary Ministers for the Sick Gift Store HF Kids Holy Family Stitchers Homeless Mission Hospitality Ministry Intercessory Prayer Group Lectors Legion of Mary Marriage Preparation Mothers Group Outreach Ministry Praise & Worship Group ProLife R.C.I.A. Rosary Apostolate Seniors Group Small Group Coordinator St. Vincent's Kitchen Society of Saint Vincent de Paul Sacramental Prep Class Ushers Volunteer Coordinator Volunteer Screening Young Adult Ministry Youth Ministry	905-665-6470 905-668-8353 905-668-8353 905-556-1958 905-556-1958 905-721-8909 905-668-8353 905-668-0551 905-665-6470 905-665-6470 905-665-6470 905-665-6470 905-665-6470 905-665-6470 905-665-6470 905-668-8353 905-668-8353 905-668-8353 905-665-6470 905-665-6470 905-665-6470 905-665-6470 905-665-6470 905-665-6470

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#### **PARISH SCHOOLS:**

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.

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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

Rev. Fr. Laszlo Nagy ASSOCIATE PASTOR: Fr. Ravibabu Kakumanu

# 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



# +Guillermo Ramirez

Tuesday October 6, 9 a.m. +Frank & Mary Coe req by Maurice Coe

# Wednesday October 7, 7 p.m.

CWL Members Living & Deceased +Robert Mendonca +Issa Sabat req by Tony Sabat

Thanksgiving for Ray & Violeta Berry Thursday October 8, 9 a.m.

+Natalia Maria & Ioan Burian req by Burian Family

#### Friday October 9, 7 p.m.

+Fr. Onrej Palusal req by Karin & Martin Cech +Holy Souls in Purgatory req by

Marleine Noujaim

#### Saturday October 10

9 a.m. +Luigi Falsetti & Edith Savelle req by Rosina FalsettiSp Int Andria Francis & Francis Sujais

**5 p.m**. Thanksgiving for the many graces Received by Marguerite Gillard

#### **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.

Check out the RCIA brochure by going to: https://www.holyfamilywhitby.ca/becom ing-catholic/

We meet every 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

### **Today is LIFE CHAIN SUNDAY**

See you at Dundas St. and Thickson Rd between 2:00pm-3:00pm

# YOUTH MINISTRY: REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!



#### Jr.EDGE Gr.3-5 STARTING OCTOBER 14th @6-7:30pm in the hall



#### EDGE Gr.6-8 STARTING OCTOBER 21st @6-7:30pm in the hall

This year our younger youth programs (Jr.EDGE and EDGE) will be a mixed program of both "In person" sessions and "Online/ "On Mission" sessions- what does this mean? During the "Online/On Mission" weeks, we will be finding ways that we can be the hands and feet of Jesus in our communities and create "Mission" work we can do from our homes. God is calling us to **seek** Him in our own hearts as well as within each other as we navigate these new waters together.

For more information on how to register your child, visit our "Kids and Youth" Page on our website: <u>https://www.holyfamilywhitby.ca/youth-ministry-corner/</u>

Follow us on Instagram for pics, vids and updates @hfw\_ym



#### **FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION**

Registration is now open for First Holy Communion and Confirmation. Please visit <u>holyfamilywhitby.ca</u> and click on the appropriate tab, either **FIRST COMMUNION** or **CONFIRMATION** to complete the Online

Registration and also for more information as you are also required to attend an Information/Registration night in October. *Details are on the website!* 

### 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: Living the Gospel locally and around the world

"Last year, your generosity to ShareLife made a difference in the lives of over 140,000 people locally and countless more around the world. Thank you for helping so many people experience God's love and compassion." – *Cardinal Thomas Collins* 

Next weekend is ShareLife Sunday. From now through November 8, you can double the impact of your donation. A generous donor is matching gifts up to \$500,000. Please give during the special collection or anytime using the ShareLife envelopes in the pews. You can also give securely online at sharelife.org/donate.

# BUILDING OUR CULTURE OF DISCIPLESHIP

love God

love others make disciples

# **Building a Culture of Discipleship Part 4**

#### Dear Parishioners,

This journey we are on as a parish, as people of God, is amazing, and sometimes it is hard. We know from the bible and Jesus that as Christians we are each called to follow the commandments, and especially the two greatest ones, and that he sends us out to share our faith with the world. We may be very comfortable and feel confident in loving God, and even in loving others. But how do we feel about who we are as people of faith in our world, this world right now, to share our faith and make disciples? What does that mean and how do we do it?

In our own lives, we all have a place and a role – mother, father, spouse, son, daughter, friend, student, employee, worker, leader, and so on. We all have a circle of relationships that enrich our lives, and sometimes challenge us too, of people who we care about, and with whom we share time and experiences. How often do we think about and reflect on the impact and influence that we may have in those relationships? We know as parents that how we handle things, so too will our children – if we are calm, they will be calm; if we are thoughtful of others, they will be too. We know as workers at a place of employment that our disposition can impact the mood of the team and the outcome of our work. We know as a spouse that our thoughtfulness and consideration of the needs of our partner can lead them to feel loved and supported. Whether we realize it or not, think about it or not, who we are and how we live our lives every day has an impact on the others in our life.

And so the third conversation in our efforts to build the culture of discipleship at Holy Family is based on these relationships in our lives as people of faith: How does the work you do and the way you live your life contribute to the ministry and mission of the Church? How do you personally help bring people to Jesus? Wow! That is a very big question! How can I possibly be someone who brings others to know Christ? We may not feel secure in our knowledge of our faith to do this, we may not feel worthy enough to be this guide in faith, we may not even feel we have any idea how we would do this, or if we want to. But, like it or not, want it or not, who we are and how we live does affect the other people in our lives.

We are in a serious time of transition now, we cannot rely so much on what we have known and believed from our past to help us navigate our future which is uncertain and unknown in so many ways. As our whole world hobbles through this difficult time of pandemic, we are all challenged in different ways that may lead us to raise up and draw upon different ways of being which enable us to not only cope, but to survive and thrive in the world that is to come. How we are faithful people during this transition will set our path for the future. We may be anticipating and discerning our day to day life right now, while we are also learning and changing, adapting to the way things are, and hopefully we are praying, a lot! It is in our faith that we may find the strength and resources of faith and love to feel the optimism and hope that we need as we face what is to come.

One of our more well-known saints was very aware of our call to be disciples and to make disciples when in the early 1200s St. Francis of Assisi said, "Do all you can to preach the gospel and if necessary use words!" Thinking that we may not have to find the "right words" to bring others to know Jesus might be somewhat reassuring. St. Francis also reflected on his own feeling of inadequacy to do this holy work here on earth, but he realized that God calls all of us in our own human imperfections to build up the family of God. This also is reassuring. So how do we go out on this mission to "make disciples"? How do we in our own lives help bring people to Jesus? It can be through how we live and demonstrate our regard and love for the life of fulness and joy that God promised us, that others will see the goodness of being faithful and want to walk beside us.

Are you an evangelist? Can you through the relationships and interactions in your own life help others come to know God and live a life in faith? All 4 writers of the Gospels are called evangelists because they lived and shared their life in Christ through writing the stories of the life of Jesus in the bible. Their reason for doing so was to point us in the direction to continue the work. There are many ways to evangelize: directly walking the journey of faith with someone; instructing someone who is seeking, or a child who has questions; living your life in a Christian way; staying focused always on the great commandments – love God, love others - and having them at the centre of your life; modelling a Christian life for your family; in all things, at all times, whatever the situation or dilemma, asking ourselves, "What would Jesus do?" Did you know there is a simple answer to that question? "He would show his love."

We invite everyone at this time to reflect on who we are in God's family, and how we can further the mission to "make disciples of all nations". In continuing our own journey to be disciples and in making disciples we can help to transform our hurting and struggling world into the creation of beauty God intended.

Fr. László Nagy and Parish Leadership Team



