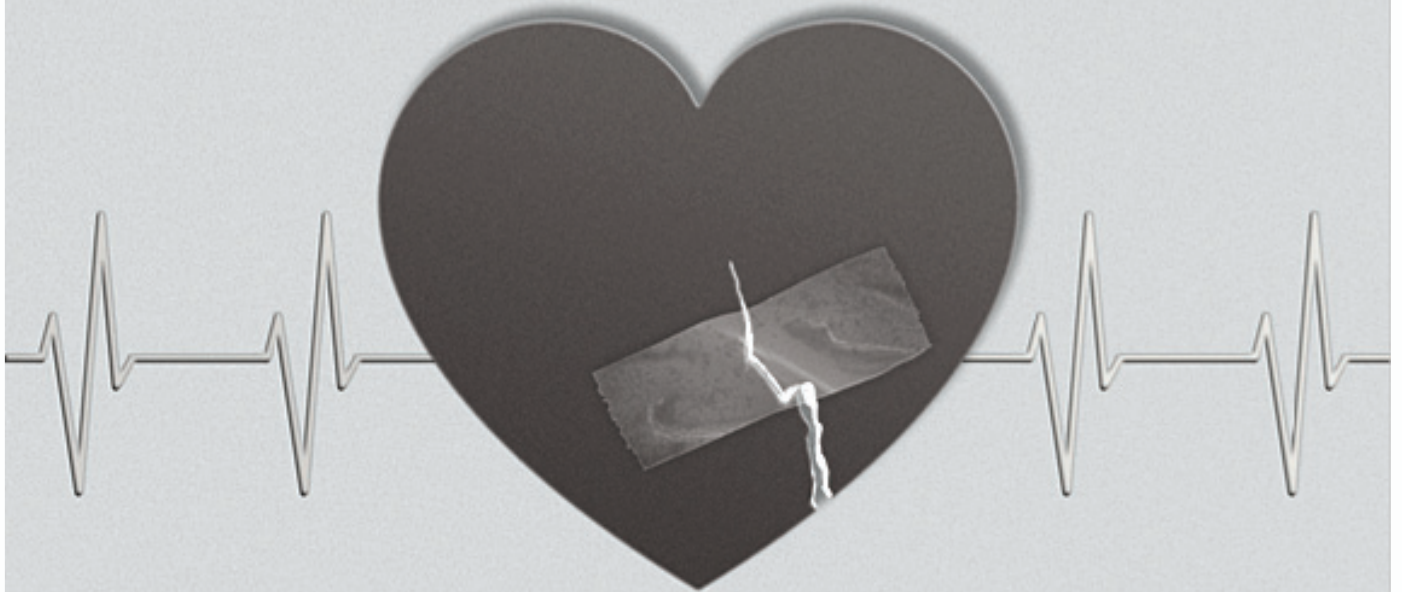


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Fourth
Sunday
in Lent



Monday March 28, 7:00pm

Sp Int Carmeline Fernandes req by Jessica D'Souza.

+Lucy D'Souza req by Joyce D'Souza.

Tuesday March 29, 9:00am

+Kate Hudson req by Maurice Coe

Wednesday March 30, 7:00pm

+Kate Hudson req by John & Vera Hugel.

+Lilibeth delos Angeles req by the Family.

+Teodorico Queribin req by the de los Angeles Family.

Thursday March 31, 9:00am

+Ida Diorio req by Alan & Carmelle Perron.

Jose Delgadillo req by Mike

Vanburkum & Familij.

Friday April 1, 7:00pm

+Gary Zenarosa req by the Family.

+Eileen Belanger req by Mary Anne

Belanger.

+Lagrimas Lamasan req by the Family.

Sp Int Clifford & Jessica D'Souza & Family.

Saturday, April 2, 9:00am

Saturday, April 2, 5:00pm

+Sonto De Luca req by the De Luca Family.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Join us every Friday of Lent for Stations of the Cross at 6:30pm followed by Mass at 7pm. If this is a new form of prayer for you, learn more at: <https://www.holyfamilywhitby.ca/stations-of-the-cross/>

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

2022 Offertory envelopes at the back of the church. The boxes are all arranged alphabetically by street name. Please consider picking up and delivering your neighbors too!

NEW TO THE PARISH?

Are you new to OUIF parish? Welcome to Holy Family! Please visit us at the Welcome Desk after Mass, we'd love to meet you! We also invite you to visit: <https://www.holyfamilywhitby.ca/welcome-to-holy-family/> to register as a parishioner.

LENTEN CONFESSIONS THIS THURSDAY 6-8PM

Did you know every time we go to confession, God embraces us? – Pope Francis



Our doors are open for grace and mercy this Thursday, March 31 starting at 6pm to 8pm. There will be 7 priests available to hear confessions.

Lent is a time for us to examine our lives and reorient our hearts, minds, and souls to the Mercy and Love of Christ. We invite you to the Sacrament of Reconciliation this week. No matter if it's been a while or even a VERY long while since your last confession, we encourage you to come and experience the healing power of Christ in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Visit the CONFESSION page of our website for resources to help guide and prepare you at <https://www.holyfamilywhitby.ca/reconciliation/>. There you will find answers to common questions, videos as well as a link to various Examination of Conscience.

YOU ARE INVITED...

Join us for 'The 99 Experience' Lenten Retreat, a springboard for deepening our faith as we grow in identity, purpose, and community. At this powerful Retreat our parish will come together to learn:

- ❖ *The answer to the brokenness we experience in our lives*
- ❖ *How to acknowledge and desire God's love*
- ❖ *How to live a life in community lead by the Holy Spirit*



Unlike past Lenten Retreats, this year's retreat will be **VIDEO-BASED** featuring talented and engaging Catholic speakers such as Mark Hart, Fr Mike Schmitz, Sister Miriam, Fr. Josh and more. Each session will consist of 2 or 3 videos with time for personal reflection and will take place immediately following the Mass. We will offer Two Options – Same presentations, Two Ways to Experience it!

TWO OPTIONS ...

OPTION 1: A 3-EVENING RETREAT

Will take place in the church with personal quiet reflection time (*NO small group discussion*) between each video. Each evening will start with Mass (note time change on Tuesday).

- Monday Apr 4 @ 7pm to 8:30pm (approx.) with opportunity for fellowship afterwards.
- Tuesday Apr 5 @ **6:30pm** to 7:45pm (approx.) followed by Confession & Adoration.
- Wednesday Apr 6 @ 7pm to 8:00pm (approx.) with opportunity for fellowship afterwards.
- NO Registration required to attend this 3-evening Lenten Retreat.

OPTION 2: A 1-DAY RETREAT

Will take place in the hall with small group table discussion between videos. Snacks and lunch will be provided with time allocated for personal prayer, reflection and Confession (for those that desire), during Eucharistic Adoration in the church in the afternoon.

- Saturday April 9th starting with Mass in the church at 9:00am.
- Retreat moves to the hall @ 9:30am until 3:00pm with snacks and FREE lunch served.
- REGISTRATION is required for this 1-day Saturday Lenten Retreat.

IT'S A PARISH WIDE LENTEN RETREAT - EVERYONE IS INVITED...

No matter where you are in your life. Whether you are lost, searching, or just looking to grow in your faith, there is something in 'The 99 Experience' for everyone. The goal of this program is for Catholics to experience a deeper personal connection with Christ and to motivate them to begin sharing their story and their joy with those around them.

WHO WILL YOU INVITE? - GOD DESIRES TO USE YOU...

God desires to use YOU to Be the One – to Go and Find the Next One.

Prayerfully consider who you know that would benefit from attending 'The 99 Experience' and invite them to attend alongside you! We have 'The 99 Experience' invitation cards available at the back of the church to help you extend that invitation.

BE BOLD – extend a personal invitation to someone.

For more information or to register for the Saturday 1-day Lenten Retreat, visit <https://www.holyfamilywhitby.ca/the99/> or visit us at the Welcome desk after Mass.

GUIDED ADORATION

FRIDAY after the 7pm Mass



Friday April 1st noon-midnight

Have you tried eucharistic adoration?

If not, Lent is a great time to start something new and to grow your relationship with Jesus, who is truly present, body, blood, soul and divinity in the Blessed Sacrament. Join us on **Friday, April 1st after the 7pm Mass** for a special GUIDED Eucharistic. There will also be Silent Adoration from 12 noon until 6:30pm and from 8:15pm until midnight with Stations of the Cross before Mass at 6:30pm. Come and spend time in the presence of our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament! If this form of worship is new to you, you can find out more by visiting our website at: holyfamilywhitby.ca/elementor-4280/

MARCH FOR LIFE – MAY 12TH



The National March for Life, typically the largest annual protest on Parliament Hill, takes place this year on May 12th to mark the Day of Infamy, when the 1969 bill passed under Prime Minister Pierre Elliott Trudeau, decriminalizing abortion. Pro-lifers rally in front of our Parliament building and march through downtown Ottawa, demanding that our elected representatives fight for the right to life of every human being. If you wish to attend, please contact Gwen at 905-259-8504 as soon as possible so she can book the bus.



Bundle-up for St Vincent de Paul

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul truck will be in the parking lot after all Masses on the weekend of April 23 & 24 to collect donations of textiles, shoes, clothing and linen for our neighbours in need. For more information on the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul or for a complete list of items accepted as well as items they are unable to accept at this time, please visit: svdptoronto.org/wp/how-to-help/bundle-up/ Thank you in advance for your support!

INTRODUCING OUR NEW EXPLORERS TIMBERWOLVES!



We would like to warmly welcome and congratulations our newly formed Holy Family Timberwolves Den! The boys starting meeting earlier this month and will continue to meet every Tuesday evening here at the parish. We would also like to thank the 3 dads who have volunteered as leaders. It is never too late to join! Please contact Paul Ritchi at 416-435-6593 to register or for more information or visit: holyfamilywhitby.ca/explorers/

TIME TRAVELLERS TO START ON SUNDAY APRIL 24TH!

HFkids

HFkids Time Travellers will be starting up again on Sunday April 24th and very Sunday after that during the 9:30 and 11:00 Masses! In the meantime, please visit HFkids Faith @ Home for weekly kids Gospel message & kids bulletin: holyfamilywhitby.ca/hfkids-at-home/. If you would like to serve on the planning team of this exciting ministry or have a specific gift or talent that you would like to share, please let us know! Contact our Youth Minister Stephanie or Email Sue at holyfamily.sue@gmail.com

WE ARE GOING TO STEUBENVILLE 2022!! TEENS Gr.8-12

This year, for the FIRST TIME EVER, the Steubenville Toronto Conference will be hosted in our very own backyard, Whitby Ontario at Canada Christian College, located at 300 Water Street. Holy Family Parish TEENS will be attending the ONE DAY PASS event, on **Saturday July 16th 2022**. Steubenville is a once in a lifetime opportunity for catholic teens to encounter Christ and celebrate their faith with teens across Canada! It is an exciting conference, packed with energetic worship, Catholic speakers, fun activities and powerful encounters with the Lord! For information about pricing and register, please email Stephanie, at: youthministryholyfamilywhitby@gmail.com or visit: holyfamilywhitby.ca/youth-ministry-corner/

EDGE CAMP - EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION Gr.6-8 (gr.5 going to 6)

EDGE CAMP is a camp that is filled with exciting summer activities such as high ropes, zip lining, archery, swimming and so much more. Most importantly, Edge camp is a place to experience that spark in one's faith and to dive deeper into what it means to have a relationship with God, while making authentic friendships and unforgettable memories. Total cost per camper is **\$450 Early Bird - Register before the end of April or \$500 until May 1st**. Edge Camp East runs Aug. 20th-24th. For more information contact our youth minister Stephanie at: youthministryholyfamilywhitby@gmail.com
ALL YOUTH are welcome to join both inside & outside of the parish!

ARE YOU READY TO SERVE?

Visit us at the Welcome Desk after Mass this weekend, we've love to have a conversation with you to see how you can use your gifts and talents to serve the Lord. Or, you can visit our website at: holyfamilywhitby.ca/volunteer/ to complete the application form.



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