

# 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

**Youth Minister:** Stephanie Paglia

**Office Assistant:** Sue Kanemy

### PARISH MINISTRIES:

Adult Faith Formation	905-665-6470
Alpha	905-668-8353
Altar Servers	905-665-6470
Choir	905-449-1337
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 Stitches	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	905-213-0316
Marriage Preparation	905-665-6470
Outreach Ministry	905-430-2515
Praise & Worship Group	905-665-8177
ProLife	905-665-6470
R.C.I.A.	905-925-6828
Rosary Apostolate	905-666-5763
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
Youth Ministry	905-665-6470

### 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**



### 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 Gwen Schulte-Albert at 905-435 4673. There are no meetings held in the month of July and August.

# PENTECOST SUNDAY



## JOIN US AFTER MASS TODAY!

Our parish has embarked on a Planning Feasibility Study to seek your input. All of us, our full community of parishioners are being asked to participate!  
*Join us after Mass today, downstairs, to share your feedback at an Open Forum conducted by our consultants. We look forward to hearing from you!*



### Monday June 6, 7:00pm

+ Lysda Vernetto req Sheila Tobin.  
+Margaret Oziemblo req by Grace.  
Sp Int Serendipities Small Group req by Boniface Tuurusong.

### Tuesday June 7, 9:00am

+Robert Mendonca req by Celeste, Linette Mendonca & Sariya Mendonca-Israel.  
+Dennis, Joan & Allan Estrange req by the Cunningham Family.  
Thanksgiving The Holy Family req by Joan Vanberkum.

### Wednesday June 8, 7:00pm

KOC - Living and Deceased Members.  
Sp Int Boniface Tuurusong.

### Thursday June 9, 9:00am

+Jack & Angie Beauchesne req by Lise Beauchesne.  
+Heidi Jones req by Perely Spence.

### Friday June 10, 7:00pm

+ Holy Souls in Purgatory req by Marleine Noujaim.

### Saturday June 11, 9:00am

+James Reid req by Ian & Zonita Reid.

### Saturday June 11, 5:00pm

+Ted Mizzi req by His Wide & Children.

## NEW TO THE PARISH?

Are you new to our parish? Welcome to Holy Family! Visit us at the Welcome Desk after Mass, we'd love to meet you! We also invite you to register as a parishioner at: [holyfamilywhitby.ca/welcome-to-holy-family/](http://holyfamilywhitby.ca/welcome-to-holy-family/)

## SUMMER CAMP *Grades 1-12*

**DAY CAMP** *Grades 1-6:* Mon July 18-Fri July 22 from 9:00am to 2:30pm

**EVENING CAMP** *Grades 7-12:* Sunday July 17 to Thursday July 21 from 7pm to 9pm  
**Fee: \$125, Siblings \$100 each. To register or for more information contact Stephanie at [youthministryholyfamilywhitby@gmail.com](mailto:youthministryholyfamilywhitby@gmail.com)**

## PRAYER REQUESTS

We would love to pray for you! If you are in need of prayer, please send us your requests and our dedicated Prayer Warriors will pray for you! Visit: [holyfamilywhitby.ca/prayer/](http://holyfamilywhitby.ca/prayer/)

## BE PART OF THE PLANNING STAGES OF A NEW MINISTRY!

*As we begin the process of planning for next year and are seeking individuals to form a Family/Parent Ministry as well as an Alpha Team Ministry. Please pray and discern if God may be leading you to use your gifts and talents to serve our parish in this exciting new way.*

**NEW FAMILY/PARENT MINISTRY** ~ A new Family/Parent Ministry is in the works for this fall! **MANY** hands with different gifts & talents are needed to build this new Family Ministry – **PARENTS** of all ages, Young Adults, Early Childhood Educators, Teachers...anyone with a passion for engaging & equipping young families would be a great fit! Please visit the Welcome Desk or simply fill out the Family Ministry Inquiry Form at: [forms.gle/txnUkSkqVAQ7hiW78](https://forms.gle/txnUkSkqVAQ7hiW78).

**NEW ALPHA TEAM** ~ Does the idea of being part of a team who will plan, coordinate and run regular Alpha sessions at the parish interest you? Please visit us at the Welcome desk after Mass or simply fill out the Alpha Team Inquiry form at: [forms.gle/wCTMoNHmq9EGYtz16](https://forms.gle/wCTMoNHmq9EGYtz16)

## GET TO KNOW GOD THROUGH EACH OTHER'S LIVES.



Connecting with a group of friends about faith matters is an amazing way to GROW in your faith with the personal attention, encouragement, prayerful support, and accountability you need to sustain you on your faith journey. Allow God to break into your life and enter into your heart in this new & exciting way – Join a Holy Family Small Group OR think about starting your own Small Group!

A Small Group is a group of people, anywhere from 3 to 12, that commit to meeting weekly or bi-weekly, either in each other's homes or online using a platform such as Zoom, for the purpose of growing together in Christ. These are difficult times and many people are feeling unconnected and are searching spiritually. A Small Group community provides an opportunity to connect with others, share thoughts, engage in meaningful conversations, supporting & encouraging one another while growing together in faith.

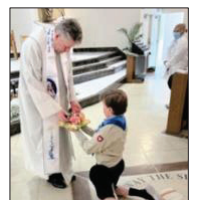
We have Small Groups for all ages and seasons of life: **YOUNG ADULTS, YOUNG MOM'S, WOMEN'S, MEN'S...** Simply complete the Small Group Inquiry form found here: <https://forms.gle/MkehtKfDoMQFZYHs7> or contact Kim, our Small Group Coordinator at [holyfamily.kim@gmail.com](mailto:holyfamily.kim@gmail.com) Or visit [holyfamilywhitby.ca/small-groups/](http://holyfamilywhitby.ca/small-groups/)



## MARY CELEBRATION – Thank You!

Thank you to the Rosary Apostolate for hosting a very special day of prayer and fellowship! I'm sure Mother Mary was truly honoured by each & every personal encounter during her celebration.

The organizers wish to thank all attendees, Fr. László, Fr. Ravi, Tess, Sofie, Steve & Marie, Norbert & Anne, Ashlynn, Peter, Marie, Nicole, Frances, Henry, Patricia, Matteo & the **TIMBERWOLVES** for their support and participation. A special appreciation goes to Anne Provenzano for coordinating the whole event. *"When we pray the rosary, we go to the school of Mary and she teaches us how to love her son, Jesus."*



## **FOOD & BOTTLE DRIVE**

### ➤ **Weekend of June 11 & 12**

The Knights of Columbus will be conducting a Food and Bottle Drive after all Mass times on **June 11 and 12** in the parking lot. Non-perishable food, beer and wine bottles and cans and monetary donations will be gratefully accepted in support of St. Vincent de Paul and the Youth Group summer camp activities. Thank you!

## **BAKE & PLANT SALE**

### ➤ **Sunday June 12**

Bake sale and plant sale Fundraiser on June 12<sup>th</sup> hosted by the HF Catholic Women's League. Please contact Gwen at 905-259-8504 for more information.

## **ANNIVERSARY MASS**



Congratulations to the 30 couples who celebrated their milestone anniversary with us at our special Milestone Wedding Anniversary Mass at the 5pm last Saturday where we recognized & honored the commitment made by these couples to share their lives and help each other grow with God. We wish to thank you each one of you for your example of life & love among us. God Bless you all!

## **GRAND CAMP July 12 to 14**



Holy Family Grand Camp will run for 3 days, Tuesday to Thursday July 12<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 pm. The cost will be \$75 for one grandchild and grandparent, and \$35 for each additional child or grandparent. The cost includes a t-shirt, materials, special activities, snacks & more!

Registration Forms can be found at: [holyfamilywhitby.ca/grand-camp/](http://holyfamilywhitby.ca/grand-camp/). You may drop off registrations at the church or at the Welcome desk on Sunday after Mass. We look forward to another great experience of sharing faith and family!

## **MOTHER'S PRAYER GROUP - by Father László**



*'Ask, and it will be given to you; search and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you.'*

**A mother's prayers for her children are so important.**

My mind is full of images of groups of mothers gathering to pray for their children, to support and encourage each other in the difficult moments of motherhood, and including in their prayers those who feel their mother is lost to them. These groups take place in so many different settings. But the prayer takes a similar shape and pattern. In essence, each mother brings her child or children and places them in the care of God. This may be in times of deep distress, or of pain, of loss, or of joy and thanksgiving. Time and again there are accounts given of prayer being answered: children coming off drugs; children returning home; improvements in health and relationships. A mother's prayer can be very powerful indeed.

**For me, Mothers Prayers points to two great truths and gifts of our faith.**

The first was expressed in the reading from Isaiah. It is the truth of God's unswerving love and mercy for us his people. Remember the words: 'Truly they are my people, sons (and daughters) and no rogues.... In his love and pity, he redeemed them himself, he lifted them up, carried them, throughout days of old' (Isaiah 63:8-9). Yes, this love of God comes to us from the very beginning. The testimony of each of the prophets speaks so eloquently of this unshakable love. Hosea says: 'I myself taught Ephraim to walk, I took them in my arms...I lead them with reins of kindness' (Hosea 11:3-4). What mother does not understand these words? Jeremiah says: 'I have loved you with an everlasting love... for Ephraim is my first born' (Jeremiah 31:2,9). And Isaiah declares: 'For the mountains may depart, the hills be shaken, but my love for you will never leave you and my covenant of peace with you will never be shaken' (Isaiah 54:10).

This outpouring of love comes to its fulfilment, its most vivid expression among us, in the love of God made visible in Christ Jesus our Lord. In him all the prophetic writings of this undying love of God take on our flesh. In Jesus this love comes to make its home in the fabric of our own lives. This sharing of flesh is so well understood by a mother. "Your child is always your flesh and blood". These words of a mother are one with the message of the prophets, one with the message of Jesus for he, too, says to us that he is our flesh and blood. And in him our prayers are answered, our searching resolved and the door is opened. In him do we find peace and rest for our souls. Mothers Prayers teaches us to do this. Mothers Prayers is a school of prayer and a pathway of peace for so many.

The second gift of faith is this. Jesus knew the importance of a mother. He also knew the waywardness and frailty of our nature. So, in one of the final acts of his life in the flesh, he gave us all a Mother. From the cross of his death, he said to John and to us all: 'This is your mother' (John 19:26). So, there is a deeper meaning still to the phrase 'a mother's prayers.' It can refer, beautifully, to the constant prayer of Our Blessed Lady for us, for us in every need and dark night, and they come often.

There is a lovely silly story that tells of Jesus looking round heaven and seeing some rough and unruly people there. So, he turns to Peter and demands: 'How did they get in?'. Peter replied 'Oh, they got in through the back door.' 'The back door', retorts Jesus. 'And who's in charge of the back door, then?' Peter replies: 'Well now, it's your mother!' - We do well to turn to Mary in all our prayers. She knows the way to our Saviour's heart and can open any door, untie any knot. Her prayers are the supreme Mother's Prayers and we beseech her today, and every day, to add her prayers to those of every mother, every family, gathered these wonderful groups.

*May this movement flourish in years to come, for through it, with perseverance and patience, so many will learn the profound truth of the Gospel, in which we rejoice today: 'For the one who asks always receives; the one who searches always finds; the one who knocks will always have the door opened to him.'*

**Fr. László –**

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