

# 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**

**OFFICE MANAGER:** Tess Bondoc

**YOUTH MINISTER:** Samantha Kanemy

**OFFICE ASSISTANT:** Sue Kanemy

**LAY PASTORAL ASSISTANT:** Karina Doyle

### PASTOR:

Rev. Fr. Laszlo Nagy

### ASSOCIATE PASTOR:

Rev. Fr. Sean Jacob

### PARISH MINISTRIES:

Adult Faith Formation	905-665-6470
Alpha	905-665-6470
Altar Servers	905-665-6470
Choir	905-449-1337
Eucharistic Ministers	905-556-1958
Extraordinary Ministers for the Sick	905-430-8552
FNE Explorers	416-435-6593
Gift Store	905-995-2434
HF Kids	905-665-6470
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	905-442-8353
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 to Friday: 7:00 p.m.

Novena Mass to Our Lady of Perpetual Help is every Wednesday

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 Lindse Morillo at 905-409-7715. Meetings are 2nd (General) and 4th (Executive) Wednesday of every month.



### CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE:

Become a member and journey with us in faith, service and fellowship. We meet at the church hall. For more information contact Anita Pereira at 905-442-8163.

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Monday Sept 23, 7:00pm

+John Allan Watkins req by the Family.

### Tuesday Sept 24, 7:00pm

+Patrick Belanger req by Mary Anne Belanger.

+Giulio Manera req by the Manera Family.

### Wednesday Sept 25, 7:00pm

+Jose Mari Palaypay req by UPLBMASS - Gloria Prepose Smith.

+James & Christina Reid req by Ian & Zonita Reid.

+Doug Foster req by Eileen Foster.

Sp Int Barbara Reid req by Cathy Yilmaz.

### Thursday Sept 26, 7:00pm

+Longinus Fernandes req by Reggie Fernandes.

Sp Int Florence Bankhead req by Claudia Herod.

### Friday Sept 27, 7:00pm

+Pedro Urcia req by the Family.

Sp Int Iris & Linda Murdoch req by Sheila Tobin.

Sp Int Joe Conneely

Thanksgiving to the Archangel req by Mr. & Mrs. Joel & Family.

### Saturday Sept 28, 5:00pm

+Bruno Adriano & Rocco Campanelli.

+Simon Fernandes req by Anthony & Clare Fernandes.

+Sheldon Hannah req by Noel & Mary Hannah.

## September Second Collections

Sept 28 & 29 – The Needs of the Canadian Church.

*Thank you for your continued support!*

## INDIGENOUS HEALING & RECONCILIATION COLLECTION

Catholics throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to participate in the collection being held the **weekend of Oct. 5/6** to support the Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation Fund. The collection is part of a national grassroots effort to assist healing and reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples of This Land. Let us join together and follow the invitation of the Holy Father for each one of us to become engaged in the healing and reconciliation journey. Thank you for your generosity. For more information or to donate online, visit: [archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation](http://archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation).

## FAITH FORMATION

➤ *Starts November 4<sup>th</sup>!*

### Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist

Learn about the truth and beauty of Christ's real presence in the Eucharist, from its origins in Sacred Scripture, to its profound role in the life of the Church and her members. Workbooks are available this Sunday at the back of the church for \$40 and includes 'This is MY Body' book by Bishop Barron from this summer's Eucharistic Revival.

Runs for 5 weeks from Monday Nov 4<sup>th</sup> to Monday Dec 2. Choose 10:30am or 7:30pm.

## ARE YOU THINKING OF BECOMING CATHOLIC?

➤ *RCIA Starts This Tuesday - September 24<sup>th</sup>!*

If you are interested in learning more about how to join the Catholic Church (RCIA) or completing your initiation into the Catholic Church (receiving First Communion and/or being Confirmed), we encourage you to please call Bob at 905-925-6828 to discuss and inquire! We will meet every Tuesday.

## PRO-LIFE LIFE CHAIN – SUNDAY OCT. 6<sup>TH</sup> 2PM

Pro-Life Ministry invites everyone to join the National wide Life Chain on Sunday Oct. 06, 2024 at the intersection of Dundas St. & Thicksen Rd. from 2:00 - 3:00 p.m. Please come out to be a witness of protecting the human life of the unborn. If you have questions, please contact Gwen at 905-259-8504.

## ANNUAL ROSARY RALLY, SAT. OCT 12<sup>TH</sup> 12PM



The month of October is one of the best known of all Catholic devotions. Join thousands of people across Canada as we pray the rosary together in different time zones! We will meet in the parking lot. Please contact Anne at 905-439-5805 or [anneprovenzano@yahoo.ca](mailto:anneprovenzano@yahoo.ca) with your prayer intentions.

## TWO WEEKNIGHT YOUTH GROUPS - GRADES 8 TO 12!

**EDGE for Youth in Grades 6 to 8.** Starts Sept 26<sup>th</sup>. Lots of awesome games, competitions, and snacks will keep our nights full of fun while we build community and deepen our faith! Every 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday from 6:45pm to 8:30pm. **LIFETEEN for Teens Gr. 9 to 12.** Starts October 3<sup>rd</sup>. Our goal is to walk alongside each teen on their journey of faith by providing a community founded upon faith and love. Every 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday from 6:45pm to 9:00pm. For more information or to register, please see our Youth Minister, Samantha at the back of the church, visit: [holyfamilywhitby.ca/youth/](http://holyfamilywhitby.ca/youth/), or email her at: [hfw.youth@gmail.com](mailto:hfw.youth@gmail.com).

## VARIOUS WAYS TO SIMPLIFY YOUR GIVING

**God doesn't need anything from us BUT because we want to show our love for Him, we give generously and sacrificially.** There are several ways to give at Holy Family! In addition to our offertory collection, parishioners and guest are invited to try our POS Tap Machines located at the Welcome Desk, these machines can be used anytime. Our website offers PayPal options for monthly & one-time giving, as well as a downloadable Pre-Authorized Payment (PAG). Visit: [holyfamilywhitby.ca/tithe-give/](http://holyfamilywhitby.ca/tithe-give/)

## LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary would like to thank everyone who participated in this pilgrimage to Martyrs' Shrine, especially to Fr. Sean Jacob. He celebrated the Mass at the Holy Family altar under the hot weather condition. Our Blessed Lady provided us with a summer weather, ease traffic to travel to Midland and back to Whitby and most of all, a time for reflection.



## New Parishioners

*Welcome to Holy Family!*



Whether you are new to our parish or just passing through, we would like to take this opportunity to warmly welcome you to Holy Family and invite you to visit the **Welcome Desk** at the back of the church after Mass today or on your next visit. We encourage you to visit our website and get to know a little more about us; you'll find many resources to help you and your family grow in faith, as well as links to **Register as a Parishioner** and to sign up to our **Email List!** We look forward to meeting you! Visit us at [holyfamilywhitby.ca](http://holyfamilywhitby.ca)

Sunday September 22, 2024

## OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE YOUR PARISH...

### Volunteer Associates Needed

There is an immediate need for Volunteer Associates to assist our Volunteer Coordinator in identifying & connecting parishioners with ministry & organizing the many volunteers here at Holy Family. If you have an outgoing personality, like talking to people and would enjoy getting to know your fellow parishioners we'd love for you to use these gifts to serve the parish! Please call the parish office to let us know.

**SUNDAY EXPERIENCE:** Honor the Lord and help provide an awesome experience to parishioners before, during and after Mass

**KIDS, YOUTH & FAMILIES:** Help children and families grow in their love of Jesus by sharing your gifts & talents in one of our kids, family or sacramental prep ministries.

**FAITH FORMATION:** Help bring the faith to others through formation programs like Alpha, RCIA, Small Group or Bible Study;

**OUTREACH:** Go beyond our walls and model Christ's love to those outside our parish community.

**Pick up a copy of our new Ministries Booklet for a detailed summary of all the service opportunities available at Holy Family! You can also visit the Welcome Desk or complete the Volunteer Inquiry form on our website: [holymfamilywhitby.ca/volunteer/](https://holymfamilywhitby.ca/volunteer/)**



## PEOPLE NEED YOUR GOD-GIVEN GIFTS!

As we reflect on Stewardship Sunday, we are reminded that God has given us many diverse gifts for the building up of the Kingdom of God right here in our parish community. To this end, Archbishop Francis Leo has prepared a special homily to help us reflect on how we can use our God-given gifts to serve our neighbour for the glory of God. Please find a summary of this homily below. We encourage you to visit the Archdiocese website to listen to his homily. [archtoronto.org/en/offices-and-ministries/sub-sites/stewardship/home/stewardship-sunday/](https://archtoronto.org/en/offices-and-ministries/sub-sites/stewardship/home/stewardship-sunday/) or simply scan the QR code.



### *Summary of Archbishop Francis Leo's Stewardship Sunday Homily, September 22, 2024*



On Stewardship Sunday in the Archdiocese of Toronto, we are reminded of the profound importance of stewardship in the life of a Christian. Stewardship is often associated with sharing our talents and resources for the benefit of the community and the Church. However, it is much more than just giving; it is about growing in love, virtue, and service, living as true disciples of Christ in our daily lives.

As Christians, we strive for a deep, transformative relationship with God, rooted in faith and trust.

This relationship is meant to permeate every aspect of our existence, shaping how we interact with others and how we live out Christ's call to love, even our enemies. Stewardship is not merely an act of charity or responsibility; it is a continuous process of developing a deeper awareness of God's presence in our lives and responding to His call with humility and devotion. It involves recognizing who we are in relation to God and embracing His purpose for our lives.

Historically, stewardship has been understood primarily as the responsible management of the gifts God has entrusted to us, such as our time, talents, and resources. While this is crucial, stewardship goes beyond material giving. It is about a dynamic transformation of faith, an ongoing commitment that shapes our hearts, minds, and wills. This journey helps us discover the mysteries of God and align ourselves with His greater purpose.

In today's Gospel, Jesus teaches that true greatness comes from humility and service: "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." This reflects the essence of stewardship - serving others with Christ-like love. It is a call to imitate Christ, to live and serve as He did. Stewardship is not a one-time event but a lifestyle of growing in Christ-likeness, embodying His love & mission in everything we do.

Stewardship manifests in various ways, from simple acts like inviting someone to Mass or volunteering in the parish, to more profound acts like standing up for the voiceless, visiting the sick, or defending the Catholic faith. Each of these actions, whether big or small, reflects a self-gift—a giving of oneself in service to God and others. This self-gift is the true path to fulfillment and happiness, as highlighted by Pope Francis in his letter on St. Joseph. He explains that true happiness comes not from mere sacrifice, but from the gift of oneself, which is the fruit of mature love and dedication.

Ultimately, stewardship is a divine and human endeavor, a means of sanctification that glorifies God. It involves prayer, encouragement, hope, and charity, all directed towards building Christ's Kingdom. While self-sacrifice is part of the journey, the ultimate goal is the serene and joyful gift of our lives to God and others. By living out stewardship in its fullest sense, we allow God's grace to flow through us and touch the lives of those around us, contributing to the growth of the Kingdom of God.

As we reflect on Stewardship Sunday, we are invited to consider how we are growing in love, virtue, and service, and how we can give of ourselves more deeply, following the example of Christ in His mission to save the world.

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