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prepare the way...



ADVENT

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday Dec 22, 7:00pm

+Alvin Penaflor req by Jun Padua & Family.

+Nelson De Jesus req by Jun Padua & Family.

Tuesday Dec 23, 7:00pm

+Melissa George req by Mum & Dad.

Wednesday Dec 24. 6, 8, 10pm & 12am

Christmas Eve Masses

Thursday Dec 25. 8, 9:30. 11am & 12:30pm

Christmas Day Masses

Friday Dec 26, 7:00pm

+Marina Contreras req by Rosemary & Neri Mendoza.

+Juanita Wade req by the Family.

+Laura & Giovanni Bavaro req by the Pellegrino & Ciardullo Families.

+Sheldon Hannah req by Noel & Mary Hannah.

+Geronimo Lorenzana req by Grace Kondzior.

+In Memory of Douglas & Grace Hancock req by Suzanne Hancock & Family.

Healing of Felician Iancu req by Sorin Burian.

Sp Int Doreen Willison req by Raymond Willison.

Sp Int Sabu & Anu's Family.

Sp Int Antoinetta Orechhio req by Claudia Herod.

So Int Joan & David Leong Sing.

Sp Int Alexia Hawkins req by Bridget Conneely.

Saturday Dec 27, 5:00pm

In Thanksgiving Jun Padua & Family.



Dear friends,

Merry Christmas. As we arrive at this holy day, I want to thank you for walking through Advent with such openness and hope. Over the past four weeks, we reflected on a simple theme: light in the darkness. Each Sunday reminded us that God's light doesn't wait for life to be perfect. It shows up in ordinary places, often quietly, and invites us to trust that grace is already at work.

We lit the first candle to remember that even a small light can change a room. The second candle reminded us that God's peace doesn't remove every hardship, but steadies us so we can keep going. The third candle taught us that joy grows when it's shared, even in tough seasons. And the fourth candle brought us back to love, the light that holds all the others together.

At Christmas we celebrate the birth of Christ, the light that no darkness can overcome. The story is familiar, yet it still surprises us. God chooses a manger. God chooses vulnerability. God chooses to come close. And that closeness is what Christmas offers us again: the promise that we are not alone. This year, our celebration carries an extra layer of gratitude. Just a few weeks ago, we gathered to bless and officially open our newly renovated spaces. Seeing so many of you there—laughing, praying, exploring, and imagining the ministry these rooms will hold—was a gift. These spaces aren't only improvements to a building. They're signs of the life God is stirring in our community and the hope we share for the future.

Thank you for your generosity, your patience, and your faith. May Christ's light guide your steps and bring peace to your home this Christmas.

With love and blessings,
Fr. László Nagy

NEW TO THE PARISH?

Welcome to Holy Family Parish! We would to invite you and your family to register as parishioners & join our email list! Scan the QR code to visit our website where you will find links to join our parish email list, social media & the Registration Form.



holyfamilywhitby.ca/get-connected/

YEAR END GIVING

DEC 31 is the deadline for Year-end giving if you want your donation to be reflected on your 2025 tax receipt.

GRAND OPENING OF THE ATRIUM

We were thrilled to have His Eminence, Frank Cardinal Leo here to celebrate Mass and bless the new building spaces on Friday, Dec 12. In his Homily, His Eminence spoke of how this physical renovation points to our call for spiritual renewal and that the Holy Family is an inspiration.

We extend our sincere thanks to everyone who contributed through prayer, time, and financial assistance. Your faith and commitment made this vision possible, and we are deeply thankful for the many sacrifices offered along the way.

May the Atrium serve as a place of welcome, gathering, and growth for years to come. Please continue to keep this space and all who will use it in your prayers.

With gratitude, Fr. László



Christmas & New Year's Mass Times

CHRISTMAS EVE MASS

Wednesday December 24th

6pm, 8pm, 10pm & 12 midnight (with incense)

CHRISTMAS DAY MASS

Thursday December 25th

8am, 9:30am, 11am and 12:30pm

NEW YEARS EVE MASS

Wednesday December 31st, 5:00pm

NEW YEARS DAY MASS

Thursday January 1st

8am, 9:30am, 11:00am and 12:30pm

MARRIAGE PREP COURSE

Marriage Preparation Course for couples getting married in the Catholic Church is taking place over 2 weekends at the parish this winter, Cost is \$250. Dates as follows:

Jan. 16, 7pm to 9pm, Jan 17, 9am to 12pm

Jan 23, 7pm to 9pm, Jan. 24 9am to 12pm

Please call the office at 905-665-6470 to register.

PARENT PORTAL WEBPAGE

For quick and easy access to all our Family, Youth and Kids programs and resources, visit the **PARENT PORTAL webpage**. You can access it from the homepage of our website: holyfamilywhitby.ca, or by scanning the QR code. You'll find sign up forms for Altar Serving, links to sacraments of initiation, Youth Ministry, HFkids, Playgroup, Moms & Dads Groups, Newsletter and more!



ARE YOU IN NEED OF PRAYER?

If you are need of prayer, please use our Prayer Request Box located in the back of the church or our Online Prayer Request form on our website. Our dedicated Intercessory Prayer Teams will pray for you! Visit our website for the online link at: holyfamilywhitby.ca/prayer/

STAY UP TO DATE ON ALL THE HAPPENINGS!



Join our email list through Flocknote! Sign up at: holyfamilyparishwhitby.flocknote.com/

DADS GROUP STARTS JAN. 22ND!

Faith, Fraternity and Prayer. Come and be part of an uplifting fraternity of men who want to help each other grow in faith and become the leaders our Families need us to be.

Join us the 3rd Thursday of each month at 7:30pm at Holy Family! If you are a dad, grand-dad or future dad, there is a place for you here. Fatherhood is a divine institution established by God for the blessing and stability of humanity. When fathers take their rightful place, homes are healed, communities are built, and generations are secured. Come join us so we can help each other get there with fraternity, faith and prayer. **REGISTER Online: Scan the QR code or visit: holyfamilydads.com**



MOM'S GROUP GATHERING – JOIN US!

Come and be part of an encouraging and supportive community of women and go deeper in your faith life. No matter where you are on your faith journey, and no matter where you are as a mom - with little ones, teens, or grown children - this group is for you. As we begin a new year, it's a beautiful time for a fresh start: to connect with other women, share the ups and downs of family life, and grow together in faith, hope, and friendship.

Our next gathering is Tuesday, Jan. 14th - we'd love for you to join us and start the year feeling renewed and supported. Find the sign-up link in the PARENT PORTAL or Scan the QR code.



YOUTH GROUP - GRADES 6 TO 12

Join one of our Youth Groups in the new year! **EDGE** (YOUTH in grades 6 to 8), runs every 2nd & 4th Thursday. Next Edge starts on Thur. Jan 8th at 6:45pm. **LIFE TEEN** (Grades 9 to 12) runs every 1st & 3rd Thursday and includes dinner! Next Life Teen starts on Thursday January 15th at 6:45pm. Visit the website or contact Samantha, our Youth Minister at hfw.youth@gmail.com



MATURING ADULTS GROUP

The Holy Family Maturing Adults Group meets regularly for fellowship & connection. There are regular events planned as well as lunches. To learn more, email to Alan alandioper@gmail.com

KIDS IN GRADES JK TO 6 ON SUNDAYS!



All kids in grades JK to grade 6 are invited to join us for HFkids on Sundays during the 9:30 and 11:00 Masses for the first half of the Mass where they will hear a Gospel message prepared just for them. Two Different Programs: Adventurers JK-1 and Time Travellers Gr 2-6. No registration - For more information, visit holyfamilywhitby.ca/hfkids-2/ or scan the **PARENT PORTAL QR code** and click on HFkids.

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