

Holy Family Parish

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Rectory Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9:30 a.m. to 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:
Rev. Fr. Alex D'Silva

OFFICE MANAGER: Tess Bondoc

YOUTH MINISTER: Samantha Kanemy

OFFICE ASSISTANT: Sue Kanemy

MINISTRY COORDINATOR: Karina Doyle

PARISH MINISTRIES:

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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
Horizons of Hope	905-441-0957
Intercessory Prayer Group	905-665-6470
Lectors	905-665-6470
Legion of Mary	905-213-0316
Marriage Preparation	905-665-6470
Outreach Ministry	905-430-2515
Praise & Worship Group	905-665-8177
ProLife	905-259-8504
R.C.I.A.	905-243-9466
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, Wednesday & Friday: 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday: 9:00 a.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 Lindsey Morillo at 905-409-7715. General Meetings are 2nd Wednesdays 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 Alys MacAlister 905-259-8504.

A Message of Gratitude for the 18 Years of Support...

"Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?' And I said, 'Here am I; send me!'" (Isaiah 6:8)

This simple yet powerful response of the prophet Isaiah has echoed through the centuries and today, I hear it again in each one of you. During this Volunteer Appreciation Week, we celebrate not only what you do, but who you are: men and women who have heard the voice of the Lord and responded with courage, generosity, and love.

Volunteerism does not begin with a schedule, a program, or a sign-up sheet. It begins with a spark, a quiet movement of grace within the heart. It is that sacred moment when something within you says, "I can help. I will go. Lord, send me." And in that moment, something extraordinary happens: your life becomes a channel of God's love.

I want to thank you - not in a simple or passing way, but deeply, sincerely, and wholeheartedly. Thank you for saying yes, and supporting my priestly ministry in the past 18 years. Thank you for embracing not only the needs of the parish but also its vision: "Holy Family is where we encounter, share, and follow Jesus."

You have not only supported this vision; you have lived it. You have made it visible. You have made it real. When you greet someone at the door with a warm smile, you create a space where Christ can be encountered. When you prepare the altar, proclaim the Word, or serve the Eucharist, you help others to follow Him more closely. When you organize, clean, teach, cook, sing, guide, or simply show up faithfully - you are sharing Jesus in ways that words alone never could.

You have taken our mission "Love God, love others, and make disciples" and translated it into action. You have shown that loving God is not confined to prayer alone, but expressed through service. You have shown that loving others is not an idea, but a daily commitment. You have shown that making disciples begins with witness, with a life that reflects the Gospel.

And because of you, something beautiful has been happening in our parish. We are no longer simply maintaining structures, we are building a living, vibrant community. We are no longer just gathering, we are welcoming. We are no longer simply attending, we are belonging. We are no longer just preserving faith; we are igniting it.

You have helped change the culture of our parish. This transformation did not happen overnight. It came through countless unseen acts of love, moments when you chose generosity over comfort, patience over frustration, service over self. It came through your faithfulness, especially in times when it was not easy.

You have made our parish a place where people feel seen, known, and loved. A place where newcomers become family. A place where faith is not only taught, but experienced. A place where the Gospel is not only proclaimed - but lived.

And this is the heart of it all: you are not simply volunteers. You are missionaries. You are co-workers in the vineyard of the Lord. You are witnesses to the living Christ. The world today is often marked by indifference, division, and loneliness. Many people are searching, sometimes silently, for meaning, for hope, for belonging. And in that reality, your "yes" becomes a light. Every act of service, no matter how small, becomes a spark that ignites something greater. A child who feels welcomed at church may discover a lifelong relationship with Christ. A family who feels supported may rediscover hope. A stranger who is greeted with kindness may encounter God for the first time in a long time. You may never fully see the impact of what you do, but God does. And He uses it in ways far beyond what we can imagine.

Dear volunteers, your generosity has also been a powerful witness during this important time in our parish life. As we have worked together in the past 18 years to build, renew, and expand—not only our physical spaces but also our spiritual home, you have stood at the heart of it all. You have helped create not just buildings, but places of encounter. Not just programs, but pathways to discipleship. Not just events, but moments of grace. You have shown what it means to be a Church that is alive - a Church on mission.

And so today, I want to say again: thank you. Thank you for your time, your energy, your sacrifices. Thank you for your creativity and your dedication. Thank you for your faith. Thank you for believing in the mission of this parish. Thank you for loving this community. Thank you for being the hands and feet of Christ.

But I also want to encourage you: do not lose the fire. The spark that began your journey of service must continue to grow. Like Isaiah, we are called not just once, but again and again, to renew our "yes" to God.

There will be moments of tiredness. Moments when your efforts go unnoticed. Moments when challenges arise. In those times, return to the source: the Lord Himself. Remember why you began. Remember the voice that called you. Remember the joy of saying, "Here am I." Because God is not finished. He continues to call. He continues to send. He continues to work through you.

And through your continued "yes," our parish will keep growing, not just in numbers, but in depth, in faith, in love. My prayer for you is this: that you may always feel supported, appreciated, and deeply valued. That you may know that your service matters, not only to this parish, but to the Kingdom of God. May you find joy in your giving. May you find strength in your faith. May you find Christ in those you serve. And may our parish continue to be a place where hearts are ignited, where people hear the call of God and respond with courage: "Here am I, Lord. Send me."

**With deep gratitude and blessings,
Fr. László Nagy, Pastor**

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday April 20, 7:00pm

+ Vencel Nagy req by Marlene St John.

Tuesday April 21, 9:00am

+Shane Reymes req by Marlene St John.

Wednesday April 22, 7:00pm

+Dorothy Williams req by Sheila Tobin.

+Conrado E. Cortez req by Susan Rivera.

+Catherine req by Yesu Dass.

+Maria & Diego Ruggieri req by Carmelo Calabrese.

+Angeles Ofilan.

+Giovanna Ruggeri req by the Bryant Family.

+Mary Scanlon req by the O'Boyle Family.

Sp Int Christine Mc Lean.

Thursday April 23, 9:00am

+Holy Souls in Purgatory req by Sheila Tobin.

Friday April 24, 7:00pm

+Peter Cooper req by June Refearo.

+Francis & Roger Fernando.

+Dominador Garcia req by the Kondzior Family.

+Elvie Carlos req by Grace Lorenzana.

+Decreased Members of the Fifik Family req by the Martin & Karin Cech.

+Mariano Arruda req by the Arruda Family.

Thanksgiving for Kondzior Family.

Saturday April 25, 9:00am

+Lucia Azevedo req by Juraci Ormonde.

Saturday April 25, 5:00pm

+Lysda Vernette req by Sheila Tobin.

SHARELIFE NEXT WEEK

The second ShareLife Sunday of the year is **NEXT Weekend - April 25 & 26**. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate. Thank you!

MAiD IN THE FAMILY

Horizons of Hope Ministry is offering the following Zoom presentation: "*How a Catholic Family Copes When a Relative Chooses MAiD.*" To register for this Zoom presentation, email: hfwhitbyhoh@gmail.com.

PLEASE PRAY FOR CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES

Please keep in your prayers the youth of our parish who will be receiving the sacrament of Confirmation next Sat, April 25th.

- St. Matthew, St. Paul & Other Schools not listed at 10:30am
- St Mark, St Theresa & St. Bernard schools at 2:00pm

HOMELESS MISSION SUMMER DRIVE - NEXT WEEKEND!

NEXT WEEKEND - Saturday April 25 & Sunday April 26 outside by the parking lot entrance of the Church after all Masses, Holy Family Homeless Mission Ministry will be collecting the **following items ONLY** in order to provide some protection (shade and dryness) from the unpredictable summer weather for those living on the street:

Tents (1, 2, 3-man), Tarps (blue or green colored only), raincoats/ponchos & sleeping bags.

We also accept monetary donations (cheque/cash) that will go towards the purchase of the above items. **Any single donation of \$25.00 will receive an Income Tax Receipt.**

DRAW CLOSER TO JESUS THROUGH MARY...

Join us for **33 Days to Morning Glory**, a simple, powerful journey of daily prayer and reflection, guiding us to entrust our hearts to Jesus through Mary. Amid busy schedules, this consecration offers a peaceful way to grow closer to Christ and deepen our love for Mary, sharing encouragement, conversation, and community along the way.

➤ **STARTS MONDAY APRIL 27th at 7:30 PM, for 5 (weeks) Mondays.**

KID'S SPACE: Supervised activities for school-aged children in the St. Nicholas Room. Please indicate if needed when registering.

TO REGISTER: Sign up at the Welcome Desk or scan the QR code!



PILGRIMAGE WITH FR. LÁSZLÓ - May 20 - June 2, 2027

You are warmly invited to join a very special parish pilgrimage - a 14-day cruise through Greece, Turkey, Sicily, and Malta. Together, we will walk in the footsteps of the Apostles, celebrate daily Mass in sacred places, and deepen our relationship with Christ.

This is more than a trip - it is a pilgrimage of faith, renewal, and encounter. Further details, including itinerary and registration information, are available at the back of the church. In the meantime, I encourage you to prayerfully consider this opportunity.

Please reserve your place early. Fr. László Nagy, Pastor

SUMMER CAMP & TEEN EVENING PROGRAM

HFKIDS DAY CAMP We're excited to offer TWO weeks of HFkids Camp this year! Open to children in Grades 1-6 (as of Fall 2026), families can choose one week or join us for both, each week will feature its own unique activities and experiences! Week 1 **July 13 - 17** &/or Week 2 **Aug 4 - 7** - **LIMITED SPACE FOR WEEK 1.**

TEEN PROGRAM! Evening Teen Program is for youth in Grades 7 - 12 (as of fall 2026). **Teen Evening Camp will run from July 20 - 24.**

Find Registration Forms at the Welcome Desk or website - Scan QR code >



MARCH FOR LIFE IN OTTAWA - MAY 14

Please join with many thousands of Canadians to the National March for Life in **Ottawa on Thursday May 14**. Jesus Said: "Follow Me" is a call to action, an invitation to discipleship. The Theme for 2026 National March for Life is: "Follow Me!" For more information, please contact Gwen at 905- 259- 8504.

MILLIONS OF MONICAS -THIS THURSDAY 10am & 6:30pm

➤ **Note TIME CHANGE for the morning session! STARTS AT 10:00AM**

MILLIONS OF MONICAS is a monthly prayer gathering for women praying for children who have fallen away from the Catholic faith. Inspired by St. Monica, we gather in hopeful prayer, entrusting them to God and praying for their return. Come pray with us!


Our next gathering is THIS Thursday, March 26 at 10:00 AM or 6:30 PM.

Bring your rosary and an open heart. First time attending? Register at holyfamilywhitby.ca/millions-of-monicas/



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