

# HOLY NAME PARISH

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**Parish office hours:** Mon-Fri 9:00 am - 12:00 pm  
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

## CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

**Saturday:** 5:15 pm (in the church)

**Sunday:** 10:00 am

(children's program only at 10 am service)

12:00 pm (African Catholic Community)

**Weekday:** Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri. at 12:05 pm in the chapel

## BAPTISM

By appointment and after instruction.

## MARRIAGE

**Archdiocesan Marriage Policy:** Couples planning to be married must contact a priest one year in advance. They must also receive personal preparation for entering marriage.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Saturdays: 4:30 to 5:00 pm and on request.

**Catholic Cemeteries:** 416-733-8544

**Archdiocese of Toronto:** [www.archtoronto.org](http://www.archtoronto.org)

Welcome to Holy Name Parish. We encourage all parishioners to become actively involved in your parish through its many groups and ministries. We also need and appreciate your financial support from regular offertory envelope contributions. Please ensure that you are registered with the office. Parishioners who are changing their address are asked to inform the parish office.

### MINISTRIES:

Altar Servers

Children's Liturgy of the Word (ages 3-12)

Ministers of the Eucharist

Ministers of Communion to the Homebound

Ministers of Hospitality

Ministers of Music: Choir, Cantors, Instrumentalists

Ministers of the Word

RCIA: The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

(for those wishing to become Catholic)

Sacramental Preparation

### COMMITTEES:

Finance Council

Liturgy Committee

Pastoral Council

### GROUPS AND ACTIVITIES:

Altar Society

Alcoholics Anonymous

Beavers, Cubs, Scouts

Seniors Group

St. Vincent de Paul Society 416-469-0842

**All these groups may be contacted through the rectory office.**

Bulletin notices must be submitted in writing to the office by noon Monday.

Holy Name School:

Phone 416-393-5215

Fax 416-393-5934

690 Carlaw Ave.

Principal: Anthony Pauk

The Parish Hall is available for rent - please call Jocelyn the hall manager at 647-347-7637.



## CHRISTMAS SEASON SCHEDULE

**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Advent**  
**Saturday, December 23<sup>rd</sup> –**  
5:15 pm Mass

**Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup> –** 10 a.m. Mass  
*12 noon African Catholic Community Mass*

### **Christmas Eve**

**Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup>**

**8:00 p.m.** Family Mass (Holy Name Choir) \*  
**Midnight Mass** \* (African Catholic Community  
choir - all are welcome)

### **Christmas Day**

**Monday, December 25<sup>th</sup>**

10 a.m. Christmas Morning Mass (Cantor)

### **The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph**

**Saturday, December 30<sup>th</sup> –** 5:15 pm Mass

**Sunday, December 31<sup>st</sup> –** 10 am & 12 pm Mass

### **New Year's Eve: Feast of Mary, Mother of God**

**Sunday, December 31<sup>st</sup> –** 5:15 pm Mass

### **New Year's Day: Feast of Mary, Mother of God**

**Monday, January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018**

10:00 a.m. Mass

12 noon (African Catholic Community Mass)

\*carols begin ½ hour before Mass

**Please keep and post on your refrigerator at  
home for future reference.**

## God is the source of our Joy

Today is Gaudete Sunday or Rejoice Sunday. The first question that comes to mind is: Rejoice, why? What about? Do we have any good reasons to rejoice? What is it that makes us happy these days? Today's Mass readings help us discover the true joy of the season. Prophet Isaiah reminds us that we must provide reasons for joy to others. Our Christmas will be truly happy and meaningful only to the extent that we bring happiness to others, and share with others God's blessings, just as God has shared with us the most precious gift—his only Son.

In his first letter to the Thessalonians, St. Paul tells us to "pray without ceasing." We must strive to find some time for silence and prayer in order to keep in touch with the mystery. It will surely enhance the joy of our Christmas celebration.

Finally, in the gospel we meet John the Baptist, a powerful voice and a powerful witness to Christ. John the Baptist was thought to be the Christ, or perhaps Elijah, or the Prophet. However, he did not take advantage of the people's mistaken opinion about him. He knew his role and stuck to it. He was not the light, but only a witness to the light. He gave Christ the place of honor. That's it: Christ, at the very center of our life, at the center of our Christmas celebration: He is the true source of our joy!

Fr. Jinto CSC



**PLEASE**

**Starting Saturday, January 6<sup>th</sup>,  
2018 the 5:15 pm Mass time will be  
changed to 5:00 pm**

**Please pray for all who are ill,  
especially,** Ornesto Bouey, Mattia Paladini,  
Jackie Marksman, Marlon Kowalski, Heather  
Tobias, Laura MacDonald, Maria Jose Bouey



### Mass Intentions

Rosary at 11:50 a.m.  
Tues. December 19th  
12:05 pm: **Antonio Gabriele +**  
Wed. December 20th  
12:05 pm:  
Thurs. December 21st  
12:05 pm: **Giovanni, Maria & Giuseppina Bruno +**  
Fri. December 22nd  
12:05 pm: **Angela, Anthony & Brandon  
Cornacchia +**  
Sat. December 23rd  
5:15 pm: **Joao B. Da Silva +**

### Readings for Fourth Sunday of Advent Sunday, December 24th

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: **2 Samuel 7.1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16**  
Responsorial Psalm: **Ps. 89.1-2, 3-4, 26+28**  
Second Reading: **Romans 16.25-27**  
Gospel: **Luke 1.26-38**

## SANCTUARY LAMP

is lit this week  
In Memory of Louise O'Connor  
at the request of Nora & Ann Gilbride

## Offertory Envelope Boxes for 2018 are available at the entrance of the church

Please call Pamela at the Parish Office during  
office hours if

- You have a change in your name/address; or
- If you name/address is incorrect; or
- If you cannot find your box of envelopes

## 2018 MISSALS

2016 Missals are available to be purchased at all  
the Masses. The cost is \$5.00.



## ALTAR DECORATORS NEEDED for Sunday, December 24th at 1 pm

*Please come and help beautify our Church  
for the Christmas celebrations. "Many  
hands make light work!" There is work for  
all: men, women and children.*

*Thank you, Sacristans*



## Welcome to Our Parish Family Baptized December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2017

*Tessa Eloise Cape  
daughter of David & Katherine*

## Calling all Youth Carolers and all are welcome

*On Friday, December 22nd meet in the church  
basement at 6:30 pm to do some serious  
Christmas Caroling.*

*We'll be strolling the Danforth, Visiting Nisbet  
Lodge and McClintock Manor, visiting the homes  
of a few members of the Holy Name Community  
who aren't able to join us and generally spreading  
the joy of the season.*

*At 8:30 pm hot chocolate and cookies will be  
provided down in the church hall after caroling.  
Please bring a bag of cookies if you can!*

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