

HOLY NAME PARISH

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GOUGH AND DANFORTH (at Pape Subway)

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Welcome to Holy Name. 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.

Pastor: Reverend Vijai Amirtharaj, C.S.C.

In Residence: Rev. Yaw Acheampong

Deacon: John Doomernik

Parish Secretary: Mrs. Pamela Cobham

Choir Director: Peter Smith

Parish Office Hours: Mon, Tues, Wed and Fri 9 am - 12 noon 1 pm - 5 pm

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Saturday: 5:00 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

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

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.

Catholic Cemeteries: 416-733-8544

Archdiocese of Toronto: www.archtoronto.org

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

Saint Vincent de Paul Society (to help neighbours in need) 416-469-0842

Holy Name School:

Phone 416-393-5215

Fax 416-393-5934

690 Carlaw Ave

Principal: Ms. Maren Askin

The Parish Hall is available for rent - please contact Jocelyn the hall manager at 647-292-9146 (cell).

Dear Parishioners,

It is great to see many of our Parishioners back at church following summer vacations and our parish ministries resuming.

As we resume our parish activities, I encourage our Parishioners to do a little reflecting on two fronts. The first: with all of our ministries starting up once again, I remind the members of our Parish that there are many enriching opportunities at Holy Name for anyone who is interested in volunteering. From serving at Mass, to joining the choir, to volunteering for our Children's Liturgy – there is something for everyone. To learn more about the plethora of options, please refer to our Holy Name Parish Ministries brochure located at the entrance of the Church. No matter what your interest, I am confident that there is a calling for you. Please contact the Parish Office for further information on how to become involved. We would be glad to have you do so.

And second: our Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults has just begun for another year. I look forward to working with our team once again in preparing those who wish to be part of the Catholic faith. As Catholics, we might encounter persons – family members, friends, colleagues – who express interest in becoming members of the Catholic Christian community. We may also know of persons who were baptized in the Catholic Church, but never had the opportunity to receive the Eucharist or Confirmation, and who now desire to learn more about their Catholic faith and receive the Sacraments of Initiation. If you know anyone who might be interested in exploring the Catholic faith or want to receive the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation), please invite them to contact our Parish office at 416-466-8281.

Fr. Vijai, C.S.C.



Tues. September 19th
12:05 pm: **Arden Broadhurst +**
Wed. September 20th
12:05 pm: **Deceased Members of Holy Name Parish**
Thurs. September 21st
12:05 pm: **Mary & Harry Keane +**
Fri. September 22nd
12:05 pm: **In Thanksgiving – Fr. Bill Comerford, C.Ss.R.**
Sat. September 23rd
5:00 pm: **Filomena De Lima +**
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*Readings for
Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday, September 24th, 2023*

1st Reading: Isaiah 55.6-9
Responsorial Psalms: Ps. 145.2-3, 8-9, 17-18
Second Reading: Philippians 1.20-24, 27
Gospel: Matthew 20.1-16



**Welcome to Our Parish Family
Baptized
Sunday, September 17th, 2023**

Roman Peter Domacina
son of Andrew & Minette

Aoife Lauren Walsh
daughter of William & Andrea

Celine Raphaelle Wigglesworth
daughter of Blaise & Kimberly

Seniors Group

The Seniors Group bi-weekly luncheons will recommence with a **Barbeque on Thursday October 5 after the 12:05 Mass. ALL SENIORS** are welcome.

Registration for the Sacrament of Confirmation 2023/24

Parents/Guardians of **Grade 7 and up students**, who wish for their child to receive the sacrament of **Confirmation in 2024**, can now pick up a registration form at the entrance of the church, or at the Parish Office, 71 Gough Avenue.

Please submit the completed application form with copy of baptismal certificate before October 31. Enrollment in the Confirmation program is on November 21. Confirmation classes will be held every second Saturday, beginning January 13, 2024 and ending March 3, 2024.

For more information contact the **Parish Office: 416-466-8281** or holynameto@archtoronto.org

Season of Creation

The Theme of the Season this year as mentioned last week, is **LET JUSTICE AND PEACE FLOW**. The symbol of a **MIGHTY RIVER helps us to envision ourselves and the parish as Rivers of Justice and Peace flowing together towards the Sea of God's Justice and Peace**.

All of us can be looking at **how we can embody that River**. On our own, within our families and with friends, we can be reflecting on the issues of justice and peace in which we are, or could be, engaged, bringing that River to life. It could be in prayer, and it could be through organizations dealing with Climate Change, or losses of so many in the tremendous fires, floods, tornadoes, earthquakes of these past months, or Climate Refugees which keep increasing here in Canada and around the world, or the climate effects of war and militarism.

There are petitions and letters we can be signing related to care for Creation:

1. Endorsement of the call for a **Fossil-Fuel NonProliferation Treaty** as an individual or as a parish <https://fossilfuel treaty.org/>
2. Learn about and sign the **Universal Declaration on the Rights of Rivers** as an individual or as a parish <https://www.rightsofrivers.org/>
3. Call for an end to Natural Gas Plants in Ontario and across Canada

<https://www.cleanairalliance.org/campaigns/gas-how-2/> Ontario Clean Air Alliance for Provincial Government

<https://www.cleanairalliance.org/portlands-action/> calling on the Federal Minister of Environment and Climate to put in place Clean Air Regulations

<https://act.environmentaldefence.ca/page/120200/action/1?ea.tracking.id=takeaction> Environmental Defense calling for Federal Action

4. Let our MP Julie Dabrusin know how we feel about putting a cap on carbon emissions.

5. Mark the **World Day of Migrants and Refugees** celebrated this year by the Catholic Church on September 24, 2023. The Pope's Message for this day can be found here:

<https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/migration/documents/20230511-world-migrants-day-2023.html>

Many refugees in the world today are Climate Refugees.

International Day of Peace Events

Please see the flyer available in the Church for the events on **September 23, 2023:**

Faith-based groups and colleagues in the Peace Movement have organized a morning Training in Nonviolence and Peace , 9:30 a.m. to noon in the Great Hall at OCAD University, 100 McCaul St.

REGISTER AT tinyurl.com/2c4axjvk

This will be followed by a **Walk for Peace** beginning at 1 p.m. in **Grange Park**, beside OCAD between McCaul and Beverley Sts. This Walk will end at 3 p.m.

in the **Peace Garden** at Nathan Phillips Square.

REGISTER FOR THIS ALSO AT LINK ABOVE.

ALL WELCOME!

SANCTUARY LAMP

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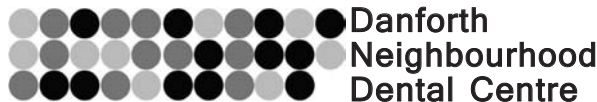
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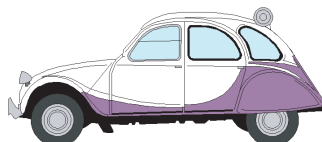
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