

# HOLY NAME PARISH

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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.

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**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.

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Dear Parishioners,



**Pastoral Council:** Our Parish Pastoral Council will meet this Monday, October 02, 2023 to review the life of our Parish Community and to discern ways to enliven our Parish community's life. The Pastoral Council is not an exclusive group, but a small group of parishioners entrusted with the responsibility of giving direction to the parish community, in its mission and ministry. I am grateful to the members of our Parish Pastoral Council, Sheila Spencer (chair), Tom Broadhurst, Clemence Leveau-Vallier, Stan Leveau-Vallier, Jennifer Miles-Jones, Lorie Power and David Royle. The Pastoral Council will meet several times a year for the purpose of reviewing our Parish's life and ministries. If you have any concrete ideas and suggestions that will help to vitalize the life of our Parish community, please get in touch with me or with one of the Council members.

**Active Participation:**

An encouragement...request...for our Sunday worship. It is wonderful to see so many of us gather, as a faith community, for our Eucharistic celebrations every week, especially on Sundays. As we gather, the Church invites us to full and active participation in the liturgy. Here at Holy Name we are fortunate to have beautiful and lively liturgies. I encourage you to continue your full participation by actively listening to the readings, responding to the parts of the Mass and singing with our musicians and choir. When there is an active participation of the entire community gathered, our celebrations become that much more livelier and we leave the Church after our celebrations, encouraged and energized for the week. As always, I encourage you to invite your Catholic friends and neighbours, who may not be joining us for our Sunday celebrations, to join us and be blessed.

Fr. Vijai, C.S.C.

- Tues. October 3rd  
12:05 pm: **Esther Ryan and Family +**
- Wed. October 4th  
12:05 pm: **Arden Broadhurst +  
Randy Elmer Dean +**
- Thurs. October 5th  
12:05 pm: **Mary & Harry Keane +**
- Fri. October 6th  
12:05 pm: **Teresa & Felix Katigbak +**
- Sat. October 7th  
5:00 pm: **Francisco De Lima +  
Henry D'Souza +  
Paddy O'Grady +**

*Readings for  
Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Sunday, October 8th, 2023*

- 1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** Isaiah 5.1-7
- Responsorial Psalms:** Ps. 80.8+11, 12-13, 14-15, 18-19
- Second Reading:** Philippians 4.6-9
- Gospel:** Matthew 21.33-43

**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, 2023**. The Parents/Guardians Meeting is scheduled for November 21, 2023. Enrollment in the Confirmation Preparation program is on December 2, 2023. Confirmation classes will be held every second Saturday, beginning January 13, 2024 and ending March 2, 2024. Further details to follow re date of Confirmation.

For more information contact the **Parish Office: 416-466-8281** or [holynameto@archtoronto.org](mailto:holynameto@archtoronto.org)

## Season of Creation

**First:** The Climate Action Group is hoping to engage all parishioners as we come to the end of the Season of Creation. Thanks to some children in the parish, you will see a very beautiful painting of **this Season's theme: Let Justice and Peace Flow Like a Mighty River..**

All parishioners are asked to take a Post-It note and write on it the justice or peace issues affecting the well-being of Creation which tug at your heart. Then stick the note on the painting. Hopefully, that tug will result in your responding in some way to that issue. Let us, as a parish, be the river where justice and peace flow!

**Second:** On Sunday, October 8, Thanksgiving Weekend, as we give thanks for the many gifts of Creation, parishioners are invited to gather in the basement after Mass to look at how we can give back to Creation **as a parish**. Begin thinking of what action we could take and bring your ideas to this sharing. Some ideas have already been suggested in the materials you have received in the Bulletin.

**Third:** Since care for the Land is a priority for Indigenous Peoples, see the Parish action we take as a concrete **contribution to Reconciliation**.

## 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.

### October - Month of the Holy Rosary

Throughout the month of **October** we will be reciting the **Rosary** before the **weekday Masses beginning at 11.40 a.m.**

All are welcome!

**The Pastoral Council will be meeting this Monday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>.**

## The Children's Liturgy of the Word Program at the 10 am Mass starts today, for the 2023-24 school year.

A reminder to parents about the format and purpose of the program:

The Children's program provides the children **aged 3-11** with an experience of God's Word in the form of Bible stories for the younger group, and the Sunday gospel for the older group.

At the start of the Mass, children are called to the front by Fr. Vijai, and are sent downstairs to their program.

The younger group is for children **aged 3-6**. Their program consists of a Bible story and a craft. The program for the younger group continues until near the end of Communion. Then the younger children come back upstairs.

The older group is for children **aged 7 to 11** (Grade 2 or higher). The older children hear the Sunday Gospel and have activities and discussion to reflect on its meaning. They return upstairs just before the Eucharistic Prayer.

**NEW VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED:** We welcome any of the middle school and high-school aged youth of the parish to consider volunteering as a student helpers with the younger group (this can be used to count towards your high school community service requirement).

We also welcome parents or other adults to volunteer to become teachers or helpers. In addition, we welcome any parents of the children in the younger group who want to stay downstairs and act as helpers from time to time.

## Parish Attendance Survey

The Archdiocese is requesting our participation in its annual parishioner attendance survey for all parishes on the weekend of **October 14/15 and October 21/22.**

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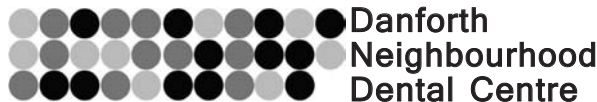
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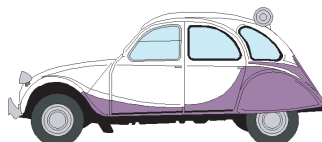
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