HOLY NAME PARISH Served by the Holy Cross Fathers

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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.

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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

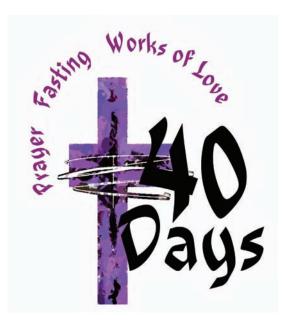
Archdiocese of Toronto: www.archtoronto.org

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 the parish office 416-466-8281.



Dear Parishioners,

It feels as if we just entered the Ordinary Time after the Christmas Season, and we find ourselves in the Season of Lent. During Lent, the Church invites every Christian to enter seriously and sincerely into the spirit of this grace-filled penitential season. Lent provides a unique opportunity to evaluate our Christian lives, a time to be reconciled with God and the community and a moment to renew our commitment to our baptismal vocation. To this end, Lent is a time of penance, a time of almsgiving and above all a time for prayer and reflection.

Lent is a special time for all the RCIA candidates. This Sunday, the First Sunday of Lent, our RCIA candidates and their sponsors will join Bishop Robert Kasun, CSB, and other RCIA candidates from across the Archdiocese at the Cathedral for the *Rite of Election* and *a Call to Lenten Renewal*. Then, later in our Lenten journey, we will welcome our RCIA candidates and their sponsors for the Scrutinies at Masses here at Holy Name Parish. I invite the Parish community to keep our RCIA candidates in your prayers as they prepare to be welcomed into our community at the Easter Vigil on March 30.

I also appeal to you and encourage you and your families to keep aside some time every day during Lent for personal prayer and reflection and to participate in the Eucharistic celebrations and other spiritual activities of the Parish, so that we can celebrate the Passion, Death and the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus with a renewed spirit and faith. May our gracious God bless our Lenten journey.

Fr. Vijai, C.S.C.

As we journey through Lent 2024, This Ash Wednesday video and the First Sunday of Lent video of the series titled "Journey through Lent" is now available on the CCCB website:

> in English: <u>https://www.cccb.ca/lent/</u> in French: <u>https://www.cecc.ca/careme/</u>



Tues. February 20th

12:05 pm: **Constancio Gonsalves +** Wed. February 21st

- 12:05 pm: Jane Wigglesworth + Thurs. February 22nd
- 12:05 pm: Mary & Harry Keane + Fri. February 23rd

12:05 pm**: Osborne Borgona +** Sat. February 24th

5:00 pm: Thomas W. Coppola +

Readings for Second Sunday of Lent Sunday, February 25th, 2024

1st Reading: Genesis 22.1-2, 9-13, 15-18 **Responsorial Psalm:** Ps. 116.10+15, 16-17, 18-19 **Second Reading:** Romans 8.31b-35, 37++ **Gospel:** Mark 9.2-10

<u>Reminder - Confirmation Class –</u> <u>Saturday February 24 ,2024</u>

The fourth Confirmation Class is this **Saturday**, **February 24 at 9.30 a.m**. in the parish hall. Please bring your books with you. Entrance is from Gough Avenue. Parents are asked to stay for the first 5 minutes of the class.

We look forward to seeing you all on Saturday!



Stations of the Cross Every Friday during Lent At 7:00 p.m.

All Parishioners are welcome!

Date

Lead Group

February 23 rd	Eucharistic Ministers
March 1 st	St. Vincent de Paul
March 8 th	(Stations led by Children) Lector's
March 15 th	Teams of Our Lady
March 22 nd	African Catholic Community

Baptismal Preparation for School Aged Children

If you have missed the opportunity to have your child baptized prior to entering the school system, we are offering a special baptismal preparation class for older children (4 years and older).

This class will be held on **Saturday April 20th from 9:30 am -11.30 am** at Holy Name Church. All school age children needing this Sacrament and a parent must attend.

If you are interested or wish to register your child, please contact the parish office 416-466-8281 or email <u>HolyNameTO@archtoronto.org</u>.

Holy Name/Jesuit Forum -Register for Listening to Indigenous Voices Dialogue Circle series

March to September 2024

The Holy Name parish Truth and Reconciliation group would like to invite you to be part of its final sessions in the Dialogue CIrcles series in partnership with the Jesuit Forum for Social Faith and Justice. This is one way we are being invited to enter into the spirit of Canada's Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Calls to Action as a faith community.

Gathering Times and Sessions from "Listening To Indigenous Voices" This series of small group conversations will begin in March and meet once a month for a total of four gatherings.

1. Sunday, March 3rd - <u>Session 1 - Beginnings</u> 2. Sunday, April 21st - Session 4 - Languages Of

The Land

3. Sunday May 26th - Session 6 - Early Encounters

4. Sept. date TBC - Session 11 - Indigenization

Each session is stand-alone so it is not necessary to register for all of them. We will meet in the basement hall after the 10 am Mass. Each session will last approx 90 minutes. There will be a separate version of each of these sessions geared to children aged 5-12. If you register your children, we strongly suggest that you also register for the adult sessions.

Registration To register, please call or email the parish office at - HolyNameTO@archtoronto.org When you register, please indicate which session(s) you want to join. Participation will be limited to 20 people per session so don't wait too long to register!

Listening to Indigenous Voices Guidebook

All dialogue circles will focus on a selection of sessions from the Jesuit Forum's Listening to Indigenous Voices guidebook, published by Novalis Canada. You will need to purchase the guidebook in advance, to prepare for the sessions. The book costs \$20.00. If this cost is a barrier to your participation, please pay what you can.



