

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.

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.

LENTEN DAY OF CONFESSIONS

Dear Parishioners,

As we continue to prepare ourselves for Easter, I wish to bring to your attention the importance of the **Sacrament of Reconciliation**. In his reflection on the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Pope Francis writes:

Though this Sacrament is a great treasure, we may be tempted to dismiss it, perhaps due to laziness or embarrassment, or because of a diminishing sense of sin and its effects. Too often, we see ourselves as the center and measure of all things, and our lives can go adrift. The Sacrament of Reconciliation calls us back to God and embraces us with his infinite mercy and joy.

It is in this light that I invite members of the parish to experience God's mercy in the wonderful sacrament of Reconciliation. Here at Holy Name, we have confessions every Saturday evenings about 4.30 before our 5:00 p.m. Mass. We will have a special time for confessions, in preparation for Easter, on **Thursday, March 24, from 11.30 a.m. to 12.00 p.m. and from 7.00 to 8.00 p.m.** Every Catholic Parish in the area is offering this special Sacrament to help the faithful prepare themselves for the celebration of Easter. You can find the dates and times by visiting the websites of these Parishes.

No matter how long it has been, you are welcome to celebrate the Sacrament of Penance, which assists us to turn away from sin and open our heart to reconciliation and healing.

May God's mercy renew us during this sacred season of Lent!

Fr. Vijai, C.S.C.



Tues. March 19th
12:05 pm: **Joseph Jee +**
Wed. March 20th
12:05 pm:
Thurs. March 21st
12:05 pm: **Mary & Harry Keane +**
Fri. March 22nd
12:05 pm: **Bernadette & Hugh O'Connor +**
Sat. March 23rd
5:00 pm: **Filomena De Lima +**

Readings for



Sunday, March 24th, 2024

1st Reading: Isaiah 50.4-7
Responsorial Psalm: Ps.22.7-8, 16-17, 18-19, 22-23
Second Reading: Philippians 2.6-11
Gospel: Mark 14.1-15.47



Stations of the Cross
Every Friday during Lent
At 7:00 p.m.
All Parishioners are welcome!

Date
March 22nd

Lead Group
African Catholic Community

PLEASE TAKE NOTE:

Going forward the church will only open at 4 pm on Saturday evenings for the 5 o'clock Mass.

MARCH 17, 2024



This weekend is ShareLife Sunday

ShareLife Sunday marks the first collection for our parish's annual campaign.

Every day, young people in our community need a helping hand due to homelessness, trafficking, or violence. ShareLife agencies ensure the safety of youth fleeing violent homes and provide them a supportive place to stay. This is all made possible thanks to amazing people like you who choose to support ShareLife. We thank you for your kindness and generosity.

Our parish goal this year is **\$46,000.00**. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.
<http://sharelife.org/impact>



Reminder: The Seniors Lunch is this Thursday, March 21 after the 12:05 pm Mass in the small hall.

All are welcome!



PLEASE TAKE NOTE:

There is **no Children's Program** on Easter Sunday, March 31st. Children's Program will resume on Sunday, April 7th.



St. Vincent de Paul 2023 Activity Report

Members of Holy Name Conference made 213 visits to 125 households, serving 187 adults and 97 children last year. Over the year we provided non-perishable food items, grocery store gift cards, clothing and furniture, most often beds. At Christmas we assisted 215 adults and 105 children.

All of this was possible because of the support of our benefactors. Your kindness and generosity allowed us to serve our less fortunate neighbours with love, respect, justice and joy.

Our financial report will be posted on the bulletin board at the church entrance in coming weeks.

Several parishioners have serious allergies to strong scents and perfumes and they have raised concerns about the use of strong scents and perfumes in the church. So we request parishioners to refrain from using strong scents and perfumes while attending Mass.

Life-Giving Wounds: A Healing Retreat for Adult Children of Divorced or Separated Parents

The Life-Giving Wounds retreat invites participants to move through the broken image of love that appeared to them in their parents' relationship to their deepest origin and identity as God's beloved, capable of great love. The next retreat will be from **Friday, April 26 at 7 p.m. to Sunday, April 28 at 3:30 p.m.** at *St. Augustine's Seminary (2661 Kingston Rd., Scarborough)*. Must be 18 or older to attend. Cost: \$290 per person (\$190 for students), which includes meals, lodging and retreat material. If cost is of concern, please contact lgwtoronto@proton.me; limited subsidies are available. For university/college students, contact your campus minister for more information. Space is limited. To register, visit <https://bit.ly/LGW-TO-Retreat-Register2024>. For more information, please email lgwtoronto@proton.me.

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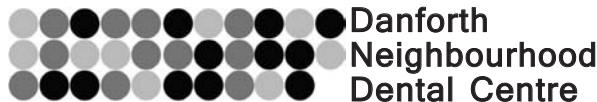
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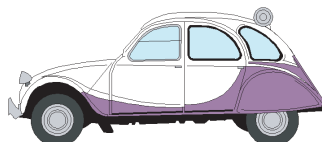
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