HOLY NAME PARISH

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 Eric Rodrigues
In Residence: Rev. Yaw Acheampong
Deacon: John Doomernik
Parish Secretary: Mrs. Pamela Cobham

Director of Music: Peter Smith peter.smith1@hotmail.ca 416-989-3542 **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: Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs at 12:05 pm in the chapel

Fridays at 12:05 pm in the church.

Eucharistic Adoration: every Friday 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm in the church. **Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Saturday 4:00 pm - 4:45 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

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 and Rooms are available for rent - please email holynameto@archtoronto.org.

Dear Parishioners,

In the Church calendar this week, we have a few beautiful feasts connected to Our Lady. Last **Sunday, September 8**th, was the Feast of the **Nativity of Mary**. This is actually one of the oldest feasts of Our Lady and has long been a time of celebration and rejoicing. The birth of Mary is a beautiful sign of hope for the world – when Our Lady was born, it was as though the whole universe knew that the Saviour would be coming soon.

On September 12th, we celebrate an interesting feast in honour of the **Holy Name of Mary**. This feast serves as a reminder of the tender closeness that Our Lady has to each one of us. Even something as simple as calling upon the name of Mary can be a comforting and powerful prayer in times of difficulty, sadness, or temptation.

Finally, **September 15**th is the feast of the **Seven Sorrows of Our Lady**. This is a more sombre feast, as we remember the sufferings that Our Lady endured as she accompanied her dear son Jesus through his own sufferings and eventual death on the Cross. As sad as these images can be, it should also fill us with a great admiration and love for Our Lady. We can be confident in the power of her prayers since she shared so closely in Our Lord's saving work.

Perhaps an interesting activity this week could be to learn about those Seven Sorrows. What are the Seven Sorrows of Our Lady? What are the Gospel passages that help us to learn about them? Are there special prayers that we can say to Our Lady, specifically connected to these Sorrows?

I encourage all you to stay close to Our Lady in a particular way this week by thinking about these feasts. Call upon her holy name. Stay close to her and be comforted by the love that pours out from her Sorrowful and Immaculate Heart!

Fr. Eric Rodrigues



Mon. September 16th 12:05 pm: **Cheng Sau Yen +** Tues. September 17th

12:05 pm: Romaldina Fernandes +

Wed. September 18th

12:05 pm: Cheng Luk Dak Sing +

Thurs. September 19th

12:05 pm: Mary & Harry Keane +

Fri. September 20th

12:05 pm: Richard Ng +

Sat. September 21st 5:00 pm: **Filomena De Lima + Pietro Bazzana +**

Carmela & Antonio Camuti +
Helen & George Cull +

Readings for

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday, September 22nd, 2024

1st Reading: Wisdom 2.12, 17-20

Responsorial Psalm: Ps.54. 1-2, 3, 4+6 Second Reading: James 3.16-4.3

Gospel: Mark 9.30-37

JOIN US FOR "CAKE AND COFFEE SUNDAY"

September 22nd after the 10 am Mass to say goodbye and thank you to Deacon John . . . to wish him and his wife Sandy well. They are heading back to Simcoe after two years of faithful service at Holy Name. Mark your calendars!

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION TEAMS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Our parish is in need of teachers/instructors/facilitators for our various sacramental preparation programs.

If you are interested in joining either our Baptismal, First Reconciliation (Confession), First Holy Communion, Confirmation or The Rite of Christian Initiation (R.C.I.A.) teams, we welcome you. No experience necessary. Training will be provided.

Please contact our parish office at 416-466-8281 or Kathleen Wilkinson 437-984-0006 or Sheila Spencer 416-877-5132.

September 30th is the National Day For Truth and Reconciliation

A day for all of us to honor the resilience, dignity and strength of survivors of residential schools and remember the children who never came home. You are invited to mark this day by joining us for a coffee reception in the hall after the 10 am Mass on Sunday Sept. 20th

We welcome any food or drinks that you are able to donate for the reception.

If you are able to make a donation, please let Jennifer Miles know at

jen.miles.is@rogers.com

Jen is keeping track of who is bringing what for the reception.

Our guest speaker will be Karen Hill. She is Mohawk from the Six Nations of the Grand River community and is the former (now retired) Director of Community and Social Services for the Mohawk Council of Akwesasne.

Ms. Hill has a Master's degree in Social work and worked in senior level child services for much of her career, with extensive experience in policy, legislation and provincial coordination.

Ms. Hill practices traditional culture and enjoys running and practicing yoga. She has two daughters and one granddaughter.

The Children's Program will also mark this day with an appropriate lesson on the 29th.

There will be orange Every Child Matters T-shirts available for sale at the entrance to the church again this year. *The t-shirts will be sold after the masses today.* The t-shirts come in various sizes. The cost is 15-dollars per t-shirt.

All proceeds go to Indspire, a national Indigenous charity that invests in the education of Indigenous peoples. Thank you for your support and we look forward to seeing you on Sept. 29th.

Joan Melanson (for the Holy Name Truth and Reconciliation group)

R.C.I.A. Program (Rite of Christian Initation of Adults) Starting Wednesday, September 18th, 2024

The RCIA program is for all those interested in learning about, or joining,

our Roman Catholic faith community. Further information on the parish website.

For further information contact: Holy Name Parish

office (416-466-8281)

holynameto@archtoronto.org; or Fr. Eric

Rodrigues

Children's Liturgy of the Word

The Children's Liturgy of the Word Program, at the Sunday 10 am Mass, will start again next Sunday, September 22, for the 2024-2025 school year.

A reminder to parents about the format & purpose of the program, which is divided into 2 age groups:

The children **aged 7 to 11** (Grade 2 or higher) experience the **Liturgy of the Word**, adapted to their age level. The children hear the Sunday Gospel and have discussion, activities & prayers to reflect on the meaning of that gospel.

The younger group consists of children **aged 3-6**. Their program includes a Bible story, most often the Sunday Gospel, and a craft designed to support that story.

All of the children return to the congregation in time for the Eucharistic Prayer.

If parents prefer to keep their children upstairs for the Liturgy of the Word, that is perfectly fine.

NEW VOLUNTEERS ARE WELCOME: We welcome any of the middle school and highschool aged youth of the parish to consider volunteering as a student helpers with the younger group. We also welcome parents or other adults to volunteer to become teachers or helpers in our program.

236th Scout Troop New Registrations

New registrations will be accepted **starting September 7th** at scouts.ca/join for youth, both boys and girls in Scouts.

Beaver Scouts aged 5, 6 and 7 years tuesdays from 6 to 7 pm in the church lower hall.

Cub Scouts aged 8, 9 and 10 years tuesdays from 7 to 8:30 pm in the church lower hall.

Scouts aged 11, 12, 13 and 14 tuesdays from 7 to 8:30 pm in the school gym.

Venturer Scouts aged 15, 16 and 17 years in the church lower hall usually tuesday evenings

If you have questions, please contact Bob Taylor 416- 606 3408 for more information.

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