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 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: Monday-Friday 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,

Our Mass this weekend begins with the triumphal word "Hosanna!". It is interesting that we sing this short verse before even making the Sign of the Cross together. How fitting it is, for we join the crowds at the gates of Jerusalem as they greeted Jesus with palms, praising him as the royal Son of David...yet just a short while later we witness him condemned to death on a Cross.

Holy Week, which we begin today, is meant to be unlike any other week of the year. The Church emphasizes this with her powerful liturgical celebrations in which we - almost in real-time - reenact those very events of Our Lord's Passion, Death, and Resurrection. I encourage everyone to follow the schedule for our Holy Week celebrations here at the parish. It would be a great blessing to attend as many of the ceremonies as you can, as a way to spiritually accompany Jesus during these sacred events: the entry into Jerusalem; the Last Supper with the Apostles; his Agony in the Garden; his arrest and condemnation to Death; carrying his Cross to Calvary; and, finally, his Crucifixion. The "silence" of Holy Saturday is then how the Church waits with anticipation for the Resurrection – the light of glory that will burst through the darkness.

I would also like to mention the special Mass that happens on Tuesday at St. Michael's Cathedral. This is called the Mass of Chrism, and it is the annual Mass at which all of the priests of the Archdiocese come together with the Archbishop (Cardinal Leo). Two special ceremonies take place during the Mass: the priests renew their commitment to priestly service, and the sacred oils are blessed by the Archbishop. Each parish then receives its own set to be used throughout the year - the Oil of the Sick, the Oil for the Catechumens, and the Sacred Chrism. It is beautiful to remember that whenever certain sacraments are celebrated at the parish - Baptism, Confirmation, and the Anointing of the Sick - the sacred oils that we use are those that were blessed by the Archbishop with all of the priests of Toronto gathered with him.

Let us indeed make this week a special one unlike any others during the year. May we do our best to limit the distractions and other activities in order to prayerfully enter with devotion these most sacred days of the year.

Fr. Eric



SCHEDULE

Monday, April 14th

12:05 pm Mass

Holy Tuesday, April 15th

No 12:05 p.m. Mass (Chrism Mass at St. Michael's Cathedral)

Holy Wednesday, April 16th 12:05 p.m. Mass

Lenten Day of Confessions - 11 am – 12 noon

7 pm - 9 pm

Holy Thursday, April 17th Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:30 p.m. (Led by our African Community Choir) (Bring bells to ring and towels for the washing of feet) After Mass, adoration in the Chapel until 11 p.m.

Good Friday, April 18th Good Friday Service at 3:00 p.m. (Led by our English Community Choir) Reminder: Good Friday is a day of Fast and Abstinence for Catholics

Holy Saturday, April 19th Easter Vigil at – 8:00

p.m. Sacraments of Initiation for R.C.I.A Candidates (Bring bells to ring)

Easter Sunday, April 20th Easter Mass at 10:00 a.m. (Bring bells to ring)

African Catholic Community Mass at 12:00 p.m. (Bring bells to ring)

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon. April 14th

12:05 pm:

For the Intentions of Kateri Ryan Roy Soderkrist + Mike Ward +

Tues. April 15th

No 12:05 pm Mass Today

Wed. April 16th

12:05 pm: Mary & Harry Keane +

Continuing Jubilee Campaign

As we enter into Jesus' Passion this weekend, we can be in solidarity with all who are living the Passion in our world today. Certainly all the innocent suffering the horror of war and violation of human rights. We also keep before us the people of the poorest countries of the world who suffer the oppression of unjust debt they can never repay, a debt to which we have often contributed.

All of us can contribute to helping them rise out of the "death" of their present circumstances into a New Life of Justice, Freedom and Dignity. IT IS NOT TOO LATE to sign the Petition calling for a cancellation of debt of the poorest countries, AND to make a donation to Development and Peace which works with partners in the Global South to empower the people, to raise them up in their struggle for justice. USE AN ENVELOPE FOUND IN THE CHURCH, OR GO ONLINE TO https://devp.org/en/campaign/turn-debt-into-hope/

Participate in this Lenten Practice. In and through the Risen Christ, we can bring New Life to the most vulnerable!



The First Communion classes for children in grade 2 and up will be starting on May 3 and May 4. If for some reason, you did not register your child in this program please go to parish website holynameto.archtoronto.org to get form, fill in form and return to Holy Name Parish office with baptismal certificate. The Sacrament of First Eucharist will be held on Saturday, June 21 at 11 am.

This is a six week program and the booklet is \$25.

PLEASE TAKE NOTE:

There is **no Children's Program** on Easter Sunday, April 20th. Children's Program will resume on Sunday, April 27th.

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Thus far we have raised \$2,655.00 toward our goal of \$51,500.00. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

Thank you for living the Gospel through ShareLife!

GOOD FRIDAY ECUMENICAL WALK

April 18, 2025

10 AM – Riverdale Presbyterian Church (south of Pape Ave.)

Holy Name Roman Catholic Church
Danforth Church
East End United Church
East Toronto Latvian Lutheran Church
11:45 AM - St. Barnabas Anglican Church
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