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 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:
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Principal: Ms. Maren Askin

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



Dear parishioners,

This weekend we celebrate the **Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross**. The feast falls on **September 14**th every year, and so this is one of those years when we have the opportunity to celebrate it as a parish community at our Sunday Masses.

The reality of the Cross is something that we should regularly bring to our minds—both as a sign of horrible suffering as well as its great victory. Crucifixion was a method used by the Roman Empire to punish and execute criminals in a very painful way. It was done publicly so that everyone could see and have a certain fear instilled in their hearts. The fact that Jesus—the Son of God—actually chose to undergo such a humiliating suffering and death should shock our minds and move our hearts.

Yet, the darkness and despair that crucifixion was meant to bring about met its match in Our Blessed Lord. He willingly took it upon himself, and, as the Son of God—with his infinite divine power—he was able to overcome the suffering and death that he underwent. In Jesus, the Cross is now always connected with the Resurrection. The Cross is now a sign of victory. Suffering and death no longer have the last say. As St. Paul wrote so daringly, "O death, where is thy victory? O death, where is thy sting?" (1 Corinthians 15:55) Pope Benedict XVI once described Jesus' triumph on the Cross in this way: "The cross, suffering, all that is wrong with the world: he transformed all this into "thanks" and therefore into a "blessing"." It can be difficult sometimes to accept this. We might be going through many hard times in life, and it feels that the blessings and joys are beyond our reach. It seems like death does indeed have the victory and the sting. What we have in the Cross of Jesus is a sign that our pain, our suffering, our misery, and even death can be transformed into something blessed and life-giving. In fact, it is more than just a sign. It is a reality that we ourselves can reach. It touches us, through faith and through the sacraments that Jesus gives us. Let us bring all our needs to the sacred altar and allow Jesus to draw us into his great Triumph through the power of the Cross.



Sun. September 14th

12 noon Mass - Jimmy McGinley +

Mon. September 15th

12:05 pm: In Thanksgiving

James Findlay Hendry & Dorothy Hendry + Frank Caprio +

Tues. September 16th

12:05 pm: For the Intentions of Kateri Ryan

Wed. September 17th

12:05 pm: Claire Villafana +

Thurs. September 18th

12:05 pm: Mary & Harry Keane +

Fri. September 19th

12:05 pm: Carmen Ale Dueňas +

Sat. September 20th 5:00 pm: Filomena De Lima +

Sun. September 21st

12 noon Mass - Constancio Gonsalves +

READINGS FOR TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Sunday, September 21st, 2025

1st Reading: Amos 8.4-7

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 113.1-2, 4-6, 7-8

Second Reading: 1 Timothy 2.1-7++

Gospel: Luke 16.1-13



CONGRATULATIONS TO

Christopher Law and Rory Patrick McLaughlin Sharpe on receiving their Confirmation on Saturday, September 13th at 5 pm Mass.

THANK YOU

To the Knights of Columbus Monsignor Ingoldsby Council 9079

For their donation of \$1,000.00 to the parish.



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 21, for the 2025-2026** 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.

We keep in our prayers the sick, elderly, the homebound, the "forgotten members" in our community, and their families and caregivers. "Lord surround them with your healing and steadfast love." especially
Ivan Raspor, Kateri Ryan, Carl Wilcox, G. Pitrolo, Ann Gilbride, Paul Ryan, Sherry MacEachern, Daniel Giles, Jaden Babcock, Valrie Lashley and Maria Jose Bouey.



SENIORS GROUP

The Seniors Group bi-weekly luncheons will recommence this Thursday, September 18, 2025 after the 12:05 pm Mass in the church. Luncheon will be in the hall. All are welcome!

Stewardship Sunday is Sunday, September 21st

Archbishop Leo homily will be available for download at

www.archtoronto.org/stewardship

SL ShareLife

From the heart of the Church – Food Security Grants to fight hunger as food insecurity worsens across the GTA, ShareLife, Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Toronto (CCAT), and two generous anonymous donors, have pledged a combined \$800,000 in Food Security Grants for 2025—building on previous commitments of \$500,000 in 2023 and \$750,000 in 2024. Living the Gospel means caring for those who are hungry and vulnerable every single day. This is why we need your help to reach our parish goal. We have currently raised \$29,890.60 towards our suggested goal of \$51,500.00. Please help fight hunger through sharelife.org/donate or by giving at our parish using a ShareLife envelope. Thank you for your kind generosity!

Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada: Supporting Bishops in Their Pastoral Mission Across the Country

The Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada will take place on the weekend of **September 27 and 28**. This annual initiative is an important opportunity for the faithful to actively support and assist the Bishops in their ministry of accompanying, teaching, guiding, sanctifying, and caring for the Church in Canada. Please support the collection. We thank you in advance for your generosity and continued commitment.

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