

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

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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: 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:

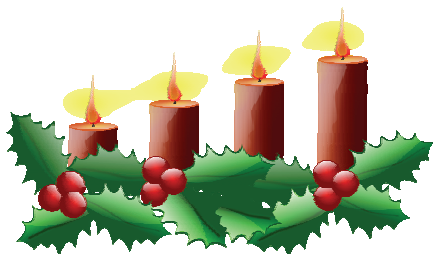
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Dear parishioners,

Next weekend we will begin the **Season of Advent**. There are many signs and symbols in the church that will remind us of this new liturgical season—the violet colours, the Advent wreaths, the Advent candles. It can be a joyful and exciting season for many people. It is a time that signals the upcoming Christmas season, which often brings much happiness. For those in school, Advent brings to mind the Christmas holidays that are coming soon.

However, Advent in the very early centuries of Christianity had more of a different meaning. Rather than preparing to celebrate Christmas—the First Coming of Christ—it was a time to focus on preparing for the Second Coming of Christ. In other words, how have I really received in my heart the message of Jesus at his First Coming? Does he have a place in my heart? Does he have a place in my life? Or does Jesus struggle to find room in my busy life, much like the Holy Family struggled to find room for his birth in Bethlehem? The four weeks of Advent provide us with a good opportunity to ponder these questions. It can also be a good time for a bit of a “reset” in certain areas of my faith. Perhaps there are some ways in which I can improve in living my faith, in my life of prayer, and in my closeness to the Church and the sacraments.

There is a beautiful expression from St. Augustine, in a homily from 5th century. Paraphrasing his words slightly, he wrote: “If we have welcomed Christ’s First Coming, then we will have no worry about the Second Coming”. As we approach a new liturgical year, let us take the opportunity to prepare our hearts to celebrate Jesus’ First Coming to joyfully anticipate his Second Coming.

Fr. Eric

Registration for Confirmation

Parents/Guardians, if you have not yet registered your child for the Sacrament of Confirmation, please contact the parish office as soon as possible to pick up a registration package.

The deadline for registration will be **November 30th**.

Registration for First Communion

Parents/Guardians, if you have not yet registered your child for First Communion, please contact the parish office as soon as possible to pick up a registration package.

The deadline for registration will be **December 15th**.

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon. November 24th

12:05 pm: **Raymond Chang +
Adelchi Odorico +
Barb Pimento +**

Deceased Members of Ryan & Halbach Families

Tues. November 25th

12:05 pm: **Felisa Lalamunan +**

Wed. November 26th

12:05 pm: **Robert William Gridley +**

Thurs. November 27th

12:05 pm: **Mary & Harry Keane +**

Fri. November 28th

12:05 pm: **De Lima Family +**

Sat. November 29th

5:00 pm: **Claire Villafana +**

Sun. November 30th

12:00 pm: **Antonetta Pereira +
Egidio Mussio +**

**In Thanksgiving to God for Irene & Eric Sassa
(Wedding Anniversary)**

SANCTUARY LAMP

is lit this week

In Memory of Claire Villafana
requested by her sister Joyce Paterson



Offertory Envelope Boxes for 2026 are available at the entrance of the church

Please call or email Pamela at the Parish Office holognameto@archtoronto.org during office hours.

- To keep us informed of any changes to be made to our parish database.
- If you would like a box of envelopes please fill in registration form that are at the entrances of the church and place in the collection basket at the offertory – **PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY** envelopes will be provided for you the following weekend.
- Please always use the proper year envelopes, write your name and address on the envelope and importantly seal your envelopes.

Christmas – A Time for Giving

Please consider taking a **DOVE** on the St. Vincent de Paul bulletin board at the main entrance of the church.

On the back of the **DOVE**, an item is suggested for you to purchase for a neighbour. The item will be given out during our **CHRISTMAS GATHERING Saturday, December 6th**. There is a bin inside the church near the main doors where you can place the item.

WE THANK YOU!

SUNDAY MISSALS 2025-2026

A new liturgical year will start on November 30th, the **First Sunday of Advent**. As you know following the Second Vatican Council the church adopted a three-year cycle of Sunday readings from the Bible. This coming liturgical year is designated **Year A** in the cycle of readings and features the Gospel of Matthew.

New Sunday Missals are available at all the Masses the cost is \$5.00.

FREE SCOUT CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Dear Parishioners: Please join the scouts in the big hall of the church on **Tuesday, December 9th from 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm** for a Free Christmas Concert put on by the First Light Scout Band and the scouts.

Arrive early to get your seat.
Refreshments will be served after the concert. All are welcome.

236th Toronto Scout Group



Volunteers are needed to help at our **Holy Name Christmas Market on Saturday, November 29.**

Please consider volunteering for a two hour shift on Saturday. There are sign-up sheets at the back of the church and we would appreciate your help. Please call Sheila at 416-877-5132 or Pamela at the Parish office 416-466-8281 if you are able to help.

Bake Sale Donations

We are needing baking donations for the Holy Name Christmas Market.

Please drop off your baking at the parish office on **Friday Nov.28 between 9 am – 12 noon and 1 pm – 5 pm** or bring it in on **Saturday, November 29th.**

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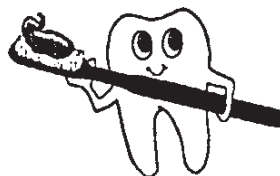
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