

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

Parish Secretary: Mrs. Pamela Cobham

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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:

Phone 416-393-5215

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690 Carlaw Ave

Principal: Ms. Maren Askin

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

Upcoming Feasts – February 2nd and 3rd

Dear parishioners,

What an incredible snowstorm we had last week! I hope everyone managed alright. With schools and many offices closed, perhaps some were able to enjoy the extra rest. As always, we pray for the many who still had to travel and commute to provide essential services and emergency care.

What came to my mind was a beautiful verse from the Prophet Isaiah, as he compared God's Word to the rain and snow(!) that come down to earth from the skies: *"As the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return to it without watering the earth and making it bud and flourish, so that it yields seed for the sower and bread for the eater, so is my word that goes out from my mouth: it will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it"* (Isaiah 55:10-11).

Rain and snow are necessary. They help the trees and flowers grow. They can be beautiful when falling from the sky; snow on the ground can be magical and picturesque! So it is with God's Word—often a comfort, a consolation, a nourishment, beautiful and rich. Yet, rain and snow can also be very challenging and harsh, as we saw last week. God's Word can also have this effect. It will challenge us, convict us, confuse us, disturb us. All of it, though, is from the same God, who is full of wisdom and love, and always knows what we need.

Let us stay close to the Word of God, so that it does not return to God empty, but accomplishes what He desires and achieves the purpose for which He sent it!

Fr. Eric

On **Monday, February 2nd**, we celebrate the Feast of the **Presentation of the Lord** (sometimes also called the feast of the **Purification of Our Lady**) in the Temple. The day falls 40 days after Christmas, and so it is seen as marking the full conclusion of the Christmas season. Another name for the feast is **Candlemas**. To show that Jesus is the light for all nations, a tradition developed of blessing candles on this feast day. At our 12:05pm Mass, we will begin with the special **Blessing of Candles** to mark the special day.

On **Tuesday, February 3rd**, we celebrate the feast of **St. Blaise**, a bishop and martyr of the early Church. An ancient tradition is that he once miraculously cured a boy who was choking on a bone stuck in his throat. St. Blaise, then, is a special patron of the sick, especially those illnesses connecting with breathing and the throat. At the conclusion of our 12:05pm Mass on Tuesday, we will have the special **Blessing of the Throats**.



Mass Intentions

Mon. February 2nd

12:05 pm: **Jonathan Rozal +
Claire Villafana +
Elaine Yu +**

Tues. February 3rd

12:05 pm: **For the Intentions of Kateri Ryan**

Wed. February 4th

12:05 pm: **In Memory of Daniel Parent**

Thurs. February 5th

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

Fri. February 6th

12:05 pm: **Esther Ryan & Family +**

Sat. February 7th

5:00 pm: **Maria Diniz Pereira +**

Sun. February 8th

12:00 pm: **Maria Izaura Cezarina Gonsalves +**

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Having Issues?

Contact the parish office for help.



236th SCOUT PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Sunday, February 8th, 2026 – after the 10 a.m. Mass
in the large hall

It's an opportunity to bring parishioners together to build community.

Pancake Breakfast Cost:

\$8.00 for Adult

Youth 12 and under \$6.00

Includes pancakes, sausage and juice

Coffee and tea will be available as usual.

Special fun for the kids: The scouts will put on free carnival type games for the children to have some fun.

The First Light Scout Band will entertain you. Come and join us. All proceeds to help with the operating expenses of Holy Name Church.

Thank you Bob Taylor



Thank you to our generous parishioners in our parish who raised **\$55,233** for the **2025 ShareLife Campaign**. Our Parish Goal for 2025 was **\$51,500**.



Seniors Group

Our next biweekly luncheon will be on **Thursday, February 5th, 2026** after the 12:05 Mass in the parish hall.

Tax Receipts for 2025: To be Mailed to Your Home

We thank everyone for their support of the parish in 2025. We have arranged for tax receipts for the year 2025 to be mailed to all donors. For contributions made in 2025 to the Archdiocese for ShareLife or Donate Now via credit card, your tax receipt will come directly from the Archdiocese. Once again thank you very much for your contributions. We appreciate your generosity in supporting your spiritual home.

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, Daniel Giles, Jaden Babcock and Maria Jose Bouey.

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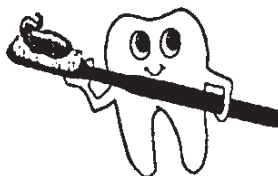
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