

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

Parish Office Hours: Mon, Tues, Wed and Fri 9 am - 12 noon and 1 pm - 5 pm

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 10:00 am (children's program only at 10 am Mass)

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: Fridays: 12:45 pm-1:15 pm, Saturdays: 4:00 to 4:45 pm and on request

BAPTISM

Contact parish office to book appointment with Rev. Eric Rodrigues

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: 690 Carlaw Ave. 416-393-5215

Principal: Ms. Maren Askin

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

Dear parishioners,

The second week of Easter will see the return of the saints in some of our liturgical celebrations. The focus during Holy Week and the Easter Octave was directly on those sacred events in the life of Jesus. We continue to focus on Jesus, but the Church also points us to the saints as those who lived that very message.

On Thursday of this week, April 16th, we honour St. Bernadette of Lourdes. She was the young girl who received the remarkable apparition of Our Lady in France in the mid-19th century. When she first encountered Our Lady, she did not really know who it was and what was happening; I'm sure the experience both amazed and frightened her, making it difficult to think properly. Our Lady assured her, though, affirming her identity with a short, beautiful statement: "I am the Immaculate Conception". In the over 150 years since then, Lourdes has been an incredible pilgrimage site, drawing thousands upon thousands of faithful every year to encounter Our Lady's healing presence. For poor Bernadette, being chosen by Our Lady for this remarkable mission did not lead to anything that was easy. At first, many people found it hard to believe her; some even thought that she had a mental illness and was delusional. Eventually, the blessings and miracles that were occurring convinced them. But all of the attention that came was something that Bernadette did not enjoy.

She ended up moving to another town and eventually joined the Sisters of Charity. I find it amazing that despite being the recipient of this most famous apparition of Our Lady, Bernadette spent the rest of her years in a simple, hidden religious life.

Another challenge that she faced was physical weakness and sickness. She had chronic asthma, which always made breathing difficult, and led to tuberculosis of the lungs and bones. She was only 35 years old when she faced her final days on earth, which were accompanied by great physical suffering. Through it all, though, she maintained her faith, even offering her own sufferings for the needs of the world. It was surely the presence of Our Lady—both during the

apparitions and throughout her life—that gave Bernadette the strength to persist in that way. May St. Bernadette inspire us to live faithfully for the Lord in simple, hidden ways, and may her example help us to experience the comforting presence of Our Lady.

Fr. Eric



Mass Intentions

- Mon. April 13th
12:05 pm: **Carl Mizuyabu +
Deane Daprato +**
- Tues. April 14th
12:05 pm: **Elizabeth Phillips +**
- Wed. April 15th
12:05 pm: **Maria & Francisco Ferreira +**
- Thurs. April 16th
12:05 pm: **Mary & Harry Keane +**
- Fri. April 17th
12:05 pm: **Leo & Victoria Stang +**
- Sat. April 18th
5:00 pm: **Filomena De Lima +**
- Sun. April 19th
12:00 pm: **Constancio, Maria & Felix Gonsalves +**

CONFIRMATION CLASS – SATURDAY, APRIL 25TH

This is a reminder to our Confirmation candidates and their parents and guardians: the next catechism class will take place next **Saturday, April 25th, from 9:30am-11:30am** in the parish hall.

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

Frank Chau, Ivan Raspor, Kateri Ryan, Carl Wilcox, G. Pitrolo, Ann Gilbride, Paul Ryan, Daniel Giles, Jaden Babcock and Maria Jose Bouey



Through ShareLife, you provide safety to those in need

Your kindness makes it possible for refugees to create a sanctuary here in Canada, providing hope and new beginnings to our brothers and sisters in need. Like Hetvi, who came to Canada seeking refuge but found her hope shattered by her husband's control and abuse. Isolated and desperate, her cries for help initially went unheard. Because you care, she found solace through Catholic Crosscultural Services (CCS), a Catholic Charities agency you support through ShareLife. Here, she received housing support and counselling in her native language, as well as financial and legal assistance, food banks, childcare, and healthcare.

The Office for Refugees of the Archdiocese of Toronto is another agency you support through ShareLife, facilitating critical care for refugees. Director Deacon Rudy Ovcjak says: "On behalf of the thousands of refugees who have been forced to flee their homes and native lands, and who now find refuge in Canada—a land of freedom and peace—I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude for your incredible kindness and generosity. Your unwavering support allows our office to sponsor hundreds of refugees each year, the majority of whom are Christians fleeing persecution for their faith in Christ."

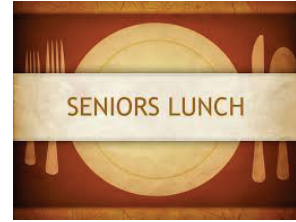
The second ShareLife Sunday of the year is **April 26**. Thus far we have raised **\$6,061.00** toward our goal of **\$56,000.00**. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.



**PRAY FOR THE SOUL OF
JOE DOHERTY**

The funeral will be held on Tuesday, April 14th at 10 am.

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him.
May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



Seniors Group

The next Senior luncheon will be this **Thursday, April 16th** after 12:05 pm Mass.

THANK YOU

*To the Knights of Columbus Monsignor
Ingoldsby Council 9079
For their donation of \$1,000.00 to the parish.*



You are invited to a **"Day With Mary"** taking place on **Saturday, May 30, 2026** at Villanova College in King City. This family-friendly day will consist of Holy Mass with His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo, praying of the Rosary, Confessions, a keynote address for adults and children's catechesis for the little ones. There will be music, fellowship and more. There is no fee to register – this is a free event open to all. Registration will open from April 8 until May 15: <https://bit.ly/DWMRegistration>

Complete information can be found at <https://archtoronto.org/Mary>

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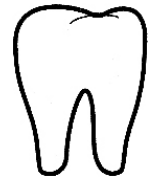
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