

# 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](http://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](mailto:holynameto@archtoronto.org)**

Dear parishioners,

We begin and end the month of May this year at Holy Name with two beautiful parish celebrations. On May 2<sup>nd</sup>, we celebrated the First Holy Communion for 17 of our young children. In a few weeks, on May 30<sup>th</sup>, we will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation for 30 young candidates.

These celebrations have brought to mind my own First Holy Communion and Confirmation from several years ago. I still have memories of those days and even photographs that I keep with me. I feel so humbled and so honoured that as the pastor here at Holy Name, I can now be a part of these sacred celebrations for so many families each year.

I also see it is a special blessing that we celebrate these sacred occasions during the month of May. As we know, the Church's tradition is to dedicate May in a special way to honouring Our Blessed Mother. Throughout the year, we hopefully turn to Our Lady often, but during this month gives us to occasion to remind ourselves of Mary's importance and to get reacquainted with her in our lives of faith.

Perhaps the First Holy Communion and Confirmation celebrations can point us to two beautiful ways that Our Lady is closely involved in our faith. As the children received Jesus in the Holy Eucharist for the first time, we know that Mary must have been so pleased. The same love that she had for the Child Jesus – from the earliest moments at Bethlehem and throughout his childhood in Nazareth – extends to all of us when we receive Holy Communion. As Jesus enters our bodies, it is as though he draws us into the same maternal embrace of Our Lady.

The Sacrament of Confirmation is the powerful moment when the presence of the Holy Spirit is deepened and strengthened in our souls. We turn our minds, then, to two of the most foundational moments when the Holy Spirit entered the world – at the Annunciation, when the Son of God became man, and at Pentecost, when the Holy Spirit descended on the apostles and gave birth to the Church. A central figure for both of those sacred events was Our Lady, the Spouse of the Holy Spirit. We can be confident, then,

then when we open ourselves to the presence of the Holy Spirit, Our Lady draws close to us during those moments as well.

May Our Lady place all of us this month under her motherly care, especially our young parishioners celebrating their sacred moments this month!

Fr. Eric

### MASS INTENTIONS

- Mon. May 11th  
 12:05 pm: **Repose of the Soul of Keith Lovatt  
 Emilia Perejmybida +  
 John Rocchio +  
 Agripina & Duardo Mendoza +  
 Ronald Wai Long Hui +**
- Tues. May 12th  
 12:05 pm: **Mae Bradley +**
- Wed. May 13th  
 12:05 pm: **Helen McGrath +**
- Thurs. May 14th  
 12:05 pm: **Mary & Harry Keane +**
- Fri. May 15th  
 12:05 pm: **Mal MacDonald +**
- Sat. May 16th  
 5:00 pm: **Filomena DeLima +**
- Sun. May 17<sup>th</sup>  
 12:00 pm: **Constancio, Maria & Felix Gonsalves +**

### Pope's Pastoral Works Collection May 17, 2026

The Pope's Pastoral Works collection was established by the bishops of Canada in 1970. The Papal Charities allow the Pope to contribute to various charitable causes around the world, particularly toward aiding the victims of war, famine and natural disasters. By contributing to the Pope's Pastoral Works, the faithful of Canada give a universal dimension to their charity. **Envelopes are available at the entrances of the church.**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTE:**  
 The Sunday where the children will stay upstairs and not have a separate Liturgy of the Word (at the 10 am Mass), is next **Sunday, May 17th**. The Children's Liturgy of the Word (downstairs) will continue on all the other Sundays. **Further updates are posted on the parish website**

## Seniors Group

The next Senior luncheon will be this  
**Thursday, May 14<sup>th</sup>** after 12:05 pm Mass.



**Through ShareLife, you are the light in someone's darkest moment**

### Sacrament of Confirmation 2026-27

Parents/Guardians of children who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in 2027 (i.e., in **Grade 7 or higher in 2026-27**).

There will be an initial meeting on **Monday, June 8<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm** in the **parish hall**.

We will be providing important information for the upcoming year regarding classes and dates.

Sarah arrived at the doors of one of the Catholic Family Services agencies you support through ShareLife on a desperate afternoon with her baby cradled tightly against her chest. Fleeing an abusive home, she had nothing but the clothes on her back and a fragile hope that someone might help. Because of your generous spirit, Sarah and her baby found the safety they so desperately needed when shelters were overwhelmed.

### First Holy Communion 2026-27

Parents/Guardians of children who would like to make their First Holy Communion in 2027 – i.e., **children who will be in Grade 2 in 2026-27**, or older children who have not yet made their First Communion.

There will be an initial meeting on **Monday, June 15<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm** in the **parish hall**. Important information and dates for the upcoming year will be provided.

Your kindness provided the essentials to care for her baby, the counselling to begin healing, and the support to rebuild their lives. Now she and her baby are safe, cared for, and starting to look toward a brighter future. Yet, domestic violence is on the rise and countless others like Sarah are still in need. Your compassion has the power to change many more lives. It is because of people like you that their stories do not end in fear but begin again with love.

Thus far we have raised **\$11,826.20** 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](http://sharelife.org/donate).

## 17 years in Priestly Ministry

We extend our congratulations to **Fr. Eric Rodrigues** on his 17<sup>th</sup> anniversary of ordination. Kindly keep him in your prayers as he marks this milestone. **“The priesthood is the love of the heart of Jesus. When you see a priest, think of our Lord Jesus Christ.”** - St. John Vianney



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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