HOLY NAME PARISH

GOUGH AND DANFORTH (at Pape Subway)
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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. Celia De Braga

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

Dear parishioners,

The third Wednesday in November is designated as **Red Wednesday**. This is a day to bring attention to the plight of persecuted Christians around the world. The initiative comes from an organization called Aid to the Church in Need. This is a charity that acts on behalf of the Church to support the faithful wherever they are persecuted, oppressed, or in great need. In many countries worldwide, simply professing one's Christian faith can be dangerous and can lead to being persecuted, possibly arrested and imprisoned, and even killed. This is nothing new, of course, in the history of our faith. From the very beginning, the Church has seen so many of her members martyred, offering the supreme sacrifice of their lives as a profession of their faith in Jesus Christ. Their sacrifices have always been honoured and even treasured as a great foundation of the Church. A powerful, inspiring phrase from those early centuries summarizes their inspiration: "*The blood of the martyrs is the seed of the Church*."

The initiative of Red Wednesday arose from the need to bring awareness to these harsh situations that many of our brothers and sisters continue to face even today, often in their very homeland. In many countries, local cathedrals, churches, monuments, and public buildings will be lit blood red to signify those persecuted or killed for their Christian faith. Here in Toronto, Red Wednesday has been marked since 2018, and this year a Mass will be celebrated at 5:30pm at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica by Bishop Vincent Nguyen, Auxiliary Bishop of Toronto. All of us are invited to stand in solidarity with our fellow Christians that day, praying for their strength, courage, and protection.

We should also take the opportunity to be thankful for the gift of religious freedom that we have here in Canada. We are free to practice our faith and to show our faith publicly through simple expressions and gestures. Sometimes such freedom can be taken for granted. We can allow ourselves to become indifferent and lukewarm in our faith, since it can be lived so easily. Let us allow the witness of our persecuted brothers and sisters in the faith to encourage us to renew our own commitment, making our Catholic faith an integral part of our daily lives.

Fr. Eric

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon. November 16th
12:05 pm: **For the Intentions of Ron Duguay**
Zhang Jie +
Robert & Susana Jones +
Bonifacio Dagohoy +
Meaza Araya Woldegabriel +
All Deceased Members of the Dean Family
Tues. November 17th
12:05 pm: **Hanorah Sheehan +**
Wed. November 18th
12:05 pm: **Frank Jerina +**
Thurs. November 19th
12:05 pm: **Mary & Harry Keane +**
Fri. November 20th
12:05 pm: **Leo & Victoria Stang +**
Sat. November 21st
5:00 pm: **Filomena De Lima +**
Sun. November 22nd
12:00 pm: **Constancio, Maria & Felix Gonsalves +**
Thanksgiving to God for the gift of life (Irene Kinkela Sassa's Birthday)

The **church tabernacle vigil light** is lit this week **In Memory of Beverly Cecile Harris requested by her sisters, nieces and grand niece.**

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

Joyce Rerrie, Venessa Dempsey, Frank Chau, Kateri Ryan, Carl Wilcox, G. Pitrolo, Ann Gilbride, Paul Ryan, Daniel Giles, Jaden Babcock and Maria Jose Bouey



Welcome to Our Parish Family
Baptized
Sunday, November 15th, 2026

Nathan Lior Legaspi Pecson
son of Nathaniel & Roselle

Seniors Group

The Seniors Group bi-weekly luncheon will be this **Thursday, November 19th, 2026** after the 12:05 pm Mass in the church. Luncheon will be in the hall. All are welcome!

SUNDAY MISSALS 2026-2027

A new liturgical year will start on November 29th, the **First Sunday of Advent**. ***New Sunday Missals are available at all the Masses the cost is $5.00.***

ShareLife

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NEW: *Your gift will double in value! From now until year end, your contribution to our parish's ShareLife campaign will be matched by an anonymous donor up to a total of $500,000.*

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Our goal this year is **[$56,000.00]**. To date we have achieved **[$52,083.20]**. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through your parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate

CHRISTMAS GIFTS NEEDED

Did you know that Holy Name has had a St. Vincent De Paul Conference to help our neighbors in need since 1968? Thank you for your ongoing and generous support.

Once again, we'd invite you to consider bringing in a small Christmas gift for our neighbours in need. In particular, we'd like to ask for men and women's toiletries, stocking stuffers for children, and non-perishable Christmas food treats.

You will find doves that were made by art students at St. Joseph's Wellesley High School hung on the St. Vincent De Paul bulletin board at the back of the church. These doves have gift requests printed on the back. Please feel free to pick one up as a reminder.

We'd ask that you bring your purchases to the church between now and **Sunday December 6**. You can place them in the bins under the tables at the back of the church.

Your gifts, along with grocery gift cards and non-perishable food items will be gifted to our neighbours in need on **Saturday December 12th** so that they have time to prepare for Christmas.

If you have questions or would like to Christmas help please contact St. Vincent De Paul at 416-469-0842

236th Scout & St. Vincent de Paul Food Drive
Volunteers Needed

It's the time of year we join with the Scouts to fill our shelves. The need is so great. Please join us and make it a family affair. Full instructions will be provided to the volunteers.

Saturday November 21st - We meet in the church hall at 9:00 a.m. to distribute flyers in the neighbourhood announcing the Food Drive. It takes about an hour.

Saturday November 28th - We meet in the church large hall at 9:30 a.m. We need help to go out and pick up the food in the neighbourhood and help to also receive, sort and pack the food into boxes when it arrives.

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