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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 Vijai Amirtharaj, C.S.C. In Residence: Rev. Yaw Acheampong Deacon: John Doomernik Parish Secretary: Mrs. Pamela Cobham

Choir Director: Peter Smith peter.smith1@hotmail.ca 416-989-3542 **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: Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri at 12:05 pm in the chapel Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays: 4:30 to 5:00 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.

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Holy Name School:
Phone 416-393-5215
Fax 416-393-5934
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Principal: Ms. Maren Askin

The Parish Hall is available for rent - please contact Jocelyn the hall manager at 647-292-9146 (cell).



CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S SCHEDULE

Day of Confession Wednesday, December 13th, 2023 11:30 am – 12 noon 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm

4th Sunday in Advent

Saturday, December 23rd - 5 pm Mass Sunday, December 24th - 10 am Mass and 12 noon

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

Sunday, December 24th – Christmas Eve Mass at 7:00 pm

Sunday, December 24th – Midnight Mass (Led by ACC)

Monday, December 25th - Christmas Day Mass at 10:00 am

(no ACC Mass at 12 noon)

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

Saturday, December 30th - 5 pm Mass Sunday, December 31st - 10 am Mass

FEAST OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

Monday, January 1st , 2024

New Year's Day Mass at 10 am 12 noon African Catholic Community



Dear Parishioners,

The spirit of Advent is filling the Parish, and we are all waiting with much anticipation and hope as we light the second candle of our Advent Wreath. Last week we received our children preparing for their First Holy Communion for their First Reconciliation. This Friday, we will welcome the staff and children from Holy Name Catholic School for the Advent-Christmas Mass. This Wednesday, I will also be celebrating the Advent Mass for the staff and Students of St. Patrick Catholic High School. Let us continue to pray that this joyful season may bring us closer to the love of God manifested through the incarnation of His Son.

As I alluded to in my homily last weekend, the United Nations Climate Change Conference is being held in Dubai from November 30th to December 12th. Although Pope Francis is not able to attend, he has and continues to be committed to the issue of climate change, especially through his encyclical, Laudato Si, in 2015 and more recently in his apostolic letter, Laudato Deum. As the conference nears its end, we pray for the success of the climate conference.

For those who wish to learn more, please watch https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Pwe bd0TUjk.

Fr. Vijai, C.S.C.



Tues. December 12th

12:05 pm: Raphael Berney +

Wed. December 13th

12:05 pm: For the Intentions of MacKenzie Family

Thurs. December 14th 12:05 pm: **Mary & Harry Keane +**

Maria Izaura & Cezarina & Constancio

Gonsalves +

Fri. December 15th

12:05 pm:

Sat. December 16th

5:00 pm: George Howard Kelly +

Sun. December 17th

12 noon: Romaldina Fernandes +

Readings for Third Sunday of Advent Sunday, December 17th, 2023

1st Reading: Isaiah 61.1-2a, 10-11

Responsorial Psalm: Luke 1.47-48, 49-50, 53-54

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5.16-24

Gospel: John 1.6-8,19-28

Offertory Envelope Boxes for 2024 are available at the entrance of the church

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

- You have a change in your name/address.
- If you would like a box of envelopes please fill in registration card and place in the collection basket at 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.

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71 Gough Ave. Thank you!

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

Fr. Bill Comerford, C.Ss.R., Darryl Smart, Josie Dey, Sue Keeble, Paul Ryan, Sherry MacEachern, Daniel Giles, Grace Cornacchia, Jamie Gillingham, Mae Bradley, Jaden Babcock, Valrie Lashley and Maria Jose Bouey.



Seniors Group - Christmas Luncheon

This Thursday, **December 14** after the 12:05 Mass is the special Lasagna Luncheon. **ALL seniors** are welcome!

This is the last luncheon in 2023. Our biweekly luncheons will recommence on **Thursday January 11, 2024.**



ALTAR DECORATORS NEEDED
for Saturday, December 23rd at 10:30 am
and just a few people for Sunday, December
24th at 12:30 pm (please enter through Gough
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Thank you, The Sacristans

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