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SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Divine Mercy Sunday

April 12th, 2015

*"Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
His steadfast love endures forever."*

Psalter Week II



Parents wishing to baptize their children at Holy Family are invited to approach either Fr. Larry, Fr. David, or Deacon Robert after any of the Sunday masses in order to obtain a Baptism Preparation Package.

FINAL PREPARATION FOR FIRST COMMUNION

All families preparing a child to celebrate First Communion during Easter 2015 are reminded of the parent/child meetings. The meeting dates are posted in the parish hall. Please attend the meeting indicated and plan to arrive 10-15 minutes before the gathering is to begin. We ask that only children preparing for First Communion attend.

RETREATS FOR CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES

All young people preparing to celebrate Confirmation are asked to consult the list in the parish hall for retreat dates. Retreats run from 4:00 - 9:00 pm and are for candidates only (no sponsors or parents). Remember - retreats are cell phone (electronic free) zones! Any questions or concerns, please contact Catherine.ecker@holyfamilybolton.ca.

VOCATIONS

"As the Father has sent me, so I send you." Will you respond to God's call to be sent as priest, sister, or brother? If God is calling you, to be a priest, deacon or religious, contact 416-968-0997, or email: vocations@vocations.ca.

CELEBRATING THE SEASON OF EASTER

For fifty days, our church celebrates the great Feast of Easter. The Church tells us that the fifty days from Easter to Pentecost are one great feast and above all others are the days we sing with fervent joy, Alleluia! For ideas on ***Celebrating the Easter Season*** at home, please visit our parish website at: www.holyfamilybolton.ca and click on ***Catechesis***. You will find a family Easter calendar to print.

CELEBRATING INITIATION

Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist

The Easter season is the normative time for celebrating the Sacraments of Initiation, Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. At the Easter Vigil, we celebrated Baptism, Confirmation and First Communion with Daniel, Aaron, Miguel, Andres, Ethan and Luna. Lorenzo was baptized. Along with the newly baptized Anthony, Alejandro, Katherine and Charlotte celebrated Confirmation. We invite you to continue to remember our neophytes (newly initiated) in your prayers.

On Easter Sunday, Zita, Vincent, Julia, Emily, Sophie, Melissa, Rudy and Tanya were received into Full Communion with the Catholic Church, confirmed and celebrated First Communion. We thank God for the presence of our newest members and pledge to pray for them as they continue to journey in faith.

STEWARDSHIP

The Christian community described in Acts understood and practiced total stewardship. St. Paul reports that the believers did not claim anything as their own, but held everything in common, and distributed to each whatever was needed.

RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION A Sign of Our Communion With God and Union with Others

Beginning the third Sunday of Easter, children in our parish will celebrate First Communion. The children will sit with their families and participate fully in the entire celebration of Mass. It is always good for those of us who come to the table each week to pause and recall the proper way to receive Holy Communion.

At the time of Holy Communion, when the person in front of you has received and you are in the front of the procession, you will bow your head, the Minister of the Body of Christ will say "***The Body of Christ***", you will reply, "***Amen***". It is important to note that the only appropriate response is ***Amen***. The church expects that ***Amen*** is said in a voice that can be heard by the Minister of Holy Communion. After saying Amen, you will consume the host immediately and if receiving the Precious Blood, you will move to the Minister of the Chalice who will say, "***The Blood of Christ***", you will reply, "***Amen***" and take a sip from the chalice. You will not bow a second time, for the act of receiving the Body and Blood of Christ is one ritual gesture, (GIRM, paragraph 160). The Canadian Bishops have instructed that our common sign of reverence be a bow of the head. As a sign our unity, we sing the Communion hymn and remain standing throughout the entire Communion procession. We sit or kneel for silent prayer when the priest sits down after Communion.

**Christ is risen!
Risen indeed.
Alleluia!!**

GATHERED, NOURISHED, COMMISSIONED

Celebrating and Living Sunday
11th Simcoe Liturgy Conference
Friday April 24th, 7:00 – 9:00 pm &
Saturday April 25th, 9:00 am – 2:30 pm
Holy Spirit Parish
650 Essa road, Barrie Ontario.

This conference is for all who are eager to deepen their faith and understanding of the primacy of Sunday Eucharist. The speaker will be Father Bill Burke, Diocese of Antigonish. Pre-registration with payment (\$15.00) is necessary. Brochure and registration form are available on line at <https://www.archtoronto.org/our-catholic-faith/programs-and-workshop>, or by contacting Catherine Ecker, Office of Formation for Discipleship at 705-726-2153, or by email: cecker@archtoronto.org.



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*Thomas Cardinal Collins,
Archbishop of Toronto*

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LENDING LIBRARY

We have a great selection of books and visual media for all ages available in our lending library. All are invited to make use of this parish resource.



Believe it or not, summer is fast approaching and we are looking forward to a fantastic summer camp season. Applications for counsellor positions and registration forms for campers are available at www.hfym.ca. Registration begins Saturday, April 18th, at 10:00 am.

ROOTED

Holy Family Parish welcomes all parishioners in Grades 3-5 to join this interactive, fun, and faith-based ministry. Next Rooted is Saturday April 25th, @ 10:00 am.



Fridays at 7:00pm

The Edge is open to students in grades 6, 7 & 8.



Saturdays 5:00pm Mass

Life Teen is open to all high school students.

MOMS & TOTS

Moms, Dads and caregivers with babies and toddlers are invited every Wednesday morning, from 9:30 am - 12:00 noon for refreshments and fellowship. Please join Deacon Robert and his wife Gabrielle for fun, frivolity and a "cuppa". Bring the kids. We have a great selection of toys and refreshments!



CHURCH PARKING

We welcome all visitors, friends and family to Holy Family Church, especially during Easter, First Holy Communion and Confirmation season!



However, we ask that parking etiquette and safety regulations be observed. **Please, do not park in the fire access routes, in the handicapped spaces, or on the grass.** Additional parking is available at both Holy Family School and the plaza across the street.



Monday April 13th, 7:00 pm

†Fr. Henk vanden Berg

Requested by Parishioners of Holy Family

Tuesday April 14th, 10:00 am

†Clemente & Annunziata DeLuca

Requested by Raffaele & Albina Cugliari

Wednesday April 15th, 7:00 pm

†Rodolfo Acebedo

Requested by the Malheiro Family

†Evan Jude Dziak

Requested by his Family

Thursday April 16th, 10:00 am

For An Increase in Vocations

Friday April 17th, 10:00 am

†Rosa & Domenico Cugliari

Requested by Raffaele & Albina Cugliari

Saturday April 18th

5:00 pm

Sunday April 19th

8:30 am, 10:00 am, 12:00noon

SANCTUARY LAMPS

(April 8th - April 14th)

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with peace,
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with laughter."**

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