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PASTORAL TEAM:

Rev. Larry Léger, Pastor

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Feast of the Holy Family

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

December 31st, 2017

"The Lord remembers his covenant forever."

Psalter II



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

SPECIAL REMINDER Parent & Child Catechetical Meeting



The parent and child meetings begin on Tuesday January 16th, 2018. Please consult the list in the parish hall and attend the date that has been assigned.

Parents are reminded that they and their child are to have finished up to page 49 in the book *We Prepare for Reconciliation*. If you have any questions regarding the preparation, please contact Catherine Ecker at: catechist@holyfamilybolton.ca, or call the parish and leave a message.

PREPARING FOR CONFIRMATION A reminder for all Candidates

Each candidate for Confirmatin is to write a letter to Fr. Larry and bring it on the day of enrolment. Enrolment will be celebrated at each Mass on January 6/7th, or January 13/14th, 2018.

As a tangible sign of our commitment to living as disciples, each candidate is asked to bring a package of new socks (sport or work socks) with them on the day of enrolment. The socks will be donated to commuhnity programs that serve youth and the homeless. If you have any questions, pleace contact Catherine Ecker at:

catechist@holyfamilybolton.ca

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

As we celebrate the feast day for our parish, may we rejoice in the gift of family and thank God for the many ways we are able to reflect God's love to the world.

Prayer for Families

O God, whose desire is that all the peoples of the world should be one human family, living together in harmony, grant that our home, by its worship and its witness, may help to hasten the day when your will is done on earth, as it is in heaven. **Amen**

JANUARY 1st Feast of Mary The Mother of God World Day of Prayer for Peace

Our church calls us to come and worship God on January 1st. This holy day of obligation celebrates Mary as the Mother of God and we are called to pray for peace in our world. Today we pray in a particular way for peace in our family, community and world. You are invited to pray the prayer for peace often attributed to St. Francis of Assisi.

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace.
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;
Where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy.

O, Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love; for it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

THANK YOU!!

On behalf of Fr. Joseph, Deacon Robert and the entire parish team, I want to extend warm wishes for a blessed Christmas season and a Happy New Year to all.

Thank you to all the musicians, liturgical ministers and altar servers who always make our celebrations so meaningful.

Thank you for all the gifts of food, cash, cards and toys which were used to assist both Caledon Community Services and Catholic Family Services. Your generosity is truly overwhelming!

God bless you all!

Fr. Larry, Pastor

CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS UNTIL JANUARY 8th, 2018

The Christmas season continues until the feast of the Baptism of the Lord, celebrated this year on Monday January 8th, 2018. Throughout the liturgical season of Christmas, our Church celebrates the many ways that God is made present in our mist and world. We are invited to celebrate the full season of Christmas.

From Christmas Day until the Baptism of the Ord, the following prayer can be prayed when your family gathers for a meal.

Father in heaven,

You so loved us that You sent Your Son, among us as Savior and Lord. Fill us with Your blessing,

That we may grow in love and continue to live our Christian faith. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

BIBLE LECTURE SERIES Biblical Personalities

All parishioners are invited to a Bible lecture series presented by Fr. Joseph. The last presentation will be **January 4**th, **2018**, at **7:00** pm.

Fr. Joseph's new book, *God And Human Then and Now* is available for purchase from the parish office. The cost is \$20.00 each.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION CLASSES

Couples, who are registered to be married at Holy Family in 2018, are invited to sign up for marriage classes. The classes will begin **Thursday**, **January 12th**, **2018**, **at 7:15 pm** and will continue for eight weeks.

The cost is \$150.00/couple. For additional information, please call Lydia in the parish office, 905-857-1938.

CELEBRATING THE LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH CHILDREN

On the Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord, at the 5:00 pm Mass (January $6^{\rm th}$) and the 12:00 noon Mass (January $7^{\rm th}$), we will celebrate a separate liturgy of the word with children.

All children between the ages of four and eight are invited to attend. The leaders will guide the children in a celebration and reflection on the Word of God. If you would like to learn more about this liturgical ministry, or if you have any quesitons, please contact Catherine Ecker, our parish catechist: (catechist@holyfamilybolton.ca)

VOCATIONS

If you think God is calling you to be a priect, religious or deacon, call Fr. Chris, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto, 416-968-0997.

STEWARDSHIP

The shepherds who heard the joyous news from the angels on that first Christmas night and then hurried to find the infant Savior must surely have been changed by that experience. How has His coming changed my life?



The EDGE is open to students in Grades 6, 7, 8. Fridays at 7:00 pm The EDGE will resume Friday January 12th, 2018



Saturdays 5:00pm Mass
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Next Life Night is
Saturday January 6th, 2018

ROOTED

For kids in Grades 3, 4, 5

Wednesdays 4:30 – 6:00 pm Next **ROOTED** is January 24th, 2018.

MOMS & TOTS

Moms, Dads and caregivers with babies and toddlers are invited every Wednesday morning, from



9:30am - 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!

VIOLIN LESSONS

All levels of violin lessons will be offered by Amir Khouri, our new Canadian. For further details and information, please call Lydia in the parish office. 905-857-1938.

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January 6th/7th, 2018



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Monday January 1st No 7:00 pm Mass 10:00am and 12:00 noon Tuesday January 2nd, 10:00 am †Paula & Angelo Sammut Requested by Emma Bonnici & Family Wednesday January 3rd, 7:00 nm

Wednesday January 3rd, 7:00 pm †Diane Battaglia

Requested by St. John the Baptist School †Franco Vallar

Requested by the Vallar Family †Catherine McGarvey

Requested by the McGarvey Family †Francesco & Maria Infusino

Requested by Victoria Moretti *Thursday January 4th*, 10:00 am

†Ernesto Pulido Requested by Nina & Nicholas Baltazar

Friday January 5th, 10:00 am †Alessandro Santoro

Requested by his family

7:30pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament *Saturday January 6th*

5:00 pm

Sunday January 7th

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

SANCTUARY LAMPS

(December 27th – January 2nd)
Francesco & Maria Infusino
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