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Rev. Larry Léger, Pastor

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Robert Suthers, Deacon

Lydia Rogers, Secretary

Stephanie Benedetti, Youth Minister

Catherine Ecker, Catechist



# FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT

December 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2012

*"Lord, make us turn to you: let us see your face and we shall be saved."*

## CELEBRATING ADVENT

### A Period of Devout and Expectant Delight!



Light the four candles on the Advent Wreath and pray:

*Leader: Come, O Emmanuel, presence of God among us, and fill our hearts with every good gift.*

*All: Come Lord Jesus!*

On December 24<sup>th</sup>, the wreath can be renewed with new ribbon and the candles replaced with new white votives for use during the Christmas Season.

*Leader: Lord Jesus, we approach that holy moment when Your coming as man is renewed in our hearts. Give us peace and allow us to celebrate Your presence with joy, that we may some day share Your glory. We ask this of You, who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, as One God, now and forever.*

*All: Amen*

## STEWARDSHIP

The Gospel today tells of the Virgin Mary, pregnant herself, hurrying off to help her cousin Elizabeth. The model of good stewardship, she who had given herself to bear the Saviour gave her time and love to others as well.

## VOCATIONS

Are you called to follow in the footsteps of Mary, as a priest or religious to carry the Good News of God's great love? If God is calling you, call Fr. Hansoo, 416-968-0997, or email: [vocations@vocations.ca](mailto:vocations@vocations.ca).

## CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

We know that the wedding day for a couple is filled with joy, anticipation and hope. The sacrament of marriage begins on the wedding day and then for the rest of their lives, the couple learns to live the sacrament. The married couples in our parish are a sign to us of God's faithfulness and through their witness we are strengthened. If you have celebrated a wedding anniversary in December, we shall pray with you and share in your joy on Saturday December 29<sup>th</sup>, at 5:00 pm, or on Sunday December 30<sup>th</sup>, at 8:30 am, 10:00 am, or 12:00 noon. Please join us in thanking God for the gift of the married couples in our midst.

## Christmas Greetings To All!

*On behalf of Fr. Damian, Deacon Robert and Gabrielle, Lydia, Stephanie, Catherine, Paul, Erin, Frankie, JP, Lucas and Gabriella, I want to extend best wishes and blessings for a peace filled and joyous Christmas Season. May God bless you all.*

*Fr. Larry Léger, Pastor*

## CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE



Monday, December 24 <sup>th</sup>	4:00 pm, 6:00 pm, 10:00 pm, Midnight
Tuesday, December 25 <sup>th</sup>	10:00 am, 12:00 Noon
Wednesday, December 26 <sup>th</sup> - Friday, December 28 <sup>th</sup>	10:00 am
Monday, December 31 <sup>st</sup>	5:00 pm
Tuesday, January 1 <sup>st</sup>	10:00 am, 12:00 Noon

## CELEBRATING THE CHRISTMAS SEASON

The Christmas season begins as the sun sets on December 24<sup>th</sup> and concludes with sunset on the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. This year, the Christmas season ends at sundown on Sunday, January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2013.

Throughout the liturgical season of Christmas, our Church celebrates the many ways that God is made present in our midst and the world. In our parish and families, we are invited to celebrate the full season of Christmas.

Some suggestions for celebrating Christmas beyond December 25<sup>th</sup> are: sing a verse or refrain of a favourite Christmas carol before the evening meal; call or visit a family member who lives a distance from your home; pray for peace in our homes, community and world; at meal time talk about the many ways you see God each day; walk through your neighbourhood and enjoy the lights and decorations.

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

*Leader: Father in heaven, you so loved us that You sent Your Son among us as Saviour 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*

For reflection and additional information on the season of Christmas, please visit the parish website: [www.holyfamilybolton.ca](http://www.holyfamilybolton.ca)

**CELEBRATING OUR FEAST DAY**  
**Sunday December 30<sup>th</sup>, 2012**



Strap on your skates and join us for an afternoon of skating and fun at the Albion Bolton Community Centre. The Knights of Columbus of Holy Family Parish are sponsoring a free skate for all families and parishioners, from 3:00 - 5:00pm, with free hot chocolate and donuts, compliments of Tim Horton's. Please join us as we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family.



The **EDGE** will resume Friday January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2013



**Saturday After 5:00 pm Mass**

**MARRIAGE PREPARATION CLASSES**

Couples, who are scheduled to be married at Holy Family Parish in 2013, are asked to register for marriage classes. The classes will begin Thursday, January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2013, 7:30 - 9:30 pm, and will finish Thursday, February 28<sup>th</sup>.

**MINISTER OF CARE TRAINING**

The Office of Formation for discipleship is pleased to offer the Minister of Care Training Program which will be held at Our lady of Fatima Parish in Brampton, beginning Tuesday January 8<sup>th</sup> to March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2013, 7:00 - 9:30 pm. There is no cost to attend, but registration is required. For further details and information, please contact Sally Amaral, 416-721-3741, or email: [samaral@archtoronto.org](mailto:samaral@archtoronto.org).

**PARISH REGISTRATION**

If you are new to Holy Family Parish, welcome! We invite you to register with the parish office. All parishioners are asked to notify us of any changes in name, address, etc.



**Mass Intentions**

Wednesday, December 26<sup>th</sup> No 7:00 pm Mass (Office Closed)

10:00 am †Robert Ricci

Requested by his Mom

Thursday, December 27<sup>th</sup>

10:00 am †Ida, Domenica & Antonio DeLuca

Requested Mario DeLuca

Friday, December 28<sup>th</sup>

10:00 am For All Parishioners of Holy Family

Saturday, December 29<sup>th</sup>

5:00 pm

Sunday, December 30<sup>th</sup> *Feast of the Holy Family*

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

**SANCTUARY LAMPS**

(December 20<sup>th</sup> - December 25<sup>th</sup>)

Franco Funari

Mile & Mira Leko

Gaspere Pecoraro

Vittorio Carnevalte

Giovanni Pincente

Concetina & Mario DiGiovanni

Rogers & Marchi Families

**"God became man  
so that man might become God -  
might love as only God  
is capable of loving,  
with the purity, intensity,  
power, tenderness, and  
inexhaustible patience  
that belong to divine love."**

*Fr. Jacques Philippe*

*Interior Freedom, Scepter*



**SAVE THE DATE**

**July 26<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup>, 2013**

**"Defending the Faith" Conference  
Franciscan University, Steubenville**

Any parishioners interested in joining us, please contact either Lydia in the parish office, 905-857-1938, or Vicky Sutton, 905-533-0244. Further details and itinerary will follow as they become available. Registrations open January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2013.

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