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Feast of the Holy Family

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

December 27th, 2015

*"Blessed are those who live
in your house, O Lord."*

Psalter Week I



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.

PREPARING FOR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2016

All children who are preparing for first sharing in Holy Communion will participate in an enrolment ceremony with their parents at any Sunday (Saturday) mass on January 9th/10th and January 16th/17th, 2016. Remember to bring your lambs.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION CLASSES

Couples who are registered to be married at Holy Family in 2016, are invited to sign up for marriage classes. The classes will begin **Thursday, January 7th at 7:30 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.

FAITH NOURISHMENT: VITAMIN 'F' Tuesday January 5th, 7:15 pm

It is true that during the winter months we need to take our vitamins to stay healthy. Likewise, we need to nurture and feed our faith life, so we will continue to grow in understanding and deepen our relationship with God. All are welcome to us on Tuesday January 5th for a healthy dose of Vitamin 'F'.

**No God? No peace.
Know God. Know peace!**

Merry Christmas From our Parish Team!

**Fr. Larry, Fr. David,
Deacon Robert and Gabrielle,
Catherine and Lydia
Deanna, Frankie, Christopher
Laura, Chris, Nello and Betty**

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

The Feast of the Holy Family is celebrated on the Sunday between Christmas and January 1st (unless Christmas is on a Sunday and then the feast is celebrated on December 30th). It is wise to remember that Jesus was born into a family and it was in his family that he grew in wisdom and knowledge. We celebrate the feast of the Holy Family and we rejoice in the many gifts of our own families. Saint John Paul II spoke of the family as the domestic church, the place where we encounter the face of God for the first time and discover what it means to be loved unconditionally. As we celebrate the feast day of 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.

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. In our families, it is appropriate to include a prayer for peace in our family, community and world.

STEWARDSHIP

The first reading today provides a challenging blueprint for the good stewardship of our family relationships. How do I measure up?

A 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*

NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE



New Year's Eve
Thursday December 31st
No 10:00 am Mass
5:00 pm

New Year's Day
Friday January 1st
10:00 am and 12:00 noon

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

Welcome Bishop Boissonneau!

Refreshments will be served
after all masses.



Please join us
for our annual family skate.
Sunday December 27th, 2015
3:00 - 5:00 pm
Sponsored by
the Knights of Columbus of
Holy Family Parish.

**CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS UNTIL
JANUARY 10th, 2016**

The Christmas season continues until the feast of the Baptism of the Lord, on Sunday January 10th, 2016. Throughout the liturgical season of Christmas, our church celebrates the many ways that God is made present in our midst and world. In our parish and families, we are invited to celebrate the full season of Christmas.

From Christmas Day until the Baptism of the Lord, 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 blessings, that we may grow in love and continue to live our Christian faith. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

**NEW YEAR'S EVE
COMMUNITY DANCE**



**Humber River Hall
50 Ann Street, Bolton
9:00pm - 1:00am**

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus of Holy Family Parish. All ages are welcome! light buffet, cash bar, dancing! Cost - \$20.00/pp. For tickets please call Ron Frank, 905-857-7130, or frank_6@sympatico.ca.

NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

**Toronto Airport Chaplaincy
Are you travelling?**

December 31st New Year's Eve

4pm - Terminal 3
5:30pm Terminal 1

January 1st New Year's Day

1pm - Terminal 1
4pm - Terminal 3

Bon Voyage!

LECTIO DIVINA

As a result of the extensive renovations underway at St. Michael's Cathedral, Lectio Divina with Cardinal Collins will travel throughout the archdiocese in 2015/2016. On Sunday, January 10th, it will be hosted at St. Mary's Parish, 66A Main St. South, Brampton. We hope you will be able to join Cardinal Collins and our faith community.

Lectio Divina ("divine, or sacred, reading") is the name given to a spiritual tradition among Christians over the last two thousand years. This form of prayer involves three distinct stages: a) reading a short scripture passage; b) reflecting on the passage and; c) a short period of silence. We begin with Vespers (Evening Prayer) at 7:00 pm, followed by Lectio Divina from 7:30 - 8:15 pm. All are welcome to join Cardinal Collins for this special evening of prayer. Lectio Divina is recorded by Salt and Light Catholic Media for future broadcast.

**PROJECT HOPE
REFUGEE SPONSORSHIP UPDATE**

Our parish has been matched with an Iraqi family which fled Syria and have been living in a refugee camp in Jordan. The family consists of 2 parents and 4 children, ages 12, 10, and 6. We are in need of housing, furniture, household goods, clothing, etc. If you can assist, please call Lydia in the parish office, 905-857-1938.



Fridays at 7:00pm

The Edge is open to all students
in grades 5, 6 and 7.

The EDGE will resume Friday
January 8th, 2016.



Saturdays 5:00pm Mass

Life Teen is open to all
high school students.

Life Teen will resume Saturday
January 9th, 2016

**DUFFERIN PEEL CATHOLIC
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD
Extended French Program**

Parents/guardians are invited to attend an Extended French Information Meeting at Holy Family School, 61 Allan Drive, on Thursday January 14th, 2016, at 7:00 pm. For further information and details, please call 905-905-1300.

**KINDERGARTEN ENTRY PLANNING
FOR SEPTEMBER, 2016**

There will be an information session for parents/guardians of children with differing abilities, including vision, hearing, autism, physical/medical and/or developmental delays who are transitioning to Kindergarten in September 2016. The information session will be held at the Dufferin=Peel Catholic District School Board - Catholic Education Centre, Room 301 on Tuesday, January 12th, 2016 from 7:00 - 8:30 pm. Snow date, Wednesday, January 13th, 2016 from 7:00 - 8:30 pm. Parents are also reminded to register their child at their local school.



**Monday December 28th, 10:00 am
No 7:00 pm Mass**

†Anna & Alessandro Prospero
Requested by Giovanna Troiani & Family

Tuesday December 29th, 10:00 am

†Bill Kent

Requested by Ron & Gail Bourgeois
Wednesday December 30th, 7:00 pm

†Ernest Biason

Requested by Mary Biason

Thursday December 31st

No 10:00 am Mass

5:00 pm

Friday January 1st

10:00 am, 12:00 Noon

Saturday January 2nd

5:00 pm

Sunday January 3rd

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

SANCTUARY LAMPS

(December 23rd - December 29th)

Engelbert Sr., Frank & Jozefa Markovic

Shirley Wakeman

Letitia Grant

Franco Funari

Mario & Concettina Di Giovanni

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