

# HOLY FAMILY

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# Peace on Earth

# FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

December 29<sup>th</sup>, 2013

*"Happy are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways."*

## FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

The Feast of the Holy Family is celebrated on the Sunday between Christmas and January 1<sup>st</sup> (unless Christmas is on a Sunday and then the feast is celebrated on December 30<sup>th</sup>). We need 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. Blessed 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 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

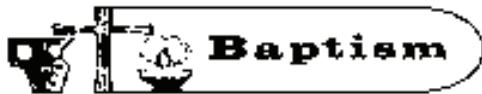
*O God, whose desire is that all the peoples of the world should be one human family, living together in harmony, grant that our home, by its worship and its witness, may help to hasten the day when your will is done on earth as it is in heaven. Amen*

## FEAST OF MAY THE MOTHER OF GOD World Day of Prayer for Peace

Our Church calls us to come and worship God on January 1<sup>st</sup>. 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.

*"Do not be afraid to take a chance on peace, to teach peace. Work for peace ...Peace will be the last word of history."*

*Pope John Paul II, Message for World Day of Peace, 1979*



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 to obtain a Baptism Preparation Package.

## VOCATIONS

By Baptism, we are God's holy family today. Pray for the grace to live faithfully your vocation as a single, married, ordained or consecrated person. If God is calling you to ministerial service, contact Fr. Hansoo Park, 416-968-0997, or email: [vocations@vocations.ca](mailto:vocations@vocations.ca)

## MARY MOTHER OF GOD



Tuesday, December 31<sup>st</sup>  
Wednesday, January 1<sup>st</sup>

5:00 pm  
10:00 am, 12:00 Noon

## CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS UNTIL January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2014

The Christmas season continues until the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord on Sunday January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

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.

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.

## CELEBRATING OUR FEAST DAY Sunday December 29<sup>th</sup>, 2013



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 3:00-5:00 pm, with free hot chocolate and donuts. Please join us as we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family.

## STEWARDSHIP

Joseph's obedience to God was not a one-time thing. His attention to the angel's warning kept Jesus from being murdered by Herod and led to the fulfillment of the prophesy that the Messiah would be a Nazorean. Fidelity to God's will assures the best use of my talents, too!

**Smile!**  
**God is awesome!!**

**FAITH NOURISHMENT: VITAMIN F**  
**Tuesday, January 14<sup>th</sup>**

Join us as we welcome the St. John's Bible to Holy Family Parish. Regis College will present the heritage editions of the New Testament. Members of EDGE and Life Teen have learned to turn the pages and will assist in the presentation. Join us at 7:15 pm on Tuesday, January 14<sup>th</sup> for refreshments and fellowship. The presentation will begin at 7:30 pm.

**PREPARING FOR FIRST COMMUNION**

All parents were to attend the catechetical meeting and receive a copy of the Family Resource. If you did not attend, or have questions about the book, please contact our parish catechist, Catherine Ecker ([Catherine.ecker@hollyfamilybolton.ca](mailto:Catherine.ecker@hollyfamilybolton.ca)). You are reminded of the first parent child meeting. Please take note of the date so you may attend at the designated time.

All families registered in the preparation process for First Communion are reminded of the essential Family Catechetical Meeting #1 (**Parents and Child**)

In preparation for the sacrament of Reconciliation, all parents and children will participate in a 90 minute catechetical meeting. To assist with planning, you are asked to attend on the assigned date. Please arrive 10 minutes before the meeting begins.

Surnames A – H	January 9 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 – 8:30 pm
Surmanes I – P	January 19 <sup>th</sup>	2:00 – 3:30 pm
Surnames Q – Z	January 21 <sup>st</sup>	7:00 – 8:30 pm

**MARRIAGE PREPARATION CLASSES**

Couples, who are scheduled to be married at Holy Family Parish in 2014, are asked to register for marriage classes. The classes will begin Thursday, January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2014, 7:30 – 9:30 pm, and will finish Thursday, February 27<sup>th</sup>. The cost is \$150.00 per couple. For further information, please call the parish office, 905-857-1938.

**SANCTUARY LAMPS**

- (December 25<sup>th</sup> – December 31<sup>st</sup>)  
 Engelbert Sr., Frank & Jozefa Markovic  
 Shirley Wakeman  
 Gus & Agostino Rocca  
 Galioto Family  
 Victor Carnevale  
 Mariangela Ierullo  
 Franco Funari

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**"Temptations most often  
 enter through those doors  
 we deliberately leave open.  
 Self awareness is the key to holiness."**

*Mark Hart  
 Tweet Inspiration, Servant Books*



**Saturdays 5:00pm Mass**  
 Life Teen is open to all high school students.  
 Next Life Night is January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2014



**Fridays at 7:00pm**  
 The EDGE resume Friday, January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2014



**ROOTED**

Holy Family Parish welcomes all parishioners in Grades 3-5 to join our interactive, fun, and faith-based ministry, *ROOTED*. Our next *Rooted* is Saturday, January 11<sup>th</sup>, 10:00-11:30 am.



Monday, December 30<sup>th</sup>

7:00 pm †Robert Ricci  
 Requested by his family  
 †Riccardo Biasini  
 Requested by Laura Perrelli

Tuesday, December 31<sup>st</sup>

*No 10:00 am Mass*

5:00 pm

Wednesday, January 1<sup>st</sup>

*Mary Mother of God*

10:00 am, 12:00 noon

Thursday January 2<sup>nd</sup>

10:00 am †For All Souls In Purgatory

Requested by Nena Baltazar

Friday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>

10:00 am For All Parishioners of Holy Family Parish

**7:30 pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

Saturday, January 4<sup>th</sup>

5:00 pm

Sunday, January 5<sup>th</sup>

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



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