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SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 8th, 2013

"Justice shall flourish in his time; and fullness of peace forever."



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.

PREPARING TO CELEBRATE CONFIRMATION Enrolment Ceremony

All candidates preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation are reminded of the enrolment ceremony that will be celebrated at each Sunday (Saturday) Mass on December 7/8, OR, December 14/15, 2013. You participate in the enrolment once. Please bring your letter to Father Larry with you to the enrolment.

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@holyfamilybolton.ca). You are reminded of the first parent child meeting. Please take note of the date so you may attend at the designated time.

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 th	7:00 – 8:30 pm
Surnames I – P	January 19 th	2:00 – 3:30 pm
Surnames Q – Z	January 21 st	7:00 – 8:30 pm

VOCATIONS

"The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.'" Could God be calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister in order to help our world of today to truly "prepare the way of the Lord"? If God is calling you to ministerial service, contact Fr. Hansoo Park, 416-968-0997, or email: vocations@vocations.ca.

**"Love for our Father does not walk
a path carpeted in flowers."**

St. Therese of Lisieux

CELEBRATING ADVENT A Period of Devout and Expectant Delight! (Two candles are lit.)



Leader: Father in heaven, set our hearts ablaze to follow in the steps of John the Baptist. May we bring light and love to all we meet, that the darkness of sin and fear may be overcome. We pray in Christ's name.

All: Amen

During the second week of Advent, you are invited to choose one or more of the following activities:

- Plan a special family meal and decorate your table together.
- Write a letter to someone you have not seen in a long time.
- Practice patience while you are waiting in the line at the store.
- Pray for those in line with you.
- Walk or drive through your neighbourhood and look at the Christmas lights.

For reflection and the daily Advent challenge, please visit the parish website at www.holyfamilybolton.ca

REMEMBER TO PRAY!

During these days of preparation and busyness, all parents are invited to pause and pray for guidance and strength.

All praise to you, Lord Jesus, lover of children:
bless our family and help us to lead our children to you.
Give us light, strength and courage when our task is difficult.
Let your Spirit fill us with love and peace,
so that we may help our children to love you.
All glory and praise are yours. Amen.

LONGEST NIGHT MASS

All parishioners are invited to the *Longest Night Mass* on Wednesday, December 18th, at 7:00 pm. This mass is for all of us who have experienced loss and especially for those who have died this past year and their families.

PARISH RECONCILIATION SERVICE

Our parish reconciliation service will be held on Thursday, December 19th. 7:00 – 9:00 pm. We will have a number of priests on hand to assist us in "preparing the way of the Lord."

Smile! It's good for the soul!!

**IN SUPPORT OF THE SANTA FUND
COOKIE BAKE-OFF**

**At The Exchange, 55 Healey Road, Bolton
Monday, December 16th, 6:30 - 8:30 pm**

In this corner we have Fr. Larry and Sr. Carmelita's FANTASTIC chocolate chip cookies, in the other corner we have Michelle Stubbs of Caledon Community Services with a lesser recipe. Decide which is best! Register with CCS by calling Kim D'Eri, 905-584-2300, ext. 202.

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 9th, 2014, 7:30 - 9:30 pm, and will finish Thursday, February 27th. The cost is \$150.00 per couple. For further information, please call the parish office, 905-857-1938.

**CELEBRATING OUR FEAST DAY
Sunday December 29th, 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.



Saturdays 5:00pm Mass

Life Teen is open to all high school students.



Fridays at 7:00pm

The EDGE is open to students in Grades 6, 7, and 8.
December 13th is Talent Show!!



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, December 14th, 10:00 - 11:30 am.



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**HUMANITARIAN RELIEF
Philippines Typhoon Haiyan**

The Archdiocese of Toronto is accepting financial contributions for humanitarian relief following the catastrophic effects of Typhoon Haiyan on November 8th in the Philippines. Those wishing to help may do so in the following ways:

- online through the Archdiocese website: www.archtoronto.org;
- by phone through the Development office, 416-934-3411;
- through the parish, making cheques payable to: **Holy Family Parish-Philippines Typhoon Haiyan-Humitarian Relief**

The Canadian government will match donations to the Typhoon Relief Fund made by Canadians before December 23rd. Contributions made to the Archdiocese of Toronto for this relief effort will be eligible for the matching program.

**Mass Intentions
for the Week**

Monday, December 9th

7:00 pm †Leticia Daowz Ruiz

Requested by her Family

†Mary Alice Consitt

Requested by Darlene Kehoe

†James and Sherri Smith

Requested by Anita and Family

†Marlene Rollin

Requested by Jeff and Family

Tuesday, December 10th

10:00 am †Leticia Daowz Ruiz

Requested by her Family

†Elizabeth O'Brien

Requested by Sandy and Larry O'Donnell and Family

†Giovanni Pincente

Requested by Iolanda Pincente

Wednesday, December 11th **DAY OF RECONCILIATION**

7:00 pm Holy Family School Advent Mass

Thursday, December 12th

10:00 am †Doris Avery and Shirley Hunt

Requested by John Avery

Friday, December 13th

10:00 am †Paul Chodura and In Thanksgiving

Requested by Lucy Chodura

Saturday, December 14th

5:00 pm

Sunday, December 15th

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

SANCTUARY LAMPS

(December 4th - December 10th)

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