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FEAST OF MARY THE MOTHER OF GOD

World Day of Prayer for Peace

January 1st, 2017

"May God bless us in his mercy."

Psalter II



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.

CELEBRATION DATES FOR CONFIRMATION AND FIRST SHARING IN HOLY COMMUNION 2017

For all families who have formally registered their child in the preparation process leading to the celebration of Confirmation or first sharing in Holy Communion, the list of celebration dates is posted in the parish hall. The list includes the dates for meetings, and for the candidates for Confirmation, the date of their retreat.

The list will remain posted until June 2017. If your child's name has been misspelled, please notify Catherine Ecker, parish catechist, in writing, and corrections will be made.
(catechist@holyfamilypelton.ca).

PARENT & CHILD CATECHETICAL MEETING IN JANUARY, 2017

A special reminder that the parent and child meetings begin Sunday January 8th, 2017. 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, our parish catechist at:
catechist@holyfamilypelton.ca.

VITAMIN 'F' Faith Nourishment

We will gather for a time of conversation, catechesis and prayer on Tuesday January 10th, 2017. Refreshments are available at 7:15 and we conclude by 9:00 pm. Please feel free to join in – bring a friend!

FEAST OF MARY MOTHER OF GOD

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 pray 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 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.*

CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS UNTIL JANUARY 9th, 2017

The Christmas season continues until the feast of the Baptism of the Lord, celebrated this year on Monday January 9th, 2017. Throughout the liturgical season of Christmas, our Church celebrates the many ways that God is made present in our midst and world. Families 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 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.*

STEWARDSHIP

New Year's Day provides a perfect opportunity to ask ourselves the question: Does my life reflect my gratitude for all that my loving Father has given me?

THANK YOU!!

On behalf of Fr. David, Deacon Robert and the entire parish team, I want to extend warm wishes for a blessed 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!

Thank you Cardinal Collins!

God bless you all!

Fr. Larry

SENIORS OUTREACH PROJECT

We are pleased to announce a partnership between Catholic Family Services Peel Dufferin and our parish on a much needed project, called the Parish Outreach to Seniors Project. The goal of this project is to recruit and train volunteers from our parish to visit our isolated and lonely seniors.

If you are interested in an impactful volunteer opportunity, this will be a fulfilling role for you. If you are aware of any senior parishioners who may be experiencing isolation, please bring their name forward. For more information, please contact Catherine Baldassare at outreach@holyfamilypelton.ca.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION CLASSES

Couples, who are registered to be married at Holy Family in 2017, are invited to sign up for marriage classes. The classes will begin **Thursday, January 12th, 2017, at 7:15 pm** and will continue for eight weeks. The cost is \$150.00/couple.

DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Parents/guardians are invited to attend an Extended French Information Meeting at Holy Family School, 61 Allan Drive, Bolton, on Wednesday January 18th, 2017, at 7:00 pm. For further details, call 905-890-0708.

LAY PASTORAL VISITORS TRAINING

Are you interested and available to help our parish to minister to the sick and homebound in our community. This program, offered over three Saturdays for 5 hours each, will prepare you to provide pastoral visit and/or bring Holy Communion to parishioners who are confined to their homes, nursing homes and hospitals due to illness or infirmity.

You can bring Catholic social teaching to life by responding to the needs of the sick and the homebound in a way that is both affirming and encouraging. New and seasoned volunteers are welcome to attend. Please bring your own lunch.

Saturdays January 14th, 21st, and 28th at Saviour of the World Chinese Church, 30 Bristol Road W, Mississauga, Ontario. To register, contact Brenda Voisin, 416-934-3400, ext. 523, or see Lydia in the parish office for a registration form.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS "Fifth Sunday Rosary"

On Sunday January 29th, at 4:00 pm, we will meet to recite the rosary. This will happen every month that has a fifth Sunday. All parishioners are welcome to join us in prayer.

Through Mary, the miserable obtain mercy, the graceless find grace, and sinners receive pardon. St. Augustine

BAND OF CHRISTIAN BROTHERS MEN'S CONFERENCE

On February 18th, join Fr. Larry Richards and Archbishop of Montréal, Christian Lépine for Serviam Ministries, 2nd annual Band of Christian Brothers Men's Conference at Canada Christian college in Toronto.

The theme is 'Step Up'. The day will strengthen and challenge men to become the man God created them to be. Mass, Adoration and Confession will take place. Special father/son rates available. For information and tickets, call 1-888-522-2070, or visit: info@ServiamMinistries.com.



**The EDGE is open to students
in Grades 6, 7, 8.**

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**Are you interested in joining
our EDGE Core?**

If so, please see Julia.
The EDGE resumes January 13th, 2017



Saturdays 5:00pm Mass

Life Night follows.

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Life Teen resumes January 14th, 2017

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!



VOCATIONS

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

**Nothing is perfect
and that is why
pencils have erasers.**

VOLUNTEER POSITION AVAILABLE

The Dufferin-Peel Catholic District school Board is seeking one volunteer community member with financial expertise and business knowledge to serve on the Audit Committee for a three year term. This is a great opportunity for community involvement. For information and eligibility requirements, please visit the school board website at: <http://www3.dpcdsb.org/news/news-archives/audit-committee-recruitment>.



**Mass
Intentions**

Monday January 2nd, 10:00 am

No 7:00 pm Mass

For All Parishioners

Tuesday January 3rd, 10:00 am

†Ann Degeling

Requested by Denyse Hinc

Wednesday January 4th, 7:00 pm

†For All Deceased Parishioners

Thursday January 5th, 10:00 am

†Nino Cordovado

Requested by the Copeland Family

Friday January 6th, 10:00 am

For An Increase in Vocations

Saturday January 7th

5:00 pm

Sunday January 8th

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

SANCTUARY LAMPS

(December 28th - January 3rd)

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Shirley Wakeman

Letitia Grant

Frank DaCosta

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**If you want to get warm,
you must stand
near the fire:
if you want to be wet,
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into the water.
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peace, eternal life,
you must get close to,
or even into,
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