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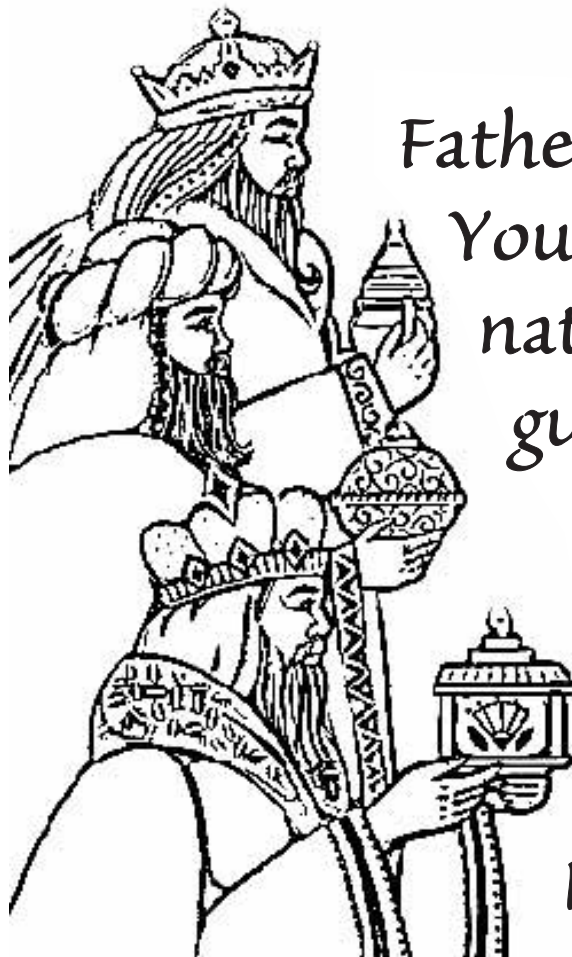
PASTORAL TEAM:

Rev. Larry Léger, Pastor

Rev. David Gikonyo IMC, Associate Pastor Robert Suthers, Deacon

Lydia Rogers, Secretary Stephanie Benedetti, Youth Minister

Catherine Ecker, Catechist



*Father, You revealed  
Your Son to the  
nations by the  
guidance of a star.*

*Lead us to Your  
Glory in Heaven  
by the  
Light of Faith.*

# EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2015

*"Lord, every nation on earth will adore you."*



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. Parents are reminded that baptisms are not celebrated during the liturgical season of Lent.

## CELEBRATING FIRST COMMUNION Easter Season 2015

All families who have formally registered their children to celebrate First Holy Communion during Easter, 2015, are reminded to participate in the parent/child meeting. The dates are posted in the parish hall. Please attend the meeting you chose and arrive 10 minutes before the meeting is scheduled to begin. If you cannot attend on the date you chose, please contact Catherine, at [Catherine.ecker@holymfamilybolton.ca](mailto:Catherine.ecker@holymfamilybolton.ca), to arrange for a different date. The first parent/child gathering is Thursday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 - 8:30 pm. The children do NOT bring their book with them.

## FAITH NOURISHMENT: VITAMIN F Tuesday January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2015, 7:15pm

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 join us on Tuesday, January 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:15pm, for a healthy dose of Vitamin F. Our topic will be the universal mark of the Church. Come and be nourished!

**Smile!  
Jesus is here!!**

## CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS UNTIL JANUARY 11<sup>th</sup>, 2015

The church continues to celebrate the Feast of Christmas until January 11<sup>th</sup>, when we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord. 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.

Today, we celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord. During the coming week as part of our family time, we can talk about how our family is a sign of God's loving presence.

## FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

### Remembering Our Baptism

On Sunday January 11<sup>th</sup>, we shall celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, marking the end of the Christmas Season. This feast is a wonderful time for us to recall our own baptism. At your family meal, you may consider taking a few moments before you begin, to pray a prayer of thanksgiving for all those who handed on the gift of faith to you and your family members. Remember to thank God for the gift of godparents, the priest or deacon who baptized and the parish where the baptism was celebrated. If you do not have your baptismal candles, consider lighting a candle for each family member. The time of thanksgiving could conclude with this prayer:

*Blessed are you,  
Lord God of all creation.  
Today, we give you thanks  
for the gift of baptism.  
Give us grace to live in your love  
and help our family  
to draw closer to you  
by faith, prayer and example.  
All glory is yours  
through Jesus your Son,  
in the communion of the Holy Spirit,  
now and forever. Amen.*



The Family of Faith campaign is underway here at Holy Family Parish.

In addition to providing the resources to support our own parish needs, the campaign will address critical priorities that will benefit Catholics all across the Archdiocese of Toronto:

- developing leaders through Catholic formation and engagement;
- restoring St. Michael's Cathedral;
- investing in our youth, young adult ministry and campus chaplaincies;
- funding to aid existing church properties with extraordinary maintenance needs to keep them safe and secure;
- helping to continue to build new churches throughout the archdiocese.

The Family of Faith campaign will help our parish too. For each dollar raised, our parish will receive 25 cents. When we exceed our goal, we will keep 75 per cent of every dollar above our goal. With the parish share of the money raised, we plan to:

- replace our sound system.
- renovate the hall kitchen;
- support the Exchange.

## MARRIAGE PREPARATION CLASSES

Couples scheduled to be married at Holy Family Parish in 2015, are asked to register for marriage classes. The classes will begin Thursday, January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2015, 7:30 - 9:30 pm, and will finish Thursday, March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2015. The cost is \$150.00 per couple. For further information, please call the parish office, 905-857-1938.

**God is always with us  
on our journey.**

## MISSION PROJECT DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

This January, Stephanie will have the privilege of travelling with St. Michael's SS Bolton to the Dominican Republic. This project will allow us to participate in a week long intensive humanitarian mission. We will be spending the week visiting the bateys, which are small villages housing sugar cane cutters of Haitian descent and their families. We will also be working alongside these refugees, helping out and staying at the local nunnery. The ultimate goal is TO BE with the people, letting them know, through our presence, that we care. We are currently collecting donations to bring with us to help support the community and you could help. If you are able to provide any of the following, please drop them off at the church. Thank you so much in advance for your help!

### Medical Supplies

Pain medication, tea tree oil, antacids, vitamins, Polysporin, elastic bandages, allergy medications, cough syrup, child medications, headache tablets

### Toiletries

Combs, brushes, shampoo & conditioner, soap, feminine hygiene products, razors, adult diapers, body lotion.

### School Supplies

Pencils, sharpeners, coloured pencils, rulers, scissors, craft materials, lined notebooks.

### Children's Playthings

Skipping ropes, marbles, yo-yo's, colouring books, playdoh, kites, hair accessories, nail polish.

As always, thank you for your support and generosity! God bless!!

## STEWARDSHIP

The shepherds, who heard the joyous news from the angels on that first Christmas night and then hurried to find the infant Savior, must surely have been changed by that experience. How has His coming changed my life?

## MOMS & TOTS



Moms, dads and caregivers with babies and toddlers are invited every Wednesday morning, 9:30 am - 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!

## ROOTED

Holy Family Parish welcomes all parishioners in Grades 3-5 to join this interactive, fun, and faith-based ministry. Next Rooted is Saturday January 10<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 am.



### Fridays at 7:00pm

The Edge is open to students in grades 6, 7 & 8.

The EDGE resumes January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015



### Saturdays 5:00pm Mass

Life Teen is open to all high school students.

Life Teen resumes January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015

## EXTENDED FRENCH PROGRAM

Parents/Guardians are invited to attend an Extended French Information Meeting at Holy Family School, 61 Allan Drive, Bolton, Tuesday January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015, at 7:00pm. For further information, please call 905-890-0707, ext. 24332.

## VOCATIONS

God asks us to give our lives. What gifts have been given to you to share with others in Christ's name? If God is calling you, contact 416-968-0997, or email: vocations@vocations.ca.



## Mass Intentions

### Monday, January 5<sup>th</sup>

7:00pm †Raja Issa

Requested by Sandra Tomassini  
†Maria Del Carmen Molina  
Requested by her family

### Tuesday, January 6<sup>th</sup>

10:00am †John Ryan

Requested by Theresa Anderson

### Wednesday January 7<sup>th</sup>

7:00pm †Carmen McLean

Requested by  
Terry & Matthew Martin  
†Rosalia & Salvatore Sordello  
Requested by Carmela Sordello  
†Faclides Sanchez  
Requested by his family

### Thursday, January 8<sup>th</sup>

10:00am †Linda Shaw and for the health of

Emma & Freda

Requested by

Ron & Gail Bourgeois

### Friday, January 9<sup>th</sup>

10:00am †Doug & Doris Avery

Requested by John Avery

### Saturday, January 10<sup>th</sup>

5:00pm

### Sunday, January 11<sup>th</sup>

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

## SANCTUARY LAMPS

(January 1<sup>st</sup> - January 6<sup>th</sup>)

Engelbert Sr., Frank & Jozefa Markovic

Shirley Wakeman

Letitia Grant

Elio Iafrate

Severino DeIuliis

Franco Funari

## STEUBENVILLE CONFERENCES

### Power & Purpose Conference

June 5<sup>th</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup>, 2015

A conference about strengthening disciples for life in the Holy Spirit, this is formerly the Adult Charismatic Conference. Registration will open in January and once again we will charter a bus. Please consider joining us for this dynamic weekend! For more information, please see Lydia in the parish office, or call Vicky Sutton, 905-533-0244.

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