# HOLY FAMILY ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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#### PASTORAL TEAM:

Rev. Larry Léger, Pastor

Rev. David Gikonyo IMC, Associate Pastor

Robert Suthers, Deacon
Lydia Rogers, Secretary
Julia Coffa, Youth Minister
Catherine Ecker, Catechist
Catherine Baldassare, Parish Outreach

#### MASS TIMES:

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m.

Monday & Wednesday: 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 10:00 a.m.

Thursday Rosary: 2:00 p.m.

#### **RECONCILIATION:**

Saturday: 4:15 p.m.

#### DAY TIME OFFICE HOURS:

Monday to Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

12:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Monday to Thursday: 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Saturday: 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Sunday: 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

#### **BAPTISM:**

Please approach one of the parish priests, after Sunday mass only, for a Baptism Preparation Package. An interview with a parish priest is required. Parents of children to be baptized are expected to be members of our Parish Community.

#### MARRIAGE:

Couples, wishing to be married, must themselves contact the Pastor at least one full year in advance. A Marriage Preparation Course is required.

#### VISITATION OF THE SICK:

Anyone who cannot attend Mass with us in the Church, because of illness, handicap or age, or anyone who wishes to receive the Sacraments (Confession, Communion, Anointing of the Sick), please call the Parish Office. Please notify us of any hospitalizations so that we may visit.

#### PARISH SCHOOLS:

Holy Family Elementary S. 905-857-1300 St. Pope John Paul II Elementary S. 905-857-4241 St. John the Baptist Elementary S. 905-951-8788 St. Nicholas Elementary S. 905-857-7582 St. Michael Secondary S. 905-951-8935 RF Hall Secondary S. 905-584-1670

### NEW PARISHIONERS AND REGISTRATION:

If you are new to the Parish, or have not yet completed a Registration Form, do take one from the rack in front of the office window. Completed forms may be handed into the office or put into the collection basket.

#### WE INVITE YOU TO BECOME INVOLVED IN OUR PARISH MINISTRIES

PARISH MINISTRIES and COMMITTEES			Shepherds' Trust	Mike Stapleton 1	I-877-875-0771 Ext.652
Altar Servers	Deacon Robert Suthers	905-729-3974	Stewardship Committee	Lydia Rogers	905-857-1938
Choirs:				, ,	
5:00 Saturday Choir	Jolène Sunseri	905-859-2719	Ushers	Gabrielle Suthers	905-729-3974
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Lectors	Michele Steko	647-222-9702		T CONT / CONT	000 000 0020
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Property Committee	John Florian & Vince Limina		ORGANIZATIONS		
R.C.I.A.	Catherine Ecker	905-857-1938	Catholic Women's League		
Share Life Co-Chairs:	Diana Ciarlandini	905-857-3287			
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#### FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

March 5th, 2017

## "Have mercy on us, Lord, for we have sinned."

Psalter 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. Baptisms are not celebrated during Lent and will resume following Easter.

## CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION FOR THE FIRST TIME

A reminder to parents that once your child has completed the purple book, We Prepare for Reconciliation, you are to come together on a Saturday afternoon between 2:00 - 4:00, so your child may celebrate this sacrament of healing for the first time. On the day of celebration, before you come to the church, gather as a family to review pages 53- 55. Your child is to bring the completed book to the celebration.

If your child has not celebrated before Lent begins, we encourage you to come on the assigned dates, between 2:00 – 4:00 pm.

Surnames	E – L	March 11 <sup>th</sup>
Surnames	M – P	March 18th
Surnames	Q – A	March 25 <sup>th</sup>

#### **STEWARDSHIP**

Jesus says that our giving must be done quietly, without hoping for recognition or applause. But he also promises that God, who sees even our most secret deeds, will reward those who fast, pray and give alms.

#### PREPARING FOR CONFIRMATION SECOND CATECHETICAL MEETING CANDIDATES & SPONSORS

It is understood that the candidate and sponsor will attend this meeting. IF, the

sponsor cannot attend, then
the parent is to attend. The
candidates are grouped
according to their date of
Confirmation. Please make
every effort to attend the

assigned meeting. You do not need to notify the parish office. Candidates are reminded to bring three brand new, unused toiletry items to the meeting;

Thursday March  $9^{th}$ , 7:30 - 9:00 pm for May  $29^{th}$  and May  $30^{th}$ 

Sunday March 19th, 2:00 – 3:30 pm for May 31st and June 1st

Thursday March  $23^{rd}$ , 7:30 - 9:00 pm for June  $5^{th}$  and June  $6^{th}$ 

 $We dnesday \ March \ 29^{th}, \ 7:30-9:00 \ pm \\ for \ June \ 7^{th} \ and \ June \ 8^{th}$ 

# VITAMIN 'F' FAITH NOURISHMENT The Sacrament of Anointing of the sick

The ice storm in February prevented us from gathering for Vitamin 'F'. We shall gather on March 7<sup>th</sup> for a conversation on the healing sacrament of anointing of the sick. Come and discover more about what our church believes and teaches about this sacrament. All are welcome. We shall gather for refreshments at 7:15 pm and conclude by 9:00 pm.

#### ST. MATTHEW'S GOSPEL

Our study of St. Matthew's Gospel will continue Wednesday March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2017, at 2:00 pm. All parishioners are welcome to join us as we journey through scripture.

#### THE SEASON OF LENT

The Church reminds us that Lent has two major purposes: it recalls or prepares for baptism and emphasizes a spirit of penance. The emphasis on a spirit of penance assists us in preparing to renew our baptismal promises. For those who will be baptized at the Easter Vigil, the spirit of penance is to assist them in preparing for their baptism.

Throughout the season of Lent we are called to listen more attentively to the Word of God and to set aside additional time for prayer. The traditional Lenten practices of prayer, fasting and works of charity (almsgiving) are to assist us as we prepare to renew our baptismal promises.

#### Ribbons

We shall continue our parish tradition of attaching a ribbon to our Lenten trees for each Lenten practice we complete. For example, if your family chooses to join the parish for the Stations of the Cross on Friday evening, you will tie a ribbon on the Lenten tree, or if you complete a work of charity, tie a ribbon on the tree. A ribbon can be tied on the tree either before or after Sunday mass, or throughout the week.

All members of the parish are invited to participate in the Lenten practices of prayer, fasting and works of charity.

The Lenten trees become a visible sign of our preparation to renew our baptismal promises and to celebrate the feast of Easter.

Check our Facebook page (Holy Family Catholic Church Bolton) for suggestions on prayer, fasting and works of charity.



#### MOMS & TOTS

Moms, Dads and caregivers with babies and toddlers are invited very



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.

#### **WOMEN'S SPRING RETREAT**

A women's Lenten retreat will be held at Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre in Mississauga, the weekend of March 31<sup>st</sup> – April 2<sup>nd</sup>. The theme is "*The Call to Peace*" and will be facilitated by the Centre team. For further details, or to register, please call 905-278-5229.

#### INVITING ALL WOMEN Women of the Word Forum Sunday April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2017 "The Road to Joy"

Come share the day in fellowship with hundreds of women, while nourishing your mind, body and spirit. The keynote speaker will be Dr. Josephine Lombardi. The cost is \$55/pp (includes continental breakfast and lunch) at the Royalton Hospitality Centre, Woodbridge. For tickets or more information, please email wowblessingstoronto.com.

# SAVE THE DATE! Defending the Faith Conference Franciscan University July 28th – 30th, 2017 "Authentic Renewal"

Registration is now open for those who may be considering joining our parish group. The costs are \$110.00CD/person for the bus (a current Canadian passport is required); early bird registration fee of \$135.00US (\$160.00 8<sup>th</sup>); shared after April accommodation on campus \$100.00US; meal plan \$67.00US. Please contact Vicky Sutton, suttonv62@gmail.com, or Lydia in the parish office, 905-857-1938, for further information and details.



The EDGE is open to students in Grades 6, 7, 8.
Fridays at 7:00 pm

Are you interested in joining our EDGE Core?

If so, please see Julia.

#### ROOTED KICK-OFF

Wednesday March 15<sup>th</sup>
4:30 - 6:00 pm
For kids in grades 3, 4, and 5.
Come on out and join in!!



Saturdays 5:00pm Mass Life Night follows Follow us on Instagram @hfyouthministry



#### Can you believe it!!

Holydays registration will begin Saturday April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2017. Registration forms will be available as of March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

#### **VOCATIONS**

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



*Monday March 6<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 pm* †James Lawlor

Requested by Peggy Gibson & Family *Tuesday March 7th*, 10:00 am

For an increase in Vocations *Wednesday March 8th*, 7:00 pm

†Lucia Colella

Requested by her family

Thursday March 9th, 10:00 am

†Bruno Agostinelli

Requested by Andrea

Friday March 10th, 10:00 am

†Vania Tonus

Requested by Barry & Donna-Marie Jacks **7:30 pm** Stations of the Cross

Saturday March 4th

5:00 pm

Sunday March 5th

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

#### SANCTUARY LAMPS

( March 1st - March 7th ) Special Intention

Dear Brothers and Sisters,
Lent is a new beginning,
a path leading
to the certain goal of Easter,
Christ's victory over death.
This season urgently
calls us to conversion.

Christians are asked to return to God 'with all their hearts", to refuse to settle for mediocrity and to grow in friendship with the Lord.

Jesus is the faithful friend who never abandons us.

Even when we sin, he patiently awaits our return, by patient expectation, he shows us his readiness to forgive.

Pope Francis



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