

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT



### **Monday March 15, 7:00pm**

+Jackey Sneek req by Nick Sneek  
+Winnie Yates req by the Yates Family

### **Tuesday March 16, 9:00am.**

+Edmund Vernetto Req by Sheila Tobin.  
Sp Int Shirley Bullen & Family req by Sheila Tobin.

### **Wednesday March 17, 7:00pm**

+Walter McKinnon req by Steve & Marie Sergeant.  
+Michelle Bruneau req by Steve & Marie Sergeant.

Sp Int Pat Belcourt req by Sheila Tobin.

### **Thursday March 18, 9:00am**

+Walter McKinnon req by Linda Young.  
Sp Int Pat Belcourt req by the retired teachers of St Theresa.

### **Friday March 19, 7:00pm**

+Joseph Lewis Netto req by the Canute & Fernandes Families.  
+Michelle Bruneau req by Maureen La Barre & Family.

+Giuseppe Zicarelli req by his Family.  
Sp Int Jefferey Silva req by Ray & Violeta Berry.  
Sp Int Father László req by Lise Beauchesne.

### **Saturday March 20, 9:00am**

+Angela Adriano req by Angie Campanelli.  
+Kevin Francis req by Alan & Carmelle Perron.

### **Saturday March 20, 5:00pm**

Sp Int Br. Luck Vanberkum on Deacon Ordination req by Joan Vanberkum.

## **WEEKDAY MASS TIMES**

### **EFFECTIVE MONDAY MARCH 15<sup>TH</sup>**

#### **Weekday Mass Times:**

Monday, Wednesday & Friday 7:00pm and  
Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday 9:00am.

#### **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:**

1 hour before each weekday Mass and Fridays  
from 12noon and until 12midnight on the 1<sup>st</sup>  
Friday of each month.

## **2020 TAX RECEIPTS**

Tax Receipts for donations received in 2020 were mailed. Please contact the parish office if you have not received it yet. 905-665-6470

## **PRAYER REQUESTS**

If you or a loved one are in need of prayer, please send us your request and our dedicated Intercessory Prayer group & priests will pray for you! Visit: [hollyfamilywhitby.ca/prayer/](http://hollyfamilywhitby.ca/prayer/)

# Lenten *Confession* Schedule

Lent is a time for us to examine our lives and reorient our hearts, minds, and souls to the Mercy and Love of Christ. We invite you to the Sacrament of Reconciliation this week. No matter if it's been a while or even a VERY long while since your last confession, we encourage you to come and experience the healing power of Christ in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Visit the **CONFESSION** page of our website for resources to help guide and prepare you at [hollyfamilywhitby.ca/reconciliation/](http://hollyfamilywhitby.ca/reconciliation/). There you will find answers to common questions, videos as well as a link to an Examination of Conscience prepared by the Archdiocese. In addition, check out the **FORMED** pick of week below if you wish to dive even deeper.

### **We welcome you on a First Come, First Served basis at the following times:**

Monday March 15<sup>th</sup> 10am-5pm and 7:30pm- 9pm (lunch break from 1-2pm)

Tuesday March 16<sup>th</sup> 10am-5pm and 7:00pm- 9pm (lunch break from 1-2pm)

Wednesday March 17<sup>th</sup> 10am-5pm (lunch break from 1-2pm)

## FORMED® PICK OF THE WEEK

Use your FREE FORMED subscription to watch the video series below...If you are not yet subscribed, simply visit our website for the special link to get your free subscription. [hollyfamilywhitby.ca/formed/](http://hollyfamilywhitby.ca/formed/)

**FORGIVEN: The Transforming Power of Confession** is a 3-part series that explores the grace and healing offered in Confession and shows how this sacrament of mercy reveals the depth of God's love. FORGIVEN communicates God's invitation to each one of us to come experience his indescribable love in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Use the Search Icon on FORMED and type: FORGIVEN or [CLICK HERE](#).



## **This series is highly recommended!**

### **Part 1 Where are You? [CLICK HERE](#)**

*Have you ever felt lost and alone, isolated in guilt? Like the Prodigal Son among the pigs, we know that we have sinned. But God won't leave us there—he searches for us and runs to welcome us home in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.*

### **Part 2: An Encounter with Mercy [CLICK HERE](#)**

*We are not defined by our mistakes. In Confession, Jesus invites us to encounter his mercy and be healed by his love. When he tells us "Go and sin no more," he also gives us the grace to do so.*

### **Part 3: Embraced in Mercy: The Rite Explained [CLICK HERE](#)**

*Whether you go to Confession regularly or a decade ago, this session guides you step-by-step through the deeper meaning of every aspect of the Rite—what it is, why we do it, and how it impacts your life.*

**Use your Formed subscription to watch: FORGIVEN: The transforming Power of Confession this week. The link can also be found on the Confession page of our website.**



Having your house blessed can bring peace to you & your family and is a wonderful way to intentionally invite God into your home. Call the parish office to make an appointment at 905-665-6470.



## **STAY UP TO DATE ON ALL THE HAPPENINGS AT HOLY FAMILY!**

Join our email list through Flocknote! Sign up at: [hollyfamilywhitby.ca/get-connected/](http://hollyfamilywhitby.ca/get-connected/)

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## **SIMPLIFY YOUR GIVING**

Sign-up for Pre-Authorized Giving - PAG

It's **EASY** and **CONVENIENT!**

PAG is convenient. Your offering is deducted automatically. There is no need to search for your chequebook or stop by a bank machine on the way to Mass. PAG allows you to support your parish when you are away – a benefit for the church since expenses continue all year long. Most importantly, you are in control; you can increase/decrease your donation amount or withdraw from the PAG plan easily online directly from our website or by simply dropping a signed note in the collection basket or the parish office.

## **PAG & WEEKLY ENVELOPES**

Did you know that the offertory collection is an **act of worship** in which our participation helps us, each week, to offer up our lives in response to God's grace? The collection basket is a chance to 'empty yourself' so that your gifts may be joined to those of Christ's at the altar and used for God's kingdom. When you physically place your envelope (*even an empty PAG envelope*) in the basket, you are saying "this is how I am participating".

This is why PAG users continue to receive a box of envelopes. These empty envelopes should still be placed into the collection basket as a **sign** of the preauthorized gift that you are giving to the parish. Simply mark your empty envelope "PAG" as shown in the illustration, and drop it in the basket as usual.



Also, it is important to note that **special collections** such as Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, Christmas, New Year's Day, Shepherds' Trust, just to name a few, are not processed through pre-authorized giving, therefore using your envelopes on a weekly basis will help remind you of these important collections as well.

Visit the [GIVING PAGE](#) of our website if you wish to change your PAG offering amount or to download the PAG Registration Form. PAG Enrollment forms can also be found in your pew.

**Thank you for your continued support!**



Join us on March 22, 23 & 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm for a 3-night **Lenten Retreat** Mass entitled "Getting Through the Storms of Life". The Mass will also be live-streamed on our YouTube & Facebook Page. Visit [holyfamilywhiby.ca](http://holyfamilywhiby.ca) for links.

## **Friday March 19th is the Feast Day of St Joseph, Husband of Mary.**

*We are reminded to look at Joseph's role as husband and head of the Holy Family.*



Most of what we know about the life of St. Joseph comes to us from Scripture and legends that have sprung up regarding his life. Though Joseph is only mentioned by two of the evangelists, he is paid the compliment of being a "just" man. This is a way of saying that Joseph was such a good and holy man that he shares in God's own holiness. In addition, Joseph gives us an example of how to be a just spouse and how to have holy relationships.

Joseph's example as a husband can be best seen in how he respected Mary. He realized that God had a special plan for his wife and for his son, and Joseph did everything in his power to help this plan become reality. When Joseph was given chances to give up his vocation to the married life, by divorcing Mary or leaving her, he resisted the temptation and stayed by her side providing support and love. Joseph is a model of humility and obedience to God's will.

### **Interesting Facts:**

- † The feast of St. Joseph Husband of Mary has been celebrated throughout the church since the tenth century and has been honored as the Patron of the Universal Church since 1870.
- † St. Joseph is patron Saint of Canada! 🇨🇦
- † St Joseph is sometimes called the "Silent Man" because none of his words are recorded in Scripture.
- † May 1<sup>st</sup> is also a Feast Day of St Joseph, where we celebrate St Joseph the Worker, patron Saint of workers throughout the world.
- † Pope Francis proclaimed, in his Apostolic Letter *Patris Corde* (With a Father's Heart), this year to be the **Year of St Joseph** starting from 8 Dec 8th 2020 until 8 Dec 8<sup>th</sup> 2021.
- † The Pope has also issued a Decree granting plenary indulgences for duration of the year of St Joseph. **For more information about St Joseph or the plenary indulgences visit "Year of St Joseph" webpage on our website: [holyfamilywhiby.ca/joseph/](http://holyfamilywhiby.ca/joseph/)**

Pope Francis proclaimed, in his Apostolic Letter *Patris Corde* (With a Father's Heart), this year to be the **Year of St Joseph**. "Each of us can discover in Joseph - the man who goes unnoticed, a daily, discreet and hidden presence - an intercessor, a support and a guide in times of trouble," Pope Francis. At the conclusion of this Letter, he added a prayer to St Joseph, which he encourages all of us to pray together:

*Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.*

**Join us for a Solemn Mass on Friday March 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm  
as we honour St Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin**