## **MASS INTENTIONS**

#### Monday Oct 6, 7:00pm

Sp Int Fatima Azevedo & Keisha req by Claudia Herod.

<u>Tuesday Oct 7, 7:00pm</u>

+Dorina & Zacheiu Ratiu req by the Burian Family.

#### Wednesday Oct 8, 7:00pm

+Salvadore D'Souza req by Delphine.

+Arthur Dorego req by Maggie O'Toole.

+Catherine req by Yesu.

+Fernando Alves req by Francelina Alves.

Sp Int Fr. Garfield Rochard req by Brenda Pagazani.

Sp Int Sheila Tobin req by Nancy Harel.

Thanksgiving for Ray Berry's Birthday.

#### Thursday Oct 9, 7:00pm

Sp Int for God's Healing Power for Carl Booker req by Cheryl.

#### Friday Oct 10, 7:00pm

+Albert Cobein req by his Daughters. +Renzo Subrizi req by Paul & Anna Colacicco. +Jon Stanley Kosakowski req by Judy Kosakowski & his Daughters.

> +Lucy Azevedo req by Juraci Ormonde. +Helia Silveira req by Juraci Ormonde. +Joao Azevedo req by Juraci Ormonde.

#### Saturday Oct 11, 5:00pm

Sp Int Paula & Jim Wineck & Family req by the Robertson Family.

### **UPCOMING COLLECTIONS**

**Oct 4/5 -** Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation. *Thank you for your continued support!* 

### LOOKING TO BECOME CATHOLIC?

If you are interested in learning more about how to join the Catholic Church or completing your initiation into the Catholic Church (baptism, receiving First Holy Communion and/or being Confirmed), please call Ryan Harlock at 905-243-9466 to discuss and inquire!

### **CONFIRMATION PARENT NIGHT**

The Parent Information Night is Tuesday, Oct 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm Please register online BEFORE attending the Parent Information Night at holyfamilywhitby.ca/confirmation-3/. Registration is open for all youth in grades 7 up to gr 9 (Older High school students, please contact the parish office).

### FIRST COMMUNION REGISTRATION

Registration for First Communion for children in **Grade 2 to Grade 6**, is now open. There are 2 parts, the Online Registration followed by a Parent Information Night. For details, please Visit: holyfamilywhitby.ca/first-holy-communion/

### DO LOVE GARDENING?

We are seeking volunteers who are can to use their gifts & talents to serve our parish by joining our gardening team! Our parish landscaping is always so beautiful and helps to provide a welcoming & inviting feel in our community. Please call the parish office at 905-665-6470.

# **MOM'S GROUP GATHERING WEDNESDAY!**



Join us THIS WEDNESDAY and be a part of an encouraging and supportive community of women and go deeper in your faith life. No matter where you are on your faith journey and no matter where you are as a mom – whether you have babies, teenagers

or even if you're an empty nester, if you're a mom - this group is for you!

Our first Gathering is **THIS Wednesday, October 8**<sup>th</sup> **at 7:30pm** and we will be discussing simple, practical ways to bring **HOPE into our families!** Find the sign-up link in the PARENT PORTAL of our website or Scan the QR code.



## JOURNEY WITH A NEW CATHOLIC THIS YEAR!

## RCIA Sponsors Needed! Are you being called?

Our Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) program is underway, and we are seeking dedicated, practicing Catholics to serve as sponsors for our new catechumens and candidates.

### What Does an RCIA Sponsor Do?

- You will be a companion and a living link to the parish community for someone on their journey of faith.
- You'll help them grow in their relationship with God and the Church.
- You'll introduce them to other parishioners and invite them to parish events.

### Who Can Be a Sponsor?

- You must be a fully initiated Catholic, meaning you have been confirmed and received the Eucharist.
- You must be a practicing Catholic (attending Sunday Mass regularly), in good standing with the Church: If you are married, you have to be married in the Catholic church and NOT cohabitating or common-law.

If you are interested or to know more, call our coordinator Ryan at 905 243 9466.

# START YOUR JOURNEY THIS MONDAY

### Let the Catechism Set Your Soul in Motion - Join us!

Foundations of Faith started last Monday but IT IS NOT TOO LATE to join! Come and discover the heart of our Catholic belief in a vibrant, video-based pilgrimage that brings the Catechism to life. From the ancient councils that shaped our doctrine to the saints who lived it, this program guides you on a spiritual adventure across 40 locations in 11 countries on four continents.

### Why Should You Come?

- **To Deepen your knowledge** Walk step-by-step through the Catechism, the Church's concise summary of Scripture and Tradition.
- **To Learn from trusted teachers** Dr. Edward Sri, Jeff Cavins, and Fr. Mike Schmitz present the material with clarity, humor, and pastoral insight.
- To Connect our faith to your daily life Each session shows how the teachings apply to work, family, and personal growth.

We will meet on Mondays with 2 sessions to choose from: Morning Sessions 10:00 am; Evening Sessions 7:30 pm. Cost: \$50 (includes workbook). Part 1 will run from Sept 29 to Dec 8 – Part 2 runs from Jan 12 to March 16.

Come, explore the treasure of the Catechism, and let this journey transform the way you live out your Catholic faith!

### PRO-LIFE LIFE CHAIN TODAY!

Pro-Life Ministry invites everyone to join the National wide Life Chain on **SUN OCT 5**<sup>TH</sup> at the intersection of Dundas St. & Thickson Rd. from 2 to 3pm. Join us and be a witness of protecting the human life of the unborn. Please contact Gwen 905-259-8504 if you have questions.

## **BOTTLE DRIVE OCT 18TH**

The Knights of Columbus will conduct a Bottle Drive on **Saturday October 18, 2025 between 2 pm to 5 pm** in the Parish Parking Lot. Please donate your returnable beer and alcohol cans/bottles. Cash donations are also accepted. All proceeds to Holy Family Parish

# LECTORS MEETING OCT 18<sup>TH</sup>

All parish lectors are invited to a meeting and refresher training on Sat, Oct. 18, 9:30 – 12pm. This will be a wonderful opportunity to come together, grow in our ministry, and connect with fellow lectors who serve at the various Masses. Anyone interested in becoming a lector is warmly invited to attend. Refreshments will be provided. Please **RSVP BY OCTOBER 13<sup>TH</sup>** to: holyfamilywhitbylectors@gmail.com

## **PALLIATIVE CARE SERIES**

The Palliative Care Program from the Catholic Bishops is being presented again by the Horizons of Hope Ministry!

Do you understand what Palliative Care is? How can you help a loved one at the end of life?

Come and get some answers to these important questions. Four Saturday Sessions:

Oct. 18 - 10am, Oct 25 - 10am,

Nov. 1 – 2:30pm and Nov. 15 - 10am

Register after Mass at the back of the church Or online <a href="https://html.ncbi.nlm.ncbi.n

# **MORNING PLAYGROUP!**

The Family Ministry Playgroup for Moms (Grandmom's & Dad's too) and their little ones (babies - preschoolers) will meet **THURSDAY MORNINGS from 9:30 to 11:00.** To register and be added to our email list, visit: holyfamilywhitby.ca/parent/ and click on 'PLAYGROUP'. We hope to see you there!

## ST VINCENT DE PAUL UPDATE AND THANKS!



The Saint Vincent de Paul - Holy Family Conference would like to thank our Parishioners for your donations to the Society from January to August 2025. **Because of your generosity, we have** 

made visits to 100 families, providing them with grocery gift cards, clothing, and back to school assistance to the value of \$34,480. Without your generous support we could not provide this assistance to serve Christ through our Neighbours in Need with love, respect, justice & joy. Thankyou!

# **WEEKNIGHT YOUTH GROUP – JOIN US**

<u>LIFETEEN (HIGH-SCHOOL).</u> Teens will explore the "treasures" of Catholic faith and learn how to live out and share it. Our goal is to walk each young person on his or her faith journey Sessions run the 1st and 3rd Thursday, 6:45pm – 9:00pm. <u>Starts This Thursday, October 2!</u>

<u>EDGE (GRADES 5-8)</u> – Our youth will learn to live a Christian life through the Beatitudes and the example of the Saints. Meetings are the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month, 6:45pm to 8:30pm. Games, competitions & snacks make it fun while building community & deepening faith. **Join us Oct 9**th.

See **Samantha** at the back of the church after **Mass.** Registration forms are available at the back of the church & website: holyfamilywhitby.ca/youth/

## THE CWL ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Save the date! Friday November 7<sup>th</sup> and Saturday November 8<sup>th</sup> with a special visit from Santa & Mrs. Claus on Saturday the 8<sup>th</sup>!

\*Please Note: this event will NOT be accepting any Vintage Treasures.

We are asking for the following donations:

- New giftable items for the penny social table
- New giftable items for children ages 6 months to 8 years
- Christmas decor that is gently used
- Cello wrap/bows/ribbon/clear cello bags
- Homemade baked goods and shelf stable preserves

If you or your place of employment would be interested in donating large prize items, please contact Angie at 905-721-8878. Please note we do NOT offer tables to vendors. All items are donated and monies are allocated to Holy Family Parish. *Stay tuned for more updates.* 

<u>CALLING ALL "PRESERVERS"</u> If you would like to help out by making some shelf stable preserves such as jams, jellies, pickles, tomatoes etc. please call Marlene @ 416-529-2565. Any contributions would be greatly appreciated.

## INDIGENOUS HEALING COLLECTION TODAY

The Archdiocese of Toronto is urging parishioners to support the Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation fund during the **OCTOBER 4-5 WEEKEND SECOND COLLECTION**. The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops aims to raise \$30 million for programs that serve Indigenous peoples across Canada. To date, over 70% of the goal has been met, and the Toronto Archdiocese has contributed \$3.1 million of its \$6 million pledge.

**If you missed this weekend's collection,** simply drop your clearly marked envelope 'Indigenous collection' in next weekend's offertory basket.