

# **HOLY FAMILY PARISH WHITBY**



**NOVENA IN PREPARATION  
FOR THE INAUGURATION OF  
THE NEW PREMISES**

**Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,**

**As we prepare to inaugurate our new premises at Holy Family Parish, Whitby, I would like to invite you to prepare yourselves for a time of new beginnings and a deeper spiritual renewal.**

**This is a wonderful opportunity to grow in faith, deepen our spiritual connection as a community, and bring our specific needs before the Lord.**

**As part of our preparations for this new chapter in the life of the parish, we are planning a novena from December 3, 2025 to December 11, 2025, to guide our minds and hearts to discern how we can best serve one another and the needs of our parish community. The novena will be said after the prayer after Holy Communion at all Masses during this 9-day period.**

**The inauguration of the new premises will be held at the conclusion of this novena on December 12, 2025, by His Eminence and Esteemed Archbishop of Toronto, Frank Cardinal Leo.**

**Your participation in this novena would be a great blessing. I look forward to sharing this spiritual journey with you.**

**In Christ's Love,  
Fr. László Nagy**

## **Day 1 - December 3, 2025**

Dear Lord, we thank You for the many blessings that parish life gives to us. We ask You to pour out Your grace on our parish that we may grow to a holy renewal.

May the individual members of our parish have access to the Mass and the other sacraments. When people fail to attend Mass regularly and do not partake of Your sacraments, the whole Church suffers.

Please bring our parish to a holy renewal, and we particularly ask You today to renew all parishes that are struggling because of dwindling Mass attendance!

Help us to always appreciate the many gifts You have given to Your Church.

Help us to make good use of all You have given us to grow in holiness.

And I especially ask today (mention your intentions here).

Lord, hear our prayers!

## **Day 2 - December 4, 2025**

Dear Lord, we thank You for the many blessings that parish life gives to us. We ask You to pour out Your grace on our parish that we may grow to a holy renewal.

You have blessed us with the opportunity for holy community within parish life in Your Church. We can benefit greatly from friendships with other Catholics in our parishes, but a lack of parishioner involvement in parishes can make this community very difficult to form.

Please bring our parish to a holy renewal, and we particularly ask You today to renew all parishes that are struggling because of a lack of parishioner involvement!

Help us to always make growth in holiness our top priority in life.

Help us to use every means available to grow closer to You in our lives each day.

And I especially ask today (mention your intentions here).

Lord, hear our prayers!

### **Day 3 - December 5, 2025**

Dear Lord, we thank You for the many blessings that parish life gives to us. We ask You to pour out Your grace on our parish that we may grow to a holy renewal.

You have asked us to serve You faithfully by obeying the teachings and laws of Your Church. You have given us many precepts for our own good, but many members of Your Church are reluctant to follow these laws of Your Church.

Please bring our parish to a holy renewal, and we particularly ask You today to renew all parishes that are struggling because of lack of obedience to Church teachings!

Help us to grow in love for Your laws in our lives.

Help us to always be submissive to all that You ask us to do through Your Church's teachings.

And I especially ask today (mention your intentions here).

Lord, hear our prayers!

## **Day 4 - December 6, 2025**

Dear Lord, we thank You for the many blessings that parish life gives to us. We ask You to pour out Your grace on our parish that we may grow to a holy renewal.

Our Catholic parishes should always be places of peace and holiness. But because of sin and our fallen human nature, parish life is often beset with problems of conflict and division between parishioners or parish staff members. All parishes struggling with conflict and division are in great need of grace and growth in virtue.

Please bring our parish to a holy renewal, and we particularly ask You today to renew all parishes that are struggling because of conflict and division!

Help us to always strive to love our neighbour out of love for You.

Help us to grow in all virtues necessary for holiness.

And I especially ask today (mention your intentions here).

Lord, hear our prayers!

## **Day 5 - December 7, 2025**

Dear Lord, we thank You for the many blessings that parish life gives to us. We ask You to pour out Your grace on our parish that we may grow to a holy renewal.

Parish life is a great gift You have given us to help us grow in holiness and union with You. In many places, parishes often struggle to do all they can to sanctify their members because of the limits of poverty. Poverty can limit parishes from doing many programs and services that can be of great benefit.

Please bring our parish to a holy renewal, and we particularly ask You today to renew all parishes that are struggling because of the limitations of poverty!

Help us to rely on You for all of our needs each day.

Help us to grow to a deeper intimacy with You, no matter what obstacles we might face.

And I especially ask today (mention your intentions here).

Lord, hear our prayers!

## **Day 6 - December 8, 2025**

Dear Lord, we thank You for the many blessings that parish life gives to us. We ask You to pour out Your grace on our parish that we may grow to a holy renewal.

You ask us to do all we can to serve You and grow close to You in our lives, and Your priests have a great responsibility to help others achieve this as well. Many parish priests fall short at times of what You ask of them. Parish priests are in great need of Your grace to lead parishes and their parishioners well.

Please bring our parish to a holy renewal, and we particularly ask You today to renew all parishes that are struggling because of a lack of holy priestly leadership!

Help us to do all we can to grow in holiness each day.

Help us to rely on You for all that we need.

And I especially ask today (mention your intentions here).

Lord, hear our prayers!



## **Day 7 - December 9, 2025**

Dear Lord, we thank You for the many blessings that parish life gives to us. We ask You to pour out Your grace on our parish that we may grow to a holy renewal.

There are many virtues necessary for us to live out holiness in our lives, and the formation of holy community with others often requires a great deal of humility. You can help renew parishes through an increase in holy humility that will help combat divisiveness and problems with disobedient practices.

Please bring our parish to a holy renewal, and we particularly ask You today to help all parishes find renewal through a growth in humility!

Help us to always make growth in virtue a true priority in our lives.

Help us to submit ourselves more fully to You at every opportunity.

And I especially ask today (mention your intentions here).

Lord, hear our prayers!

## **Day 8 - December 10, 2025**

Dear Lord, we thank You for the many blessings that parish life gives to us. We ask You to pour out Your grace on our parish that we may grow to a holy renewal.

You have created Your Church to be a guiding institution in our lives, in order that we may live in holiness and grow to an intimate relationship with You. Whenever we stray from submissiveness to the authority and the teachings of Your Church, great harm can come to our own souls and to the unity of Your whole Church community.

Please bring our parish to a holy renewal, and we particularly ask You today to help all parishes find renewal through a growth in submissiveness to Church authority and teachings!

Help us to grow to a deeper unity with You each day of our lives.

Help us to do all we can to serve You faithfully.

And I especially ask today (mention your intentions here).

Lord, hear our prayers!

## **Day 9 - December 11, 2025**

Dear Lord, we thank You for the many blessings that parish life gives to us. We ask You to pour out Your grace on our parish that we may grow to a holy renewal.

You have commanded us to love our neighbour as ourselves, and You have told us that we should serve You by serving our neighbour. But many times we fall short of true charity toward our neighbour. Your Church suffers greatly when we fail to do our best to serve our neighbour out of love.

Please bring our parish to a holy renewal, and we particularly ask You today to help all parishes find renewal through growth in a holy spirit of service!

Help us strive to grow in every virtue necessary for holiness.

Help us to grow in intimacy with You at every opportunity.

And I especially ask today (mention your intentions here).

Lord, hear our prayers!