

# HOLY FAMILY ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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PASTORAL TEAM:

Rev. Larry Léger, Pastor

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Lydia Rogers, Secretary Eric Luscombe, Youth Minister

Catherine Ecker, Catechist Catherine Baldassare, Parish Outreach



*prepare the way...*

# FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017

*"Forever, I will sing the goodness of the Lord."*

*Psalter III*



Parents wishing to baptize their children at Holy Family are invited to approach either Fr. Larry, Fr. Joseph, or Deacon Robert after any of the Sunday masses to obtain a Baptism package.

## SPECIAL REMINDER

### Parent & Child Catechetical Meeting



The parent and child meetings begin on Tuesday January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018. **Please consult the list in the parish hall and attend the date that has been assigned.**

Parents are reminded that they and their child are to have finished up to page 49 in the book *We Prepare for Reconciliation*. If you have any questions regarding the preparation, please contact Catherine Ecker at: [catechist@holyfamilybolton.ca](mailto:catechist@holyfamilybolton.ca), or call the parish and leave a message.

## PREPARING FOR CONFIRMATION

### A reminder for all Candidates

Each candidate for Confirmation is to write a letter to Fr. Larry and bring it on the day of enrolment. Enrolment will be celebrated at each Mass on January 6/7<sup>th</sup>, or January 13/14<sup>th</sup>, 2018.



As a tangible sign of our commitment to living as disciples, each candidate is asked to bring a package of new socks (sport or work socks) with them on the day of enrolment. The socks will be donated to community programs that serve youth and the homeless. If you have any questions, please contact Catherine Ecker at: [catechist@holyfamilybolton.ca](mailto:catechist@holyfamilybolton.ca)

## CELEBRATION DATES FOR CONFIRMATION & FIRST SHARING IN HOLY COMMUNION 2018

For all families who have formally registered their child in the preparation process leading to the celebration of Confirmation or first sharing in Holy Communion, the list of celebration dates is posted in the parish hall. The list includes the dates for meetings and for the candidates for Confirmation, the date of their retreat.

**The list remains posted until June 2018.** If your child's name has been misspelled, please notify Catherine Ecker, parish catechist, in writing and corrections will be made. In the event that you wish to change the date of celebration, you are asked to submit your request in writing (email is preferred). Changes will be made according to availability. Please email:

[catechist@holyfamilybolton.ca](mailto:catechist@holyfamilybolton.ca)

## CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE Wedding Anniversaries in December

We know that the wedding day for a couple is filled with joy, anticipation and hope. The sacrament of marriage begins on the wedding day and then for the rest of their lives, the couple learns how to live the sacrament. The married couples in our parish are a sign to us of God's faithfulness and through their witness we are strengthened.

If you have celebrated a wedding anniversary in December, we shall pray with you and share in your joy on **Saturday December 30<sup>th</sup>, at 5:00 pm, or on Sunday December 31<sup>st</sup>, at 8:30 am, 10:00 am and 12:00 noon.** We thank God for the gift of the married couples in our midst.

**Jesus is coming. Look Busy!**

## ADVENT: A SEASON OF DEVOUT AND EXPECTANT DELIGHT!



On Christmas Eve, you may replace the candles in your Advent wreath with new white ones for use during the Christmas season.

*Leader:* Lord Jesus, we approach that holy moment when Your coming in the flesh is renewed in our hearts. Give us peace and allow us to celebrate Your presence with joy, that we may some day share Your glory.

*We ask this of You, who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, as One God, now and forever.*  
**All: Amen**

## A PRAYER FOR FAMILIES

*O God,  
whose desire is that all  
the peoples of the world  
should be one human family,  
living together in harmony,  
grant that our home,  
by its worship and its witness,  
may help to hasten the day  
when your will is done on earth,  
as it is in heaven. Amen*

## ADVENT LECTURE SERIES Advent Biblical Personalities

All parishioners are invited to an Advent lecture series presented by Fr. Joseph. The last presentation will be **January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018, at 7:00 pm.**

Fr. Joseph's new book, *God And Human Then and Now* is available for purchase from the parish office. The cost is \$20.00 each.

## CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE



Christmas Eve  
Sunday December 24<sup>th</sup>  
4:00pm, 6:00pm, 10:00pm, Midnight

Christmas Day  
Monday December 25<sup>th</sup>  
10:00am and 12:00noon

Feast of the Holy Family  
Sunday December 31<sup>st</sup>  
Regular Saturday/Sunday  
Mass Schedule

See bulletin board in gathering space  
for complete details.

Please join us  
for our annual family skate  
1:30 - 3:30 pm  
Saturday December 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017  
Albion Bolton Community Centre



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### FIFTH SUNDAY ROSARY December 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017

All are welcome to join in praying the rosary on Saturday December 30<sup>th</sup>, following the 5:00 pm mass. Our intention will be for all the sick of the parish, especially those undergoing cancer treatment, or who are in hospice and palliative care.

Hope is not dead.  
It is simply bigger  
than our imagination.



The EDGE is open to students  
in Grades 6, 7, 8.  
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3, 4, 5  
Wednesdays  
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January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

### MOMS & TOTS

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



### VOCATIONS

From the angel Gabriel, Mary heard God's plan for her life and she said "Yes!". . . . and so the Saviour came into the world. Pray to know God's will for your life, so as to help bring Jesus to our world. If you think God is calling you to do this, as a priest, religious or deacon, call Fr. Chris, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto, 416-968-0997.

### THE SULTAN AND THE SAINT

The Franciscan Friars, in collaboration with a Muslim Production Company, have produced a film about St. Francis of Assisi's pilgrimage of peace to the Muslims in the midst of the Crusades. It is a strong statement for peace and understanding between Christians and Muslims. *The Sultan and the Saint* will be broadcast on PBS, Tuesday December 26<sup>th</sup>, 2017, at 8:00 pm. The film tells the story of St. Francis and Sultan Al-Kamil of Egypt, using both Christian and Muslim sources. A great learning opportunity!



### Mass Intentions

Monday December 25<sup>th</sup>, No 7:00 pm Mass

10:00am and 12:00 noon

Tuesday December 26<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 am

†Teresa & Mariangela Ierullo

Requested by Susie Salvatore & Family

Wednesday December 27<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 am

No 7:00 pm Mass

†Martinis & Guglielmetti Families

Requested by their family

Thursday December 28<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 am

For Leslie Sammut, for his health

Requested by Emma Bonicci

Friday December 29<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 am

For All the Sick of the Parish

Saturday December 30<sup>th</sup>

5:00 pm

Sunday December 31<sup>st</sup>

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

### SANCTUARY LAMPS

(December 20<sup>th</sup> - December 26<sup>th</sup>)

Galioto, Rocca, Carnevale Families

Mario & Caonvetta DiGiovanni

Franco Funari

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### VIOLIN LESSONS

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