

HOLY ROSARY CHURCH

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Feast of the Holy Family

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH

"The shepherds went in haste, and found Mary and Joseph and the Infant lying in a manger."

(Luke 2.16)

Weekly Biblical Reflection

"Get up, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt."

Today, the Church places before us the Holy Family as a model family. Not a picture-perfect family, but a real family navigating uncertainty, fear, and sacrifice. Sounds like our families who don't feel very "holy" most days. We are busy, stretched thin, sometimes even fragile. That is exactly where God chooses to dwell.

Today, the Holy Family is on the move. They are refugees, fleeing violence and crossing borders. Joseph doesn't receive a long explanation from God, just a simple, urgent instruction: Get up, take the child and his mother, and go. So Joseph goes. No questions or any complaints. Just quiet, faithful obedience.

Sounds like most of us. Getting up in the middle of the night, doing what needs to be done, and trusting God with the rest.

The Holy Family teaches us that our families don't have to be perfect. Jesus grew up in a home that knew displacement, danger, manual labor, and silence. It is there in the ordinary routines and struggles of family life that salvation unfolds.

For those families already in a good place than today is a call to gratitude. For those whose families are wounded, distant, or complicated, it offers a word of hope.

God doesn't work through families because they are flawless, but because love is stronger than weakness. That is where you will hear God's voice.

- Deacon Kevin

Announcements

1. 2025 DONATION DEADLINE

Any donations received in the Parish Office by **noon on December 31, 2025**, will be credited toward your 2025 charitable donation tax receipt. Donations received after that time will be considered 2026

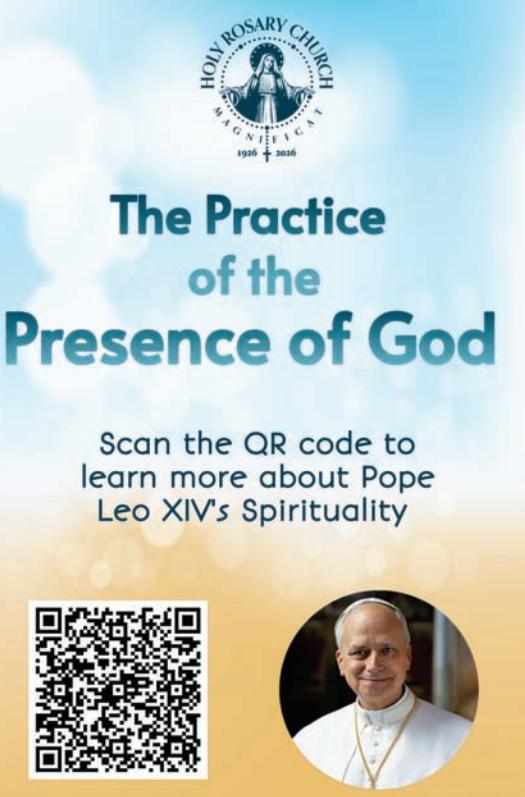
donations. In accordance with CRA regulations, donations submitted by mail must be postmarked by Canada Post by December 31, 2025, to be eligible for a 2025 tax receipt.

2. If you are registered to receive donation envelopes, the 2026 donation envelopes are ready for pickup at the accessible entrance of the Church.

Please DO NOT USE these envelopes until January 1st, 2026. If you would like to register to receive donation envelopes, please contact the Parish Office.

3. The Churches-on-the-Hill DECEMBER Food of the Month donation is DRY PASTA. Please bring your donation to the Parish Office. With rising food costs, the Foodbank is serving a record number of clients (approximately 1200 people per week). Visit us at our website, www.cothfoodbank.ca, for more information or to donate. On behalf of the clients and volunteers at COTH Foodbank, thank you for your support.

4. On Tuesday, January 27th, at 7 PM, in the Parish Hall, we will be showing the movie on St. Maximilian Kolbe, titled "Triumph of the Heart." Tickets are \$10 and are sold on a first-come-first-serve basis. To purchase tickets, please email LPA@holysaray.ca.



The logo of the Holy Rosary Church, founded in 1926, is displayed. The logo features a circular emblem with the Virgin Mary holding the Christ Child, surrounded by the text "HOLY ROSARY CHURCH" and "1926-2026". Below the logo, the text "The Practice of the Presence of God" is written in a large, stylized font. At the bottom, there is a QR code and the text "Scan the QR code to learn more about Pope Leo XIV's Spirituality". To the right of the QR code is a circular portrait of Pope Leo XIV.

DECEMBER 28th, 2025

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 29, 2025

Saint Thomas Becket

12:10 pm. Bernadina Fernandes (+)
Requested By: The Family

Tuesday, December 30, 2025

12:10 pm. Virgilio (+) & Maria Correia
(+), Carmen Dolores Vasconcelos
(+) & Sooyoung Bae (+)
Requested By: The Family & Yangyoung Jo

Wednesday, December 31, 2025

New Year's Eve

5:00 pm. Fr. Franklin Lobo (+)
Requested By: Anonymous

Thursday, January 1, 2026

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

8:00 am. Holy Rosary Parishioners
10:00 am. Holy Rosary Parishioners
12:00 pm. Holy Rosary Volunteers

Friday, January 2, 2026

Saint Basil the Great

12:10 pm. Virginia Grace Macdonald
Murphy (+)
Requested By: Dr. Jane Murphy

Multiple Intentions:
Ales Bazzul (+) (Birthday)

Saturday, January 3, 2026

The Most Holy Name of Jesus

9:00 am. Intentions of the Blessed Virgin
Mary and in reparation for all
sins committed against her
Immaculate Heart

5:00 pm. Jesus Lukban (+)
Requested By: Family & Friends

Sunday, January 4, 2026

The Epiphany of the Lord

8:00 am. Felicidad Villasenor (+)
Requested By: Lillian Nasello

10:00 am. Caterina Cugliari (+)
Requested By: Lillian Nasello

12:00 pm. Cathay & Camille Feghli
(Special Intentions)
Requested By: Susan Pilon

Please remember in your prayers those who are sick, especially: Richard Marshall, Paul Swarney, Kaye Graham, Mary Hopkins, Peter Robinson, Dominic Curran, Gerard Gonsalves, Mary Castillo de Vega, Mary Agnes Ludwick, Madeleine Mendoza, Peter Verwoerd, Paul Morisset, Mark Colbreath, Betty Dempsey, Anthony Verombeck, M.M. Mackenzie, and Jamie.

Please remember in your prayers those who recently died, especially: Fr. Frank Kelly (+), & Fr. David (+).



Christmastide Mass Schedule

Monday, December 29

12:10 PM Mass

Tuesday, December 30

12:10 PM Mass

Wednesday, December 31 - New Year's Eve

5 PM Mass (no 12:10 PM Mass)

Thursday, January 1 - Feast of Mary, Mother of God

8 AM, 10 AM*, & 12 PM Mass

Friday, January 2

12:10 PM Mass

Saturday, January 3

9 AM & 5 PM Mass

Sunday, January 4 - Epiphany of Our Lord

8 AM, 10 AM*, & 12 PM Mass

*Masses will be livestreamed

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