



H O L Y C R O S S
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Office Hours:
Monday to Friday
9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Fr. Godofredo R. Claudio, Pastor

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Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm
Sunday 9:30 am, 11:00 am, 7:00 pm

Morning Prayer:

Tuesday thru Friday 7:45 am

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday to Friday: 8:15 am
Saturdays & Holidays: 9:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm
First Friday 6:15 pm to 6:45 pm
For any other time by appointment only

First Fridays:

Holy Hour: 6:00 pm
Mass 7:00 pm

Baptism:

By appointment and after an interview with the parents.

Marriage:

Couples planning to be married should contact the pastor one year in advance.

Care of the Sick:

Please call the parish to request visitation of the sick or elderly - for prayers, Holy Communion, Sacrament of the Sick.

New Parishioners:

Welcome! Please ask for a registration form in the vestibule of the church or at the parish office.

Eucharistic Healing Procession & Benediction

Every 1st Sat. of the Month after the 9:00am Mass.

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Principal: Ms. Sandy Gunter

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

 Mass Intentions				
Date	Day	Time	Mass Intention for	Requested by
Sept 17	Tues	8:15 am	Sam Nargolwalla †	Holy Cross Sch. Staff
Sept 18	Wed	8:15 am	Rosario & Carlos Manalo †	Greg & Corazon Beltjar
Sept 19	Thurs	8:15 am	John Ortiz †	
Sept 20	Fri	8:15 am	For the Precious Blood of Jesus	Incoronata Ambrosini
Sept 21	Sat	9:00 am	Maria Lim †	Helena Lee
		5:00 pm	Guiseppe † & Mario Ambrosini †	Incoronata Ambrosini
Sept 22	Sun	9:30 am	For Angela's Parents, In-laws & all the deceased in the world †	Angela Mancini
		11:00 am	Pietro Turco †	Vega Family
		7:00 pm	All Parishioners	

Reflections on the Sunday Gospel

Today's readings remind us of the boundlessness of God's mercy. In our flawed humanity, we continually stray from the path we know leads to eternal life. But God's compassion and forgiveness are much stronger than his justifiable anger. God never gives up on us.

The first reading speaks of Israelites turning from God to worship a golden calf, a difficult image to relate to. Yet, we are bombarded daily with calls urging us to acquire more superficial possessions. New cars, bigger homes, clothing, jewels, gadgets – each one a contemporary “golden calf.” How easy it is to succumb to the media's temptations! Yet, God calls us, in the silence of our hearts, to forsake these false gods and return to him. His tenderness and mercy are always ours for the asking.

Luke's Gospel focuses on the pain of loss and the rejoicing that follows its reversal. The most powerful element in this passage is the story of the “lost” son. As we hear it, perhaps we recognize ourselves in the son who abandoned home and family in favour of reckless living. Perhaps we identify with the elder son's discontent and envy when his father warmly welcomes his brother home. Perhaps we relate to both.

Heavenly Father, give us the grace to answer the call to share in your love, mercy and forgiveness.

*Excerpt from the Living with Christ
By: Barbara d'Artois*

Altar Servers' Schedule: Sept. 21 & 22, 2019			
Saturday 5:00 pm	Sunday 9:30 am	Sunday 11:00 am	Sunday 7:00 pm
Angeline & Angelo Beltran	Cheraldine & Arnold Carandang	Andre & Martina Flores	Cailean Cruzada
Michael Orillanes	Maryrose Sabio	Christine Dipasupil	Joshua Razon
Isaiah Odejobi	Sean Quinagon	Aurora & Alfred Donceras	Kirsten Razon
Ryan	Ruel Gutierrez, Jr.	Gieann Pervera & Bernadette Labang	

Upcoming Events

Communion for the Household

Please let us know if you have relatives or friends who need visitation or communion. We bring Holy Communion to the housebound every **1st Friday of the month**.

Holy Cross Eucharistic Healing Procession & Benediction

Every **1st Saturday of the month**, Fr. Freddy will perform a Eucharistic Healing Procession and Benediction in the Church after the 9:00am Mass. **Everyone is welcome to attend.**

Al-Anon Meeting

Every Monday • Parish Hall • 7:30pm~9:30pm

Food Drive: Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Every 2nd Sunday of the month

Registration & Parent Information Session:

First Reconciliation & First Holy Communion

September 21, 2019 (Saturday) • Parish Hall • 10:30am

Feast of St. Vincent's de Paul & Soup Night

September 27, 2019 (Friday) • Parish Hall • 6:30pm

Registration & Parent Information Session:

Confirmation

September 28, 2019 (Saturday) • Parish Hall • 10:30am

**First Reconciliation/First Holy Communion
and Confirmation for 2020
Registration & Parent Information Session**

Grade 2 Students

**Sacraments of First Reconciliation &
First Holy Communion**

Registration : September 21, Saturday
Time : 10:30am
Venue : Parish Hall

Grade 7 Students

Sacraments of Confirmation

Registration : September 28, Saturday
Time : 10:30am
Venue : Parish Hall

Note: In order to prevent the inconvenience, Parents can prepare the photocopy of the Baptismal Certificate of **both** the Child & the Sponsor/Godparent ahead of time.

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
(RCIA)**

On **Sunday, September 22nd at 10:00am**, RCIA will begin with Information Session for people who are interested in joining the Catholic Church, or Catholics who have not received their Confirmation. The sessions are also open to anyone interested in deepening or sharing their faith. The venue will be at the Parish Hall.

Please spread this news with family and friends and ask anyone interested to contact the Parish Office for details.

**Feast of St. Vincent de Paul
and Soup Night**

All parishioners are invited to celebrate the *Feast of St. Vincent de Paul* on **Friday September 27, 2019**.

Fr. Freddy will celebrate **mass at 6:30pm** which will be followed by a **'Soup Night'** in the parish hall.

Come join us for some fellowship and a delicious variety of homemade soups (including John's crowd pleasing "Tom Yum").

Come celebrate with us!

**Installation Mass
for
Fr. Freddy**

You're Invited!

On **September 15, Sunday at 11 am**, we invite everyone to witness the *Installation of Rev. Godofredo "Freddy" Claudio* as our Pastor in Holy Cross Parish celebrated by *Most Rev. Bishop Robert Kasun, CSB., D.D.*, Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Toronto.

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This year marks the



of

**Holy Cross Parish!**

*Please come and join us in our*

**Annual Family Day BBQ**

*on September 15, Sunday  
after the 11:00am mass  
at the Church Lawn.*



*Everyone is welcome!!*

**Holy Cross' End of Summer Sale 2019**



Our Church Sale was a great success. A big thank you to everyone who donated items or cash, volunteered at the sale or came by and picked up something. The money will be put to good use to help to bring people closer to Jesus.

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