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# Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish

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**St. Paul Miki and Companions—Pray for Us!**

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## SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:00pm

Sunday: 8:30am, 10:00am & 11:30am

Life Teen Mass—6:30pm

Spanish Mass—4:45pm

## WEEKDAY MASSES

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays—7:00pm

Tuesdays & Thursdays—8:30am

Saturdays: 9:30am

## CONFESSIONS

1/2 hour before each Sunday Mass or by appointment.

## BAPTISMS

Please contact us one month or more in advance.

## MARRIAGE

Please contact us one year in advance for adequate preparation.

## HOLY COMMUNION for SHUT-INS and SICK

If you know of anyone who is sick and would like to have communion brought to them or would like the Sacrament of the Sick, or simply would like to be included in the Prayers of the Faithful, contact us.

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Mother Teresa—905-778-8653

St. Charles—905-775-6762

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## PARISH MINISTRIES and SOCIETIES

Consolation and Hope

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El Sembrador

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Life Teen

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Seniors Club

Social Club

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## CULTURAL GROUPS

Divino Espirito Santo

Nossa Senhora De Fatima

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## NEW PARISHIONERS: WELCOME !

You are invited to register by completing the form at the Parish Office or in the gathering space at the back of the Church. Offering Envelopes are available.

## OUR SPIRITUAL JOURNEY

### Lessons for Catholics of every Age!

Perhaps because of his intimate daily contact with the Mother of God, or because he was beloved, John's writing has an especially moving quality that shows his outstanding grasp of the profound meaning of every fact. In today's verses, his symbolic language reaches an apex of expressiveness.

Peter sets out to sea with six other companions on a nocturnal fishing venture. Jesus, from the shore, watches over them and the boat. They catch nothing. Jesus gives them directions and they obey, with astonishing results. Once again, Jesus' affirmation is verified: "Without Me, you can do nothing" (Jn 15:5), as well as that of St. Paul: "I can do all things in Him who strengthens me" (Phil 4:13). These are the final lessons left by the Divine Master, not only for future centuries until the end of time – for us as well. When failure weighs upon our shoulders, let us seek to hear the voice of Jesus and follow His teachings. He, from the shore of eternity, will give us the wise and efficacious counsel that will transform our exhausting burden into marvelous success. Thus, we should never lose heart, despite the size of the obstacles to overcome.

Peter proposes the fishing excursion, leaps from the boat in search of Jesus, and returns to it to drag the net ashore. Here, Peter also represents the Pope of all times, the Sweet Christ on earth. To him befalls the direction of the Church, under the vigilance and orientation of Jesus.

The apostles had not eaten all night, but even before taking anything, they hand over the fruits of their labour to Jesus. This should always be our manner of acting; first we must return our successes to God, without concern for ourselves, because He will take the initiative of completing that which he Himself began. Let us embark on apostolic activities under the influence of the Holy Spirit, convinced that the captain of our boat is Peter. Our surrender and effort must be total. Jesus will provide us with nourishment and energy.

### We Celebrate, We Believe

We welcome the following, who were baptised, received into the Church, or received First Communion at the Easter Vigil. Please keep them and their families in your prayers as they continue to walk with Jesus our Good Shepherd.

Congratulations to:

Ricki Hench  
Sami Marc Farah  
Victoria Vorachak  
Julian Flamenco  
Kirss Ampadu  
Nicole Verissimo

Joi Ampadu  
Andrew Farah  
Victor Vorachak  
Alejandro Flamenco  
Franses Ampadu  
James Lavigne



The Social Committee is organizing a BOWLING NIGHT at Bradford Bowl on Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm.

We have 5 lanes booked, and payment can be made at Bradford Bowl upon arrival. Lots of prizes to be won. Bring the kids too! If you are interested in coming to this fun night, please contact the Parish Office during office hours, Monday to Friday, 9am-4pm to sign up your team.

### THANK YOU TO ALL WHO DONATED LILIES

Their physical beauty and perfume and the prayers they represent help to make Easter special.

## WEEKLY COLLECTION

Offertory donation for April 7<sup>th</sup> was \$ 6,442.39

Our weekly goal is \$6,000.00

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

Devotions for Our Lady will be continuing, at **4:00pm** each first Saturday until July 6<sup>th</sup>. Novena followed by confessions and Mass at 5:00pm All are welcome.

### SHARE LIFE FOR 2013

To help ShareLife reach their \$12.3 million goal for the 2013 campaign, Holy Martyrs Parish has been assigned a suggested minimum of \$40,000.<sup>00</sup>.

To date we have collected \$19,797.08

*The next Share Life Collection is April 21<sup>st</sup>. Please give generously. You Can Work Wonders!*

### PRAYER QUEST

Prayer Quest is a four-evening study and practice in prayer for people who feel weary from busy lives or empty from constant caring. Wisdom from some of the Church's great Saints will light the way in this spiritual journey.

**Where:** Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish, 167 Essa Street, **When:**

Thursday evenings: April 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> & May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>

at 7:00- 9:00pm. Provided at no fee by the Office of Formation for Discipleship, Archdiocese of Toronto.

Pre-registration is requested to facilitate planning.

To register contact Laurie van den Hurk 705-428-5537 or

[lvandenhurk@archtoronto.org](mailto:lvandenhurk@archtoronto.org)

### MARYGROVE GIRLS CAMP and CAMP OZANAM for BOYS

We are currently accepting registrations for these camps which run throughout the summer months. This program is for families that are experiencing financial or domestic hardship. Please leave your contact information with the parish office or for further info and camp dates, call the office at (905) 775-2065.



### *Celebrations for the Month of March 2013*

*Congratulations to the following couple who were married this past month at Holy Martyrs of Japan.*

**Denis Braz & Lynn-Marie Wilder**

*We welcome into our parish those who have been Baptized*

**Aevah Cruise**

**Ava Iannacchino**

**Owynn Raponi**

*Please pray for those who have passed away.*

**Gisela Mikos**

**Antonia Berek**

**Victor Jose Fernandes**

**Lionia Pontes**

**Antonio Estacio**

**Silvano Fernandes**

**Michael James Mandino**

**Maria Arromba**

*Please keep these faithful in your prayers.*

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

### 5:00pm Saturday, April 13th

- + Sidonio Marques by Augusto & Laura Marques
- + Jose & Maria Ferreira by Fernandes Family
- + Fernando Viaes by Carlos, Alison, Tiago & Niko
- + Maria Gutta by Husband & Children
- + Carlos Bento by Wife – Deonilde
- + Teresa Silva & Alice Fernandes by Family
- + Miguel Gomes by Lucia & Orlando Araujo
- + Tony & Joe Toich by Mary & Family

### Sunday, April 14th

- 8:30am + All Souls by Alice Santos & Family
- 10:00am + Antonio Santana & Maria Sousa by Carolina Santana
- 11:30am First Communion for children of Mother Teresa School
- 4:45pm Spanish Mass
- 6:30pm Pro Populo

### 7:00pm Monday, April 15th

- + Antonio Martins by Wife – Celeste & Family
- + All Souls in Purgatory by Rosa & David Oliveira
- + William Kristman by Mendrek Family
- + Maria & Ferenc Szabo by Daughter – Ilona
- + Manuel & Maria Marques by Fernando Miranda & Family
- + Antonio Estacio by Adam & Cecile Koch
- + Lonia Pontes by Jose & Lucia Viveiros
- + Francisco Cunha & Otelinda Ferreira by Rosa Barroso & Family

### 8:30am Tuesday, April 16th

- + Jose De Sousa by Wife & Family

### 7:00pm Wednesday, April 17th

- + Joseph Giglio by Giglio Family

### 8:30am Thursday, April 18th

- + Antonio Estacio by Gasko Family

### 7:00pm Friday, April 19th

- + William Yaszczyszyn by Taucar Family

### 9:30am Saturday, April 20th

- + Franco Trotta by Carmela Trotta & Alberino Innucci

### 5:00pm Saturday, April 20th

- + Jose Francisco Rodrigues by D2 Employee Donation
- + Angelina Mirabelli Hamilton by Angelina Muraca & Family
- + Brian Collier by Family
- + John Ferreira by Bernardette Ferreira
- + Teresa Silva & Palmira Correia by Family
- + Antonio Morais Castro by Family
- + Maria & Mate Zic by Mary & Family
- + William & Will Kristman by Katherina Djurkowitsch

### Sunday, April 21st

- 8:30am Jose & Lucinda Sousa by Jose & Lucia Viveiros
- 10:00am Vitorino Nazario & Olimpia Sousa by Carolina Santana
- 11:30am First Communion for children of St. Charles School
- 4:45pm Spanish Mass
- 6:30pm Pro Populo

“May God Grant Them Eternal Peace”

### CWL FEAST DAY

The CWL feast day will be celebrated on, Friday, April 26, 2013. Dinner in the Parish Hall after 7:00pm Mass. For tickets please speak with Imelda Santos.



All Lifeteen events start following the 6:30pm Sunday Youth Mass	All EDGE events start at 7:00 to 8:30pm on Monday evening in the Parish Hall.
Apr 7 – Social	Apr 8 – Back to the Beach
Apr 14 – The Fullness of Time	Apr 15 – Rise Up
Apr 21 – Issue night	Apr 22 – Free Lunch

### March for Life

March for Life will take place this year on May 9, in Ottawa. A bus will be leaving from Our Lady of Grace parish in Aurora at 6:30am and returning at 9:30pm. The fare is \$60 for adults & \$30 for students, and is due by April 29th. To register please call Ray at 905-251-8151

### Join the Holy Martyrs of Japan Knights of Columbus Best Ball Golf Tournament!

Saturday, July 27th at 12 noon sharp! Shotgun start at Harbour View Golf & Country Club, 1284 Shore Acres Drive, Gilford. Entry fee \$500 per foursome. 4 person team, open to all formats. \$10,000 hole in one – Par 3 attempt, other Par 3 prizes, Longest Drive, Golf Cart, Game of Golf and Dinner included. All proceeds support local Knights of Columbus charities. For further details of the event or if you wish to make a donation, please contact Wayne 905-778-8179 or Steve at 905-775-7704 or Robert at 905-252-7248.



### Pilgrimage to ITALY

Under spiritual leadership of Fr. Boniface Perri, Pastor of Holy Martyrs of Japan Church, October 13th, to 24th 2013 – 12 days \$3,670.00 (includes Airport Taxes & Bus Fees)

Travel arrangements by

International Heritage Tours

This pilgrimage will only take place if there is enough interest. Information flyers are located at the back of the church. More details to follow or speak to Fr. Boniface. Please fill out your registration forms as soon as



possible and give to Fr. Boniface or drop them off at the Parish Office during business hours. Thank you.

### PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY

Fr. Boniface will be having a meeting for all interested in the Pilgrimage to Italy. The meeting will be on Wednesday, April 17th at 7:30pm in the Large Meeting Room.

### CATHOLICISM SERIES PRESENTATION

2013 is the “Year of Faith”. Holy Martyrs Parish will be presenting a 10 week series of videos and discussions, starting on Tuesday, February 19th at 7:00pm and every Tuesday thereafter until Tuesday, April 30th. The Videos are by Rev. Robert E. Barron. The discussion will be lead by Fr. Boniface with refreshments to follow afterwards in the Parish Hall. Everyone is welcome to attend this very informative free event.



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