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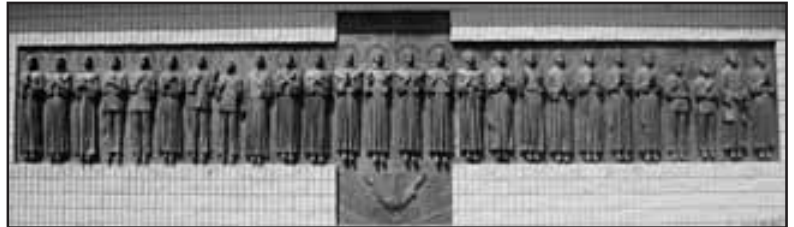
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St. Paul Miki and Companions—Pray for Us!

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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:00pm

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

Life Teen Mass—6:30pm

Seasonal Spanish Mass—5:00pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays—7:00pm

Tuesdays & Thursdays—8:00am

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.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Holy Trinity High School—905-775-4841

Marie of the Incarnation—905-775-3492

Mother Teresa—905-778-8653

St. Charles—905-775-6762

St. Jean de Brebeuf—905-775-8460

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CWL (Catholic Women's League)

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Knights of Columbus

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St. Vincent de Paul Society

EDGE Youth Ministry

Life Teen

New Beginnings

Social Club

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Divino Espirito Santo

El Sembrador Co-ordinator

Nossa Senhora De Fatima

Santissima Trindade

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.

Appearances after the Resurrection

"Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe." (John 20:29)

The Resurrection of Christ is the supreme proof of His divinity and the solid foundation of our Christian faith. St. Paul writes: *"If Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain."* (1Cor 15:14)

After the resurrection, our Lord remained on earth for forty days during which time He appeared several times to His Apostles. Today's Gospel mentions two of those appearances of Jesus.

In the first appearance, Jesus bestows a very special power on His Apostles. While spreading the Good News they were to act in the name of God, for forgiving or not forgiving sin. *"As the Father has sent me, even so I send you. Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."* (John 20:21, 22-23)

In the second appearance, our Lord convinces a doubting Thomas that it is really He, the Master, who is in the room. *"Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side: do not be faithless, but believing."* Thomas answered Him, *"My Lord and my God!"* Jesus said to him, *"Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe."* (John 20:27-29)

The closing words of St. John clearly state the purpose for writing this Gospel. *"These signs are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name."* (John 20:31)

The facts surrounding the resurrection give so much more credence to our Lord's words uttered on other occasions during His public life. *"I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and whoever lives and believes in me shall never die."* (John 11:25-26)

from God's Message by Rev. Msgr. Vito C. Mazzone

OUR FAMILY of SAINTS

"From the moment of her fiat, Mary began to carry all of us in her womb".

St. Anselm – Apr 21st

Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha – Apr 17th

Pray for us!

SHARE LIFE FOR 2012

To help ShareLife reach the \$12.3 million parish goal for the 2012 campaign, Holy Martyrs Parish has been assigned a suggested minimum of \$41,000.⁰⁰. The next collection will be on April 29th, in order for us to reach this target amount, please give generously.

The Multi-Cultural Dinner has been postponed to Saturday, November 10th

We are sorry for any inconvenience this has caused. If you purchased tickets, please come to the Parish Office between 9am-4pm Mon-Fri. with your ticket stubs and we will return your money.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Offertory donation for April 8th - \$8,096.50

Our weekly goal is \$6,000.00

Thank you for your generosity.

TRIDUUM 2012

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

Everyone is welcomed to attend

Sat, Apr 14th 6:00pm

Sunday, April 15th

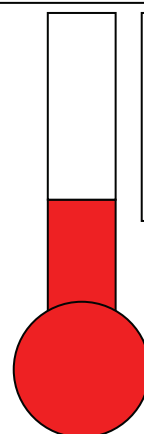
3:00pm – Divine Mercy Celebration

First Communion Celebrations will take place during the 11:30 am Mass on the following dates

St. Charles & other schools	Sunday, April 15 th
Mother Teresa School	Sunday, April 22 nd
St. Jean de Brebeuf	Sunday, April 29 th
Marie of the Incarnation	Sunday, May 6 th

PARENTS: Please take note that the Communion

Candidates are to be at the Church Hall for 11:00am to get prepared.



ROOF REPORT

We have saved and collected \$96,000 towards our new roof and repairs to the water damage in the Church.

\$44,000 to go!!!

Please give if you haven't already done so. We are asking for \$150. per family. Thanks to all of those who have already donated.

SUNDAY to SUNDAY.....

UPCOMING EVENTS at HOLY MARTYR'S PARISH

Sun Apr 15th – 11:30am – First Communion Celebration for St. Charles and other schools
 Mon Apr 16th – 8:00pm – St. Vincent de Paul Meeting
 Wed Apr 18th – 7:30pm – Knights of Columbus – 1st Degree Training
 Sun Apr 22nd – 11:30am – First Communion Celebration for Mother Teresa school

THE EDGE ADVENTURE CAMP – August 23rd – 28th



Located at the beautiful Camp White Pine in Haliburton. We are currently taking reservations as space is limited.

Registration deadline is April 30th and a \$100

deposit is required. Balance due on July 1st. For more information, please contact Ray at the Parish Office – 905-775-2065 or email at reitzel@hotmail.com

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

5:00pm Saturday, April 14th

+ Giuseppe Beninati by Wife Francesca
+ Maria Pugliese by Husband & Children
+ Francisco Rodrigues by Wife Ester
+ Tony Toich & Joe Toich by Mary & Family
+ Maria Gutta by Husband Nicola Gutta & Family
+ Vergili Domingues & Maria Rosa Miranda by Lurdes Domingues & Family
+ Carlos Bento by Deonilde Bento
+ Pasquale & Antonietta Baccileri by Family

Sunday, April 15th

8:30am + Jose & Lucinda Sousa & Daniel & Diolinda Viveiro by Jose & Lucia Vivieros
10:00am + Antonio Santana & Maria Sousa by Carolina Santana
11:30am + Joao Laranjeiro by Wife & Children
11:30am First Communion for St. Charles & Other Public Schools
5:00pm Spanish Mass
6:30pm Pro Populo

7:00pm Monday, April 16th

+ Jose De Sousa by Wife & Family
+ John Ferreira by Bernardette Ferreira
+ Santos Family by Gil & Laura Santos
+ Julio Manuel & Joao Fernando Soares by Maria & Abilio Soares
+ Manuel Marques & Maria Oliveira by Dinis Family
+ Natalia Rodrigues by Idalina & Carlos Correia
+ Victor Latoszek by Joe Mendrek & Family
+ Mary Mendrek by Joe Mendrek & Family

8:00am Tuesday, April 17th

+ Joseph Melenson by Gerard Gervais

7:00pm Wednesday, April 18th

+ William Yaszczyszyn by Taucar Family

8:00am Thursday, April 19th

+ All Souls

7:00pm Friday, April 20th

+ Manuel Gomes & Ana Ferreira by Manuel Gomes

9:30am Saturday, April 21st

+ Special Intentions Rose Hand by Bill & Pat Jardine

5:00pm Saturday, April 21st

+ Laurentina & Manuel Neto by Joaquim Neto
+ Eduardo & Miguel Gomes by Jack, Gina & Danny Gomes
+ Janos Szabo by Daughter & Family
+ Teresa Silva by Family
+ Arminda de Jesus Ferreira by Fernando & Arminda Miranda
+ Dan & Eleanor Blake by Mario & Theresa Leonienico
+ Lena, Teddy & Joey Dinova by Dian & Bill Stubbs
+ Victor Latoszek by Wife & Children

Sunday, April 22nd

8:30am + Fernando Viaes by Carlos, Alison, Tiago & Niko
10:00am + Rosina Ferragina by Peter Bianchi & Family
11:30am + Helen Cartney Kibsey by Husband William & Family
11:30am First Communion for Mother Teresa School
5:00pm Spanish Mass
6:30pm Pro Populo

"May God Grant Them Eternal Peace"

Looking for an exciting volunteer opportunity?

Catholic Family Services of Simcoe County might be the right fit for you. Do you have a background in finance, legal, marketing, media relations or the fundraising sector? Do you have about 6 hours a month to share your time and talent? CFSSC wants you to join their Board of Directors. Your valuable input can help improve their professional counseling services, education programs and community development initiatives. For an application form and more information please contact Heather Bebb, Executive Director at hbebb@cfssc.ca or 705-726-2503



All Lifeteen events start following the 6:30pm Sunday Youth Mass

Apr 22nd - TBA



All EDGE events start at 7:00 to 8:30pm on Monday evenings in the Parish Hall. Questions or Concerns - Call Diane at 705-737-5260 ext 79203

Apr 23rd - TBA

CWL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **CWL Feast Day – Thursday, April 26th - Mass at 6:00pm** with dinner following after Mass in the Parish Hall. **Tickets are \$22.00 per lady.** Open to CWL members and to new ladies (16 yrs or older) who are interested in joining the CWL. Tickets available at the Church or from Tina – 905-775-4386. Ticket deadline is April 15th
- **CWL TORONTO CONVENTION – Friday May 4th & Saturday May 5th** at the Double Tree Hotel. Admission to the convention is \$20.00 per day or \$35.00 for 2 days. The Saturday evening Banquet cost is \$55.00. Please purchase tickets from Tina (775-4386) by April 1st.

St. Charles Jubilee

You are cordially invited to attend the 50th Anniversary celebration of St. Charles School, Bradford on May 5, 2012.



12:00 noon- Jubilee Mass

celebrated by Rev. Father Boniface Perri at Holy Martyrs of Japan Catholic Church, 167 Essa Street, Bradford.

1:00-4:00 PM- School Open House, Meet & Greet

Light Lunch Barbecue (\$5.), displays and presentations at St. Charles School, 691 Simcoe Road, Bradford.

5:30-10:00 PM- Annual Spring Fling Celebration

at the Portuguese Cultural Center, 767 Simcoe Road, Bradford. Includes dinner, silent auction, music, games, and fun for the whole family. Tickets must be purchased in advance for this part of the day. RSVP by Apr. 26th stcharles50@hotmail.com

BOOK FAIR

Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish will be having a Pauline Book and Media Fair brought to us by the Daughters of St. Paul. They will be here before and after all the weekend Masses on April 28th, and April 29th. Everyone is invited to browse and purchase from an extensive selection of great Catholic books, music CD's, and DVD movies from the Pauline Book and Media Centre in Toronto. This will be an excellent opportunity to get something inspirational to listen to, watch, or read for your spiritual life. You can familiarize yourself with the life and mission of the Daughters of St. Paul by going to www.pauline.org.

Help for Troubled Marriages

RETROUVAILLE is a program to help and support married couples through troubled times at all stages of disillusionment or misery in their marriage relationships, by experiencing a live-in weekend and a series of six post-weekend sessions. It is designed to provide the communication and relationship building tools necessary for spouses to uncover and re-awaken the love, trust and commitment they once had in their marriages and to live their lives as husband and wife in a new and positive way. For confidential information or to register for the next weekend, **May 4, 5, 6**, call 416-281-6007 or visit the web site at www.torontoretrouvaille.com

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