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Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish

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Pastor: Father John Pak Jpak@archtoronto.org

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St. Paul Miki and Companions—Pray for Us!

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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm

Sunday: 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00pm & 6:30pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays 7:00pm

Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturdays 9:00am

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 8:00am to 8:30am and 3:30pm to 4:30pm
or by appointment.

BAPTISMS

Please contact Father John at jpak@archtoronto.org

MARRIAGE

Please contact Father John at jpak@archtoronto.org

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

St. Marie of the Incarnation—905-775-3492

St. Teresa of Calcutta—905-778-8653

St. Charles—905-775-6762

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PARISH MINISTRIES and SOCIETIES

Alpha

Consolation and Hope

CWL (Catholic Women's League)

EDGE Youth Ministry

LifeTeen Youth Ministry

El Sembrador - Ministry to Migrant Workers

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Liturgical Ministers

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Sacramental Preparation & Catechesis

Seniors Outreach

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Divino Espirito Santo

Nossa Senhora De Fatima

Santissima Trindade

NEW PARISHIONERS: WELCOME !

We are delighted to have you join our parish family; we invite you to register by completing the form in the parish foyer or at the parish office. Offering envelopes available by request.

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, April 25, 7:00PM

+Antonio Mirassol & All Deceased Family Members
+Manuel & Maria Marques + Manuel Marques & Maria Oliveira, Antonella Vernola

TUESDAY, April 26, 9:00AM

+Maria Branco

WEDNESDAY, April 27, 7:00PM

+Isabel Machado

THURSDAY, April 28, 9:00AM

+Francesco Gammicchia

FRIDAY, April 29, 7:00PM

+Manuel Branco

SATURDAY, April 30, 9:00AM

+ProPopulo

SATURDAY, April 30, 5:00PM

+Ernesto Correia +Perpetua Barroso +Mario Fic & Fic Family +Francelino & Rita Viaes + Helen Rak +Halina Woznica & Pawey Polaczek + Luis & Maria Borges +Antonio Martins & Clara Gomes, Dinair Xavier Dos Santos * Special Intention for Jan Woznica,

SUNDAY, May 1, 8:00AM

+ProPopulo

SUNDAY, May 1 10:00AM

*Special Intention for Fr. John Pak

SUNDAY, May 1, 12:00PM

+All Deceased Gomes & Marques Family Members

SUNDAY, May 1, 6:30PM

+Bill Greer



Covid Protocol Update: As of March 21, 2022,

- We return to 100% Capacity
- Masks are voluntary but *highly recommended*
- No registration required to attend Mass

Please note that we will continue with hand sanitization practices, along with cleaning procedures for extra precaution. We look forward to celebrating Mass together as a parish community.



FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

Friday May 6, 2022, at 7:30pm
following the 7:00pm Mass

Volunteers needed to assist with the projection of lyrics at all Masses. The computer program is easy to use! For those interested in helping, please email the parish office: holymartyrsofjapan@archtoronto.org

REFLECTION

The Mercy of God in Superabundance!

What grace-filled day this is! On this eighth day of Easter we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday. It is a day when the flood gates of mercy are opened-wide and God lavishes us with more than we could ever hope for.

Divine Mercy Sunday has been celebrated for years as a private devotion. But in the year 2000, Pope Saint John Paul II, who himself was an extraordinary instrument of God's mercy, put this feast on the Church's official calendar as he raised Sister Faustina to sainthood.

Saint Faustina was a member of the Congregation of Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy in Krakow, Poland. She died in 1938. She came from a simple and poor family of farmers, had only three years of simple education and performed the humblest of tasks in her convent. But she also was a mystic who was privileged to have many private revelations from our Lord which she recorded in her diary of Divine Mercy.

She writes of her experience on February 22, 1931:

In the evening, when I was in my cell, I became aware of the Lord Jesus clothed in a white garment. One hand was raised in blessing, the other was touching the garment at the breast. From the opening of the garment at the breast there came forth two large rays, one red and the other pale. In silence I gazed intently at the Lord; my soul was overwhelmed with fear, but also with great joy. After a while Jesus said to me, "paint an image according to the pattern you see, with the inscription: Jesus, I trust in You."

Later Jesus explained to her in another vision:

"The pale ray stands for the Water which makes souls righteous; the red ray stands for the Blood which is the life of souls. These two rays issued forth from the depths of My most tender Mercy at that time when My agonizing Heart was opened by lance on the Cross.... Fortunate is the one who will dwell in their shelter, for the just hand of God shall not lay hold of him."

As we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday, intensely reflect upon the abundance of this gift that God wishes to pour forth upon us. There is no limit to how much we are loved by our God of perfect mercy. And today, on this day, we should be especially aware of the fact that the floodgates of Heaven are opened to us to an unimaginable degree. Turn your eyes toward our merciful Lord and be open to all that He wishes to bestow.

Lord of Mercy, help me today to begin to understand what mercy is all about. Help me to first be open to the mercy You wish to bestow upon me. As I receive Your own Divine Mercy, help me also to be an instrument of that mercy for all to see. Jesus, I trust in You.

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DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Sunday April 24, 2022, at 3:00pm (Livestream)

Adoration and the Chaplet in Song

“On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open, I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy.

The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment.

On that day all the divine floodgates through which grace flow are opened.

Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet.

My mercy is so great that no mind, be it of man or of angel, will be able to fathom it throughout all eternity.”

-Diary of Saint Faustina, 699

CALLING ALL NEW AND CURRENT EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION, LECTORS, AND ALTAR SERVERS

If you are interested in continuing to serve in these ministries or wish to begin serving, please contact the office directly or email us at holy martyrs of japan@archtoronto.org



Thank you for supporting ShareLife! Our Parish Goal is \$43,000.00. The next ShareLife Sunday collection is May 1, 2022. We have collected \$ 9,523.00

When you support ShareLife, you support agencies like Mary Center.

“Thank you to all who donate to ShareLife. With each donation we receive, we are able to attain our goals of assisting people in their efforts in building a good life, and providing a safe place for people with a developmental disability to stay so that their families/caregivers and themselves can get some needed respite.”

ShareLife agencies need our support. Please give generously by special collection or at sharelife.org.

UKRAINE RELIEF

Those wishing to help may do so in the following ways: Online through the Archdiocese of Toronto website www.archtoronto.org, by phone through the Development Office: 416 934 3411 or through the parish, making cheques payable to: Name of Parish – Ukrainian Relief – Humanitarian relief. Please continue to pray for all those who suffer the human tragedy of war.

VOCATIONS

Thomas believed because he saw Jesus. What will it take for you to respond to God’s call to priesthood, diaconate, or consecrated life? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997. Email: vocations@archtoronto.org www.vocationstoronto.ca

MONTHLY REQUIEM MASS AT HOLY MARTYRS OF JAPAN CEMETERY

During the winter months, please join us in a Mass celebration at the Church for the faithful departed, the first Friday of every month at 11:00am. Mass intentions can be booked through the parish office.

FOR MASS INTENTIONS, MEMORIAL MASS, BLESSING OF A MILESTONE WEDDING

ANNIVERSARY: Contact the parish office at 905 775 2065

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS

For parents wishing to baptize their child, please contact the parish office via email with your request and we will forward you a baptismal package. Please complete the required documents and email them back to the parish office. Upon receipt of your email a clergy member will be in touch with you to discuss details, covid protocols, and to confirm a date.

FUNERALS: Please contact the parish office at 905 775 2065

YOUTH MINISTRY

 Edge is a fun, exciting and free program that offers youth the opportunity to grow in faith and fellowship with other youth and peer leaders. Holy Martyrs of Japan will be hosting bi-weekly EDGE nights from 7:00pm – 8:30pm. Please contact youthministry.hmj@hotmail.com

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