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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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Holy Trinity High School—905-775-4841

Marie of the Incarnation—905-775-3492

Mother Teresa—905-778-8653

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## PARISH MINISTRIES and SOCIETIES

Consolation and Hope

CWL (Catholic Women's League)

EDGE Youth Ministry

El Sembrador

Knights of Columbus

Life Teen

Liturgical Ministers

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Sacramental Preparation & Catechesis

Seniors Club

Social Club

St. Vincent de Paul Society

## CULTURAL GROUPS

Divino Espirito Santo

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.

## DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Today we celebrate the Feast of Divine Mercy, as told by Christ to St. Faustina Kowalska, a Polish nun. Starting in 1935, the feast has at its center, Mass, Confession, Veneration of the Image of Divine Mercy and the Chaplet. "This Feast" Jesus tells St. Faustina "emerged from the very depths of my mercy and is confirmed in the vast depths of my tender mercies. Every soul believing and trusting in my mercy will obtain it" (Diary 420). In the Gospel we read about Jesus coming back to the Apostles, showing that it is He, by showing His wounds. The person in front of them is no look-alike. NO, it is Jesus Himself, crucified and risen. All of the Apostles had fled when they arrested Jesus and only one, St. John, returned to stand by the Lord at the Cross. But Jesus does not come to reproach them. He understands their human weakness. No He comes to call them back again and to embolden them with the power of the Holy Spirit. From then on they will be His bold apostles and no one or nothing, not even the fear of martyrdom, can ever cause them to run again. This is the strength which comes from seeing the risen Lord. In fact, it was for mercy's sake, to save us from our sins, that Jesus died on the Cross in the first place. We could not make reparation to the infinite Lord on our own, so Jesus, in His love for us, for His desire to want us to be with Him always, died for our sins, and when He rose He spread out His hands, inviting us to spend eternity with Him. He could have come to condemn us for the sins that separate us from God, when we at times go our own way. He could have, in reality, not come at all, enjoying the splendor of Heaven. But He came for love of us. And so let us take His hands, never let fear or doubt keep us from His merciful heart. Never let us be tempted in thinking "I need not do anything", keep us from Christ. Love is always a two-way street. Love must be offered to the other person, but for a real love relationship, we must love them back. We do this by going to Christ in Mass, prayer, in devotions like the Divine Mercy, in spreading mercy by being merciful, and confession of our sins, not in duty, but in lively confidence that He is there. He will fill us with His love and the Holy Spirit. He will guide us and before we know it, He will be part of our everyday life. Run always to the merciful heart of Christ!



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. 27 – Social	Apr. 28 – Life is Wonderful
May 4 - Voice of the Voiceless	May 5 – Holy Heroes
May 11 -	May 12 – Birthday Bash

### ShareLife

Of the more than 1 million foreign-born people who arrived in Canada between 2001 and 2006, more than 40% live in the Greater Toronto Area. As a result, nearly 11% of our school system consists of recently arrived residents and over half of the total student population speak a non-official language most often at home. Last year, ShareLife agencies provided settlement, advocacy and education programs for more than 40,000 immigrants and refugees in the GTA.

**Next Sunday is ShareLife Sunday - May 4, 2014.**  
Please give generously. You can work wonders.

### Vita & Stephanie's 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Cut-A-Thon

Sunday, May 4, 2014, 10am – 5pm at Mary & Vita's Hair Design, 118 Holland St. East, Bradford. Hail Cuts by Donation benefitting The Hospital for Sick Children Cochlear Implant Program.

### Parish Dinner

We will be holding a "pot luck" dinner after the 5:00 pm Mass on **Saturday, May 3, 2014**, in the parish hall. Please bring a dish that will feed approximately 10 people. This is a **free event** and no tickets are required, just your presence. Come and partake of good food and fellowship with your brothers and sisters in Christ and enjoy a sampling of our heritage cuisines.



### Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus will be holding a Communion Breakfast after all morning Masses today Sunday, April 27, 2014. Come and enjoy some good food and fellowship. Proceeds raised from the Communion Breakfast will support our Youth Ministry.



### CWL Upcoming Events

Monday, April 28 – Executive Meeting after 7:00pm Mass  
Monday, May 5, General Meeting after 7:00pm Mass



### March for Life, May 8, Ottawa

The annual March for Life is fast approaching. It is expected that at least 20,000 people will be on Parliament Hill on May 8 to witness to the sanctity of all human life. There is a bus leaving from Newmarket and returning that evening. Please consider coming on this most inspiring trip. Bus fare is \$60 for adults, \$30 for students. For more details, please call 905 898-1316.

*Thanks for participating!*

#### MULTI-CULTURAL DINNER EVENING

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Dish: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Dessert: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Choose one or both)

We would like you to fill out this form so that we can monitor what dishes or desserts will be coming so as not to have too many duplicate dishes.

Please Label your dish if there are any allergic ingredients (i.e. nuts, milk products, shellfish etc.)

Label your dishes with your name so that they are easily identifiable for pick up after dinner. Please make enough for 10 – 12 people.

Place this tear off sheet in the box in lobby of church or bring to Parish Office.

## MASS INTENTIONS

5:00pm Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup>

- + Vitorino Nazario & Olimpia Sousa by Carolina Santana
- + Gioacchino Cristina & Pietro Asaro by Wife & Family
- + Ignazio Polizzi by Wife
- \* Sp. Intentions by E. Henriques
- + Silvano & Alice Fernandes by Silva Family
- + Marija & Matthew Zic by Mary Toich & Family
- + Augusto Balugas by Maria & Silvino Ribeiro
- + Maria Gutta by Husband & Children

Sunday, April 27<sup>th</sup>

- 8:30am Pro Populo
- 10:00am + Maria & Eugenio Arruda by Lucy, John & Lui
- 11:30am + Steve Gosse by Michaud Family
- 4:45pm Spanish Mass
- 6:30pm + Laurinda Neto & Maria Ceu by Rosa & David Oliveira

7:00pm Monday, April 28<sup>th</sup>

- + Janos Szabo by Arpad & Florence Szabo & Family
- + Teresa Silva & Zeca Correia by Family
- + Antonio Janeiro by Wife, Children & Grandchildren
- + Augusto Balugas by Idalina's Co-Workers
- + Ilda Pereira Da Silva & Family by Maria & Silveiro Mauca
- + Victoria Elana Babin by Ed & Helen Gres
- + Edalinda Costa by Jose & Maria Viveiros
- + Maria Szabo by Daughter Ilona

8:30am Tuesday, April 29<sup>th</sup>

- + Mike Pranic by Wife Annie & Family Sauner

7:00pm Wednesday, April 30<sup>th</sup>

- + Francisco & Jose Francisco Rodrigues by Wife & Mother Ester

8:30am Thursday May 1<sup>st</sup>

- + Mary Mendrek by Mendrek Family

7:00pm Friday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>

- + Alex Ucat by Arvin Ucat & Family

9:30am Saturday May 3<sup>rd</sup>

- + Hand Family by Bill & Pat Jardine

5:00pm Saturday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>

- + Sidonio Marques by Gorette & John Carvalho
- + Antonietta & Pasquale Baccilieri by Family
- + Andy Mikos by Anna Mikos & Family & Agi, Peter & Chantel Hubrich
- + Felice (Phillip) DiGambattista by McEvenue Family
- + Virgilio Domingues & Gabriel Oliveira by Lurdes & Family
- + Tony & Joe Toich by Mary Toich & Family
- + Augusto Balugas by Lucia Miguelo & Family
- + John Ferreira by Bernardette Ferreira

Sunday, May 4<sup>th</sup>

- 8:30am + Daniel & Deolinda Viveiros by Jose & Lucia Viveiros
- 10:00am + Antonio Santana & Maria Sousa by Carolina Santana
- 11:30am + Virgilio Domingues & Amelia de Jesus by Lurdes & Family
- 4:45pm Spanish Mass
- 6:30pm Pro Populo

"May God Grant Them Eternal Peace"

## Registrations

Registrations are now being taken for Camp Ozanam, for boys ages 6-13 and Marygrove Camp for girls 5-13. Please call the Parish Office at 905 775-2065 if you wish to register your child.

## Bradford Community Meal

The Bradford Community Meal is looking for volunteers including cooks and team leaders. We would love for you to join our Team! If you are interested please contact  
Johanne Wilson at 905 778-1841

## DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

Sun Apr 27<sup>th</sup> 3:00pm (Divine Mercy Sunday)

## Gala Concert

Catholic Family Radio invites you to a Gala Concert on the Occasion of the Canonization of John XXIII and John Paul II on May 3, 2014 at 7:00pm at the Queen Elizabeth Theatre in Exhibition Place, Toronto. The Honourary Patron of this event is Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop of Toronto. This unforgettable gala will bring together Canadian soloists, "The Priests" (Fr. Eugene O'Hagan, Fr. Martin O'Hagan, Fr. David Delargy), a Canadian Choir and the symphony orchestra, Toronto Sinfonietta conducted by Matthew Jaskiewicz. Ticket reservations: [www.radiorodzina.com](http://www.radiorodzina.com) or 416 588-0555.

## God's Gifts of Wisdom

To help in our devotional life, Brenda Dainton, a parishioner, has set up a business, God's Gifts of Wisdom, selling Catholic Religious Books and More. She will be available Tuesdays, 9:30am – 11:30am, and 5:00pm – 7:00pm at the counter in the Gathering Space or you can reach her at 905 551-1685  
or email: [godsgiftsofwisdom@live.ca](mailto:godsgiftsofwisdom@live.ca)

## MOTHERING FULL OF GRACE

Whether you are a new mom or a seasoned veteran, you are welcome to join us on Saturday, May 3, 2014 from 10am to Noon in the large meeting room. It is an opportunity to meet with other mothers, spend some time in prayer, all while fortifying your faith. This session's video is titled...Prayer. So if you would like to join us for a morning of faith and fellowship or maybe just a cup of coffee and some quiet time, come on out.

## THE BIBLE 101 WITH DEACON PEDRO

How much do you know about the Bible? Would you like to read it but find it hard to understand? Come and learn everything you need to know to make you a junior scripture scholar – and get you reading and praying with the Word of God.

Tuesday, May 13, 2014, 7-9pm, in the Parish Hall.

All are welcome. Bring your bibles.

## WELCOME

A very special welcome is extended to all those who joined our Parish Family at the Easter Vigil.

## THANK YOU

Thank you to all who helped in any way to make our solemn celebration of Holy Week beautiful and blessed.

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