# We welcome you to

# Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish

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#### SUNDAY MASSES

 Saturday:
 5:00pm

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

 6:30pm

#### WEEKDAY MASSES

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays—7:00pm Tuesdays & Thursdays—8:30am Saturdays: 9:00am

#### **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 St. Marie of the Incarnation—905-775-3492 St. Teresa of Calcutta—905-778-8653 St. Charles—905-775-6762 St. Jean de Brebeuf—905-775-8460 St. Angela Merici—289-231-2085

Pastor:	Father Joshua Roldan
Associate Pastor:	Father Massillamani Zacharias
Deacons:	Deacon David Langley
	Deacon Pedro Guevara-Mann



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

#### **OFFICE STAFF**

**Office Bus Manager:** Delia McEvenue

**Office Assistant:** Lynn Lush Anna Maria Mongillo **MINISTERS** 

Youth Minister: Ray Reitzel Email: reitzel@hotmail.com El Sembrador (Ministry to Migrant Workers): Nancy Mora elsembrador.hmoj@gmail.com

#### PARISH MINISTRIES and SOCIETIES

Alpha Consolation and Hope CWL (Catholic Women's League) EDGE Youth Ministry LifeTeen Youth Ministry El Sembrador Knights of Columbus Liturgical Ministers RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) Sacramental Preparation & Catechesis Seniors Outreach 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.

## WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

#### MONDAY, April 29, 7:00PM

+Francisco Rodrigues +Arlindo Araujo + Joao Sergio +Zora Petejan +P. Zacharias +Helen Pineda +Linda Mabanta + Richard Silveira +Tommaso Cavataio \*Special Intention for Fex Family Members

TUESDAY, April 30, 8:30AM

+Celeste Henriques & All Souls

WEDNESDAY, May 1, 7:00PM

\*Special Intention In Thanksgiving to St. Joseph

**THURSDAY, May 2, 8:30AM** +Julia Batista

FRIDAY, May 3, 7:00PM +Antonio Janeiro & All Souls

SATURDAY, May 4, 9:00AM +ProPopulo

#### SATURDAY, May 4, 5:00PM

+Maria & Eugenio Arruda + Antonio Roberto Rocha +Virgilio Domingues & Manuel Marques Oliveira +Adelino Oliveira +Olimpia Sousa & Vitorino Nazario +Silvina Vieira & Family +Pasquale & Antonietta Baccilieri +Leo Mallet +P. Zacharias +Elisabeth Kristman +Giuseppe Corso

#### SUNDAY, May 5, 8:30 AM

+Maria de Oliveira & Manuel Marques

SUNDAY May 5, 10:00AM +Pawel Polaczek

SUNDAY, May 5, 11:30AM +ProPopulo

**SUNDAY, May 5, 6:30PM** +P. Zacharias

### YOUTH MINISTRY



<sup>9</sup> Come to the EDGE! Grades 6, 7 & 8 are welcome. Monday's from 7:00-8:30pm in the Parish Hall.

May 6-HonestyMay 13-AuthenticityMay 20-Victoria Day – No EDGE



May 12	-Friendship, Dating and Family
May 19	-Victoria Day – No Life Night
May 26	-Band – Social

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# REFLECTION

Unless I see, I will not believe. The Risen Lord Jesus revealed the glory of his resurrection to his disciples gradually and over a period of time. Even after the apostles saw the empty tomb and heard the reports of Jesus' appearance to the women, they were still weak in faith and fearful of being arrested by the Jewish authorities. When Jesus appeared to them, he offered proofs of his resurrection by showing them the wounds of his passion, his pierced hands and side. He calmed their fears and brought them peace, the peace which reconciles sinners and makes us friends of God. Jesus did something which only love and trust can do. He commissioned his weak and timid apostles to bring the good news of the Gospel to the ends of the earth. This sending out of the disciples is parallel to the sending out of Jesus by his heavenly Father. Jesus fulfilled his mission through his perfect love and obedience to the will of his Father. He called his first disciples and now calls each one of us to do the same. Just as he gave his first disciples the gift of the Holy Spirit, so he breathes on each of us the same Holy Spirit who equips us with new life, power joy and courage to live each day as followers of the Risen Lord.

The last apostle to meet the resurrected Lod was the first to go with him to Jerusalem at Passover time. The apostle Thomas was a natural pessimist. While Thomas deeply loved the Lord, he lacked the courage to stand with Jesus in his passion and crucifixion. After Jesus' death, Thomas made the mistake of withdrawing from the other apostles. He sought loneliness rather than fellowship in his time of trial and adversity. He doubted the women who saw the resurrected Jesus and doubted his own fellow apostles. Through the gift of faith we recognize the Risen Lord and receive new life. When Thomas finally had the courage to rejoin the other apostles, the Lord Jesus made his presence known to him and reassured him that he had indeed overcome death and risen again. When Thomas recognized his Master, he believed and exclaimed that Jesus was truly Lord and truly God! Through the gift of faith we too, proclaim that Jesus is our personal Lord and our God. He died and rose that we, too, might have new life in him. The Lord offers each of us new life in his Holy Spirit that we may know him personally and walk in this new way of life through the power of his resurrection. Servants of the word,www.dailyscripture.net Don Schwager.

### SHARELIFE

Living the Gospel through immediate mental health services. Mental health problems can escalate if not addressed quickly. That's why five Catholic Family Services agencies in the Archdiocese of Toronto now offer walk-in Counselling. For some agencies, ShareLife is the sole funder of this important program. May 5<sup>th</sup> is ShareLife Sunday. Please give generously.

### **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**



Celebrated on April 28<sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm in the presence of the Holy Sacrament in Song This desire for devotion to mercy was revealed to St. Faustina and is recounted in her Diary as Jesus said.: "I desire that My mercy be worshiped, and I am giving mankind the last hope of salvation; that is,

recourse to My mercy. Therefore, let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet" (Diary 998,669).

"Jesus told St. Faustina Kowalska that on that day, all channels to my graces are open. On that day, all the outlets of mercy are open for everyone-whether they are far away from God, nearby, believers or non believers. It's for anyone who believes in the Divine Mercy."

### SACRAMENTS

#### A PRAYER FOR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CANDIDATES



Please join us in praying for our grade two students who are preparing to receive their First Holy Communion over the next couple of months.

May Jesus come to bless you on this most special of days as you are invited to the table to celebrate in the Holy Eucharist. May you feel His presence in a very special way and as you strive to follow in His footsteps, may He bless your life with many graces and lasting happiness.

#### A PRAYER FOR OUR CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES



Bless our Confirmandi as they prepare and come to you with a sincere desire to know your ways, to experience your love and to walk with the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Be

with them on their journey and keep alive their desire to always please you. May they have an open mind and a willing heart to serve you as the day nears to receive and be sealed with the gifts of the spirit on their day of confirmation.

### REGISTRATION

The Saint Vincent de Paul Society is accepting registration applications for this year's children's summer camps. Camp Ozanam, for boys ages 7-12 and Marygrove Camp for girls 5-13. The camps are fully subsidized for children who otherwise would not have the opportunity to participate in a camp adventure because their families are experiencing financial or domestic hardship. For more info visit www.ssvptoronto.ca Please contact Parish Office at 905 775-2065 to register.

### REMINDER



HOLY HOUR Friday May 3, 2019 at 7:00pm Come be present with the Lord!

#### HOLYLAND PILGRIMAGE Under Spiritual Leadership of Fr. Massillamani Zacharias

Please contact Agnes or Sandra at QS Travel & Tours at 905-412-3355 to confirm your travel arrangements to the Holy Land. A \$300.00 per person, non-refundable deposit is required by May 8, 2019 to ensure your spot. Availability will be based on a first come first serve basis.



#### SANTISSIMA TRINIDADE OF BRADFORD

Invites everyone to come celebrate the Feast of Santissima Trinidade an event filled with traditions from the homeland and many surprises. The first crowning will be on Sunday May 5 at the 8:30am Mass, and each consecutive crown celebrated every Sunday at 8:30 am Mass thereafter. We invite all to come and join in fellowship. Os dois dias serao preenchidos com muitas surpresas e tradicoes da Nossa Terra Natal. A nossa primeira Dominga sera celebrada no Domingo dia 5 de Maio 2019 as 8:30 da Manha. Nos convidamos a todos os irmaos, familiars, e amigos a vir fazer das nossa celebbracao.

### **EL SEMBRADOR**



Volunteers wanted to teach English classes to the workers. This is a perfect opportunity for retired teachers. If interested call, call the parish office at

905 775 2065. Helpers needed to store and repair bicycle donations for Migrant workers as part of the El Sembrador Ministry.

### UPCOMING EVENTS



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - VBS LIFE IS WILD ... GOD IS GOOD JULY 8 – JULY 12 FROM 9AM-12PM

This epic African Adventure engages the whole herd. At Roar, kids explore God's goodness and celebrate a ferocious faith that powers them through this wild life. Children must be in Sr. Kindergarten through Grade 4. Registration forms will be made available in the bulletin as well as at the parish office for May 12. Please complete the form and returned it to the parish office along with the registration fee of 35\$/child. Registration will be on a first come first serve basis. Spots are limited. Anyone interested in volunteering to help out with this ministry may contact the parish office at 905 775 2065.

