## We welcome you to

# Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish

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### **HAPPY EASTER**

At the Easter Vigil we sing a song, The Exultat, and one of the lines is "what would life be for us if we did not have such a redeemer". It always makes me think. It is profound to think that Jesus at Easter comes back because he didn't just say to us 'well my job is done. I'm going back home'. No! He wanted to live with us always. He wanted to return to us and He did, rising from the dead. St. Paul says "who can separate us from the love of Christ, anguish, distress or persecution neither death, nor life, nor angels nor principalities, nor present things nor future things, nor power nor height nor depth nor any other creature will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord" (Rom 8: 34-39)

Jesus came back to us to be with us. This is a source of our joy, sometimes an actual happiness, sometimes a more quiet sense of "it is good for us to be here" (Mk 9:5). I enjoy this time with the Lord. It makes me feel whole, complete and content. In fact I feel that Easter is one of the most joyous times of the year. And when it was time for Him to go to Heaven, it was only to prepare a place for us (Jn 14:2-3), not to abandon us but to bid us to follow Him knowing that His spirit of joy in all it's forms is here. This lived experience is the source of our hope, we know all things will be redeemable for those who walk with Him. Yes, at times when we are in a difficult moment of our lives, when we carry our cross, it is hard to see that, but it was hard for the apostles to see how Jesus could rise from the dead when He carried His cross and His whole mission seemed to end in failure. But Jesus knew that nothing has power over Him and that His cross, as ours, can become part of our tree of glory.

So our hope is not just wishful thinking, it is a direct result of the deep faith and love in the Lord, that is more real to us than any other reality.

And it is this joy of love triumphant that we celebrate today. I truly wish this day is for you a jubilant and happy day and that as you gather with family and friends the fullness of the Lord's joy and glory may be yours. I pray that this joy may accompany all of us throughout the year to make our days holy, wonderful and make whatever crosses may come your way very light, should they, God forbid, come at all.

On behalf of Fr. Allyn, Rev. Dave, Rev. Pedro, and all of us here at Holy Martyrs,

Happy Easter to you and yours and May God Bless You!!

### **Cemetery Angel Names**

We are soon sending the last group of names to be engraved on the Cemetery Angel. We have spaces left to complete the North side. If you would like to add a name, please come to the Parish Office to fill out the form. The cost is \$200 per name.

### **ADORATION**

On Tuesday, April 7, 2015 The Divine Mercy Novena will be prayed at 6:00pm. Benediction will be at the conclusion of the Novena.

### **EASTER 2015**

Sat, April 4<sup>th</sup> - Holy Saturday 1:00pm Blessing of Food 6:00pm Divine Mercy Novena 8:30pm Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday
Sun, April 5th \_ - Masses will be:8:30am
10:00am
11:30am
3:00pm - Divine Mercy Novena

4:45pm – Spanish Mass 6:30pm – NO MASS

### **DIVINE MERCY NOVENA**

This is the schedule for the Divine Mercy Novena.

### Everyone is welcome to attend

Monday, April 6<sup>th</sup> - 10:00am Tuesday, April 7<sup>th</sup> - 6:00pm Wednesday, April 8<sup>th</sup> - 6:00pm Thursday, April 9<sup>th</sup> - 6:00pm Friday, April 10<sup>th</sup> - 6:00pm Saturday, April 11<sup>th</sup> - 6:00pm

Sunday, April 12th - 3:00pm (Divine Mercy Sunday)





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.
Mar. 22 - Death	Mar. 23 – Movie Night
Mar. 29 - Love	Mar. 30 – An Unlikely Leader
Apr. 5 – No Lifeteen – Happy	Apr. 6 – No Edge – Happy
Easter	Easter

### OFFERING ENVELOPES

Sunday Offering Envelopes are available in the Parish Office. Please come and pick them up. If you have moved and have not notified the Parish please call, so we can update our database. If you would like to sign up for pre-authorized giving, please call Delia at the Parish Office - 905 775-2065.



### **CWL NOTES**

Our Feast Day will be celebrated on Thursday, April 23, 2015. We will have a Mass at 6:00pm followed by dinner at 7:00pm in the Parish Hall. Please watch the bulletin for further information.

### General Meeting - Monday April 13 - After 7pm Mass

We are looking for someone to head up our Raffle Committee. If you are interested there will be help available. This raffle is very important to the charities in our community.

### MASS JNTENTJONS

8:30pm Saturday, April 4th Easter Vigil – Holy Saturday Sunday, April 5th Easter Sunday 9:30am Monday, April 6<sup>th</sup>

- + All Faithful Departed by McEvenue Family
- + Ed Langley by Rev. David Langley
- + Fatima Almeida by Jose & Lucy Viveiros
- + Manuel & Antonia Bastos by Luis & Zelia Pontes
- + Stanley Whynot by Brian & Lynn Lush & Family
- + All Souls in Purgatory Helena Peixoto & Family
- + Janina & Stanislaw Antoszek by Zablocki Family
- + Beatrice Purcell by Ministry of Consolation & Hope

### 8:30am Tuesday, April 7th

\* Sp. Int. Rui Santos Domingues by Celso & Maria Domingues 7:00pm Wednesday, April 8<sup>th</sup>

+ All Souls by David & Rosa Oliveira

### 8:30am Thursday, April 9th

+ Carlos Bento by Deonilde Bento & Family

### 7:00pm Friday, April 10<sup>th</sup>

+ **Kyle Lee** by Campbell Family

### 9:30am Saturday April 11th

+ Mary Mendrek by Mendrek Family

### 5:00pm Saturday, April 11th

- + Glen & Vincenza Lamp by Vilma LaRoche & Family
- + Jose Cardoso by Wife & Children
- + Eduardo & Miguel Gomes by Jack Gomes & Family
- + Francisco & Jose Francisco Rodrigues by Wife & Mother Ester
- + **John Ferreira** by Bernardette Ferreira
- + All Souls by Carolina Santana
- + Antonietta & Pasquale Baccilieri by Family
- + Antonio Morais Castro by Family

### Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup>

8:30am + Joao Fernandes Barradas by Daughter Rosalina & Family

10:00am Pro Populo

11:30am +Adelino Oliveira by Janeiro Family

4:45pm Spanish Mass

**6:30pm** + **Fernando Viaes** by Carlos & Alison Viaes & Family

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Email vocations@archtoronto.org www.vocationstoronto.ca

### Lectio Divina with Cardinal Collins

April 12 – Vespers 7pm, Lectio Divina 7:30pm

St. Michael's Cathedral

65 bond Street, Toronto

Lectio Divina ("divine, or sacred, reading") is the name given to a spiritual tradition among Christians over the last 2000 years, in which they attentively and prayerfully read the word of God.

This is year two of a three-year series on The Gospel of Mark. The theme for April 12 is "Leaving everything" (Mark 10: 17-31).

For more information, visit

https://www.archtoronto.org/lectio.

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Next Sunday is ShareLife Sunday – April 12, 2015 Please give generously. You can work wonders!

### UNDERSTANDING YOUR GRIEF JOURNEY

The Office of Formation for Discipleship is offering a session on "Understanding your Grief Journey" for bereaved individuals and families of our parishes. This session will help those who have experienced the death of a loved one to understand their grief journey. It will help them understand the many emotions of grief after a loss and will provide them with helpful suggestions to assist in movement towards healing in their grief journey. The session will be held at Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish, Bradford, on Wednesday, April 22, 2015 from 7:30pm to 9:00pm. For further information and registration forms please visit:

 $\underline{\text{https://wee.archtoronto.org/our-catholic-faith/programs-and-workshops}} \text{ or call 416 721-3741.}$ 

### HELP CELEBRATE VOCATIONS

His Eminence, Thomas Cardinal Collins, Apostolic Chancellor of Catholic Missions in Canada requests your presence at the Tastes of Heaven Gala 2015

Thursday, April 23, 2015, Cocktails 6pm. - Dinner 7pm.

### Bellevue Manor, 8-083 Jane Street, Vaughan

This year, our gala will be celebrating Vocations to the priesthood and the religious life. Proceeds from the gala will help us to support the 58 seminarians studying for the priesthood from 13 mission dioceses at a cost of \$476,500.

For sponsorship or tickets, visit our website <a href="www.cmic.info">www.cmic.info</a> or contact Patricia Gyulay at 416 934-3425, ext 227, or 1866 937-2642, or email <a href="mailto:patricia@cmic.info">patricia@cmic.info</a>.

### Arturo Mari Conference

April 25 – 27 at 8pm

St. Maximilian Kolbe Church

4260 Cawthra Rd., Mississauga (Apr. 25 & 26)

Holy Angels Church

61 Jutland Rd., Etobicoke (Apr. 27)

On the occasion of the first anniversary of the canonization and the first John Paul II day in Canada, Polish Catholic Family Radio invites you to a fascinating conference given by Papal Photographer Arturo Mari,

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