## We welcome you to

# Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish

P.O. Box 1180, 167 Essa Street, Bradford, Ont. L3Z 2B6 Telephone 905-775-2065 Fax 905-775-9241 Formed.org parish code: 2K8FFT Email:holymartyrs@rogers.com website: holymartyrsofjapan.archtoronto.org Parish Office Hours—Monday to Friday—9:30am to 12:30pm and 1:00pm to 4:30pm



#### SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:00pm Sunday: 8:30am, 10:00am & 11:30am 6:30pm Spanish Mass—4:45pm

#### 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.

#### 1/2 nour before

**<u>BAPTISMS</u>** 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:Rev. Father Joshua RoldanAssociate Pastor:Rev. Father Massillamani ZachariasPriest Celebrant Spanish Mass: Rev. Father Efren Alvarez-PelayoDeacons:Rev. Mr. David Langley<br/>Rev. Mr. Pedro Guevara-Mann



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

#### **OFFICE STAFF**

**Office Bus Manager:** Delia McEvenue

Anna Maria Mongillo

**Office Assistant:** 

Lynn Lush

MINISTERS Youth Minister:

Ray ReitzelEmaiL:reitzel@hotmail.comEl 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 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.

#### TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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A young man who had the best the world could offer wealth, position, and security - came to Jesus because he lacked one thing. He wanted the kind of lasting peace and happiness which money and possessions could not buy him. The answer he got, however, was not what he was looking for. He protested that he kept all the commandments - but Jesus spoke to the trouble in his heart. One thing kept him from giving himself wholeheartedly to God. While he lacked nothing in material goods, he was nonetheless possessive of what he had. He placed his hope and security in what he possessed. So when Jesus challenged him to make God his one true possession and treasure, he became dismayed. Why did he go away from Jesus with sadness rather than with joy? His treasure and his hope for happiness were misplaced. Treasure has a special connection to the heart, the place of desire and longing, the place of will and focus. The thing we most set our heart on is our highest treasure. The Lord himself is the greatest treasure we can possibly have. Giving up everything else to have the Lord as our treasure is not sorrowful, but the greatest joy. Jesus challenged the young man because his heart was possessive. He was afraid to give to others for fear that he would lose what he had gained. Those who are generous towards God and others find that they cannot outmatch God in generosity. God blesses us with innumerable spiritual goods - such as long-lasting peace, unspeakable joy, enduring love, abiding relationships and friendship that do not fade or fail - that far outweigh the fleeting joys of material possessions which fail to satisfy us beyond the present moment. God alone can satisfy the deepest longing and desires of our heart. Are you willing to part with anything that might keep you from seeking true and everlasting joy with Jesus?

"Lord Jesus, you alone can satisfy the deepest longing in my heart. No other treasure can compare with you. Keep me free from all discontentment, possessiveness, greed and selfishness, that I may have joy in knowing that you alone are my true Treasure and my Portion."

#### I WANT TO BE A CATHOLIC

RCIA Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Each year we welcome into the Church adults through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A). It is a ministry for people who wish to inquire about becoming full members of our faith community. This evening program is geared towards prospective adults and their sponsors. We will be offering this process again in September. If you would like to know more about the process or know someone who may be interested in the Catholic faith, please contact Fr. Joshua, Fr. Mani or the Parish Office.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE AND MASS TIME CHANGE** Please note that the office will be closing at noon on Friday's for the months of July and August and will resume regular hours on September 4, 2018.

#### PASTORAL TEACHER REFERENCE ANNOUNCEMENT

If you or one of your children are planning on attending Teacher's College in the Fall to become a teacher in our Catholic schools, part of the application process for the Board includes a letter of reference from your pastor. If you intend to ask for a reference letter, please note that you will have to be attending Mass here regularly and be an intentional disciple to the mission of the church (i.e being involved in parish ministry or programs) before such a recommendation can be given.

If you have a son or daughter currently in Teacher's College who does not attend this parish (because they are away at school) and intends to use Holy Martyrs of Japan as the parish from which they will request a letter of reference, they will be required to obtain a letter from the pastor of the parish where they are attending while away at school. Let us pray for our Catholic teachers, students, schools and future Catholic educators!

#### LABOUR DAY HOLIDAY

Please note the parish office will be closed on Monday September 3, 2018 and Mass will be celebrated at 9:00am. Have a blessed Long Weekend!

HOLY HOUR Friday September 7<sup>th</sup> 2018 at 7:00pm Come be present with the Lord! **SchareLife** Please help us achieve Our Goal this year of \$51,000.00 for ShareLife. We have raised \$40, 151.00 for ShareLife to date. Together we can accomplish great things. Thank you for your continued support and Generosity!



#### PASTORAL CARE MINISTERS NEEDED

A handful of Pastoral Care Ministers bring Communion to and pray with the sick and the elderly in Bradford Valley Care Community (Nursing and retirement home at 2656 Line 6, Bradford, ON) every Sunday following the 8:30AM Mass till 11:30AM throughout the year. There is a great need for more Pastoral Care Ministers to serve in this mission of nourishing our brothers and sisters with our Lord's spiritual food. If you can volunteer for at least 1 Sundays every month, please sign up to assist in this ministry of compassion. For more information, please contact <u>holymartyrs@rogers.com</u>

#### CHILDREN'S LITURGY FACILITATORS NEEDED

We need more volunteers to help continue this wonderful ministry for the youth. Please prayerfully consider journeying with our children from Kindergarten to Grade 2 in breaking open the word with them at the 10AM Mass from Oct. to June! Speak to Fr. Joshua if you're interested or email the office at holymartyrs@rogers.com.

#### **"RUN WITH IT"**

Questioning your faith is not a sign of weakness but one of strength, validating that your faith is alive and well! Due to it's success, we are going to continue with our "Run with it" series again this coming fall. Please complete the suggestion form below with any questions or topics you wish to discuss about our faith. You may drop off the suggestion form in the yellow box at the back counter in the gathering space to be considered for the next session.

#### **"RUN WITH IT" SUGGESTION FORM**

An ongoing Process of Adult Catechesis Are there any questions about the Catholic Faith that you would like answered? A topic that you would like to explore?

Please print your questions and /or topic in the space below:

## **UPCOMING MASS INTENTIONS**

#### MONDAY AUGUST 20th 7:00PM

+ Glen & Vincenza Lamp

#### TUESDAY AUGUST 21<sup>st</sup> 8:30AM +Patrick Connolly

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 22<sup>nd</sup> 7:00PM +Virgilio Conceicao & Jose Conceicao

THURSDAY AUGUST 23<sup>rd</sup> 8:30AM +All Souls

FRIDAY AUGUST 24<sup>th</sup> 7:00PM +Michael Mallet

SATURDAY AUGUST 25<sup>th</sup> 9:00am +All Souls

#### SATURDAY AUGUST 25th 5:00pm

+Joao & Teresa Moniz +Ignazio Polizzi +All Souls +Victoria Rivera Zeledon +Heitor & Wife +Irma Lancha \*Special Intention for Caroline Stacey & Adam Czechowski \*Special Intention for Teresa Nhan Nguyen

#### SUNDAY AUGUST 26th

+8:30am All Souls in Purgatory +10:00am Manuel & Maria Pereira +11:30am Manuel Ferraz +4:45pm ProPopulo +6:30pm ProPopulo

### "May God Grant Them Eternal Peace"



#### Offering

**NEW PARISHIONERS-OFFERING ENVELOPES** If you are new to the community, Welcome to Holy Martyrs of Japan! If you would like to register, please feel free to pick up a Sunday Offering box and/or complete a registration form located in the narthex of the Church on the credenza. You can either drop off your completed form at the office, or include it with your first envelope offering. Pre-Authorization and Offering Envelopes will also be made available to you. If you have moved and have not notified the Parish please call, so we can update our database 905 775 2065.

