# 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
 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, August 5, 9:00AM +All Souls + Joao Sergio

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**TUESDAY, August 6, 8:30AM** +Frank & Mary Mendrek

WEDNESDAY, August 7, 7:00PM +Antonio Perna

**THURSDAY, August 8, 8:30AM** +Maria Clara Gomes

**FRIDAY, August 9, 7:00PM** +Jennifer & Sandra DaSilva

SATURDAY, August 10, 9:00AM +ProPoulo

#### SATURDAY, August 10, 5:00PM

+Francisco Rodrigues & Jose Francisco Rodrigues +Joao Luis Furtado +Manuel & Maria Pereira +All Deceased Barroso & Silva Family Members + Arlindo Araujo +Olimpia Sousa & Vitorino Nazario +Pasquale & Antoniella Baccilieri +Fatima Cabral +Adele Wawrzonek +Tobias Rego & Celestino Dias

### SUNDAY, August 11, 8:30 AM

+ProPopulo SUNDAY August 11, 10:00AM +Leo Mallet SUNDAY, August 11, 11:30AM +Mike Brinko & All Souls SUNDAY, August 11, 6:30PM +Maria Antonia DiFonzo

#### NEW PARISHIONER – OFFERING ENVELOPES 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 2067.



# REFLECTION

Have you ever tried to settle a money dispute or an inheritance issue? Inheritance disputes are rarely ever easy to resolve, especially when the relatives or close associates of the deceased benefactor cannot agree on who should get what and who should get the most. Why did Jesus refuse to settle an inheritance dispute between two brothers? He saw that the heart of the issue was not justice or fairness but rather greed and possessiveness.

Loving possessions rather than loving my neighbour, the ten commandments were summarized into two prohibitions – do not worship false idols and do not covet what belongs to another. It's the flip side of the two great commandments – love God and love your neighbour. Jesus warned the man who wanted half of his brother's inheritance to "beware of all covetousness." To covet is to wish to get wrongfully what another possesses or to begrudge what God has given to another. Jesus restates the commandment "do not covet", but he also states that a person's life does not consist in the abundance of his or her possessions.

Jesus reinforces his point with a parable about a foolish rich man (Luke 12:16-21). Why does Jesus call this wealthy landowner a fool? Jesus does not fault the rich man for his indrustriousness and skill in acquiring wealth, but rather for his egoism and selfishness – *it's mine, all mine, and no one else's.* This parable is similar to the parable of the rich man who refused to give any help to the beggar Lazarus (Luke 16:19-31). The rich fool had lost the capacity to be concerned for others. His life was consumed with his possessions and his only interests were in himself. His death was the final loss of his soul! What is Jesus' lesson on using material possessions? It is in giving that we receive. Those who are rich towards God receive ample reward – not only in this life - but in eternity as well.

*Where is your treasure?* In this little parable Jesus probes our heart – where is your treasure? 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. What do YOU treasure above all else?Servants of the word,www.dailyscripture.net Don Schwager.

### YOUTH MINISTRY





# **EL SEMBRADOR**



Helpers needed to store and repair bicycle donations for Migrant workers as part of the El Sembrador Ministry. If anyone has bikes in good working condition that you would like

to donate, please contact the parish office at 905 755 2065.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

### REMINDERS

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY - THURSDAY AUGUST 15, 2019 MASS TIMES: 8:30AM AND 7:00PM



Pray the Rosary. No one knows her son better than the Blessed Mother, and she can teach you how to gaze at her Son on the Cross, how to sit at the foot of Her son at the Mount, and how to kneel next to Him in adoration. Pray with Her, and she will help you to "do whatever He tells you."

#### **CATHOLIC CEMETERIES & FUNERAL SERVICES**

The Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed will be held on Wednesday August 14, 2019 at 7:00pm at the following Catholic Cemeteries:

Assumption: Most Reverend John A. Boissonneau Christ the King: Most Rev. Bishop Vincent Nguyen Holy Cross: His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins Mount Hope: Reverend Msgr. Robert Nusca Queen of Heaven: Most Rev. Bishop Robert Kasun Resurrection: Reverend Msgr. Vid Vlasic St. Mary's: Most Rev. Wayne Kirkpatrick

#### ANNUAL CEMETERY ROSARY

Holy Martyrs of Japan and the Knights of Columbus invite everyone to come together in prayer to pray the rosary for our deceased relatives and friends at the cemetery on Sunday August 18, 2019 at 3:00pm.



### I WANT TO BE A CATHOLIC

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 at 905 775 2065.

#### ADORATION CHAPEL UNDER RENOVATION



The Adoration Chapel will be under construction from July15 to the beginning of August. There will be no Adoration on July 16, 23 and 30. Sorry for the inconvenience

and thank you for your understanding.

# EUCHARISTIC ADORATION... LOVE INCARNATE

People pray in all sorts of ways during Eucharistic adoration. Meditative Prayer, Contemplative prayer and silent conversation with Jesus are common practices, as is saying the rosary. Some people sing hymns of praise (if they are alone), while others write in a prayer journal or bring sacred reading. But Eucharistic adoration can also be as simple as sunbathing... just sitting and soaking up God's love in the presence of Jesus.

#### Calling all young people...

"The world is so busy, chaotic, noisy, especially for (high school college and) university students – so demanding with academic work and jobs (that) young people are looking for some moments of solitude and eucharistic adoration provides them with that. Said Fr. John Lemire, director of the Diocesan Vocation Directors of Canada. Toronto's York University chaplaincy is among campuses that have responded. It holds a weekly Mass followed by an hour of adoration that draws about 40 students. "Many students will tell you (about) this experience of being touched by God, either feeling God's love in a particular way that brings them to tears, or a lifting of a burden, or they sense God's presence in a way that they feel a healing," said York Chaplain Fr. Roger Vandennaker, CC.

"We can see Jesus touch young people's hearts. We've seen physical healings, spiritual healings-thousands of young people have experienced conversion during eucharistic adoration." "When they encounter Jesus in eucharistic adoration their appreciation for the Mass greatly increases," said Ken Yasinski, who founded the Saskatoon-based Face to Face Ministries. "There's a difference between knowing Jesus is present in the Eucharist and encountering Him in the Eucharist". *wwweucharisticadorationcanada* 

"Know also that you will probably gain more by praying fifteen minutes before the Blessed Sacrament than by all the other spiritual exercises of the day. True, Our Lord hears our prayers anywhere, for He has made the promise, 'Ask, and you shall receive,' but He has revealed to His servants that those who visit Him in the Blessed Sacrament will obtain a more abundant measure of grace." - St. Alphonsus Liguori

In great anticipation, we wait for the re-opening of the Adoration Chapel to spend time in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament, face to face with Christ himself.

