

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

holymartyrs@rogers.com

www.holymartyrs.ca

Parish Office Hours—Monday to Friday—9:00am to 12:30pm and 1:00pm to 4:30pm

Pastor: Rev. Father Boniface Perri

Associate Pastor: Rev. Father Kazimierz Brzozowski

Priest Celebrant Spanish Mass: Rev. Father Juan Triviño

Deacons: Rev. Mr. David Langley

Rev. Mr. Pedro Guevara-Mann



ADVENT & CHRISTMAS REMINDERS

Please note that Daily Mass on December 24, 26, 27, & 31 will be celebrated at 9:30am

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE**Christmas Eve – Tuesday, December 24th**

- ❖ 9:30am Weekday Mass
- ❖ 6:00pm Mass
- ❖ 8:00pm Mass
- ❖ 9:30pm Spanish Mass
- ❖ 12:00 midnight

Christmas Day – Wednesday, December 25th

- ❖ 10:00am
- ❖ 11:30am

Boxing Day – Thursday, December 26th

- ❖ 9:30am (Daily Mass)

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph - December 28th & 29th

- ❖ REGULAR MASS TIMES for Saturday and Sunday

Solemnity of Mary Mother of God – Tuesday, December 31st, 2013

- ❖ 9:30am Weekday Mass
- ❖ 6:00pm (*Holy Day of Obligation*)

Solemnity of Mary Mother of God – Wednesday, January 1st, 2014

- ❖ 10:00am
- ❖ 11:30am

(*Holy Day of Obligation*)

Feast of the Epiphany – Sunday, January 5th 2014 Regular Sunday Mass Schedule**The Baptism of the Lord – Sunday, January 12, 2014 Regular Sunday Mass Schedule****ADORATION**

THERE WILL BE NO ADORATION ON DECEMBER 24TH AND DECEMBER 31ST. ADORATION WILL RESUME ON JANUARY 7, 2014.

GARDEN of POINSETTIA

Christmas is a sacred time for the faithful and people often celebrate by assembling and decorating their churches. Parishioners are invited to **bring a poinsettia (red only) to the church preferably on December 22nd December 23rd**. Labels will be

supplied (at back of church) for the name of your loved one so that they will be remembered in the Eucharistic Prayer at all Masses during the Christmas Season.

This year we will also have a form for you to add the name of your loved one for whom you have placed a poinsettia. Please add the name to this form and we will post it on the bulletin board and we will pray for them during the Christmas season. Thank you.

FROM THE DESK OF FR. BONIFACE

I sit to write this note on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception and I think that there is a natural and important link between Christmas and the Immaculate Conception. Jesus was a human being like us but He is also unlike us, for He too is divine. When we were conceived, God, who is always creating, created our soul and a human being, body and soul exists as one. But Jesus always existed. He is God, second person of the Blessed Trinity who sits in majesty at the right hand of the Father. "All things were made through Him" (John 1:3). He loved us with His entire being that caused Him to do something very simple and yet very profound. In the fullness of time He set aside the glory of the celestial court and His Crown for a while and dwelt within us. He did not visit us and remain separate, no, He shared our very life. He took on flesh in Mary's womb and became man, like us in all things but sin. So that no stain of sin would touch Him, Mary was kept incorrupt right from the beginning of her existence, her conception was immaculate.

Like Mary we have experienced joy in this season, wanting at times to break through crosses and difficult moments is our hearts exalting in Him. The peace we feel is Him who is the soul's desire to be reunited with it's creator. The good will toward all is His kingdom waiting to break into our lives. The soul does not want to remain indifferent toward Him and His perfection. Why should we? So our response is "Yes!" Yes Lord, I want you to love me and I want that love to touch every aspect of my life. I am here to thank you for Your gift of Yourself and to give You praise and thanksgiving at Mass. Like Mary, I want to carry You in my heart by frequent communions and to only put You in a pure and good heart, (confession is a sacrament of purification after-all). We let our devotion to the Lord know no bounds regardless of the past or what people think. His presence is in our present and our future and we let that presence inspire actions of generous charity, just like Jesus Himself for He came to be our loving Shepherd and to seek the lost sheep. This is the basis of a Christian and Catholic life and it starts with what we are doing right now. "And this will be a sign to you, you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in manger... the shepherds said to one another let us go to Bethlehem and see this thing which has happened, which the Lord has made known to us" (Luke 2: 12-15)

On behalf of myself and all the clergy and staff here at Holy Martyrs

MERRY CHRISTMAS!!

MASS INTENTIONS

5:00pm Saturday, December 21st

+ Brian Collier by Family
 + Teresa Silva by Family
 + Nello & Clara Del Bel Belluz by Daughter
 + Olivia Ribeiro Cacalussa by Isaura Balugas & Family
 + Antonietta & Pasquale Baccilieri by Family
 + Santo Mirabelli & Angelina Mirabelli Hamilton by Maria Mirabelli & Family
 + Fernando Gomes by Fernanda Gomes & Children
 + Stanley Bielak by Mary Fenech & Family

Sunday, December 22nd

8:30am + Guelhermina de Jesus Moraes by Manuel & Deolinda Oliveira
 10:00am + Irene Arruda by Joe & Lucy Andrade
 11:30am + Gerard Eek by Vilma LaRoche & Family
 4:45pm Spanish Mass
 6:30pm Pro Populo

7:00pm Monday, December 23rd

+ Jose Barroso by Children
 + Judite Costra & Manuel Silva by Son
 + Manuel Dias by Wife & Children
 * Sp. Int. & Anniversary by Rosa & David Oliveira
 + Nuno Azevedo by Wife & Children
 + Ernesto & Maria Marques by Maria & Helio Sousa & Family
 + Olivia Ribeiro Cacalussa by Isaura Balugas & Family
 + Francesco & Gracia Mate by Maria Mirabelli & Family

9:30am Tuesday, December 24th

For all Parishioners

6:00pm, 8:00pm, 12:00 midnight Tuesday, December 24th

For All Parishioners

10:00am, 11:30am Wednesday, December 25th

For All Parishioners

9:30am Thursday December 26th

+ Ignazio Polizzi by Vincenza Polizzi

9:30am Friday, December 27th

+ Gerard Eek by Mae Eek & Family

9:30am Saturday December 28th

+ Lonia Pontes by Husband

5:00pm Saturday, December 28th

+ Tony Toich & Mate Zic by Mary & Family
 + Joao Gomes Faria by Augusta Barros
 + Olivia Ribeiro Cacalussa by Isaura Balugas & Family
 + Maria Miranda & Rosalina Brito by Maria & Fernando Campos
 + Miguel Gomes by Idalina & Carlos Correia
 + Ana & Joao Ferreira by Filomena Mazedo
 + Dudo, Gres & Bily Families by Family
 + Olga Bondar by Frank & Vivian Furlan

Sunday, December 29th

8:30am * Sp. Int. Vectol Santos Domingues by Celso & Maria Domingues

10:00am + Frantzem Smith Families & Friends by Sandra Frantzem

11:30am Pro Populo

4:45pm Spanish Mass

6:30pm + Edward & Joe Lancha by Irma Lancha
 "May God Grant Them Eternal Peace"



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.
Dec. 22 – Christmas Party @ Don Cherry's	Dec. 23 - Christmas Break
Merry Christmas!	Happy New Year!

Marriage Preparation

Holy Martyrs of Japan is offering a Marriage Preparation Course for couples who are planning to be married in 2014. The course will take place over two weekends - January 24-25 2014 and January 31-February 1, 2014. The registration fee is \$100.00 per couple (includes lunch) and is due at the time of registration. Please come to the Parish Office to register.

Attention: Confirmation Facilitators

Please be advised that there will be a meeting with Fr. Boniface on Tuesday, January 7th at 7:00pm in the Large Meeting Room.

NOTICE

The Parish Office will be CLOSED on the following dates:

December 24, 25, 26, 31, 2013

and also January 1, 2014.



OFFERING ENVELOPES

Sunday Offering Envelopes will be now be available in the Parish Office. For new parishioners please ask the clergy for assistance to register and obtain offering envelopes. If you are interested in Pre-authorized giving, please come to the Parish Office to sign up.



Holy Martyrs of Japan and the Social Committee

Are proud to present 1 hour of free skating on Saturday, January 4th from 11:00am to 12:00noon at the New Leisure Centre, Green Arena.

Hot Chocolate and snacks will be available, so get your skates out and bring the kids for an enjoyable hour of fun, and fellowship.



PLEASE NOTE

Would the parents who submitted original baptism certificates for First Communion and Confirmation, please come to the Parish Office and pick them up. Thank You.

PHILIPPINES RELIEF

TO DATE WE HAVE COLLECTED \$9,144.00 FOR THE RELIEF EFFORT IN THE PHILIPPINES. THE CANADIAN GOVERNMENT WILL MATCH THIS AMOUNT. THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY.

"Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife... When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him." Are you willing to respond as Joseph did? If God is calling you to ministerial service, contact Fr. Hansoo Park 416 968-0997, email vocations@vocations.ca
www.vocationstoronto.ca

 <p>Heritage Group Ltd., Brokerage</p> <p>Antero Silva Sales Representative Bus (905) 775-5677 Res (905) 775-2946 www.anterosilva.com</p>	 <p>TAYLOR FUNERAL HOME & CREMATION CENTRE NEWMARKET CHAPEL</p> <p>Jason C. Ladd - Managing Funeral Director Shannon Fletcher, Don Finlayson, K of C Gr. Knight - Funeral Directors Eric Sibley - Prearrangement Director</p> <p>www.taylorfuneralhomenewmarket.com 524 Davis Dr., Newmarket 905-898-2100 We are open while we renovate</p> 	 <p>Lomonte & Collings Insurance Services AUTO • HOME • BUSINESS • FARM 126 Bridge St., Unit 9 (905) 775-5411</p>	 <p>BRADFORD LASER CENTRE LASER HAIR REMOVAL Toni Mossman (905) 775-1564 www.BradfordLaserCentre.ca</p>	
 <p>PIANO Music Studio Private Lessons - All Ages PIANO • KEYBOARD THEORY</p> <p>Zuzana Gabor M.A. R.M.T. Registered Music Teacher www.thepianomusicstudio.com (905) 775-2964</p>	 <p>Tompkins & Heels Monuments Inc. For Quality of Craftsmanship Since 1922 IN-HOME APPOINTMENTS CALL 1-800-465-9909 161 Essa Rd. Barrie www.tompkinsandheelsmonuments.com</p> <p>Hank's Cleaners Since 1969 Drycleaning & Alterations done on premises 6 Thomas St. (905) 775-3561</p>	<p>ELECTRIC POWER Custom homes & Renovations New Installation • Panel Upgrades B. 905-775-0513 C. 905-252-0417 Free Estimates • ECRA/ESA Lic# 700727</p>  <p>HomeLife/Bayview Realty Inc., Brokerage Linda Gregato Sales Representative C: 416-557-5584 B: 905-889-2200 lindagregato@hotmail.com</p>	<p>Mary & Vita Hair Design, Waxing 118 Holland St. E. (905) 775-8775</p>  <p>Shopping Locally Saves Gas</p>	 <p>RENTALS VALUE, SERVICE & DEPENDABILITY "Open evenings & weekends." 30 Dissette Street (905) 775-6355</p>
<p>Bradford Greenhouses finest quality garden products, trees, shrubs, perennials, annuals & hanging baskets in Central Ontario Yonge St., 4m N. of Bradford (905) 775-2942</p> 	<p>FPH Financial Services INCOME TAX year round Procuracoes, Banco BPI 32 Holland St. W. 905 775-4948</p>	<p>SKWARCHUK FUNERAL HOME Family Owned & Operated One of Canada's Oldest • Established 1838 30 Simcoe Rd. (905) 775-3335 800-209-4803</p>	<p>SKWARCHUK FUNERAL HOME Family Owned & Operated One of Canada's Oldest • Established 1838 30 Simcoe Rd. (905) 775-3335 800-209-4803</p>	<p>Luesby Memorial Co. Ltd. (since 1865) 93 Main St. S., Newmarket (905) 895-4931</p>
<p>CHICO'S COLLISION CENTRE Owned & Operated By the Pinto Family 435 Dissette St. (905) 775-3663</p>	<p>Newmarket Denture Clinic Mark Pino, DD - Denturist/Mecánico Dentista "Falamos Portugues" 200 Davis Dr. Newmarket 905-853-2633</p>	<p>HEARING SCIENCES Audiology and Hearing Aid Centre 57 John St. W. 905-778-2002 FREE HEARING TEST (with ad)</p>	<p>HEARING SCIENCES Audiology and Hearing Aid Centre 57 John St. W. 905-778-2002 FREE HEARING TEST (with ad)</p>	
<p>THE TREASURE HOUSE First Communion Confirmation Gifts & More! www.treasurehouse.ca 1110 Stellar Dr., Newmarket (905) 898-3582</p>	<p>MARY KAY Patty Gallinger Independent Beauty Consultant 18 Main St. Mt. Albert (905) 473-5135 Free gift with purchase</p>	<p>HOLY MARTYRS C.W.L. WELCOMES MEMBERS 16 YEARS AND OVER</p>	<p>MIDAS Brakes • Mufflers Tune-Ups General Repairs Licensed Mechanics 330 Holland St. W. (905) 775-3422 o/o Drew, Sandi, Joe</p>	<p>Bradford Print Shoppe 30th Anniversary Mikki Nanowski (905) 775-4011 170 Artesian Industrial Pkwy.</p>
<p>RECREATION on WHEELS We offer Companionship and Other services for seniors Lucy 905-551-5858</p>	<p>KARLOS BUILDING SUPPLIES WE DELIVER! 20400 Hwy 11, 1 km S. of Bradford (W. side) 905-775-4861</p>	<p>LAW OFFICE of DIANA S. RIFFERT 84 Barrie Street (905) 775-5383</p>	<p>Silani Sweet Cheese 2nd Line Bradford W. Gwillimbury Factory Outlet (905) 939-2561</p>	
<p>DAVE LUND TREE SERVICE & FORESTRY CO LTD. Free Estimates • Fully Insured 905-775-1020 1-800-363-0511</p>	<p>PLEASE PATRONIZE OUR ADVERTISERS! For advertising space call 1-800-268-2637</p>	<p>ANIRAC PHOTOGRAPHY Weddings • Special Occasions Individual & Family Portraits (905) 775-7840 Michael F. Schneider</p>	<p>Sobeys Ready to serve. Melbourne & County Rd. 88 905-775-3301</p>	
<p>P.A.C. ELECTRIC RESIDENTIAL - COMMERCIAL - INDUSTRIAL Free Estimates Cesare 289-500-5575 License No. 7007725</p>	<p>AUTOPRO MECHANICAL D.D. Eagles & Sons Inc. (Since 1978) 20420 Hwy. 11 S. (905) 775-7876</p>	<p>Summerlyn DENTAL CARE Family & Cosmetic Dentistry www.summerdental.ca</p>	<p>addictivedesign.ca Your Printing Super Store Call Michael T: 905.551.2559</p>	
<p>RE/MAX Omega Realty (1988) Ltd., Brokerage Christopher Davies Sales Representative Dir: 647-284-7289 Bus: 905-898-1211 christopherdavies@remax.net</p>	<p>Debbie Moran Agent 100 Dissette St. 905 775 3584</p>	<p>FRANK PEDRO Sales Representative SPECTRUM REALTY SERVICES INC. I speak Portuguese Direct: 905-806-3905 Office: 416-736-6500 spectrumrealtyservices.com</p>	<p>Windows & Doors (Manuf. by Window City) www.windocity.com Call Jorge Freitas 416 875-0539</p>	
<p>Enjoy Sunday Brunch in The Riverview 10:30 am - 1:30 pm 705-435-5501 Highway 89, Alliston</p>	<p>JF QUICK LUBE & AUTO REPAIRS 435 Dissette Street (905) 775-3211</p>	<p>moveandstore.ca 1-800-263-3281</p>	<p>bradford moving & storage</p>	
<p>FY FERMIAL Home of the Sid Squad DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION</p>	<p>Remember... Let our advertisers know you saw their ad here.</p> <p>Don't leave our advertisers HANGING! Please patronize and tell them that you appreciate their support</p> <p>Your advertisers make this bulletin possible</p> <p>EAT LOCAL SHOP LOCAL ENJOY LOCAL</p>	<p>BIANCHI'S AUTO CENTRE Hwy. 88 Repairs, Tune-ups, Wheel Alignment, Air Conditioners Re-charged 905-775-4594 GOOD YEAR 905-775-8050</p>	<p>PackEdge PORTABLE STORAGE</p>	
<p>FY FERMIAL DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION</p>	<p>BIANCHI'S AUTO CENTRE Hwy. 88 Repairs, Tune-ups, Wheel Alignment, Air Conditioners Re-charged 905-775-4594 GOOD YEAR 905-775-8050</p>	<p>BIANCHI'S AUTO CENTRE Hwy. 88 Repairs, Tune-ups, Wheel Alignment, Air Conditioners Re-charged 905-775-4594 GOOD YEAR 905-775-8050</p>	<p>F.M. ALMEIDA CONTRACTING LTD. General Contractors (905) 775-8161</p>	