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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

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.

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Consolation and Hope

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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, February 3, 7:00PM

+Samantha Diogo +Joao Sergio +Emilia & Joao Vieira

TUESDAY, February 4, 8:30AM

+Manuel & Rosa Rosete

WEDNESDAY, February 5, 7:00PM

+Leo Mallet

THURSDAY, February 6, 8:30AM

*Special Intention for the Community of Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish

FRIDAY, February 7, 7:00PM

+Frank & Rosa Caietta

SATURDAY, February 8, 9:00AM

+ProPopulo

SATURDAY, February 8, 5:00PM

+Idalino Moniz & Manuel Vieira +Francisco Jose Rodrigues +Antonio Alberto Rocha +Fernando Gomes +Antonio & Vita Ingoglia +Katerina Spek +Helen Sulima
*Special Intention In Thanksgiving

SUNDAY, February 9, 8:30 AM

+Manuel Nuno Rodrigues & Manuel Rodrigues

SUNDAY February 9, 10:00AM

+ProPopulo

SUNDAY, February 9, 11:30AM

+Debbie Van Graan

SUNDAY, February 9, 6:30PM

+Dale Fawcett

2020 NEW PARISHIONER OFFERING ENVELOPES

Offering Envelopes



Assigned 2020 offering envelopes can now be picked up at the parish office.

If you have moved, or would like to set up

Pre-Authorized giving, please contact the parish office at 905 775 2065.

If you would like to start using envelopes this year, please contact the parish office to be assigned a new box number and to complete a registration form. Thank you for your kindness and generosity.

OFFICE OF VOCATIONS

www.vocationstoronto.ca

“Jesus did not come to help Angels, but the descendants of Abraham.” If God is calling you to consider the priesthood, diaconate, brother or sister contact Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416 968 0997 or email vocations@archtoronto.org

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REFLECTION

Do you know the favor of the Lord? After Jesus’ birth, Mary fulfills the Jewish right of purification after childbirth. Since she could not afford the customary offering of a lamb, she gives instead two pigeons as an offering of the poor. Like godly parents, Mary and Joseph raised their son in the fear and wisdom of God. He, in turn, was obedient to them and grew in wisdom and grace. The Lord’s favor is with those who listen to his word with trust and obedience.

What is the significance of Simeon’s encounter with the baby Jesus and his mother in the temple? Simeon was a devout man who was very much in tune with the Holy Spirit. He believed that the Lord would return to his temple and renew his chosen people. The Holy Spirit also revealed to him that the Messiah and King of Israel would also bring salvation to the Gentile nations. When Joseph and Mary presented the baby Jesus in the temple, Simeon immediately recognized this humble child of Bethlehem as the fulfillment of all the messianic prophecies, hopes, and prayers. Inspired by the Holy Spirit he prophesied that Jesus was to be “a revealing light to the Gentiles.” The Holy Spirit reveals the presence of the Lord to those who are receptive and eager to receive him. Simeon blessed Mary and Joseph and he prophesied to Mary about the destiny of this child and the suffering she would undergo for his sake. There is a certain paradox for those blessed by the Lord. Mary was given the blessedness of being the mother of the Son of God. That blessedness also would become a sword which pierced her heart as her Son died upon the cross. She received both a crown of joy and a cross of sorrow. But her joy was not diminished by her sorrow because it was fueled by her faith, hope, and trust in God and his promises. Jesus promised his disciples that “no one will take your joy from you” (John 16:22) The Lord gives us supernatural joy which enables us to bear any sorrow or pain and which neither life nor death can take away. Simeon was not alone in recognizing the Lord’s presence in the temple. Anna, too, was filled with the Holy Spirit. She was found daily in the temple, attending to the Lord in prayer and speaking prophetically to others about God’s promise to send a redeemer. Supernatural hope grows with prayer and age! Anna was pre-eminently a woman of great hope and expectation that God would fulfill all his promises. She is a model of godliness to all believers as we advance in age.

The Holy Spirit gives hope to all who place their trust in the promises of God. God never fails because his promises are true and he is faithful. There is a hope which God places within us to persevere with confident trust in God even in the face of trials and challenges that may come our way. Offer to God everything you have and desire – your life, family, friends, health, honor, wealth, and future. If you seek his kingdom first he will give you everything you need to know, love, and serve him now, and enjoy him forever.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Presentation of the Lord | February 2nd 2020

EVENTS

VALENTINE'S DAY / KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 60TH ANNIVERSARY SEMI FORMAL

The Knights of Columbus would like to invite you to our Semi-Formal Dinner/ Dance event on Saturday February 8th 2020. Tickets are \$35.00 each on sale after each Mass at the back of the Church or Contact Mike at 647 989 1104 or mfeely@rogers.com.

Cocktails: at 5:45pm, Cash Bar

Dinner: at 6:30pm Roast Beef/Salad & Fish/Rice & Dessert

REMINDERS

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION CHAPEL

Come, Let Us Adore Him

Jesus waits for us in this Sacrament of love. Let us be generous with our time in going to meet Him in adoration and in contemplation that is full of faith and ready to make reparation for the great faults of crimes of the world. May our adoration never cease. – St. John Paul



HOLY HOUR

Friday February 7, 2020 after the 7:00pm Mass

Come be present with the Lord!

UPCOMING PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY, SPAIN, FRANCE AND PORTUGAL

SEPTEMBER 14 - 29, 2020 – 16 Days – CA\$4,590 (all taxes & tips included) under the spiritual leadership of Massillamani Zacharias. For more information please pick up an itinerary in the Narthex of the church or contact Jessy of QS Travels & Tours at 1 800 565 3619.

MARRIAGE SUNDAY

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 9, 2020

Marriage is the intimate union and equal partnership of man and woman. It comes to us from the hand of God, who created male and female in His image, so that they might become one body and multiply. Though man and woman are equal as God's children, they are created with important differences that allow them to give themselves and to receive the other as a gift. To celebrate this gift of marriage, the Archdiocese of Toronto has designated Sunday February 9, 2020 as Marriage Sunday.

FAMILY DAY – MONDAY FEBRUARY 17, 2020

Mass will be at 9:00am on this day and the parish office will be closed for the holiday and will reopen on Tuesday February 18, 2020. Wishing you and your Families a blessed Family Day Long Weekend!

SACRAMENTS

COMMUNION SACRAMENTS

Please join us in praying for our grade two students who are preparing to receive their First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion over the next several months. May Jesus come to bless you as you prepare to take your seat at the Lord's table to celebrate in the Sacrament of 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.

Sacrament of First Reconciliation

February 18, 2020 at 7:00pm Last Names from "A"-"L"

February 20, 2019 at 7:00pm Last Names from "M"-"Z"

There will be priests to hear both children and parent's confessions each evening.

CONFIRMATION SACRAMENTS

Bless our Confirmandi as they prepare and partake in the Sacrament of Reconciliation 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.

Confirmation Enrollment Date: (Blue Form)

Saturday February 1st OR Sunday February 2nd 2020

(must attend ONE)

Blue Forms are to be completed and presented by the candidate at the time of enrollment Mass to Fr. Joshua during Saturday Evening Mass OR any Sunday Mass.

LENTEN SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

March 10th 2020 from 7:00pm-9:00pm at Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish

YOUTH MINISTRY



EDGE
Catholic Middle School Ministry

Come have fun, meet friends and play games in faith and fellowship.

Monday Nights in the Parish Hall at 7:00pm

Feb 3 -TBA – Social

Feb 10 -Navigating the Terrain

Feb 17 -Family Day – No Edge



LIFE TEEN
Leading Teens Closer to Christ

High school teens in grades 9-12 are invited to gather and enjoy the gift of friendship with food and fun while growing in faith and virtue. Sundays at 7:45pm in the Parish Hall.

Feb 2 -Anticipate – Catechesis

Feb 8 -WTN Valentines Dance

Feb 9/16-No Life Night

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