We welcome you to

Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish

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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:00pm

Sunday: 10:00am, 12:00pm &

6:30pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays 7:00pm Tuesdays, Thursdays & 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

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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, January 18, 7:00PM

+ProPopulo

TUESDAY, January 19, 9:00AM

+Rudolf Spek

WEDNESDAY, January 20, 7:00PM

+Maria & Saul Domingues

THURSDAY, January 21, 9:00AM

+Karl Chavloski

FRIDAY, January 22, 7:00PM

+Manuel Conceicao Jr. & Maria dos Santos Rosete

SATURDAY, January 23, 9:00AM

+ProPopulo

SATURDAY, January 23, 5:00PM

+Santana Family Members +Manuel Augusto Dinis + Rudolf Spek +Elizabeth Gres

SUNDAY, January 24, 10:00AM

+Elizabeth Quennville

SUNDAY, January 24, 12:00PM

+Doris Lefebvre

SUNDAY, January 24, 6:30PM

+ProPopulo

2021 OFFERING ENVELOPES

Offering Envelopes

Pre-Authorized Giving
Parishioners are encouraged to sign up for preauthorized giving (PAG). In light of Covid-19, it is
a convenient, easy and automatic way to support
your parish. You access a form by visiting our
website and Click the "Covid 19" tab and click on
Pre-authorized Giving or contact the office.

Envelope Pick up for Seniors:

A volunteer will be assisting our seniors at the 5:00pm Mass with envelope pick up. Upon entering please provide the usher with your name and box number and a volunteer will bring your offering box to your seat before the start of Mass. As of December 26, 2020, please contact the office for more information.

New and Existing Parishioners:

Unfortunately, we had to reduce the number of boxes ordered this year as many were not in use. Anyone who was using box numbers from 800 and up will be assigned a new number. To pick up your new box contact the office.

DISPENSATION FROM SUNDAY MASS: Cardinal

Thomas Collins continues to provide dispensation from the Sunday Mass for those who may not be able to attend Mass at Church for health reasons or capacity.

REFLECTION

Who is Jesus for You? In Jesus John saw the true and only sacrifice which could deliver us from bondage to sin, death, and the powers of hell. How did John know the true identity of Jesus, as the Son of God and Savior of the world (John 1:29)? The Holy Spirit revealed to John Jesus' true nature, such that John bore witness that this is the Son of God. How can we be certain that Jesus is truly the Christ, the Son of the living God? The Holy Spirit makes the Lord Jesus Christ known to us through the gift of faith. God gives us freely of his Spirit that we may comprehend – with enlightened minds and eyes of faith – the great mystery and plan of God to unite all things in his Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

When two of John's disciples began to seek Jesus out, Jesus took the initiative to invite them into his company. He did not wait for them to get his attention. Instead, he met them halfway. He asked them one of the most fundamental questions of life: "What are you looking for?" Jesus asks each one of us the same question. Only God, the Father the Author of life can answer that question and make our purpose fully known to us. That is why the Lord Jesus invites each one of us to draw near to himself. He wants us to know him personally. "Come and see" is the Lord's invitation for each one of us to discover the joy of friendship and communion with the One who made us in love for love.

When we find something of great value it's natural to want to share the good news of our discovery with our family, friends, and neighbors. When Andrew met Jesus and discovered that he was truly the Messiah, he immediately went to his brother Simon and told him the good news. Andrew brought his brother to meet Jesus so he could "come and see" for himself. When Jesus saw Simon approaching, he immediately reached out to Simon in the same way he had done for Andrew earlier. Jesus looked at Simon and revealed that he knew who Simon was and where he came from even before Simon had set his eyes on Jesus. Jesus gave Simon a new name "Cephas" meaning Rock, which signified that God had a personal call and mission for him. Servants of the word, www.dailyscripture.net Don Schwager.

THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED AS OF DECEMBER 26, 2020 AS PER NEW PROVINCIAL GUIDELINES, HOWEVER WE ARE RETURNING CALLS AND RESPONDINGTO EMAILS ON A REGULAR BASIS

PLEASE NOTE: THE PARISH OFFICE IS OPEN BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Due to new provincial restrictions, our regular Mass schedules as listed below may no longer apply. Please contact the Parish for more information. Thank you.

WEEKDAY MASS: WALK IN
Monday Wednesday & Friday – 7:00pm
Tuesday Thursdays & Saturday – 9:00am

WEEKEND MASSES:

Holidays: Masses are at 9:00am

Saturdays – 5:00pm Vigil Mass (Seniors) Walk In - No Registration Required. Doors open 4:00pm

Sundays – 10:00am & 12:00pm Mass Registration Required Online – Eventbrite Doors open 1 hour before Mass

Sundays – 6:30pm Mass (All Age Groups) Walk In - No Registration Required. Doors open 6:00pm

EVENTBRITE Online Registration Go to Holy Martyrs of Japan Website and click "Register for Mass" to order tickets Please bring electronic or printed ticket for admission

The Sunday 10:00am Mass will continue to be livestreamed on youtube

ON-LINE DONATIONS

Thank you to all of you who continue to support us with your donations as you come to Mass each week. Our beautiful parish is open for Mass and we have worked diligently following guidance from public health authorities to make the environment safe for you and all who visit. It is with much gratitude and thanks to ALL our volunteers that make this possible.

We have benefited greatly from the Canada Wage Subsidy, but that support is scheduled to stop after September. Our parish relies on the support of our parishioners to operate – salaries, programs and ongoing operating costs (heating, water, electricity, etc.) These are funded through the generosity of our parish community. It continues to be a challenge for our parish to maintain operations without the weekly offertory collection. We are most thankful for your continued and anticipated support during this difficult time.

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS: Baptism Packages can be picked up after attending any Mass. Take the package home, complete the forms and return it after attending any Mass to clergy. A clergy member will be in touch with you to discuss details and to confirm a date. (to be resumed after lockdown)

FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION:

Emails were sent out back in August to book a date and time through Eventbrite for those who pre-registered to receive the Sacrament of Communion (our current grade 3's). Due to the lack of interest, as the dates and times offered did not fill, no additional dates for Communion were released. Those still waiting to receive the sacrament (current grade 3's), who did not register for the dates that were made available via Eventbrite, please come to any of our Masses, weekday or weekend, and speak to Fr. Joshua or any of the clergy, regarding the Sacrament.

We have completed the Sacrament of Confirmation for those students who pre-registered last year (our now grade 8's). Two sets of Confirmation dates have been released via email along with a link to register for your date through Eventbrite.

For our current grade 2's and 7's, wishing to receive First Holy Communion and Confirmation, the plan is to have a parent meeting in January, so that we can carefully plan and prepare the materials needed to assist you and your family on this journey. All will be communicated to you through whatever means we have. We invite you to come to Mass, watch it on youtube, or go to our website for any further updates or announcements.

CONFESSIONS: Can be heard a half hour before Sunday Mass or by appointment by calling the parish office to arrange a date and time.

FUNERALS: Are resumed. Please contact the parish office at 905 775 2065

COMMUNION FOR THE SICK: Please contact the parish office at 905 775 2065 if you are sick and need communion at home.

TO REQUEST A MASS INTENTION: If you are interested in booking a Mass Intention, please contact the parish office at 905 775 2065



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