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Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish

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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: 9:30am

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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Alpha

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St. Vincent de Paul Society

CULTURAL GROUPS

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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.

THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

To enter the Kingdom of God, there are two things we need to do – Repent and Believe. If God is truly the LORD of our lives, God gives us the grace to be able to turn away from those things that prevent us from being children of the light. We must use that grace to be able to recognize what those things are and then change our way of life, to further allow Christ to be the Lord and Master of my heart. That's what it means to repent – it means to CHANGE.

When we repent, we are free to believe – to believe in Jesus at His Word and to recognize the love of God in our lives. Remember, God loved us first – and He invites us to have that relationship with Him as his sons and daughters. When we surrender in love our lives to God, He frees us from the chains of sin and fear, and gives us the ability to be the children of light.

WORLD DAY FOR CONCECRATED LIFE

Friday February 2, 2018

This World Day for Consecrated Life is a wonderful opportunity for us to thank God for the gifts of these religious sisters, brothers and priests and to pray for God's blessing upon them in their efforts to faithfully live the evangelical counsels of poverty, chastity and obedience.

Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick will preside at a special Mass on **Sunday January 28, 2018 at 3:00pm** at St. Paul's Basilica, 83 Power St. Toronto in celebration of the vocation and witness of these special men and women religious who are such a vital and important part of the life and ministry of the Church in our Archdiocese. All are welcome.

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION NIGHT

Please come join us for Mass on SATURDAY FEBRUARY 3, 2018. We invite all of our volunteers to join us after the 5:00pm Mass for a reception in the Parish Hall in gratitude to all those who have given of their time in service to the Lord. If you have donated any of your time this past year in service to our parish we would like for you to join us for this volunteer appreciation reception. Please contact the parish office at 905 775 2065 to confirm your attendance by January 28, 2018.



HOLY MARTYRS OF JAPAN FEAST DAY

We will be celebrating the Feast of Holy Martyrs of Japan on Saturday February 3rd at 5:00pm and at all Masses on Sunday February 4th 2018. In honor of our Feast Day, there will be a reception in the

parish hall following the 11:30am Mass. We invite everyone to join us for this wonderful celebration.

MARRIAGE SUNDAY

Marriage is the intimate union and equal partnership of a man and a 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 11, 2018** as Marriage Sunday. In prayer and petition, we will be honoring and celebrating this holy union of all married couples at all Masses.

CONFIRMATION PARENT MEETING

REMINDER THAT ALL ENROLMENT FORMS WERE DUE BEFORE JANUARY 14, 2018

For those who have enrolled, there will be two meetings in January of which we will ask parents and confirmation candidates to attend so that you understand the process of confirmation. The information meeting dates are:

Thursday January 18th 2018 at 7:00pm in the Church OR

Saturday January 20th 2018 at 10:00am in the Church Please attend ONE!

FIRST RECONCILIATION/COMMUNION PARENT MEETING REMINDER THAT ALL ENROLMENT FORMS WERE DUE BEFORE JANUARY 14, 2018

For those who have enrolled, there will be two meetings in January of which we will ask parents and communion candidates to attend so that you understand the process of these Sacraments. The information meeting dates are:

Thursday January 25th 2018 at 7:00pm in the Church

Saturday January 27th 2018 at 11:00am in the Church Please attend ONE!

RUN WITH IT SERIES

The first session will be held on Wednesday **January 31, 2018 from 7:30pm-9:30pm** in the St. Joseph's Meeting Room (large meeting room). ALL are welcome!

ST. VALENTINE'S PARTY

This Valentine's Day celebration is a parish event organized by El Sembrador to raise funds for our migrant workers. All are welcome on Saturday February 10th 2018 from 6:30pm – 12:00am to join in the fun. Tickets are \$20.00 per person. Food and drinks are not included but can be purchased at the event. If you are unable to attend the event and would like to support the El Sembrador ministry, cheques may be made out to Holy Martyrs of Japan and on the memo line El Sembrador. Thank you in advance for your support and generosity.

LENTEN PREPARATION



PANCAKE TUESDAY

The Knights of Columbus invite everyone to a pancake/sausage supper on **Shrove Tuesday**

February 13th from 5-7pm in the parish hall prior to the start of Lent. The cost is only \$5.00/person and all proceeds raised will go to the church building fund.

ASH WEDNESDAY Wednesday February 14, 2018

Ash Wednesday is a day of fasting, abstinence and prayer. Mass and the distribution of ashes will be at 8:30am and 7:00pm.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS



Come join us every Friday during the season of Lent beginning with adoration at 6:00pm, Mass at 7:00pm followed by the Stations of the Cross at 7:30pm. Come journey with Christ and prepare yourself for the Triduum.

INTRODUCING... ALPHA

Holy Martyrs of Japan will be hosting the Alpha Series again on Tuesday evenings starting February 20th 2018 at 6:30pm in the parish hall. Alpha is a program which seeks to introduce or hear a new, the basics of our Christian Catholic Faith through a series of talks and interactive sessions and discussions. Each talk looks at different questions and is designed to create conversation. Alpha is a program that is run worldwide and EVERYONE is welcome. Centered around food, friends and discussion we re-introduce ourselves and further explore our faith and the meaning of life. It is a chance to share thoughts and ideas with one another in an open, honest and friendly environment. The series dates are as follows: February 20, 27, March 6, 20, April 10, 17, 24, May 1, 8, 15, 22. To RSVP, volunteer or if you have any questions please contact Ray Reitzel at 905-251-8151 or the office at 905-775-2065.

WHAT: EDGE is a youth ministry

program designed to help youth learn more

about their Catholic faith and develop a personal relationship with Christ. Come have fun, meet friends and play games in faith and fellowship!

WHO: Grades 6-8

WHEN: Mondays 7- 8:30pm

WHERE: Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish Hall

COST: FREE FREE FREE

JAN 15 Center – Issue JAN 22 Restless Heart – Issue

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday January 20th 5:00pm

- +Michael Mulcahy by Wife & Family
- +Manuel Nuno Rodrigues by Wife & Children
- +Luiza Nazario by Lurdes Rocha
- +Deolinda de Jesus by Lourdes & Angelino Marques
- +Virgilio Pinho by Wife & Children
- +Eduardo & Jose Lancha by Connie & Family
- +John Ferreira & Mario Lancha by Connie & Family
- +Maria Conceicao & Manuel Moniz by Family
- +Walter Andrade by Fernando & Gabriella Angelino
- +Maria Viveiros by Children & Families

Sunday January 21st

8:30am +Manuel Conceicao Jr. & Maria Rosete by John &

Marian Conceicao

10:00am + All Deceased Family & Friends by Bill & Pat Jardine

11:30am + Joao & Teresa Moniz by Moniz Family

4:45pm + ProPopulo

6:30pm +ProPopulo

Monday January 22nd

+Manuel Conceicao & Maria Rosete by Celso & Maria

Domingues

- +Domenico Ferragina by Anna Ferragina & Family
- +Walter Andrade by Regina Assis & Family
- *Spec. Int. Ilona Szabo by Vilma LaRoche
- +Heitor Saborano & Antonio Diogo by Julia, Isabel &Families
- +Ondina Grego & Luiza Nazario by Julia, Isabel & Families
- +Joao & Emilia Laranjeiro by Julia, Isabel & Families
- +Manuel & Gloria Grego by Julia, Isabel & Families

Tuesday January 23rd 8:30am

+Antonio Manuel Diogo by Sister

Wednesday January 24th 7:00pm

+All Souls in Purgatory by Manuel Gomes

Thursday January 25th 8:30am

*Spec. Int. for Agnes Dauphinee by Carmen

Friday January 26th 7:00pm

+Eduardo Coelho by Daughter Eduarda Romeiro

Saturday January 27th 9:30am

+John Hembrooke by Regina Assis

"May God Grant Them Eternal Peace"

Offering Envelopes

IMPORTANT NOTICE ENVELOPES

New envelopes are available for pick up again during the month of January in the Narthex (back of the Church). After this date, envelopes can be picked up at the parish office.

Before you take a box of envelopes make sure your name is on it. If you would like to start using envelopes again please take a box with NO NAME on it and complete the *New Envelope User* form attached and include the completed form with your first envelope offering. Thank you for your kindness and generosity.

HOLY HOUR

Friday February 2nd 2018 at 7:00pm Come be present with the Lord



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