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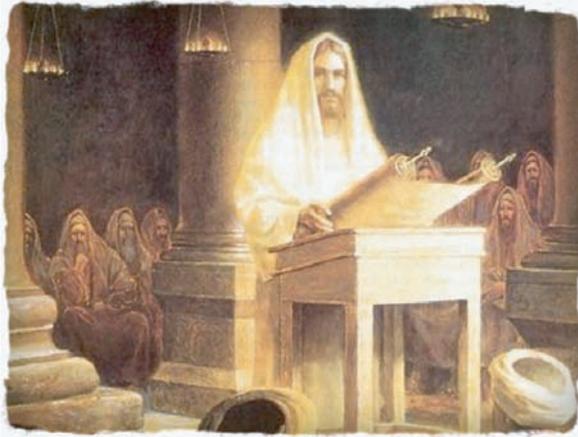
Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish

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



Pastor: Father John Pak Jpak@archtoronto.org

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St. Paul Miki and Companions—Pray for Us!

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm

Sunday: 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00pm & 6:30pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays 7:00pm

Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturdays 9:00am

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 8:00am to 8:45am and 3:30pm to 4:30pm
or by appointment.

BAPTISMS

Please contact Father John at jpak@archtoronto.org

MARRIAGE

Please contact Father John at jpak@archtoronto.org

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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PARISH MINISTRIES and SOCIETIES

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Sacramental Preparation & Catechesis

Seniors Outreach

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Divino Espirito Santo

Nossa Senhora De Fatima

Santissima Trindade

NEW PARISHIONERS: WELCOME !

We are delighted to have you join our parish family; we invite you to register by completing the form in the parish foyer or at the parish office. Offering envelopes available by request.

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, January 24, 7:00PM

+Antonio Diogo & Samantha Diogo *Special Intention
in Thanksgiving +Manuel Augusto Dinis

TUESDAY, January 25, 9:00AM

+ProPopulo

WEDNESDAY, January 26, 7:00PM

+Gabriel Pinto

THURSDAY, January 27, 9:00AM

+Francesco Gammicchia

FRIDAY, January 28, 7:00pm

+Luis Rafael Valerio Espinal Lopez

SATURDAY, January 29, 9:00AM

+ProPopulo

SATURDAY, January 29, 5:00PM

+Ernesto Correia +Alzira Neto & Manuel Dinis

SUNDAY, January 30, 8:00AM

+ProPopulo

SUNDAY, January 30, 10:00AM

+Antonietta Gentile

SUNDAY, January 30, 12:00PM

+Elio Bellon

SUNDAY, January 30, 6:30PM

+ProPopulo

LATEST NEWS

EVERLASTING GIFT CARDS NOW AVAILABLE

Anyone, living or deceased, may be enrolled in the Sacred Heart Association. It is an ideal gift for a family in mourning or a wedding, anniversary, birthday, or any other special occasion such as Mother's Day, Father's Day, Christmas, Easter, etc.

A daily Mass will forever be celebrated in the Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Rome. The membership certificate is issued in an 8" by 6" leatherette album. We offer a choice of colours (white, gold, navy blue, and burgundy) and holy images.

A portion of the offering is sent to Rome for the maintenance of the Sacred Heart Basilica, built by Saint John Bosco at the explicit request of Pope Leo XIII. It was consecrated in May 1887. The remainder of the offering is used to fund the promotion and education of priestly and religious Salesians of Saint John Bosco, serving the people of God, especially the young

If you are interested in purchasing an everlasting gift card, please contact the parish office. Complete and correct spelling of the loved one's name is necessary at the time of booking. The cost of the Everlasting Gift card is \$50.00. No income tax receipts are issued for Everlasting Gifts.

REFLECTION

“Since many have undertaken to compile a narrative of the events that have been fulfilled among us, just as those who were eyewitnesses from the beginning and ministers of the word have handed them down to us, I too have decided, after investigating everything accurately anew, to write down in an orderly sequence for you, most excellent Theophilus, so that you may realize the certainty of the teachings you have received.” Luke 1:1-4

St. Luke begins his Gospel with this short explanation. This introduction to his Gospel gives us the opportunity to look more deeply at the Holy Bible. What is your approach to the Bible? How often do you read it? How thoroughly do you understand it? Is the Bible the foundation of your life, of faith and knowledge of God?

Sacred scripture is a gift beyond our imagination. It's a gift from God through which He reveals His perfect love and His perfect plan for us. We should know the Scriptures well, read them often, pray over the verses and allow all that is revealed within those pages to become the foundation of our lives.

The Bible is 100% the work of God and 100% the work of the human author. Together this joint effort reveals that God used the human author for his divine will and purpose. This is of great significance to understand for it reveals that we should love Scripture because it reveals the heart and truth of God as well as the unique personality and humanity of the human author. So we are benefiting from the full revelation of God as well as the unique gift of the human author. As well, it should reveal to us that, though God will not use us in the same way (i.e., to add to the Bible), He does desire to use us for divine purposes. He desires to consume our unique human personality and use us to shine forth the beauty and splendor of His divinity. God wants to use you, in all your weakness and sin, to bring His divine presence into our world. Be open to that gift so that you may become a living gift of the living word of God to the world.

The Gospel is the all-powerful and all-merciful word of God for us today as much as it was for the people who first heard it in Jesus' time. It's a life-giving word that has supernatural power to change, transform, and bring freedom and healing to those who search and thirst for it and accept it as the living word of God.



Attendance for all weekend Mass celebrations must be registered via Eventbrite. Please visit our website to register. holymartyrsofjapan.archtoronto.org

Weekday Masses are still walk in. However, due to the new health regulations in Simcoe Muskoka, visitors will be asked for their information and a series of health questions upon entry.

PROOF OF VACCINATION NOT REQUIRED FOR MASS

PLEASE NOTE: THE PARISH OFFICE IS OPEN BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

REQUIEM MASS AT HOLY MARTYRS OF JAPAN CEMETERY

During the winter months, please join us in a Mass celebration at the Church for the faithful departed, the first Friday of every month at 11:00am.

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

FUNERALS: Please contact the parish office at 905 775 2065

ADORATION CHAPEL

We are happy to announce that our Adoration Chapel open for prayer, Monday-Friday from 9:30am-4:30pm.

FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH ADORATION

Adoration and Benediction will follow after the 7:00pm Mass on the First Friday of every month.

LATEST NEWS Continued...

SYNOD ON SYNODALITY

Pope Francis launched the Synod on Synodality: a two year global process of listening to the faithful that will help the Church reflect on how we can do God's will in the world today. The comments of the faithful will ultimately be discussed at a meeting of the bishops in the Vatican in 2023. To learn more about the Synod on Synodality and to share your thoughts, please visit: www.archtoronto.org/synodality.

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS: For parents wishing to baptize their child, please contact the parish office via email with your request and we will forward you a baptismal package. Please complete the required documents and email them back to the parish office. Upon receipt of your email a clergy member will be in touch with you to discuss details, covid protocols, and to confirm a date.

FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION:
REMINDER: FOR ANYONE WISHING TO RECEIVE THE SACRAMENT OF FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION IN 2022 MUST REGISTER BY FEBRUARY 7, 2022. Please visit our website to complete the registration form.

Recent Sacramental Communication as of:
January 10, 2022, from Fr. John

This is a reminder letter that the deadline for First Communion and Confirmation registration is February 7, 2022. **All those who wish to receive the sacraments and registered in previous years must register again.**

Please register quickly because it is very difficult to give any extensions or exceptions. It is most important to have clear and accurate information on the number of registrants so that we can plan our celebrations properly and safely due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Once again, registration for First Communion and Confirmation for all grades will close on Monday February 7, 2022, at 12 Midnight.

Links to the registration forms:

First Communion:

<https://holymartyrsofjapan.archtoronto.org/siteassets/blocks/contactforms/first-communion-request-form-2021-2022-1-oct-2021.pdf>

Confirmation:

<https://holymartyrsofjapan.archtoronto.org/siteassets/blocks/contactforms/confirmation-request-form-2021-2022-1-oct-2021.pdf>

Information on preparation and the dates of the Sacraments will be given out after February, taking everything into account: number of registrants, Covid restrictions etc.

Thank you for your patience and understanding

CONFESSIONS: In light of the current Covid numbers Confessions will be heard by appointment only. Please contact the parish office for further information.

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