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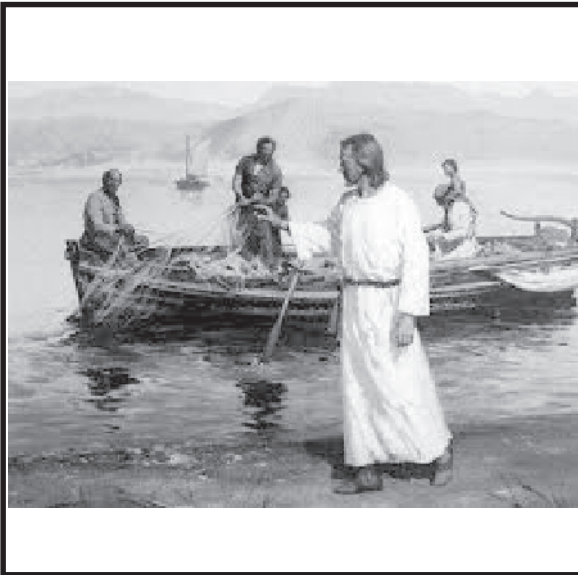
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St. Paul Miki and Companions—Pray for Us!

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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:00pm

Sunday: 8:30am, 10:00am & 11:30am

Life Teen Mass—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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Holy Trinity High School—905-775-4841

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St. Charles—905-775-6762

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Life Teen

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Social Club

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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.

SITTING WITH SCRIPTURE

The scene in today's Gospel reading of Jesus calling Simon and Andrew, then James and John, is a very personal moment between themselves and the Lord. It is also a moment whose features should be part of every Christian's life. The Lord calls, they leave their nets and then they follow Him. Each of us has a story of our life, a journey to make, a call to answer that is uniquely our own. Jesus called each of us individually as surely as He called Simon and Andrew and James and John. And He called us for a reason. The apostles in their travels with Jesus were very much living a life dedicated completely to following Jesus. To be a Christian is not simply to leave the world behind but to stay in the world as salt and light and use things of the world differently than others do for the sake of the Kingdom. That is the point that St. Paul is driving at in today's second reading. If we keep our eyes fixed on Christ, then we start to see marriage, family, and work in a different light, as places where we can be Christ to others.

Excerpted from Captured Fire by Fr. S. Joseph Krempa

Holy Martyrs Feast Day

In the fall of 1940 Holy Martyrs was separated from St. John Chrysostom Parish in Newmarket to become its own Parish. This year Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish celebrates it's 75th Anniversary.

The feast of the Holy Martyrs falls on Friday, February 6th but we will celebrate the feast on February 8th at our 11:30am Sunday Mass. There will be a Luncheon afterwards in the Parish Hall. All are welcome to attend.



However the main celebration of our Parish will occur on Sunday, November 15, 2015 at the 11:30am Mass. It will be celebrated by His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins. Mark your calendar. It will be an exciting time for us. More information will follow as we get closer to the date.

CANDLEMAS

You are invited to attend our Volunteer Appreciation Reception after the 7:00pm Mass on Monday, February 2, 2015 to celebrate all volunteers who give their time to support the mission of the Church. Come and let us say thank you for all you do to enliven our community. Please call the Parish Office to RSVP so we may organize an adequate amount of food and seating.



CATHOLIC WOMENS LEAGUE

CWL Northern Region Winter Social – Sunday, Feb. 1st 2-4pm, St. Paul the Apostle Church, 190 King Street S. Alliston
Please contact Tina Gasper at 905 775-4386 if you are a CWL member and wish to attend.

Executive Meeting – Mon. Jan 26 – after 7pm Mass

General Meeting – Mon. Feb. 9 – after 7pm Mass – **please note change in date due to Volunteer Appreciation Reception**

For those members who have not paid their memberships for 2015, Carol Sargeant will be available after all Masses on Jan. 24th and 25th, or call Carol at 905 775-2778.



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.
Jan 25 - Movie with a Message	Jan. 26 – Inspire(d)
Feb. 1 – Movie with a Message	Feb. 2 – Fortitude in the Storm
	Feb. 9 - Edge Idol

World Youth Day 2016 – Poland & Rome

We will be holding an information meeting, Tuesday, Feb. 3 at 7:30pm in the Large Meeting Room for all parishioners and youth interested in World Youth Day 2016. If you have questions please contact Ray Reitzel at 905 251-8151 or Deacon Dave at 647 588-3181.

ANOINTING MASS

The Ministry of Jesus to the sick is central to the life of the Church. On Wednesday, February 10th at 7:00pm (The Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes and World Day of the Sick), we will be having an anointing Mass which highlights the healing ministry of the church. It reminds us that service to the sick and suffering cannot be neglected. It recognizes the great efforts of doctors, nurses, health care institutions and pastoral care givers to restore health to those afflicted with illness and disease. Those who are frail, have an illness where a cure is in serious doubt or are facing surgery are especially welcome to join us for this Anointing Mass.

Blessing of the Throats

There will be the Blessing of the Throats on Tuesday, February 3rd, 2015 (The Feast of St. Blaise) at the 8:30am Mass. All are welcome.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a Communion Breakfast after all the Morning Masses on Sunday, January 25, 2015. Please come support the Knights and enjoy a time of good food and fellowship.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, WITH THE IDEAS OF OUR PARISH, ARE PLANNING TO BUILD A HOLY MARTYRS OF JAPAN CHRISTMAS THEMED FLOAT FOR NEXT YEARS SANTA CLAUS PARADE. ALL PARISHIONERS INTERESTED ARE INVITED TO THE PLANNING MEETING ON JANUARY 28, 2015 AT 7:30PM IN THE LARGE MEETING ROOM.

Marriage Celebration

The celebration will be held this year on **Saturday, Feb. 7, 2015 at the 5:00 pm Mass**. There will be Coffee and cake in the large meeting room following Mass. Those wishing to participate can fill out the following information and drop it at the parish office, or call: Imelda Santos at 905-775-7819.

MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Last Name _____
 Husband's Name _____
 Wife's Name _____
 Telephone # _____
 Year of Marriage _____
 Anniversary to be Celebrated _____

MASS INTENTIONS

5:00pm Saturday, January 24th

* Sp. Int. for Laddie Balon on her 90th Birthday by Family
 + Paulo & Amelia Medeiros by Lourdes & Gerry
 + Antonio Alberto Rocha by Gabriel & Maria Pinto
 + Ana Vieira by Maria & Walter Andrade
 + John & Fatima Faria by Lourdes & Children
 + Ignazio Polizzi by Wife
 + Isaura Ferraz & Jose Marques by Carlos & Virginia Araujo
 + Joao & Emilia Laranjeiro by Piedade Janeiro

Sunday, January 25th

8:30am Pro Populo

10:00am + Ignazio Cascio by A Family Friend

11:30am + Emilia Laranjeiro by Arromba Family

4:45pm Spanish Mass

6:30pm + Mark Meulendyks by Family

7:00pm Monday, January 26th

+ Manuel Joaquim & Maria Assis by Regina Assis
 + All Souls by Marques Family
 + Ceu Angelina & Manuel Cavaco by Cavaco Family
 + All Deceased Family Members by Silva Family
 + K. Pakulska by Mendrek Family
 + Jose & Maria Ferreira by Fernandes Family
 + Michael Singh by Vilma LaRoche & Family
 + Maria & Eugenio Arruda by Lucy, John & Lui Andrade

8:30am Tuesday, January 27th

+ All Souls in Purgatory by A Parishioner

7:00pm Wednesday, January 8th

+ Estelle Macdonell by Family

8:30am Thursday January 29th

* Sp. Int. in Thanksgiving by Ma Family

7:00pm Friday, January 30th

+ Parents & brothers Bak by Balon Family

9:30am Saturday January 31st

+ All Souls by E. Henriques & Family

5:00pm Saturday, January 31st

+ John Ferreira by Bernardette Ferreira
 + Joaquim Araujo & Idalina Da Silva by Carlos & Virginia Araujo
 + Joao & Emilia Laranjeiro by Piedade Janeiro
 + Garcia Miguelo by Manuel Miguelo
 + All Deceased members of Anier & Sanchez Families by Rosario Anier & Family
 + Stafford Comeau by Roy & Margaret Emoff
 + Adelino Oliveira by Deonilde Bento & Family
 + All Souls by Calisto Family

Sunday, February 1st

8:30am + Denis Faria & All Souls by Dinis Family

10:00am Pro Populo

11:30am + Maria Arromba by Arromba Family

4:45pm Spanish Mass

6:30pm * Sp. Int. Mitchell White & Mathew Maloney by Julia & Andrew Carvalho

"May God Grant Them Eternal Peace"

The call of the disciples is so familiar to us that we tend to miss the wonder of the disciples' response, which was immediate and complete; they leave everything and follow Jesus. Can we do less if we feel that God is calling us to the priesthood, religious life or deaconate? If you think God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto 416 968-0997 or e-mail vocations@archtoronto.org www.vocationstoronto.ca

Pre-Authorized Giving

If you are interested in Pre-Authorized Giving, please come to the Parish Office to sign up.

OFFERING ENVELOPES

Sunday Offering Envelopes are available in the Parish Office. Please come and pick them up. If you have moved and have not notified the Parish please call, so we can update our database. If you have any questions or need clarification, please call Delia at the Parish Office - 905 775-2065



Marriage Preparation Course

Holy Martyrs of Japan is once again offering a Marriage Preparation Course covering two weekends. The course starts Friday, January 30, 2015 (7:00-9:00) and Saturday January 31, 2015 (10:00-4:00) and continues Friday, February 6, 2015 (7:30-9:00) and Saturday, February 7, 2015 (10:00-4:00). The registration fee is \$120 per couple (includes lunch both Saturdays) and is due at the time of registration. If you are getting married this year, now is the time to register for this mandatory course. Please come to the Parish Office to register. For more information please call 905 775-2065.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY PROGRAM

The Children's Liturgy program is looking for additional volunteers. Your volunteer commitment will be approximately 20-30 minutes during 10:00am Mass every six weeks and about ½ hour to prepare using the available workbook. If you are interested in helping our, please contact the parish office at 905 775-2065 or call Lorraine Frank at 905 775-7833.

Bradford Ministerial Lenten Series

Join us on Wednesday evenings in Lent as we worship together as sisters and brothers in Christ.

Wednesday, Feb. 25th – 7:30pm

Bradford United Church, Barrie Street.

The Rev. Kent Nielsen (Bradford Alliance Church)

Wednesday, Mar. 4th – 8:00pm

Holy Martyrs of Japan Church, 167 Essa Street

Pastor Paul Van Stralen (Springdale Christian Reformed Church)

Wednesday, Mar. 11th – 7:30pm

St. Catherine of Alexandria Byzantine Catholic Church,
56 Hearn Street, Bond Head

Rev. Eaton Grant (Greater Life Community Church)

Wednesday, Mar 18th – 7:30pm

St. John's Presbyterian Church, – 10th Sideroad

The Rev. Jim Keenan (Bradford United Church)

Wednesday, Mar. 25th – 7:30pm

Trinity Anglican Church, Church Street

The Rev. Richard Bodini (Holland Marsh Christian Reformed Church)

Wednesday, Apr. 1st – 7:30pm

Holland Marsh Reformed Church

18935 Dufferin Street, Newmarket

The Rev. Daniel Graves (Trinity Anglican Church)

Light Refreshments will be served following each service.

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