

We welcome you to

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



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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PARISH MINISTRIES and SOCIETIES

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Consolation and Hope

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LifeTeen Youth Ministry

El Sembrador

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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, January 27, 7:00PM

+Guelhermina de Jesus & Maria de Jesus +Euclides
Pinho & Lucy Dantas +Joao & Emilia Laranjeiro
+Antonio Mirassol *Special Intention for Dinis Family

TUESDAY, January 28, 8:30AM

+Joao Ferreira

WEDNESDAY, January 29, 7:00PM

+All Deceased Members of Macdonell & Caron Families

THURSDAY, January 30, 8:30AM

+Alzira Neto

FRIDAY, January 31, 7:00PM

+Tina & Manuel Neto

SATURDAY, February 1, 9:00AM

+ProPopulo

SATURDAY, February 1, 5:00PM

+Maria & Eugenio Arruda +Antonio Santana & Maria
Sousa +Filomena & Mario DiRe +Giuseppe & Francesca
Beninati +George Alexandrowicz +Judite Costa &
Manuel Pinto Silva

SUNDAY, February 2, 8:30 AM

+ProPopulo

SUNDAY February 2, 10:00AM

+Tobias Rego & Francisco Dias

SUNDAY, February 2, 11:30AM

+Malina Woznica

SUNDAY, February 2, 6:30PM

+Antonio Janeiro & Parents

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.*

AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR

*Through our parish generosity and support we were able
to purchase an Automated External Defibrillator (AED)
for use in case of cardiac/ respiratory emergency. It is
located at the bottom of the staircase near the St. Therese
(small) meeting room.*

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REFLECTION

Do you know the joy and freedom of the good news (Gospel) of the kingdom of God? John the Baptist's enemies had sought to silence him, but the good news of God's kingdom of salvation cannot be silenced. As soon as John had finished his testimony Jesus began his in Galilee. The prophet Isaiah foretold that *the good news of salvation* would reach Jews and Gentiles in the "land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations" (Isaiah 9:1). Jesus begins the proclamation of the Gospel here to fulfill the word of God. The Old Testament prophets spoke of God's promise to send a Redeemer who would establish God's rule. That time is now fulfilled in Jesus who brings the light and truth of the Gospel to the world. Jesus takes up John's message of repentance and calls his hearers to believe in the good news he has come to deliver. What is the *good news* which Jesus brings? It is the good news of *peace* – the Lord comes to reconcile and restore us to friendship with God. The good news of *hope* – the Lord comes to dwell with us and to give us a home with him in his heavenly kingdom. The good news of *truth* – the Lord Jesus sets us free from the lies and deception of Satan and opens our mind to understand the truth and revelation of God's word (John 8:32). The good news of *promise* – Jesus fulfills the promise of God to reward those who seek him with the treasure of heaven. The good news of *immortality* – Jesus overcomes sin and death for us in order to raise our lowly bodies to be like his glorious body which will never die again. And the good news of *salvation* – the Lord Jesus delivers us from every fear, every sin and every obstacle that would keep us from entering his everlasting kingdom of righteousness, peace and joy.

The Gospel is the power and the wisdom of God – both power to change and transform our lives and wisdom to show us how to live as sons and daughters of our Father in heaven. Through the gift of the Holy Spirit the Lord makes it possible for us to receive his word with faith and to act upon it with trust and obedience.

In announcing the good news, Jesus makes two demands: repent and believe! Repentance requires a change of course – a turning away from sin and disobedience and a turning towards the Lord with faith and submission to his word of truth and righteousness (right living according to God's truth and moral goodness). The Holy Spirit gives us a repentant heart, a true sorrow and hatred for sin, and a firm resolution to avoid whatever would lead us into sin. The Holy Spirit gives us grace to see our sin for what it is – rebellion and a rejection of the love of God. God's grace helps us to turn away from all that would keep us from his love. Faith or belief is an entirely free gift which God makes to us. Believing is only possible by grace and the help of the Holy Spirit who moves the heart and converts it to God. The Holy Spirit opens the *eyes* of the mind and makes it possible for us to accept and to grow in our understanding of the

truth. Servants of the word, www.dailyscripture.net Don Schwager.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time | January 26th 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

APPRECIATION DINNER FOR VOLUNTEERS IN MINISTRY- DATE TO BE DETERMINED

Please note the appreciation Dinner for volunteers will no longer be scheduled for February.

REMINDERS

EUCHARISTIC 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.

OFFICE OF VOCATIONS

www.vocationstoronto.ca

“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.” Are you willing to proclaim the coming of the kingdom as a priest, deacon, brother or sister contact Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416 968 0997 or email vocations@archtoronto.org

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

Jan 27 -Climbing Season – Catechesis

Feb 3 -TBA – Social

Feb 10 -Navigating the Terrain



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.

Jan 26 -Exam Week/ Study Break Night

Feb 2 -Anticipate – Catechesis

Feb 8 -WTN Valentines Dance

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