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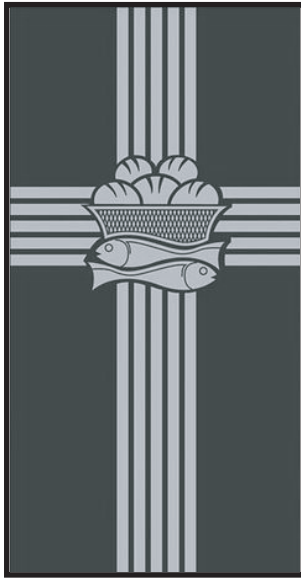
# Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish

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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.

## CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

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Alpha

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Sacramental Preparation & Catechesis

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## CULTURAL GROUPS

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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.

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

God's word has the power to set you free, it has the power to heal you, and it has the power to transform your life. Jesus spoke the word of God as the Word made flesh, and spoke in a way like no one has ever heard before. When He spoke, God spoke. And when God speaks, it becomes reality. Do you believe that God has this power for you? If we approach God's word with trust and submission, and with an eagerness to do what the Lord desires for us, then we are in a much better position to learn what God wants to teach us through his word. Are you eager to be taught by the Lord and to conform your mind, heart, attitude, and intentions according to his word of truth, goodness, and love?



### 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 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5:00pm and at all Masses on Sunday February 4<sup>th</sup> 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 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.



### 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 10<sup>th</sup> 2018 from 6:30pm – 12:00am to join in the fun.** Tickets are \$20.00 per person and can be purchased by contacting Nancy directly at 416-319-6400 or you can contact the parish office. 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.



### HOLY HOUR

**Friday February 2<sup>nd</sup> 2018 at 7:30pm**  
Come be present with the Lord

### CONFIRMATION PREPARATION

The parish confirmation program of preparation is called "Decision Point". The program will run on Thursday evenings in the parish hall downstairs from 6:30pm to 8:30pm beginning with the first session called "Life is Choices". The participation of all candidates is anticipated. For those in public or private schools your attendance is particularly understood as part of your catechesis in preparation for Confirmation. You can access the program by visiting the website <https://dynamiccatholic.com/confirmation/program-view> or download the app on Google Play or at the App Store for **FREE**. There is a textbook you can purchase or download the workbook onto your PC or mobile device. **Program dates are as follows: Thursday February 1, 8, 15, 22, March 1, 8, 22, April 5, 12, 19, 26, May 3 and May 10<sup>th</sup>. We strongly encourage full participation in the program.**

## LENTEN PREPARATION



### PANCAKE TUESDAY



The Knights of Columbus invite everyone to a pancake/sausage supper on **Shrove Tuesday February 13<sup>th</sup> 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 20<sup>th</sup> 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 29** Long live the King-Social  
**FEB 5** Royal Descent - Catechesis

### 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!

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday January 27<sup>th</sup> 5:00pm

+Salvatore Lizzi by Wife, Children & Grandchildren  
 \*Spec. Int. Sister Jean Doyle by Reitzel Family  
 +Ignazio Polizzi by Wife  
 +Heitor Saborano by Maria Botas & Family  
 +Clarinda Caires & Joao Barros by Henriques Family  
 +All Souls by Carolina Santana  
 +Walter Andrade by Wife & Children  
 +Antonio Castro Murais by Conceicao Castro  
 +Manuel Augusto Dini & Family by Dinis Family  
 +Jose Melo by Wife & Family

### Sunday January 28<sup>th</sup>

8:30am +Estella & Emmanuel by Macdonell Family  
 10:00am + Tobias Rego by Wife & Children  
 11:30am +All Souls in Purgatory by Laddie  
 4:45pm + ProPopulo  
 6:30pm +ProPopulo

### Monday January 29<sup>th</sup> 7:00pm

+Judite Costa & Manuel Silva by Son & Family  
 +Heitor Fernandes Saborano by Vilma & Family  
 +Walter Andrade by Isobel Britain  
 +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  
 +Silvina Vieira & Victoria Miranda by Julia, Isabel & Families

### Tuesday January 30<sup>th</sup> 8:30am

+Joao Batista & Albertina Ferreira by Claudina Crisostomo

### Wednesday January 31<sup>st</sup> 7:00pm

+Gil Almeida by Family

### Thursday February 1<sup>st</sup> 8:30am

+Antonio Batista by Claudina Crisostomo

### Friday February 2<sup>nd</sup> 7:00pm

+Antonio Janeiro & All Souls by Wife Piedade & Children

### Saturday February 3<sup>rd</sup> 9:30am

+Baby Joshua Joseph Carrera by Grandparents

*"May God Grant Them Eternal Peace"*



### IMPORTANT NOTICE ENVELOPES

For registered parishioners who have not picked up their 2018 donation envelopes, they are available for pick up at the parish office. **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.



### Monday February 19, 2018

**PLEASE NOTE:** Mass will be at 9:30am on this day and the parish office will be closed for the holiday and will reopen on Tuesday February 20, 2018. Wishing you and your family a blessed Family Day!



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