

We Welcome You To The Catholic Community of **HOLY MARTYRS OF JAPAN**

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Parish Office Hours:

Monday through Friday - 9:00 A.M. TO 4:00 P.M.

Pastor - Rev. Father Boniface Perri

Deacon: Rev. Mr. David Langley

Parish Secretary - Delia McEvenue

Pastoral Care - Sr. Jean Doyle o.s.u.

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Youth Ministry - Ray Reitzel

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Parish Social Ministry

Jean Lashley (cell) 905-392-1909

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Marriages:

By appointment with at least one year's notice to provide for adequate preparation.

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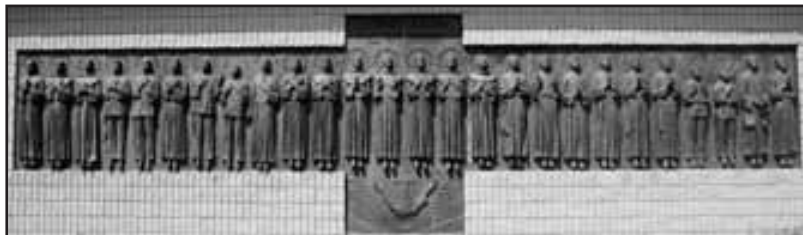
The Eucharist is brought regularly to the sick and shut-ins. Please notify the office if a family member is in hospital or confined to the home through sickness or old age.

Support and Enrichment Ministries

- Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
- Consolation & Hope
- St. Vincent de Paul Society
- Catholic Women's League
- Knights of Columbus
- Development & Peace
- Holy Martyrs Seniors Club
- Divino Espirito Santo
- Santissima Trindade
- Nossa Senhora De Fatima
- Life Teen & EDGE Youth Ministry

Our Parish Catholic Schools:

- Holy Trinity High School - 905-775-4841
- St. Charles - 905-775-6762
- Marie of the Incarnation - 905-775-3492
- St. Jean de Brébeuf - 905-775-8460
- Mother Teresa - 905-778-8653



Sunday Eucharist:

Saturdays 5:00 PM • Sunday: 8:30 AM, 10:00 AM & 11:30 AM

Spanish Language Mass, 5:00 PM

Life Teen Mass Sundays at 6:30 PM

Weekday Masses:

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays: 7:00 PM

Tuesdays and Thursdays: 8:00 AM • Saturdays: 9:15 AM

Confessions: Saturdays from 3:45 to 4:45 PM, Confessions may be heard anytime at the rectory. Please call ahead of time to be certain a priest is available

New Parishioners: WELCOME! You are invited to register by completing the form at the Parish office or in the gathering space of the church.



*We Have Seen His Star at its rising
and have come to do him homage.*

Our Mission: We are disciples of Jesus, empowered by the Spirit, to live and proclaim with joy the Gospel of the Lord.

A Nossa Missao: Nos somos discipulos de Jesus, e o Espirito Santo nos da proderes para viver e proclamar com jubilo o Evangelo de Deus

Epiphany of Our Lord

In Christmas, when Jesus was born, shepherds from Israel came to worship Christ, thus God's promise to the Israelites that they would be the first to see the Messiah was fulfilled. But Christ in His infinite love for all, wishes to draw all nations to Himself. And so, the star rises bidding the Wise Men to come. There is an old story that gives the names of the wise men as Balthasar, Gaspar, Melchior, the story goes on to say, that one came from Eastern Europe, one from India, and one from East Africa; to the Roman mind, who have not known of the Orient, this represented all of humanity and when they came they have a literally physical vision of Christ. In fact, the word epiphany means a vision for a sight of God.

What was amazing is what they did for that vision. They give of their time, travelling so far, they braved dangerous roads and strange lands in their pilgrimage. They must even deal with the treachery of a power hungry, King Herod. And when they finally see their salvation face to face, they fall on their knees giving Him their treasure of gold, frankincense and myrrh. In doing all of this they give a perfect testimony of faith. Jesus gave everything to us, He leaves heaven to be with us, and will eventually give His very life for us so that we may be with Him for eternity. Faith is nothing more than reciprocating this love to Christ. We too give our all to Jesus, like Him, holding nothing back.

MESSAGE FROM FATHER BONIFACE

Over the past year there has been the request to have a Ministry for young children on Sundays. While we recognize the need to have children participate in the Mass, there is great merit in providing a sense of welcome for our young children after or in between the Masses. So on **Monday, January 11th** (please note change of date) at **6:00pm** we would like to invite interested parishioners to explore the possibility of starting such a ministry. If you would like to attend this meeting but would need someone to baby-sit your child at the parish, please let the office know in advance and we can provide this service for you. If you have any further questions, please contact Fr. Boniface at the Parish Office.

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD - JANUARY 3, 2010

"On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary His mother; and they knelt down and paid their homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered Him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh." God asks us to give our lives. What treasures have been given to you to share with others in Christ's name? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Hansoo Park at 416-968-0997 or email.

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INTRODUCING

Father Joseph Lam Tran

Father Joseph will be joining Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish as the Associate Pastor. Father Joseph is originally from Viet Nam and was Associate Pastor at St. Bernadette's Parish in Ajax and at St. Michael's Cathedral. We are expecting Father Joseph to join us early in the New Year. We welcome him with open hearts to our parish.

A Prayer for Mary – World Day of Peace

O MARY, QUEEN of PEACE

Queen of Peace, pray for us!

To you, O Mary, we turn our gaze with stronger trepidation, to you we hasten back with more insistent trust in these times scarred by a multitude of doubts and fears for the present and future destiny of our planet.

To you, the first-fruits of humanity redeemed by Christ, set free at last from the slavery of evil and sin, we raise together our heartfelt, trusting plea: listen to the cry of pain of the war victims, of the victims of the many forms of violence that bathe the earth in blood.

Dispel the shadows of sorrow and loneliness, of hatred and of revenge. Open to forgiveness the minds and hearts of all.

Queen of Peace, pray for us!

Mother of mercy and of hope obtain for the men and women of the third millennium the precious gift of peace; peace in hearts of families, in communities and among peoples; peace above all for those nations where people fight and die every day. Obtain that every human being of every race and culture may encounter and accept Jesus, who came down to earth in the mystery of Christmas to give 'his' peace to us.

O Mary, Queen of Peace, give us Christ, the world's true Peace!
John Paul II, 8 December 2003

**THANK YOU FROM
THE ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY**
**\$295.28 was donated to the SVP during the recent
Christmas Concert held on Saturday, December 19th.**
**These funds are very much appreciated and the
concert was well attended. Thank you!**

***A HEARTFELT THANKS** from
Reverend David Langley and Father Boniface
Perri for all the prayers, cards and gifts received
over the Christmas Season. May God Bless You All!*

Volunteers Needed

We are in dire need of volunteers to help take down the decorations, flowers, etc from the Church.

Please come on Saturday, January 16th at 10:00am.

Quote of the Week

O God, who did this day reveal your only-begotten Son to the gentiles by the leading of a star; mercifully grant that we who know you now by faith, may be brought to the contemplation of your majesty.

The Roman Missal (Collect for the Epiphany)

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

5:00pm Saturday, January 2nd,

- + St. Clair McEvenue by Family
- + Cecila Santos by Dominic & Donna Ferragine
- + Jim Gardine by Mae Eek & Family
- + Maria Da Silva by Husband Luis Da Silva
- + Salvatore Severino by Maria Severino & Family

Sunday, January 3rd

- 8:30am + Manuel Dias by Wife & Family
- 10:00am + Pro Populo
- 11:30am + Celeste Henrigues by Alzirina & Family
- 5:00pm No Spanish Mass until February 7, 2010
- 6:30pm + All Souls

7:00pm Monday, January 4th

- + Antonio Mirrasol, Luis Sequeira by Wife & Daughter
- + John Ferreira by Bernardette Ferreira
- + All Souls by Piedade & Antonio Janeiro
- + All Souls by Helena Peixoto & Family
- + Cecilia Santos by CWL Bradford
- + Nancy Bova by CWL Bradford
- + John Gorzo Jr. by CWL Bradford
- + Anna Mary Malloy by CWL Bradford

8:00am Tuesday, January 5th

- + Joao & Herminia Botas by Janeiro Family

7:00pm Wednesday, January 6th

- + All Souls

8:00pm Thursday, January 6th

- + All Souls

7:00pm Friday, January 7th

- + Antonio & Cecilia by Braz Family

9:15am Saturday, January 8th

- + All Souls

5:00pm Saturday, January 8th

- + Maria Sousa, Antonio Santana, Vitorino Nazario by Carolina Santana
- + Joao & Hermina Botas by Piedade Janeiro & Family

Sunday, January 10th

- 8:00am + Francisco Rodrigues by Wife Ester Barros
- 10:00am + Manuel Sarafin by Benvenida & Family
- 11:30pm + Pro Populo
- 5:00pm No Spanish Mass until Feb 7th, 2010
- 6:30pm + All Souls

"May God Grant Them Eternal Peace"



PARISH HALL RENTAL

Please be advised that the Parish Hall will be available for rental for Baptism celebrations once a month starting in January 2010. If you wish to book the hall for your child's Baptism party, please contact the Parish Office for bookings. Note, this is on a first come and first serve basis.

A SPECIAL GIFT for married family, friends or yourself this Christmas might be an inspiring, peaceful weekend at Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre. The Centre offers privacy, comfort, excellent cuisine and a program that will enrich a marriage relationship. The next marriage enrichment program will be Jan 15-17. For information telephone 905-278-8879, or 416-694-1742 or register at Queen of Apostles – 905-278-5229.

Sunday to Sunday

UPCOMING EVENTS AT HOLY MARTYR'S PARISH

- Sun Jan 3rd – 10:30am – Choir Practice for 11:30 Mass
- Sun Jan 3rd – 2:00pm – Life Teen
- Mon Jan 4th – 2:00pm – Seniors Club
- Mon Jan 4th – 6:00pm – EDGE
- Mon Jan 4th – 7:30pm – CWL – General Meeting
- Mon Jan 4th – 7:30pm – RCIA
- Mon Jan 4th – 8:00pm – St. Vincent de Paul
- Wed Jan 6th – 6:30pm – First Communion Classes for Public Schools
- Wed Jan 6th – 7:30pm – Bible Study
- Wed Jan 6th – 8:00pm – Al-Anon
- Sat Jan 9th – 5:00pm – First Communion Enrollment Mass
- Sat Jan 9th – 7:00pm – "Who We Are" Concert in Parish Hall
- Sun Jan 10th – 10:30pm – Choir Practice for 11:30 Mass



Saturday, January 9th – Life Teen and EDGE will be conducting a **LOVE IS WHO WE ARE CONCERT**

We would like to send an invitation to all parishioners and friends to attend our New Year's ministry kick off concert event, featuring our parish's own Christian singer song writer Chris Taucar as he releases his new EP album **Who We Are**. Admission is free and the concert starts at 7:00 pm followed with a meet and mingle.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

BLOOD DONOR CLINIC - ON WEDNESDAY, JAN 13th, IN THE PARISH HALL FROM 3:00PM TO 8:00PM

CONFIRMATION LEADERS MEETING ON TUESDAY, JAN 12th AT 7:00PM, IN THE LARGE MEETING ROOM. COORDINATORS PLEASE MAKE NOTE OF THIS IMPORTANT DATE AND TIME FOR THIS MEETING.

BIBLE STUDY WILL RESTART ON JAN. 6th AT 7:30PM

CWL GENERAL MEETING TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, JANUARY 4th at 7:30PM IN THE LARGE MEETING ROOM.

ENROLLMENT FOR CONFIRMATION ON WEEKENDS OF JAN 16/17 AND JAN 23/24 AT ANY MASSES.

Marriage Preparation Classes Holy Martyrs of Japan is proud to present Marriage Preparation Classes to be held on Friday, January 29th from 7:30pm to 9:00pm and on Saturday, January 30th from 10:00am to 4:00pm and on Friday, February 5th from 7:30pm to 9:00pm and on Saturday, February 6th from 10:00am to 4:00pm. Cost of this course is \$25.00 per couple, Lunch will be provided. If you are planning on getting married this year, you should be signing up for these very informative classes. Please call the Parish Office for registration. 905-775-2065.

OFFERING ENVELOPES

Sunday Offering Envelopes are now available at the office. Please come downstairs to pick up your box of envelopes.

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