

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



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.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Holy Trinity High School—905-775-4841

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PARISH MINISTRIES and SOCIETIES

Alpha

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RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

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 31, 7:00PM

+Antonio Mirassol & All Deceased Family Members
+Antonio Gabriel Pinto

TUESDAY, February 1, 9:00AM

+Angelina Mirabelli & Santo Mirabelli

WEDNESDAY, February 2, 7:00PM

+Euclides Pinho

THURSDAY, February 3, 9:00AM

*Special Intention for Oliveira Family

FRIDAY, February 4, 7:00pm

+Samantha Diogo

SATURDAY, February 5, 9:00AM

+ProPopulo

SATURDAY, February 5, 5:00PM

+Eveline & Daniel Brizano +Maria & Eugenio

Arruda +Katarina Spek +Filomena & Mario Di

Re +Manuel Nuno Rodrigues & John Faria

+Olimpia Sousa & Vitorino Nazario +Maria

Sousa & Antonio Santana +All Deceased

Members of Santana & Nazario Families

+Ernesto Correia +Rosa Oliveira +Stefan Hrin

SUNDAY, February 6, 8:00AM

+Duncan Drummond

SUNDAY, February 6, 10:00AM

+ProPopulo

SUNDAY, February 6, 12:00PM

+Stanley Cemas & Matija Cadonic

SUNDAY, February 6, 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

Sharing the Gospel with your family is not always as easy as sharing it with a stranger. Conversely, listening to the Gospel message from a family member is not always as easy as hearing it from someone else. Why is that?

It may be that familiarity with another, such as the familiarity we have with family members, can tempt us to lack certain confidence in their convictions and in their Christian witness. Though this is certainly not true of every relationship we have, it can be the case with some. Children, at times, will not put as much confidence in the words of a parent as they another. Siblings may not be as open to advice from each other as they are from other people.

Perhaps one of the reasons for this experience is that we are often far more critical of those we know well than those we do not know. It's easy to allow our long history of personal experience to hinder our openness toward family members. This is especially the case with the negative experiences we have had over the years. So often, we hold onto negative experiences and hurts from year to year, and we allow those experiences to become a filter for anything that a family member says or does.

This statement from Jesus, that "no prophet is accepted in his own native place," should challenge us to make sure we do not fall into this tendency. We should do what we can to make sure that we do accept the prophetic witness shared with us from our own family members.

The best way to do this is to make sure that we regularly strive to purge any "baggage" we carry in those relationships. Very often, we carry the baggage of hurt, anger and resentment without even realizing it. We also easily focus on the weaknesses of family members since we easily witness their weaknesses as a result of being close to them.

Reflect, today, upon your family. Reflect, especially, upon whether you allow yourself to look beyond their weaknesses and sins so as to see the goodness of God at work in their lives. There is much that God wants to say to you through them. Make sure you have not closed the door and are willing to accept them as a messenger of the Gospel.

Dearest Lord, I thank You for my family. I thank You for the gift that they have been in my life. Help me to daily show mercy and forgiveness to them as needed. Help me to daily be open to Your voice speaking through them. Jesus, I trust in You.



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

WORLD DAY OF THE SICK

Friday February 11, 2022 - Our Lady of Lourdes

The Universal Church will celebrate the **Thirtieth World Day of the Sick on Friday February 11, 2022**. We will pray for the sick and recognize those who provide them assistance and care. We especially remember and pray for all those who have suffered, and continue to suffer, the effects of the Coronavirus pandemic.

Anointing of the Sick will be administered for all those who seek the gift of healing of mind, body, and soul at 7:00PM Mass.

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

Confirmation:

<https://holymartyrsfjapan.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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