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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

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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## 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**

A great deal can be said about the Lord's Prayer because it is both a prayer and a school of prayer. We can reflect on the intimacy, the surrender and the trust it displays.

There is, first of all, its intimacy. Jesus says that when we Christians pray, we should say "Father". As Christians we have a special relationship with the Father through His Son. We can speak to the Father with all the familiarity that implies. He is also Father of us all. God is "our Father".

Secondly, the Lord's Prayer teaches us surrender. The first group of petitions acknowledges that God's name must be hallowed, His Kingdom has priority and Matthew's Gospel adds that His will must be done. We give ourselves to the care and providence of the Father. We might not fully understand what is happening in our life or why, but we trust that God is also present. Ultimately His will is our peace.

Finally, the Lord's Prayer concludes with a series of petitions through which we present all our needs to the Father. Any prayer that does not come from our real self, that uses rhetorical flourishes to flatter God rather than reflect what is in our heart may be prayer but it is not the way Jesus prayed. The Lord's Prayer teaches us to trust God with the truth about ourselves.

*Excerpted from "Captured Fire" by Rev. S. Joseph Krempa*

**EUCCHARIST ADORATION**

On July 2<sup>nd</sup>, it was the First Anniversary of the opening of the Eucharistic Adoration Chapel on Tuesday's from 9:00am to 7:00pm. We want to extend a special "thank you" to everyone who committed to a specific time. We certainly do need more people to join us, especially where there are times when only one or two people have signed up. For those who drop in sometimes, the Lord is most happy to see you, but a Eucharistic Adoration Chapel can only function properly when people commit to a certain time each week. May the Good Lord continue to give us many graces and blessings. If you would like to participate in this worthwhile ministry please contact the parish office at 905-775-2065.

**PILGRIMAGE**

Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish is organizing a pilgrimage in this Year of Faith for Saturday, September 14, 2013 with a bus leaving at 9:30am from the Church parking lot. Cost for the bus will depend on the number of pilgrims.

We will be visiting St. Paul's Basilica, St. Michael's Cathedral, Marylake Shrine and the Martyrs Shrine.

As per the letter from Thomas Cardinal Collins, by visiting these sites during the Year of Faith, we may gain a Plenary Indulgence.

If you are interested in this pilgrimage, please call and register with the Parish office at 905 775-2065.

**PASTORAL NOTES****WEEKLY COLLECTION**

**Offertory donation for July 21 was \$5,700.78**

Our weekly goal is \$6,000.00

An extra dollar or two will help us, through the summer months, to meet our weekly goal.

**Please note: the Benefit Concert planned for Josh Bruce has been cancelled. Josh will be in the Gathering Space after all this weekend's Masses accepting donations, or you may donate online at:**

<http://www.gifttool.com/athon/MyFundraisingPage?ID=1185&AID=1515&PID=350922>

**Pre-Authorized Giving**

My Mom once said "money can't buy you the things that are most important, but boy do you still need it".

If you looked around at Mass this Sunday you noticed that in the summer months people take the opportunity to go on vacation and enjoy the weather. All good things. I myself will be taking advantage of this in August. But without intending it, what that does is create a boom and bust cycle in our finances. We do well from October to June and struggle July through September.

However, I might ask that you think about Pre-Authorized Giving. You can sign up for this in the Parish Office. This is a system where money is automatically taken from your account and transferred to the Parish. You obviously set your own amount and it appears on your statement. It is taken only for the regular offerings (no money is removed for second collections). Even when you go on vacation, your donation is made and it allows for an even cash flow for the year. Some people say "well when I am at Mass and it's time for the collection, I feel compelled to put something in". Many people do. Those on Pre-Authorized Giving still get envelopes and simply put a blank one in, writing on the envelope PAG.

Thank you very much for taking the time to read this small report.

**ShareLife**

The 2013 ShareLife appeal will finish on July 31<sup>st</sup>. To date our Parish has raised \$39,806.32. We are so close to our goal of \$40,000.00. Thank you for your very generous contributions.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

Vacation Bible School is accepting donations of snacks for the week of July 29, 2013 to August 2, 2013. If you would like to donate snacks (popcorn, drinking boxes, cookies, etc) you may drop them off at the Parish Office. Please ensure all donations are nut free. Thank you for your generosity.

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

**5:00pm Saturday, July 27<sup>th</sup>**

**Gloria Mendes & Antonio Francisco** by Fatima & Children  
**Maria Arruda** by Maria, Jose & Walter Andrade  
**John Ferreira** by Bernardette Ferreira  
**Garcia Miguelo** by Lucy Miguelo & Family  
**Olivia Ribeiro Cacalussa** by Isaura Balugas & Family  
**Nuno Azevedo** by McEvenue Family  
**All Souls** by E. Henriques  
**Sp. Int. Imaculado Coracao de Maria & Sagrado Coracao de Jesus** by Elizabeth & Manual Ferreira  
**Izilda Da Silva** by Children

**Sunday, July 28<sup>th</sup>**

**8:30am Guelhermina De Jesus Moraes** by Laura & Manuel Marques  
**10:00am Pro Populo**  
**11:30am Olivia Ribeiro Cacalussa** by Isaura Balugas & Family  
**4:45pm Spanish Mass**  
**6:30pm Salvatore Severino** by Maria Severino & Family

**7:00pm Monday, July 29<sup>th</sup>**

**Jose Moreira Balugas** by Idalina & Carlos Correia  
**Hilma Caron** by Vilma LaRoche & Family  
**Virgilio & Rose Marques** by Fatima Calisto  
**Vilma Marques** by Fatima Calisto  
**Theresa Cong** by Donna Cong  
**All Souls** by Maria Raposo & Family  
**Erminia Tittoto** by Norma Tasca  
**Izilda Da Silva** by Rosa, Tony & Family

**8:30am Tuesday, July 30<sup>th</sup>**

**Sp. Int. Joao Santos Domingues** by Celso & Maria Domingues

**7:00pm Wednesday, July 31<sup>st</sup>**

**Rosie O'Dea**

**8:30am Thursday, August 1<sup>st</sup>**

**All Souls** by Maria da Silva

**7:00pm Friday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**All Souls** by Lourdes Marques

**9:30am Saturday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**Craig Hofland** by Wife Patty & Daughter Tara

**5:00pm Saturday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**Johanna McEvenue** by McEvenue Family  
**Giuseppe Beninati** by Wife Francesca  
**Pasquale & Antonietta Baccilieri** by Family  
**Jose Capela Correia** by Maria Camarheiro  
**Virgilio & Manuel Domingues** by Family  
**Garcia Miguelo** by Lucy Miguelo & Family  
**Stefania Wasył Czarnecki** by Fik Family  
**Anna Wladyslaw Hawrylak** by Beata Arent

**Sunday, August 4<sup>th</sup>**

**8:30am All Souls** by Jorge & Grace Gomes  
**10:00am Antonio Santana & Maria Sousa** by Carolina Santana  
**11:30am Pro Populo**  
**4:45pm Spanish Mass**  
**6:30pm Laurentina & Manuel Neto** by Joaquim Neto  
**"May God Grant Them Eternal Peace"**

## An Angel is Coming



If you have been over at our cemetery since the expansion, you have noticed at the end of the road is a turn-around. You will notice rods sticking out of the center. It has always been the desire when the cemetery was expanded not only to make this a place to lay our loved ones to rest, but to remind those who visit that our true home is in heaven and that in Christ there is no death. We on earth are members of Christ's body and the society of the Church as were

our loved ones, and, as they still are, nothing separates those bound in Christ. There is no veil that completely cuts us off from them. While our loved ones are never far away, in Christ there is still a mystical union connecting all of us. This is why when we pray for them and in prayer speak to them, we can still, at times, feel them close to us, or indeed they are Christ Himself revealed. As quoted when he said "God the Father is the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob" (Mt 22:32), not he was the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. He never speaks of the deceased in the past tense. They are with us. I have been discussing with the cemetery board how to represent this in a way that also honors our blessed dead buried at the cemetery. We have decided on a statue of an angel. You can see a picture of it at the back of the church on the bulletin board.

Keeping to custom, there will be space on the sides and back of the statue for those who wish a special remembrance of family members. The front of the statue will contain words of universal remembrance. The donation for this is \$200.00. It will be shown on your tax receipt next January. Due to space limitations, and, so as to offer this option to as many people as possible, we are asking that only one name be given per donation, (a maximum of 18 characters including spaces). There is room for about 150 names on the base. If you would like to add the name of a loved one, please contact the office at 905 775-2065.

## Announcement from the Archdiocese of Toronto

Catholic Cemeteries wishes to invite all families within the Archdiocese of Toronto to participate in the Annual mass for the Faithful Departed on Wednesday, August 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm.

### Cemetery

Assumption, Mississauga  
 Christ the King, Markham  
 Holy Cross, Thornhill  
 Mount Hope, Toronto  
 Resurrection, Whitby  
 St. Mary's, Barrie  
 Queen of Heaven, Woodbridge

### Celebrant

Rev. Msgr. Joseph Shiels  
 Rev. Dominic Barber  
 Rev. Msgr. Ambrose Sheehy  
 Most Rev. John Boissonneau  
 Most Rev. Vincent Nguyen  
 Most Rev. Wayne Kirkpatrick  
 His Eminence Cardinal Thomas Collins

All are welcome.

In the event of rain: Mass will be held in the mausoleum at Assumption, Holy Cross, Resurrection and Queen of Heaven cemeteries. Christ the King Cemetery will celebrate Mass on site in the Reception Centre. Mount Hope Cemetery to St. Monica's Parish, 44 Broadway Avenue, Toronto. St. Mary's Cemetery to St. John Vianney Parish, 13 Baldwin Lane, Barrie. Please note that His Eminence Cardinal Thomas Collins will officially bless the new phase of St. Anthony's mausoleum.

*"Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock and the door will be opened for you". Try it! Then listen, look, and enter. Perhaps priesthood or consecrated life awaits you. If God is calling you, contact Fr. Hansoo Park 416-968-0997 or email [vocations@vocations.ca](mailto:vocations@vocations.ca)*

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