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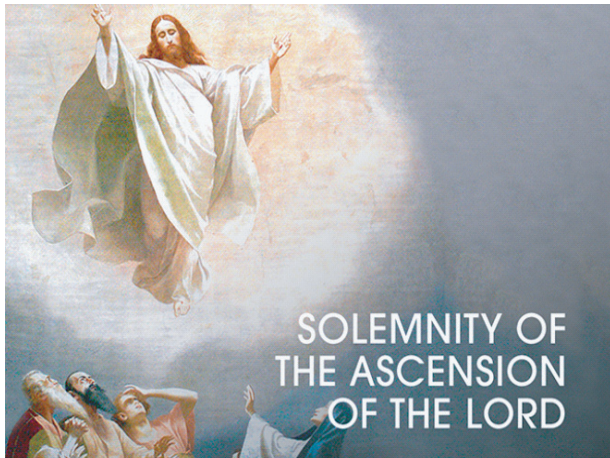
# Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish

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Office Hours - Monday to Friday 9:30 am - 12:00 pm & 1:00 pm to 4:30 pm



SOLEMNITY OF  
THE ASCENSION  
OF THE LORD

## SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm

8:00 am (Mass in Portuguese the second Sunday of the month.)

10:00 am, 12:00 pm

2:00 pm St. Philip of Jesus Mission (Migrant Workers in Spanish)

## WEEKDAY MASSES

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays 7:00pm

Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturdays 9:00am

## CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 8:00am to 8:30am 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  
At least one year's notice is needed and do not book  
venues until the first meeting with the priest.

## 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.

## PARISH CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Holy Trinity High School—905-775-4841

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St. Charles—905-775-6762

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## PARISH MINISTRIES and SOCIETIES

Alpha

Among Friends (Ministry for grieving women)

Catholic Moms Group

CWL (Catholic Women's League)

Consolation and Hope

EDGE Youth Ministry

Faith and Fellowship

Knights of Columbus

LIFETEEN Youth Ministry

Liturgical Ministers

Nossa Senhora de Fatima

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Rosary Apostolate

St. Vincent de Paul Society

St. Philip of Jesus Mission for the Migrant Workers

Santissima Trinitade & Espirito Santo

Young Adult Ministry (YAM)

## 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, June 2, 7:00PM** +Maria Dolores Vigario  
+Manuel Candido Rodrigues +Romanko Sakac +Marian  
Yanek & Margaret Dudo

**TUESDAY, June 3, 9:00AM** +Samantha Diogo +Manuel  
Da Silva

**WEDNESDAY, June 4, 7:00PM** +Romanko Sakac  
+All Souls

**THURSDAY, June 5, 9:00AM**

+All Souls of Deceased Priests

**FRIDAY, June 6, 7:00PM** +Manuel da Cruz Manata &  
Rosa de Jesus Oliveira \*Special Intention for Tymothy  
Tuyen Tran

**SATURDAY, June 7, 9:00AM – First Saturday**

+All Souls in Purgatory

**SATURDAY, June 7, 5:00PM** +Isabel Camacho &  
Manuel Feliciano Coelho +Carlos Pais & Maria Ferreira  
+Maria & Eugenio Arruda +Augusta Barros & Joao Gomes  
Faria +Isaura Lourenco +Carmine Furgiuele & Noah  
D'Alleva +Joao Balugas +Joao Perna +Antonio Albert  
Rocha +Virginia Correia +Virgilio Domingues & Manuel  
Oliveira +Maria Soares +Marco Fernandes +Jaime Pedro  
Viana

**SUNDAY, June 8, 8:00PM** +Antonio Martins & All Souls  
+Dorinda de Jesus & Isaura Lourenco

**SUNDAY, June 8, 10:00AM** +Luis Pontes +Fernando do  
Couto

**SUNDAY, June 8, 12:00pm** \*ProPopulo

**SUNDAY, June 8, 2:00pm** \*ProPopulo

**St. Philip of Jesus (Mission)**

### LOVE INCARNATE...WAITS FOR YOU FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR ADORATION

Holy hour will be on Friday June 6, 2025, at  
7:30pm following the 7:00pm Mass



### NOTE: CHANGE TO REQUIEM MASS SCHEDULE

The Requiem Mass will be celebrated on the **LAST FRIDAY** of the Month. Mass Intentions can be booked at the parish office.

### WITH THANKS FROM THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Thank you to all parishioners who volunteered their time and talents to make our community meal such a success on Saturday. Our parish hall was filled with the sounds of laughter, good conversation and great food, all because people at Holy Martyrs of Japan care. We served over 200 meals to guests and takeaway meals to anyone who requested them. We hope to organize another event like this for Christmas.

## REFLECTION

*Jesus said to his disciples: "Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance, for the forgiveness of sins, would be preached in his name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And behold I am sending the promise of my Father upon you; but stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high." [Luke 24:46-49](#)*

And with that, the earthly mission of Jesus was completed, and He ascended into Heaven. Or was it? Was His mission completed? Yes, but only in the sense that our Lord's work of destroying death and offering new life was accomplished by His life, death and resurrection. Human nature was now invited to share in a new life of grace.

Prayerfully imagine standing on the mountain of the Ascension with our Lord. As you gaze upon Him, imagine that you were also present with Him throughout His public ministry. Imagine witnessing His many miracles, the way that He converted the hardest of hearts, the authority with which He spoke, His arrest, torture, death and then His Resurrection. Imagine seeing His hands and feet, once pierced, now radiating glory from those wounds. As you see our Lord in this way, imagine Him looking at you with love and saying to you that He has chosen to send you forth to the world to be a witness to Him and to all that you have seen and encountered. You are to go forth sharing the Good News of His life, death and resurrection with all whom you come in contact with.

First, our Lord has, indeed, shared His entire life with you. By reading the Gospels, you become a firsthand witness to all that Jesus did and accomplished. His Word is alive, and it reveals His very Person to you, just as it did to His first followers. Second, Jesus does call you to go forth and to share this living Gospel with the world. Therefore, it is important to ponder how you can do such a thing. How can you give witness to the Resurrection of Christ? How can you change lives? How can you continue the mission of Jesus Himself?

The promise given by our Lord to the disciples on the mountain of the Ascension is also a promise given to you. He is promising to send the Holy Spirit upon you so as to clothe you "with power from on high." Only by receiving that power and using it fully will you be able to accomplish the mission that our Lord has given to you. Therefore, will you open yourself to the Holy Spirit and commit yourself to the continuation of Christ's mission?

If we were to fully understand the mission we have received from Jesus, it would fill us with a holy fear. But too often the realization of what God wants of us fills us with an unholy fear instead. We think about evangelizing others, sharing our faith, witnessing to the truth by our actions, loving our enemies and living for the Gospel alone, and it can appear overwhelming. If that is the case with you, then know that this form of unholy fear can be dispelled so that the gift of holy fear can take its place. Holy fear is a gift of

the Holy Spirit that inspires us to sense the awesomeness of God and the mission we are given by encountering it firsthand. It motivates us, encourages us and leaves us with wonder and awe. From there, this and every other gift of the Holy Spirit enables us to fulfill the unending mission of Christ.

Reflect, today, upon the particular mission that God has given to you. Prayerfully look at Jesus as He stands on the mountain of the Ascension and looks at you. As He does, let Him reveal to you not only His very Person but also your particular sharing in His ongoing mission of sharing the Good News to the ends of the earth. Receive that mission with courage, joy and holy fear. Reverence it, savor it, ponder it and accept it. Commit yourself to this glorious sharing in the life of Christ by committing yourself to become a witness to Christ until the end of your life on earth. *My Catholic Life! 2025*

**SANTISSIMA TRINDADE & ESPIRITO SANTO  
THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY  
Sunday June 15, 2025 – 2:00pm Mass. Followed by  
Crowning and Procession. Dinner in the Parish Hall.  
All are Welcome!**

**\*Please note: That this Mass on Sunday June 15 at  
2:00pm will substitute for our Regular scheduled  
2:00pm Spanish Mass**



**CORPUS CHRISTI  
THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY  
AND BLOOD OF CHRIST**

This feast calls us to focus on two manifestations of the Body of Christ, the Holy Eucharist and the Church. The primary purpose of this feast is to focus our attention on the Eucharist.

At every mass our attention is called to the Eucharist and the Real Presence of Christ in it. The secondary focus of this feast is upon the Body of Christ as it is present in the Church. The Church is called the Body of Christ because of the intimate communion which Jesus shares with his disciples. Please join us for the celebration of this solemnity.

**Saturday June 21, 5:00pm Mass followed by procession.**

We invite all children, especially those who recently received their First Communion and their families to join us in this Solemn Eucharistic Procession.

**Sunday June 22, Corpus Christi Mass celebration,  
followed by procession after the 12 Noon Mass.**

## **FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING WEBINAR Saturday, June 7, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.**

Learn: How to avoid problems: in your Will, in the Powers of Attorney, and through proper Estate Trustee selection, how to create your own legacy, about our Catholic traditions around cremation, burials and funerals

### **3 WAYS TO REGISTER:**

1. scan the QR code
2. follow this QR link: [qrco.de/WebJune7](https://qrco.de/WebJune7)
3. send an email to: [Development@ArchToronto.org](mailto:Development@ArchToronto.org) and write "webinar June 7" in the title line + your name(s) in the body of the message.



## **VOCATIONS**

The Lord said, "...you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." Pray for an increase of vocations to the ordained and consecrated life. If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416 968 0997. Email: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org).

## **SL ShareLife**

**June 8, 2025, is ShareLife Sunday. Please give generously.**

Through your support of ShareLife, Silent Voice breaks barriers for families in a welcoming American Sign Language (ASL) environment. Despite the stigma that people with disabilities face, Silent Voice offers a haven of acceptance for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing community and their families. Here, their dignity and worth are affirmed, providing them with the confidence to thrive. And it's all possible because of understanding supporters like you. Please continue to give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at [sharelife.org/donate](https://sharelife.org/donate).

## **YOUTH MINISTRY**



Grades 6, 7 & 8's are invited to come to the EDGE, on Fridays 7:00-8:30pm in the Parish Hall.

**Next Edge Night: June 13 – Year End BBQ**

## **LIFE TEEN**

Life Teen is for youth in Grades 9-12 and will be held on every other Friday from 7:00pm to 9:00pm are all welcome!  
**Next Lifeteen Night: June 6 – Onward and Upward**



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