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St. Paul Miki and Companions—Pray for Us!

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
4:30 pm (Spanish Mass for Migrant Workers)
6:30 pm

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

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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PARISH MINISTRIES and SOCIETIES

Alpha
Among Friends (Ministry for grieving women)
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Consolation and Hope
EDGE Youth Ministry
El Sembrador - Ministry to Migrant Workers
Knights of Columbus
LifeTeen Youth Ministry
Liturgical Ministers
Nossa Senhora De Fatima
RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)
Rosary Apostolate
Sacramental Preparation & Catechesis
St. Vincent de Paul Society
Santissima Divinidade
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 19, 7:00PM

*Special Intentions for the Conversion of Sinners

TUESDAY, June 20, 9:00AM

+Loetina Braz & Jose Braz

WEDNESDAY, June 21, 9:00AM

*ProPopulo

THURSDAY, June 22, 9:00AM

+Joao Oliveira

FRIDAY, June 23, 9:00AM

+Jose Angel Altamirano & Domingo Rivera Palacios

SATURDAY, June 24, 9:00AM

*ProPopulo

SATURDAY, June 24, 5:00PM

+Joao Perna +Manuel da Silva +Hilma Caron

+Fernando Maltez & All Deceased Family

Members +Jose Miranda +Eduardo & Teresa

Carreiro +Eddie Carreiro +David Harrison +All

Souls in Purgatory *Special Intention in

Thanksgiving for Sonia Nicolas & Family

*Special Intention for Teresa Kang

SUNDAY, June 25, 8:00AM,

*ProPopulo

SUNDAY, June 25, 10:00AM,

+Irene Arruda

SUNDAY, June 25, 12:00PM,

+Robert Spek & Don Harrison

SUNDAY, June 25, 4:30PM – El Sembrador

+Leo Alejandro Sandoval & Angel Hurtado

SUNDAY, June 25, 6:30PM

+Rosaria & George Prosper

CANANDA DAY LONG WEEKEND

Please note that on Monday July 3, 2023, Mass will be at 9:00am and the parish office will be closed. Wishing you a safe and festive long weekend!

MONTHLY REQUIEM MASS AT HOLY MARTYRS OF JAPAN CHURCH – Friday July 7, 2023

Please join us in a Mass celebration at Holy Martyrs of Japan Cemetery for the faithful departed, the first Friday of every month at 11:00am weather permitting. In the event of inclement weather, Mass will be held at the Church. Mass Intentions can be booked through the parish office.



It is through your support that ShareLife agencies are able to help the most vulnerable in our community and around the world. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

VOCATIONS

If God is calling you to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416 968 0997. Email: vocations@archtoronto.org

REFLECTION

At the sight of the crowds, his heart was moved with pity for them because they were troubled and abandoned, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest." Matthew 9:36-38

This passage from today's Gospel begins by revealing to us the Heart of Jesus. His Heart is one that is "moved with pity." As Jesus looked at the crowds before Him, He could see that they were "troubled and abandoned, like sheep without a shepherd." The sight of them evoked compassion, concern and mercy from within Him. This is a beautiful image to prayerfully ponder.

As Jesus looks at you, He gazes at you as He gazed at the crowds long ago. As He does, the same depths of mercy and compassion are evoked within His Sacred Heart.

Sometimes, when we think of God, we allow ourselves to have inaccurate perceptions of Who He is and how He sees us. If you do not regularly see the compassionate Heart of Jesus, then ponder this passage and know that His Heart of love for you is the same as it was for the crowds.

The second part of the passage above reveals to us one of the ways that Jesus reaches out to us. He is the "master of the harvest" Who has called others to Himself and then sent them forth to minister in His name and with His authority. The lines that follow the Gospel quoted above tell us that Jesus immediately "summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits to drive them out and to cure every disease and every illness."

As you look at your own life, your struggles, your spiritual needs and your desire to grow in faith, how has God fed you? Through whom has He spoken to you? This shepherding will take place by your participation in the Mass, through the Sacrament of Confession, through holy preaching, through the written word, through the inspired witness of another, and in many other ways. What's helpful to ponder is that any time you have encountered the grace of God through another, it happened because the Master of the Harvest chose to send a laborer to you. When good fruit is borne in your life, it was God Who initiated that good work through another, out of the mercy and compassion of His Sacred Heart.

Reflect, today, upon the image of Jesus gazing at you with love and choosing to send His ministers to you in His name and with His authority. Pay special attention to how God has been speaking to you recently. If it is through a particular book, keep reading it. If it is through a certain preacher of the Gospel, keep listening. If it is through a certain conversation with a friend, spouse or loved one, keep talking. God loves you, has a Heart full of compassion for you, and will continue to reach out to you in many different ways, especially by sending others to you in His name.

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FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR ADORATION

Will be held on Friday July 7, 2023, at 7:30pm following the 7:00pm Mass

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

St Joseph, guardian of Jesus and chaste husband of Mary, you passed your life in loving fulfillment of duty. You supported the holy family of Nazareth with the work of your hands.

Kindly protect all the fathers who trustingly come to you. Especially those who are new in this most sacred role. You know their aspirations, their hardships, their hopes. They look to you because they know you will understand and protect them. You too knew trial, labor and weariness. But amid the worries of material life your soul was full of deep peace and sang out in true joy through intimacy with God's Son entrusted to you and with Mary, his tender Mother.

Assure those you protect that they do not labor alone. Teach them to find Jesus near them and to watch over him faithfully as you have done. -St. John XXIII

*The righteous man walks in his integrity:
HIS CHILDREN ARE BLESSED AFTER HIM. –
Proverbs 20:7*

PRAYER FOR PRIESTS

Keep them I pray thee, dearest Lord.
Keep them, for they are Thine. Thy priests whose lives burn out before thy consecrated shrine.
Keep them, for they are in the world, though from the world apart; when earthly pleasures tempt, allure – shelter them in Thy heart.
Keep them, and comfort them in hours of loneliness and pain, when all their life of sacrifice for souls, seems but in vain, keep them, and O remember, Lord, they have no one but Thee. Yet they have only human hearts, with human frailty.
Keep them as spotless as the Host, that daily they caress, their every thought and word and deed, deign, dearest Lord, to bless.
Mary, Queen of the Clergy, Pray for them.
www.catholic.org – Author Unknown

UPCOMING EVENT

FILIPINO MEET AND GREET

Saturday June 24, 2023, after the 5:00pm Mass in the Parish Hall with Father Joseph Baal.

DEAR GRADUATES

“The Church together with your parents and families, your priests, teachers and mentors along with all who have supported you during your years of elementary school, high school and college are very proud of you. We pray that your futures be filled with many blessings from the Lord. You have learned the teachings of Jesus; you have learned how to build your lives on solid rock. When we listen to Jesus and put his words into practice, we are building our lives on a secure foundation. Listen to his words each day through prayer. He is the one friend who will never deceive you, reject you, or leave you. We get lost along the path of life when we do not walk with Christ as our guide. As you go forth, whatever your plans are after graduation, be steadfast in your faith. If you build on this solid rock, not only will your life be solid and stable, you will also be able to confront challenges and difficulties with confidence and courage.”

Dearest youth, you are not our future, you are our now! Know that each of you are a unique gift from God, each with unique talents which He has bestowed on you so that you can accomplish His will on this earth. You are forever in our prayers as you embark on this wonderful journey. God Bless,
From The Clergy and Staff of Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish

www.rkspa.nl, Pope Benedict to WYD: Build your life on Solid Rock
www.vatican.va – Krakow-Blonie May 27, 2006, Todayscatholic.org - May 30 2021

SACRAMENTS

THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

Thank you to all our volunteers who have generously gave of their time over the past few months to help with the preparations and celebrations of the Sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation for the students and families of our parish community. Your acts of love, kindness, dedication and service are greatly appreciated. May you continue to be strengthened and sustained by Him whom you serve. Thank you.

YOUTH MINISTRY

YOUNG SAINTS

*“All people are born as originals, but many die as photocopies” – Blessed Carlo Acutis
(Age 15)*

LIFE TEEN

Life Teen is for youth in Grades 9-12 and will be held every other Friday from 7:00pm to 9:00pm all are welcome! No registration required. The next Life night is June 23 – Exam Destress Social & BBQ

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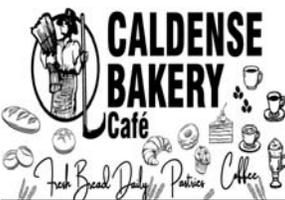
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