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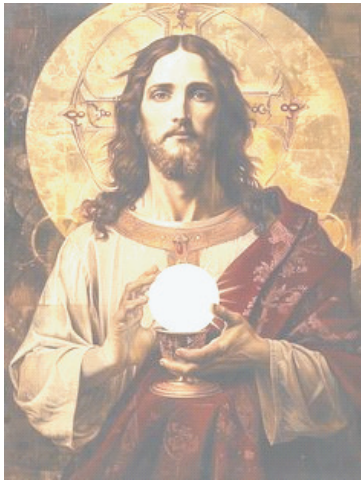
# Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish

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**Deacon:** Dcn. David Langley



## Holy Martyrs of Japan-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

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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### MINISTERS

**Youth Minister:**

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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 23, 9:00AM** \*Special Intention for Yung Lee & Sama Anvari

**TUESDAY, June 24, 9:00AM** +Manuel Da Silva

**WEDNESDAY, June 25, 7:00PM** +Julia Ramos & Maria Ramos +Salvatore Vena & Vincenzo DeGirolamo

**THURSDAY, June 26, 9:00AM** \*ProPopulo

**FRIDAY, June 27, 7:00PM** +Antonio Mirassol & Family  
\*Special Intentions of the McEvenue Family

**SATURDAY, June 28, 9:00AM** \*ProPopulo

**SATURDAY, June 28, 5:00PM** +Luisa & Garcia Miguelo  
+Celeste & Manuel Laranjeiro +Joao Balugas +Dorinda De Jesus & Eurico Lopes +Peggy Michaud +Marco Fernandes  
+Paulito Martins +Virginia Correia +Lucy Balugas & Danny Viveiros +Cecilia Meneses Rugama & Domingo Rivera Palacios +Katarina & Rudolf Spek

**SUNDAY, June 29, 8:00PM** \*ProPopulo

**SUNDAY, June 29, 10:00AM** +Jason Mendrek +Gemma Polito

**SUNDAY, June 29, 12:00pm** \*ProPoulo

**SUNDAY, June 29, 2:00pm** \*ProPopulo  
**St. Philip of Jesus (Mission)**



### FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR ADORATION

Holy hour will be on Friday July 4, 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. **The Requiem Mass will be held Friday June 27 at 11:00am at the cemetery weather permitting.** Mass Intentions can be booked at the parish office.

### PARISH OFFICE SUMMER HOURS

During the months of July and August the parish office will **be open on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays Only.** Tuesdays and Thursdays the parish office will be closed.



### Thank you for bringing empathy to the table.

Covenant House, an agency you support through ShareLife, fosters a profound sense of belonging among at risk children in the Youth in Transition program. Their community dinners create a welcoming space for shared experiences, made possible by your empathetic heart. "The dinners make everyone feel like they matter because of your love." – Fred Shayo-Mushi, Support Services Manager of Covenant House Toronto. Please continue to give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at [sharelife.org/donate](http://sharelife.org/donate).



### CANADA DAY – Tuesday July 1, 2025

Mass will be celebrated at 9:00am and the parish office will be closed. Wishing you all wonderful long weekend.

## REFLECTION

[Mark 14:22–24](#) (*Year B Gospel*) At the holy Mass, as soon as the priest pronounces the words of the consecration, transforming the bread and wine into the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ our Lord, he genuflects, rises, and then says, "The mystery of faith." What is "the mystery of faith?" Oftentimes, when we say that something is a mystery, we mean that the conclusion is hidden but that there are certain clues to help solve the mystery. And once the mystery is solved, everything is clear and it is no longer a mystery. "The mystery of faith" is much different. Those words are spoken at Mass immediately after the consecration as a way of drawing the faithful into a holy awe and amazement of what just took place. But this mystery can only produce wonder and awe if the reality of what just took place is understood through the gift of faith. Faith is knowing and believing without perceiving the reality before us with our five senses or through logical deduction. In other words, faith produces true knowledge of a spiritual reality that can only be known, understood and believed through spiritual insight. Therefore, if we attend the Mass and have been gifted with the knowledge of faith, then as soon as the consecration of the bread and wine takes place, we will cry out interiorly, "My Lord and my God!" We will know that God the Son is present before us in a veiled way. Our eyes do not perceive, nor do any of our senses reveal to us the great reality before us. We cannot rationally deduce what just took place. Instead, we come to know and believe that the Son of God, the Savior of the World, is now present before us in His fullness, under the veil of mere bread and wine. In addition to the divine presence of our Lord and our God, the entire Mystery of our Redemption is made present. Saint Pope John Paul II tells us that in this moment there is a "oneness in time" that links the *Paschal Mystery*, that is, the Life, Death and Resurrection of Jesus, to every moment that the Eucharist is celebrated and made present through the words of consecration. And that unity between each Mass and the *Paschal Mystery* "leads us to profound amazement and gratitude" (*Ecclesia de Eucharistia*, #5). Do you sense and experience this profound amazement and gratitude each time you attend the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass? Do you realize as you attend the Mass and as the words of consecration are spoken that the entire Mystery of your redemption is made present before you, hidden from your eyes but visible to your soul by faith? Do you understand that it is God the Second Person of the Most Holy Trinity Who descends to us to dwell with us in that moment of time in this glorious Sacrament? Reflect, today, upon the hidden but real Mystery of Faith. Allow yourself to be drawn into a wonder and awe at what you are privileged to attend. Let your faith in the Most Holy Eucharist grow by being open to a deepening of this gift of faith through spiritual insight and belief. Behold this great Gift of the Eucharist with the eyes of faith and you will be drawn into the wonder and awe that God wants to bestow upon you. *My Catholic Life! 2025*

## THE SOLEMNITY OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

In this month dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and as Pilgrims of Hope during the Jubilee Holy Year we recall the words of Pope Francis, "Hope is born of love and based on the love springing from the pierced heart of Jesus upon the cross" (Spes non Confundit, 3). Let us pray that we may all grow in Christ's love, and in a special way let us pray for our Bishops and Priests as the Jubilee Day for Bishops (Wednesday June 25) and Priests (Friday June 27 - Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the World Day of Prayer for the Sanctification of Priests) are celebrated in Rome this month.

We also invite parishes, families and individuals to join His Eminence Cardinal Leo and the Auxiliary Bishops in our Archdiocesan Jubilee Pilgrimage to the Martyrs' Shrine in Midland on Sunday August 24, 2025.

Further information (and registration) will follow in the weeks to come. Please mark the date on your calendar and plan to attend as we also celebrate the 400th Anniversary of the first mass in Huronia and the 100th Anniversary of the Martyrs' Shrine!



*Divine Heart of Jesus,  
I offer you through the Immaculate Heart of Mary,  
Mother of the Church,  
in union with the Eucharistic Sacrifice,  
my prayers, actions, joys and sufferings of this day  
in reparation for sins and for the salvation of all people,  
in the grace of the Holy Spirit for the glory of the Heavenly  
Father.  
Amen*

## VOCATIONS

Jesus has given us His Body to eat and His Blood to drink so as to nourish us on our journey towards the Kingdom. May we be faithful to him on our journey as a married, single, ordained or consecrated person. If God is calling you contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416 968 0997. Email: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)

*My ever-glorious Eucharistic Lord, I do believe that You are here, made present in our world under the form of bread and wine, every time the Holy Mass is celebrated. Fill me with a deeper faith in this Holy Gift, dear Lord, so that I may be drawn into wonder and awe every time I witness this holy Consecration. Jesus, I trust in You.*

## 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](http://www.rkspa.nl), Pope Benedict to WYD: Build your life on Solid Rock  
[www.vatican.ca](http://www.vatican.ca) – Krakow-Blonie May 27, 2006, [TodayScatholic.org](http://TodayScatholic.org) - May 30, 2021

**"Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young. Instead, set an example for the believers through your speech, behavior, love and faith." – 1 Timothy 4:12**

## 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 Reconciliations, First Communions, Confirmations and Graduations 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.

## SACRAMENTS

### FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION FOR 2026 SEASON

Information for the upcoming First Communion and Confirmation Registrations for the 2026 season will be made available sometime in the fall. Please stay connected with us. We invite you to celebrate Mass with us on Saturdays or Sundays. Announcements regarding registration will be made at Mass. Please be sure to visit our website, and online bulletin for up-to-date information and registration for these sacraments.



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