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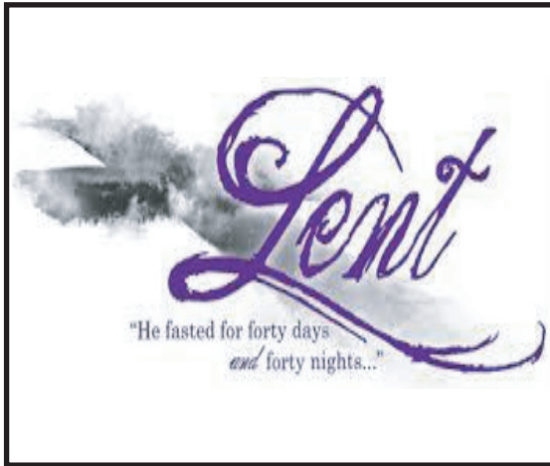
Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish

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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:00pm

Sunday: 8:30am, 10:00am & 11:30am
6:30pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays—7:00pm

Tuesdays & Thursdays—8:30am

Saturdays: 9:00am

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.

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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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Alpha

Consolation and Hope

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CULTURAL GROUPS

Divino Espirito Santo

Nossa Senhora De Fatima

Santissima Trindade

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.

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, March 2, 7:00PM

+Antonio Janeiro & Parents +Barbara Berenz +Heather Raczynski +Peter & Kathleen Dwyer +Doreen Bugutsky

TUESDAY, March 3, 8:30AM

+Tobias Rego & Jose Dias

WEDNESDAY, March 4, 7:00PM

+Domenic & Christina Broders

THURSDAY, March 5, 8:30AM

+P. Zacharias

FRIDAY, March 6, 7:00PM

+Joao Fernandes Barradas

SATURDAY, March 7, 9:00AM

+ProPopulo

SATURDAY, March 7, 5:00PM

+Mario Almeida +Maria & Eugenio Arruda +Idalina Moniz & Manuel Vieira +Antonio Santana & Maria Sousa +Francisco Jose Rodrigues +Giuseppe & Francesca Beninati +Antonio Alberto Rocha +George Alexandrowicz +Zacharias Sr. +Antonio Perna +Helen Rak & All Deceased Members of the Rak Family
*Special Intention for Veronika Hrinova

SUNDAY, March 8, 8:30 AM

+Francisco Rodrigues & Jose Francisco Rodrigues

SUNDAY March 8, 10:00AM

+ProPopulo

SUNDAY, March 8, 11:30AM

+Victor Latoszek

SUNDAY, March 8, 6:30PM

+Heather Raczynski

YOUTH MINISTRY



EDGE® Come have fun, meet friends and play games in faith and fellowship.
Catholic Middle School Ministry
Monday Nights in the Parish Hall at 7:00pm

Mar 2 -Outfitters

Mar 7 -Lift Jesus Higher Rally (Toronto) Event

Mar 9 -TBA



LIFE TEEN
Leading Teens Closer to Christ

High school teens in grades 9-12 are invited to gather and enjoy the gift of friendship with food and fun while growing in faith and virtue. Sundays at 7:45pm in the Parish Hall.

Mar 1 -TBA

Mar 7 -Lift Jesus Higher Rally (Toronto) Event

Mar 8 -No Life Night

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REFLECTION

The desert is difficult.

It's a barren, lonely, and a harsh place to be in.

Despite knowing that, Our Lord, led by the Holy Spirit, ventured out into the desert in order to prepare Himself for the great mission the Father was about to send Him on.

When we choose to follow the Lord Jesus Christ, we too are being called out into the desert. To get away from distractions, to prepare our minds, hearts, and wills, for the mission the Father sends us on. But most of all, we are called into the desert to finally encounter our very selves and how we see our very person in Jesus Christ.

The Church journeys into the desert during Lent so that we may come to realize and once again renew our baptismal promises. Through the Sacraments, Scriptures, and Spiritual Practices that we take on during this season, God reveals to us how thirsty our souls are for Him. When we renew these promises, we reject the lie that sin tells us about ourselves, we remember the love and mercy that the Father has for all of us, we re-center ourselves with the core of our being, the Son, Jesus Christ, Our Lord, and we renew our commitment to be transformed and be led by the Spirit.

When we go into the desert, this is the water the Lord is providing for all of us to fill that thirst.

Are you willing to be led by the Spirit to these renewing waters to be renewed and nourished for the mission?

Are you willing to face your sins and turn away from them in order to be one with Jesus Christ?

Are you willing to allow yourself to be forgiven and loved, so that you may truly be a son or daughter of God the Father?

The desert is difficult.

But by going through the barren, lonely, and harsh place, we can find not only God, but also ourselves – to be transformed into the saints we're all called to be.

Lent comes providentially to reawaken us, to shake us from our lethargy - Pope Francis

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Friday March 6th at 1:00pm in our Church.

All Are Welcome.

VOCATIONS

Jesus was led by the Holy Spirit into the desert for forty days of prayer and fasting. Are you open to being led by the Holy Spirit into the life-commitment God has prepared for you? If God is calling you to serve him as a priest, deacon, brother or sister, contact the Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LENTEN PREPARATION

LENTEN FAST and RECONCILIATION

- ✓ Fast from HURTING WORDS and say KIND WORDS
- ✓ Fast from SADNESS and be filled with GRATITUDE
- ✓ Fast from ANGER and be filled with PATIENCE
- ✓ Fast from PESSIMISM and be filled with HOPE
- ✓ Fast from WORRIES and TRUST IN GOD
- ✓ Fast from COMPLAINTS and contemplate SIMPLICITY
- ✓ Fast from PRESSURES and be PRAYERFUL
- ✓ Fast from BITTERNESS and fill your heart with JOY
- ✓ Fast from SELFISHNESS and be COMPASSIONATE to others
- ✓ Fast from GRUDGES and be RECONCILED
- ✓ Fast from WORDS and be SILENT so you can listen

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Come join us every Friday during the season of Lent beginning with adoration at 6:00pm, Mass at 7:00pm followed by the Stations of the Cross at 7:30pm. Come journey with Christ and prepare yourself for the Triduum.

A SPECIAL WELCOME

Bishop Rethnaswamy of Ahmedabd, Gujarat, India (Bishop to Fr. Mani) will be visiting our Parish and celebrating the 11:30am Mass on Sunday March 8, 2020. Please join us in welcoming him.

DIACONATE ORDINATION

Our Seminarian Jihwan Cho will be ordained a transitional Deacon on Sunday March 8, 2020 at 5:00pm at Sacred Heart Parish in Etobicoke. Parishioners are invited and welcome to attend in the celebration of this most special ceremony.

RECLAIMING LOVE 2020 – GUEST SPEAKER Theology of the Body for Everyone

The realities of masculinity, femininity, gender, and the relation of these to our identity, are being questioned like never before. Jason Evert, internationally known Catholic speaker, author and founder of Chastity Project will be leading the discussion beyond feelings to help us embrace an integrated understanding of the truth of our identity.

TUESDAY MAY 19, 2020 7:30-9:30PM at St. Mary's Church in Barrie. Tickets are \$20.00/person and can be purchased at the parish office on a first come first serve basis or by contacting Ray at 905-251-8151.

REMINDERS

STATION OF THE CROSS – SCHEDULE

Each team is assigned a date to lead the Stations of the Cross. Schedule is as follows:

Friday March 6, 2020 – Stations led by Youth Ministry
Friday March 13, 2020 – Stations led by Lectors
Friday March 20, 2020 – Stations led by CWL
Friday March 27, 2020 – Stations led by Musicians/Choirs
Friday April 3, 2020 – Stations led by Extraordinary Ministers of Communion



ALPHA IS BACK

Holy Martyrs of Japan will be hosting our 5th Alpha Series, beginning Tuesday March 24th 2020. Alpha is a chance to explore your faith in an open, welcoming, non-judgmental environment. Each evening begins with a meal, followed by a video presentation and small group discussions. There are no “right” or “wrong” answers and EVERYONE is welcome. If you have ever been curious about God, your Faith and life as a Christian this is a great place to start.

Series Dates: March 24, 31, April 14, 21, 28, May 5, 12, 19 and 26 and June 2 and 9. Doors open at 6:15 pm, Dinner at 6:30pm and done by 8:30pm sharp. If you are interested please contact Peter at: alpha.hmoj@gmail.com

SACRAMENTS

COMMUNION SACRAMENTS

Please join us in praying for our grade two students who are preparing to receive their First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion over the next several months. May Jesus come to bless you as you prepare to take your seat at the Lord's table to celebrate in the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist. May you feel His presence in a very special way and as you strive to follow in His footsteps, may He bless your life with many graces and lasting happiness.

CONFIRMATION SACRAMENT

Confirmation Dates

Saturday April 25, 2020 at 11:00am

St. Charles, St. Jean de Brebeuf, Public, Private, Other

Saturday April 25, 2020 at 2:00pm

St. Teresa of Calcutta

Saturday May 2, 2020 at 11:00am

St. Angela Merici

Saturday April 25, 2020 at 2:00pm

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