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Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish

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Parish Office Hours—Monday to Friday—9:30am to 12:30pm and 1:00pm to 4:30pm



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.

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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LifeTeen Youth Ministry

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RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

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Seniors Outreach

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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 25, 7:00PM

+Joe Pereira +Arlindo Araujo +Leo Mallet

TUESDAY, March 26, 8:30AM

Claudino & Maria Rosa de Jesus

WEDNESDAY, March 27, 7:00 PM

+Jose Pereira

THURSDAY, March 28, 8:30 AM

*Special Intention for Isabel Santos Domingues

FRIDAY, March 29, 7:00 PM

+Kevin & Pam Macdonell

SATURDAY, March 30, 9:00 AM

+All Souls

SATURDAY, March 30, 5:00 PM

+Maria Moniz +Maria Dos Anjos & Rosa Miranda
+Joaquim Afonso +Mario Simoes +Leo Mallet +P.
Zacharias *Special Intention for the Health of Vincenzo Pellegrini

SUNDAY, March 31, 8:30 AM

+Manuel De Oliveira Bisho

SUNDAY, March 31, 10:00 AM

*Special Intention for all our Communion Candidates and their Families

SUNDAY, March 31, 11:30 AM

+ Arminda Teixeira

SUNDAY, March 31, 6:30 PM

+ProPopulo

REMINDER



As we begin our ShareLife campaign, we are encouraged to live the Gospel in all that we do. How do we demonstrate that in our community? Living the Gospel may mean helping single mothers to care for their newborn children, or being available to families facing difficulties, or welcoming refugee families to our community. For 43 years, countless individuals have experienced the compassionate care offered by our agencies. Please support our annual archdiocesan appeal during this Lenten season!"-Cardinal Thomas Collins
March 31st is ShareLife Sunday. Please give generously.

MEMORIAL MASS FOR P. ZACHARIAS

(Father to Fr. Mani)

Saturday April 6, 2019 at 11:00am followed by a reception in the parish hall

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REFLECTION

Jesus' parable of the barren fig trees illustrates his warning about the consequences of allowing sin and corruption to take root in our hearts and minds.

The unfruitful fig tree symbolized the outcome of Israel's indifference and lack of response to God's word of repentance and restoration. Jesus' parable depicts the patience of God, but it also contains a warning that we should not presume upon God's patience and mercy. Jesus on a number of occasions warned the people turn away from sin before it was too late to repent and receive God's mercy and pardon. The real danger and calamity that Jesus points out is that an unexpected disaster or a sudden death does not give us time to repent of our sins and to prepare ourselves to meet the Judge of heaven and earth. The Book of Job reminds us that misfortune and calamity can befall both the righteous and the unrighteous alike. Jesus gives a clear warning - take responsibility for your actions and moral choices and put sin to death today before it can destroy your heart, mind, soul, and body as well. Unrepentant sin is like a cancer which corrupts us from within. If it is not eliminated through repentance - asking God for forgiveness and for his healing grace - it leads to a spiritual death which is far worse than physical destruction. Why does God judge his people? He judges to purify and cleanse us of all sin that we might grow in his holiness and righteousness. And he disciplines us for our own good, to inspire a godly fear and reverence for him and his word. God is patient, but for those who persistently and stubbornly rebel against him and refuse to repent and change their course, there is the consequence that they will lose both their soul and body to hell.

God, in his mercy, gives us time to get right with him, but that time is now. We must not assume that there is no hurry. A sudden and unexpected death leaves one no time to prepare to settle one's accounts when he or she must stand before the Lord on the day of judgment. Jesus warns us that we must be ready at all times. Tolerating sinful habits and excusing unrepentant sin and wrongdoing will result in bad fruit, painful discipline, and spiritual disease that leads to death and destruction. The Lord in his mercy gives us both grace (his gracious help and healing) and time to turn away from sin, but that time is right now. If we delay, even for a day, we may discover that grace has passed us by and our time is up. Do you hunger for the Lord's righteousness (moral goodness) and holiness? *Servants of the word,*
www.dailyscripture.net Don Schwager.

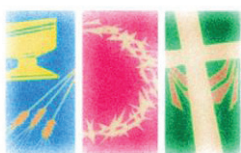
LENTEN PREPARATION

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.



TRIDUUM



HOLY THURSDAY

April 18, 2019 at 7:00pm – Mass of the Lord's Supper
Followed by Adoration from 8:00pm-12:00am

GOOD FRIDAY

April 19, 2019 at 12:00pm and 3:00pm
Celebration of the Lord's Passion

(Celebration includes the Eucharist and Veneration of the Cross)

Day of Fasting and Abstinence

7:00pm – Divine Mercy Novena

7:30pm Solemn Stations of the Cross

HOLY SATURDAY

April 20, 2019

(No Morning Mass)

10:00am – Blessing of Food

7:00pm – Divine Mercy Novena

8:00pm Easter Vigil

EASTER SUNDAY

April 21, 2019

Mass Times as Follows:

8:30am, 10:00am, 11:30am

3:00pm – Divine Mercy Novena

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

Friday April 19th 7:00pm

Saturday April 20th 7:00pm

Sunday April 21st 3:00pm

Monday April 22nd 9:30am

Tuesday April 23rd 9:00am

Wednesday April 24th 7:30pm

Thursday April 25th 9:00am

Friday April 26th 7:30pm

Saturday April 27th 6:00pm

Divine Mercy Sunday - April 28th 3:00pm

Celebrated in the presence of the Holy Sacrament in Song

GARDEN OF LILIES

Saturday April 20th 2019

Holy Saturday – No Morning Mass

You are welcome to help decorate our parish for Easter by bringing a lily plant in memory of a loved one on Saturday April 20th between 8:30am and 1:00pm. Labels will be provided in the gathering space to put the names of your loved ones on the lilies. We will also have a sheet available to write your loved one's name so everyone can pray for those remembered in our Garden of Lilies.



LENTEN ECUMENICAL SERVICES – 7:30pm

March 27 – St. Catherine of Alexandria Byzantine Catholic Church, 56 Hearn St. Bond Head. Speaker: Rev. Jim Keenan, Bradford United Church.

April 3 – St. John's Presbyterian Church 2940 Sideroad 10, Bradford. Speaker: Rev. Joshua Roldan, Holy Martyrs of Japan, Roman Catholic Church.

April 10 – Holy Martyrs of Japan Roman Catholic Church, 167 Essa St. Bradford. Speaker: Rev Dana Dickson, Trinity Anglican Church.

SACRAMENTS

PARISH LENTEN CONFESSION



Thursday March 28, 2019 from 7:00pm – 9:00pm in the Church

"Create in me a clean heart, O God and put a new and right spirit within me." Psalm 51:10

COMMUNION

In preparation of receiving First Holy Communion children are to partake in the Sacrament of First Reconciliation. For parents of those communion candidates who missed their day of First Reconciliation you are encouraged to come on the Parish day of Confession on Thursday March 28, 2019 from 7:00pm to 9:00pm. We would kindly ask that your child approach Fr. Joshua or Fr. Mani for this Sacrament at that time.

YOUTH MINISTRY



Come to the EDGE! Grades 6, 7 & 8 are welcome. Monday's from 7:00-8:30pm in the Parish Hall.
March 25 Pray for Enemies

EDGE Camp is a Catholic overnight summer camp hosted at Camp White Pine in Haliburton from August 25th to 29th. Students currently in grades 5-8 are invited to register. **Register before April 15th and save \$50 (\$425)**
Registration after April 15 is \$475



March 31 Band – Social

April 7 – Free, Total, Faithful, Fruitful

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