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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
Spanish Mass—4:45pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays—7:00pm
Tuesdays & Thursdays—8:30am
Saturdays: 9:30am

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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Seniors Outreach
St. Vincent de Paul Society

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.

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

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Jesus' dramatic cleansing of the temple was seen by his disciples as a prophetic sign of God's work to purify and restore true worship and holiness among his people. Jesus' cleansing of the temple is also a prophetic sign of what he wants to do with each of us. He ever seeks to cleanse us from our sinful ways in order to make us into living temples of his Holy Spirit. God desires that we be holy as he is holy. Jesus spoke of himself as the true Temple which cleanses and makes us a holy people who can dwell with God. The sign Jesus gave pointed to his sacrificial death on the cross and his rising from the tomb on the third day: "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up" (John 2:19). The Jews did not understand that the temple Jesus referred to was his own body. The "tent of his body" had to first be destroyed (that is, be put to death as the atoning sacrifice for our sins) in order to open the way for us to freely enter into the holy presence of God in his heavenly sanctuary (Hebrews 10:19). Through his death and resurrection, the Lord Jesus has reconciled us with God and made us adopted sons and daughters of our heavenly Father, and he fills us with his Holy Spirit and makes us living temples.

The Lord Jesus wants to renew our minds and to purify our hearts so that we may offer God fitting worship and enjoy his presence both now and forever. Ask the Lord Jesus to fill you with a holy desire and burning zeal for his holiness and glory to grow in you and transform the way you think, act and live as a son or daughter of God.



PARISH LENTEN RECONCILIATION

There will be confessions heard in Portuguese on Tuesday March 13, 2018 at 6:15pm. Our **Parish Lenten Reconciliation** will be held on Thursday March 22, 2018 at 7:00pm to 9:00pm.

FIRST RECONCILIATION/CONFESSION DATES

We would invite those candidates with the surname beginning with "A-L" to come to First Confession on **Tuesday March 6, 2018 at 7:00pm** and those with surname "M-Z" to come on **Thursday March 8, 2018 at 7:00pm in the Church**. If coming other than your assigned evening will avoid hardship for your family then come on the other day.



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.

The prodigal son is man-every human being: bewitched by the temptation to separate himself from his Father in order to lead his own independent existence.-Pope John Paul II

TRIDUUM



HOLY THURSDAY

March 29, 2018 at 7:00pm – Mass of the Lord's Supper

GOOD FRIDAY

March 30, 2018 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

March 31, 2018

(No Morning Mass)

10:00am – Blessing of Food

7:00pm – Divine Mercy Novena

8:00pm Easter Vigil

EASTER SUNDAY

April 1, 2018

Mass Times as Follows:

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

3:00pm – Divine Mercy Novena

4:45pm Spanish Mass – To Be Announced

6:30pm – No Mass

PLEASE NOTE: March 27 2018, Mass will be at 8:00am and there will be No Adoration.



DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

Friday March 30 th	7:00pm
Saturday March 31 st	7:00pm
Sunday April 1 st	3:00pm
Monday April 2 nd	10:00am
Tuesday April 3 rd	6:30pm
Wednesday April 4 th	6:30pm
Thursday April 5 th	6:30pm
Friday April 6 th	6:30pm
Saturday April 7 th	6:30pm

Divine Mercy Sunday in the presence of the Holy Sacrament in Song
Sunday April 8th 3:00pm

OUR GARDEN OF LILIES

Saturday March 31st 2018 – 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 March 31st 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.

ShareLife March 18 2018 is ShareLife Sunday. Our Goal this year is \$51,000.00. Please give generously. On any given night, 6000 people across Canada between 16 and 24 have nowhere to call home. This represents 20 per cent of the total homeless population. The ShareLife-supported Rights of Passage Program at Covenant House has been active in making a positive difference in the lives of homeless youth on the streets of Toronto. The program matches adolescents with mentors, who help them build life skills. By supporting ShareLife, you're helping at risk-youth prepare for life on their own.



WHAT: EDGE is a youth ministry program designed to help youth learn more about their Catholic faith and develop a personal relationship with Christ. Come have fun, meet friends and play games in faith and fellowship!

WHO: Grades 6-8

WHEN: Mondays 7- 8:30pm

WHERE: Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish Hall

COST: FREE FREE FREE

MAR 5 REST - Catechisis

MAR 12 March Break No Edge



INTRODUCING... ALPHA YOUTH SERIES

The brand new Alpha Youth Series has been re-imagined for today's youth culture. Giving young people all around the world the chance to explore faith through Alpha. We are beginning the Alpha Youth Series in this parish starting on **Sunday March 4 at 7:45p.m.** All high school aged students are invited to join us in the St. Joseph's meeting room for a small meal, video presentation and friendly conversation. **If you have any questions please contact Ray Reitzel at 905-251-8151 or the office at 905-775-2065.**



ALPHA

Holy Martyrs of Japan will be hosting the Alpha Series on **Tuesday evenings at 6:30pm in the parish hall.** The series dates are as follows: March 6, 20, April 10, 17, 24, May 1, 8, 15, 22. If you have any questions please contact Ray Reitzel at 905-251-8151 or the office at 905-775-2065.

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION

The parish confirmation program of preparation is called "Decision Point". The program will run on Thursday evenings in the parish hall downstairs from 6:30pm to 8:30pm. The participation of all candidates is anticipated. For those in public or private schools your attendance is particularly understood as part of your catechesis in preparation for Confirmation. You can access the program by visiting the website <https://dynamiccatholic.com/confirmation/program-view> or download the app on Google Play or at the App Store for FREE. There is a textbook you can purchase or download the workbook onto your PC or mobile device.

Program dates are as follows:

Thursday March 8 "Relationship"

Thursday March 22 "The Eucharist"

April 5, 12, 19, 26, May 3 and May 10th.

We strongly encourage full participation in the program.

UPCOMING MASS INTENTIONS

Monday March 5th 7:00pm

+Joao Fernandes Barradas by Rosalina Rodrigues & Family
+Manuel Manata & Rosa Oliveira by Dinis Family
+Antonio Perna by Wife & Sons
+Giel Jonkhout by CWL Bradford
+Keith Beauchamps & Eleanor Brown by Paul & Syliva Castellani
+Walter Andrade by Albertina Rodrigues
+Piera Caniparoli by Family
*Spec. Int. Lucy Dantas by Family

Tuesday March 6th 8:30am

+Alberto Caireiro by Claudina Crisostomo

Wednesday March 7th 7:00pm

+Antonio Manuel Diogo by Portuguese Choir

Thursday March 8th 8:30am

+Antonio Castro Murais by Conceicao Castro

Friday March 9th 7:00pm

+Manuel Gomes & Dos Anjos Ferreira by Manuel Gomes

Saturday March 10th 9:30am

+All Souls

Saturday March 10th 5:00pm

+Francisco Rodrigues & Francisco Jose Rodrigues by Wife & Mother

+Joao & Teresa Moniz by Moniz Family

+Antonio Alberto Rocha by Lourdes Rocha & Children

+Giuseppe & Francesca Beninati by Sclafani Family

+Manuel Braga & Wife by Jose & Maria Pereira

+Vitorino Nazario & Olimpia Sousa by Carolina Santana

+Walter Andrade by Wife & Children

+Antonio Diogo by Family

+Rafael Chavez & Delia Mendez by McEvenue Family

Sunday March 11th

8:30am *Spec. Int. Dom & Clotilde Dureas by Dave & Laura Macdonell

10:00am +Pietro Asaro & Gioachino Cristina by Wife

11:30am +Victor Latoszek by Wife Children & Grandchildren

4:45pm +ProPopulo

6:30pm +ProPopulo

"May God Grant Them Eternal Peace"

Tax receipts have been mailed out Friday February 23, 2018 with our most sincere thanks for your continued support and generosity.



Blood Donor Clinic – Wednesday March 14, 2018 from 3:00pm to 8:00pm in the Parish Hall

RUN WITH IT

Wednesday March 21, 2018 at 7:30pm in the Parish Hall with Deacon Pedro. How did Adam & Eve populate the earth? How does the church/Bible know how Noah built the Arc and put two animals of each on it? Where do dinosaurs fit into the biblical timeline?

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