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# Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish

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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.

## CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Holy Trinity High School—905-775-4841  
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## PARISH MINISTRIES and SOCIETIES

Alpha  
Among Friends (Ministry for grieving women)  
Catholic Moms Group  
Catholic Moms and Tots  
CWL (Catholic Women's League)  
Consolation and Hope  
EDGE Youth Ministry  
Knights of Columbus  
LifeTeen Youth Ministry  
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Nossa Senhora De Fatima  
RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)  
Rosary Apostolate  
Sacramental Preparation & Catechesis  
St. Vincent de Paul Society  
San Felipe de Jesus: Ministry to Migrant Workers  
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, May 13, 7:00PM

+Michael & Gabriela Mongillo +Joao Veloso +Maria Dolores Vigario +Jose Rodrigues +Daniel Viveiros +Margaret Dudo & Roman Sakac +Maria Silva & Mario De Sousa +Maria Oliveira & Manuel Marques +Maria Esperanca Espinola & Avelar Da Silva Pais +Rosa Oliveira +Isabel Camacho \*Special Intention for All Drummond Family Members

### TUESDAY, May 14, 9:00AM

+Manuel da Silva

### WEDNESDAY, May 15, 7:00pm

+Nathan Moniz

### THURSDAY, May 16, 9:00AM

+Maria & Luis Borges

### FRIDAY, May 17, 7:00PM

+Deolinda Oliveira

### SATURDAY, May 18, 9:00AM

\*ProPopulo

### SATURDAY, May 18, 5:00PM

+Salvatore Vena & Vincenzo De Girolamo +Lino & Walter Andrade +Abilio Soares & Julio Soares +Eduino Cabral & Fernando Paulino +Antonio Santana & Maria Sousa +Vitorino Nazario & Olimpia Sousa +Mary Gres +Manuel Marques & Maria Do Ceu +Isaura Melo & Rui Serra +Walter Andrade +Horacio da Silva +Manuel Pereira & Jose Miranda +Daniel Viveiros & Isaura Lourenco +Jose DaSilva & Horacio Da Silva +Juliao Da Silva & Izilda Da Silva

### SUNDAY, May 19, 8:00AM

\*ProPopulo

### SUNDAY, May 19, 10:00AM

+Carmela Mongillo & All Deceased Mongillo Family Members

### SUNDAY, May 19, 12:00PM

+Arlindo Araujo

### SUNDAY, May 19, 4:30PM

**Migrant Worker Spanish Mass** \*ProPopulo

### SUNDAY, May 19, 6:30PM

\*Special Intentions of Carolina Santana



### FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR ADORATION

Will be held on June 7, 2024, the first Friday of the month, at 7:30pm following the 7:00pm Mass.

### MONTHLY REQUIEM MASS AT HOLY MARTYRS OF JAPAN – Friday June 7, 2024, at 11:00am

Mass will be held at the cemetery weather permitting. Mass Intentions can be booked at the parish office.

### VICTORIA DAY – Monday May 20, 2024

Please note that Mass will be at 9:00am and the parish office will be closed. Wishing you and your families a wonderful long weekend!

## REFLECTION

*Jesus said to his disciples: “Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature. Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved; whoever does not believe will be condemned.” [Mark 16:15–16](#)*

We celebrate today one more step in the completion of the mission of the Son of God. Humanity had sinned at the beginning of time and fallen from Original Innocence. God immediately began to prepare the world for the gift of eternal redemption by establishing a covenant with Noah, Abraham and Moses. He raised up various prophets and kings to further prepare His people for what was to come. And then, when the time was right, God entered our world through the Blessed Virgin Mary. Jesus, the Son of God, eventually entered into His public ministry, teaching, performing miracles, gathering the faithful to Himself, dying, rising and then appearing to His disciples in preparation for the Ascension. The Ascension completes the mission of the Son of God. Today we honor that definitive moment when God the Son, in His transformed and resurrected Human nature, ascends by His own power to the Father, bringing with Himself our humanity so that all humanity may ascend with Him.

As we celebrate the Ascension of Jesus, we must first see all that led up to that moment and seek to unite ourselves with all of those preceding events. We must listen to the words of the patriarchs and prophets of the Old Testament. We must especially listen to the teachings of Jesus in the New Testament and embrace His words without hesitation. And we must unite ourselves with His own death, dying to sin, so that we may also share in His Resurrection. Today, we must further see the invitation we are all given to ascend with Jesus to the Father. We must understand that where Jesus has gone, we are invited to follow if we only believe, embrace and live all that took place leading up to this glorious moment.

The Ascension was the end of Jesus’ life on Earth but also the beginning of our sharing in the life of Heaven. As Jesus ascended, He commissioned His disciples to go forth and “preach the gospel to every creature.” They were to preach to all about the saving plan of God that began at the time of Adam and Eve and was completed with the Ascension. Reflect, today, upon your calling to not only share in this glorious moment of Jesus’ Ascension but also your calling to go forth and to do all you can to draw others into this new life. Reflect upon Jesus, who also speaks to you today to invite you to bring others to that mountain. By teaching friends, family and all with whom God has entrusted to you to share the Gospel, you fulfill Christ’s mission to “go into the whole world” to gather the scattered people into the one fold of Christ so as to ascend with Him one day into eternity. Catholic News Agency2021

**Faith & Fellowship Meeting: Tuesday May 14, 2024  
7:00pm-8:30pm in the parish Hall – All are Welcome!**



Words of Our Lady: "Say the Rosary everyday, to bring peace to the world and end to war"

### Monday, May 13

7:30pm Holy Rosary in Portuguese at the Portuguese Cultural Center

"...People must amend their lives and ask for pardon for their sins. They must not offend Our Lord anymore, for he is already too much offended!" EWTN.com/Fatima

### CORPUS CHRISTI

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ.

This feast calls us to focus on two manifestations of the Body of Christ, the Holy Eucharist and the Church. The primary purpose of this feast is to focus our attention on the Eucharist.

At every Mass our attention is called to the Eucharist and the Real Presence of Christ in it. The secondary focus of this feast is upon the Body of Christ as it is present in the Church. The Church is called the Body of Christ because of the intimate communion which Jesus shares with his disciples.

Please join us for the celebration of this solemnity.

**9 Day Novena Prayer** – Friday May 24, to Saturday June 1 after all Masses.

### Corpus Christi Triduum:

A 3-day Reflection on the Eucharist followed by Benediction.

Thursday May 30<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm

Friday May 31<sup>st</sup> after the 7:00pm Mass

Saturday June 1<sup>st</sup> after the 5:00pm Mass

**Sunday June 2, 2024, Corpus Christi procession after the 12 Noon Mass followed by Benediction**

### VOCATIONS

If you feel you are being led to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416 968 0997.

Email: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BREAKFAST SUNDAY**

June 9, 2024

**CATHLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE**

**FATHER'S DAY BAKE SALE**

June 16, 2024



### A MOTHER'S DAY PRAYER

*Mary, on this day when we honor all mothers, we turn to you. We thank the Lord whom you serve for the great gift of motherhood. Never has it been known that anyone who sought your intercession was left unaided by grace. Dear Mother, thank you for your "Yes" to the invitation of the angel which brought heaven to earth and changed human history. You opened yourself to God's word and the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us.*

*Dear Mother, intercede for all of our mothers. Ask your Divine Son to give them the grace of surrendered love that they could join with you in giving their own "Fiat." May they find daily strength to say yes to the call to the sacrificial love – the very heart of the vocation of motherhood. May their love and witness be a source of great inspiration for all of us called to follow your Son.*

*On this Mother's Day, Mother of the Word Incarnate, pray for us who have recourse to you...*

*In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit*

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### A PRAYER FOR OUR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CANDIDATES



Please join us in praying for our grade two students who have been preparing and are now going to be receiving their First Holy Communion over the next couple of months. May Jesus come to bless you on this most special of days as you are invited to the table to celebrate in 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.

## YOUTH MINISTRY



Next Edge Night: May 17 – NO EDGE NIGHT



Next Life Teen Night: May 10 – See for yourself

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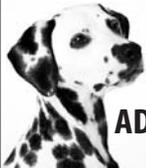


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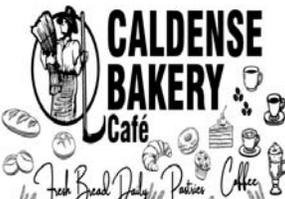


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