

We welcome you to

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



Pastor: Father Joshua Roldan
Associate Pastor: Father Massillamani Zacharias
Deacons: Deacon David Langley
Deacon Pedro Guevara-Mann



St. Paul Miki and Companions—Pray for Us!

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:00pm
Sunday: 10:00am, 12:00pm &
6:30pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays 7:00pm
Tuesdays, Thursdays & 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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Holy Trinity High School—905-775-4841
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PARISH MINISTRIES and SOCIETIES

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EDGE Youth Ministry
LifeTeen Youth Ministry
El Sembrador
Knights of Columbus
Liturgical Ministers
RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)
Sacramental Preparation & Catechesis
Seniors Outreach
St. Vincent de Paul Society

CULTURAL GROUPS

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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, May 17, 7:00PM

+Manuel Nuno Rodrigues & John Faria
*Special Intention for Maria Silveira

TUESDAY, May 18, 9:00AM

+Jamie Meneses

WEDNESDAY, May 19, 7:00PM

+Arlindo Araujo Sr.

THURSDAY, May 20, 9:00PM

+Maria Branco

FRIDAY, May 21, 7:00PM

+Claudino Neto & Maria Rosa de Jesus

SATURDAY, May 22, 9:00AM

+ProPopulo

SATURDAY, May 22, 5:00PM

+All Deceased Santana Family Members
+Francisco Gammicchia +Antonio Martins &
Clara Gomes +Maria Adelaide Cordeiro
+Deolinda Oliveira +Teresa Silva +Bill Greer

SUNDAY, May 23, 10:00AM

+ProPopulo

SUNDAY, May 23, 12:00PM

+Manuel Marques

SUNDAY, May 23, 6:30PM

+ProPopulo

2021 OFFERING ENVELOPES

Pre-Authorized Giving

Parishioners are encouraged to sign up for pre-authorized giving (PAG). In light of Covid-19, it is a convenient, easy and automatic way to support your parish. You access a form by visiting our website and Click the "Covid 19" tab and click on Pre-authorized Giving or contact the office. New and Existing Parishioners: Unfortunately, we had to reduce the number of boxes ordered this year as many were not in use. Anyone who was using box numbers from 800 and up will be assigned a new number. To pick up your 2021 offering envelopes, please contact the office.

**Offering
Envelopes**



PLEASE NOTE: THE PARISH OFFICE IS OPEN BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

COMMUNION FOR THE SICK: Please contact the parish office at 905 775 2065 if you are sick and need communion at home.

TO REQUEST A MASS INTENTION: If you are interested in booking a Mass Intention, please contact the parish office at 905 775 2065

REFLECTION

Why did Jesus leave his disciples forty days after his resurrection? Forty is a significant number in the scriptures. Moses went to the mountain to seek the face of God for forty days in prayer and fasting. The people of Israel were in the wilderness for forty years in preparation for their entry into the promised land. Elijah fasted for forty days as he journeyed in the wilderness to the mountain of God. For forty days after his resurrection Jesus appeared numerous times to his disciples to assure them that he had risen indeed and to prepare them for the task of carrying on the work which he began during his earthly ministry.

Jesus' departure and ascension was both an end and a beginning for his disciples. While it was the end of Jesus' physical presence with his beloved disciples, it marked the beginning of Jesus' presence with them in a new way. Jesus promised that he would be with them always to the end of time (Matthew 28:20). Now as the glorified and risen Lord and Savior, ascended to the right hand of the Father in heaven, Jesus promised to send them the Holy Spirit who would anoint them with the power on the Feast of Pentecost, just as Jesus was anointed for his ministry at the River Jordan. When the Lord Jesus departed physically from the apostles they were not left in sorrow or grief. Instead, they were filled with joy and with great anticipation for the coming of the Holy Spirit.

The Risen Lord empowers us to carry on his work. Jesus' last words to his apostles point to his saving mission and to their mission to be witnesses of his saving death and his glorious resurrection and to proclaim the good news of salvation – not only to the people of Israel, but to all the nations as well. God's love and gift of salvation is not reserved for a few or for one nation alone, but it is for the whole world – for all who will accept it. The Gospel is the power of God, the power to release people from their burden of guilt, sin, and oppression, and the power to heal, restore, and make us whole.

We are ambassadors for Jesus Christ. This is the great commission which the risen Christ gives to the whole Church. All believers have been given a share in this task – to be heralds of the good news and ambassadors for Jesus Christ. We have not been left alone in this task for the risen Lord works in and through us by the power of his Holy Spirit to renew and strengthen the us, the body of Christ, to equip it for his mission and ministry. Servants of the word, www.dailyscripture.net Don Schwager.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Ascension of the Lord | May 16, 2021

PLEASE NOTE: DUE TO THE CHANGES IN RESTRICTIONS AS PRVIOUSLY OUTLINED BY THE GOVERNMENT, COMMENCING MONDAY APRIL 19, 2021, ALL INPERSON MASSES WILL BE CANCELLED. THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE AND UNDERSTANDING.

Sunday Mass will continue to be livestreamed via Youtube at 10:00am

<https://holymartyrssofjapan.archtoronto.org/>

Followed by the drive thru distribution of the Eucharist (or blessing) immediately after Mass at the Church from 11:15am to 1pm.



IN PERSON MASS IS CANCELLED AT THIS TIME UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

WEEKDAY MASS: WALK IN

Monday Wednesday & Friday – 7:00pm
Tuesday Thursdays & Saturday – 9:00am
Holidays: Masses are at 9:00am

WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturdays – 5:00pm Vigil Mass (Seniors)
Doors open 1 hour before Mass

Sundays – 10:00am & 12:00pm Mass
Doors open 1 hour before Mass

Sundays – 6:30pm Mass (All Age Groups)
Doors open 1 hour before Mass

The Sunday 10:00am Mass will continue to be livestreamed on youtube

2021 SHARELIFE CAMPAIGN

Our Parish's ShareLife Campaign is now underway Please reflect on the great needs of our brothers and sisters in these most difficult of times who are helped and rely on your generous support of ShareLife. **June 6, 2021 is SHARELIFE Sunday.** Please give generously.

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS: Baptism Packages can be picked up after attending any Mass. Take the package home, complete the forms and return it after attending any Mass to clergy. A clergy member will be in touch with you to discuss details and to confirm a date. (To resume after lockdown restrictions)

FIRST COMMUNION/CONFESSIONS

To all communion candidates and families who have registered and chosen dates for the 2021 First Holy Communion Sacrament: We, like you, are eagerly awaiting to hear the newest government restrictions and updates as we near toward the May 20th lockdown deadline. Please listen for announcements regarding First Reconciliation and Holy Communion and how we plan to move forward (pending anticipated government announcements) by watching Mass every Sunday at 10:00am, on Youtube for the latest updates. Another point of communication is to visit our website for any updates, and of course by contacting the parish office once announcements from the government have been made. We are all in this together and are doing our very best to get the most current information and address the changes of a very fluid situation to you. Thank you for your patience and understanding during these ever-changing times. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact the office and speak to Anna. We hope to see you and your families at Mass.

CONFIRMATION:

We have been accepting registrations for Confirmation for several months for students in grades 7 (class of 2021) and grade 8 (Class of 2020) and for all candidates who wish to receive their Sacrament who registered last year and did not receive the Sacrament of Confirmation..

As of March 30, 2021 Confirmation dates went live via Eventbrite for families to book their date for Confirmation. As outline in the latest communication to those who registered on line, there is a home based and Parish based preparation program in which to assist you to prepare your child for the Sacrament. Please note: that the Parish based program, Alpha Youth Virtual has limited spots and will be designated on a first come first serve basis. It is perfectly appropriate to put the Sacraments on the back burner for the time being. We are currently in Red which means the Church is open for Mass. We look forward to seeing you.

CONFESSIONS: By appointment at this time. Please contact the parish office for further information

FUNERALS: Please contact the parish office at 905 775 2065

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