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## 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.

## CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Holy Trinity High School—905-775-4841

St. Marie of the Incarnation—905-775-3492

St. Teresa of Calcutta—905-778-8653

St. Charles—905-775-6762

St. Jean de Brebeuf—905-775-8460

St. Angela Merici—289-231-2085

## PARISH MINISTRIES and SOCIETIES

Alpha

Consolation and Hope

CWL (Catholic Women's League)

EDGE 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

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.

## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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Scripture tells us that *God is love* (1 John 4:8) - and everything he does flows from his immense love for us. He loved us so much - far beyond what we could ever expect or deserve - that he was willing to pay any price to redeem us from our slavery to sin and death. That is why the Father sent us his beloved Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, who gave up his life as the atoning sacrifice for our sins. In this great exchange - the Father giving up his Son to death on the cross in order to give us abundant everlasting life and adopt us as his beloved sons and daughters in Christ. It is for this reason that we can take hold of a hope that does not fade and a joy that does not diminish because *God has poured his love into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us* (Romans 5:5). God's love is not limited or subject to changing circumstances. It is an enduring love that has power to change and transform us to be like him - merciful, gracious, kind, forgiving, and steadfast in showing love not only for our friends, but for our enemies as well. God's love is boundless because he is the source of abundant life, perfect peace, and immeasurable joy for all who open their hearts to him. That is why Jesus came to give us abundant life through the gift and working of the Holy Spirit. The Lord Jesus wants us to love one another just as he loves us, whole-heartedly and without reserve. His love fills our hearts and transforms our minds and frees us to give ourselves in loving service to others.



"Teach us, good Lord, to serve you as you deserve, to give and not to count the cost, to fight and not to heed the wounds, to toil and not to seek for rest, to labor and not to ask for any reward, save that of knowing that we do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord." (Prayer of Ignatius Loyola)



### Catholic Education Week May 6-11 2018 "Renewing the Promise"

Catholic Education Week begins on Sunday May 6. The Catholic schools in our parish will engage in a series of events to celebrate the ongoing gift of publicly funded Catholic education. You are invited to discover what celebrations are happening in your children's school and if possible, attend. Let us celebrate together the distinctive contribution that Catholic schools make, giving thanks and offering our prayers for all those who diligently nurture and receive this precious gift.

### A PRAYER FOR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CANDIDATES



Please join us in praying for our grade two students who are preparing to receive 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

### A PRAYER FOR OUR CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES



Bless our Confirmandi as they prepare and come to you with a sincere desire to know your ways, to experience your love and to walk with the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Be with them on their journey and keep alive their desire to always please you. May they have an open mind and a willing heart to serve you as the day nears to receive and be sealed with the gifts of the spirit on their day of confirmation.

Saturday May 12 - 11:00am Confirmation – St. Angela Merici  
2:00pm Confirmation – St. Marie of the Incarnation

Saturday May 26 – 11:00am Confirmation St. Charles, St. Jean de Brebeuf, Public, Private and other schools

Saturday May 26 – 2:00pm Confirmation St. Mother Teresa



### OUR LADY OF FATIMA CELEBRATIONS

Our Lady of Fatima Committee will be hosting celebrations in honor of Our Lady of Fatima.

The Rosary will be prayed on May 6<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> and May 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm at the Portuguese Cultural Center of Bradford.

**Saturday May 12<sup>th</sup> Mass at 7:00pm** at Holy Martyrs of Japan followed by a candlelight Vigil with Fr. Vitor Silva from Portugal. 9:30pm Dance at the Portuguese Cultural Center.

**Sunday May 13 Mass at 2:00pm** at Holy Martyrs of Japan with Fr. Vitor Silva followed by 4:00pm celebrations at the Portuguese Cultural Center. ALL ARE WELCOME TO JOIN IN THE FESTIVITIES!



### SANTISSIMA TRINDADE

Santissima Trindade of Bradford invites everyone to come celebrate the Feast of Santissima Trindade an event filled with traditions from the homeland and many surprises. The first crowning will be on Sunday April 15 at the 8:30am Mass, and each consecutive crown celebrated every Sunday at 8:30am Mass thereafter. We invite all to come and join in fellowship. The ceremony will be celebrated by Rev. Fr. Eduardo Rensendes on Sunday May 27<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm.

Vai celebrar as famosas Festas de Santissima Trindade no Domingo Maio 27 2018. Os dias serão preenchidos com muitas surpresas e tradições da nossa terra natal. Nos convidamos a todos os irmãos, familiares, e amigos a vir fazer parte da Festa. A nossa Missa será celebrada pelo Sr. Padre Eduardo Resendes no Domingo dia 27 de Maio as 2:00pm.



**Thank you for your generosity. To date we have collected \$26000.00. Our Goal this year is \$51,000.00. May 27 is the next ShareLife Sunday.**



**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



### 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: **May 8, 15, 22**. If you have any questions please contact Ray Reitzel at 905-251-8151 or the office at 905-775-2065.

### RUN WITH IT

**Wednesday May 16 2018 7:30pm**

**At Don Cherry's in Bradford, 100 Dissette St.**

All are welcome!! This Month's "Run With It" discussion will be on the role of Mary in the Church and the difference between Catholic, Byzantine & Orthodox?



### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

**July 23, 2018 to July 27, 2018 from 9:00am to 12:00pm**  
 Vacation Bible School (VBS) is a program which incorporates themed activities that entertain kids with the chance to learn about God. This Year's theme is "Shipwrecked - Rescued by Jesus". Children must be in Sr. Kindergarten through to Grade 5 to register. *Anyone interested in volunteering to help out with this ministry may contact the Parish Office at 905 775 2065 for more information.*

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2018

#### Shipwrecked - Rescued by Jesus

Monday July 23 - 27, 2018 from 9:00am-12:00pm

#### REGISTRATION FORM

\$35.00/ child

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home/Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Completing: \_\_\_\_\_

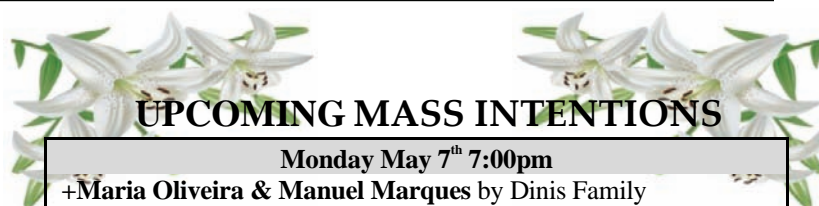
Please indicate any siblings registered in VBS

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies or Medical Conditions: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please drop off your registration form and payment at parish office*



## UPCOMING MASS INTENTIONS

### Monday May 7<sup>th</sup> 7:00pm

+**Maria Oliveira & Manuel Marques** by Dinis Family  
 +**Antonio Martins** by Wife & Children  
 +**Antonio Perna** by Wife & Sons  
 +**Walter Andrade** by Celeste Dias  
 +**All Souls** by Lurdes Gomes  
 +**Eleanor & Henry Brown** by Imelda Santos  
 +**Jerry Bona** by Arne & Helen Tjerno  
 \***Spec. Int. for Confirmandi Marisa Mongillo** by Family

### Tuesday May 8<sup>th</sup> 8:30am

+**Antonio Castro Murais** by Conceicao Castro

### Wednesday May 9<sup>th</sup> 7:00pm

+**Nuno Azevedo & All Souls** by Vilma & Family

### Thursday May 10<sup>th</sup> 8:30am

+**Antonio Diogo** by Family

### Friday May 11<sup>th</sup> 7:00pm

\***Spec. Int. for All Mothers** by David & Rosa Oliveira

### Saturday May 12<sup>th</sup> 9:30am

+**All Souls**

### Saturday May 12<sup>th</sup> 5:00pm

+**Francisco Rodrigues & Francisco Jose Rodrigues** by Wife & Mother

+**Giuseppe & Francesca Beninati** by Sclafani Family

+**Perpetua Barroso** by Family

+**Walter Andrade** by Maria Natalia

+**Anna Yaszczyszyn** by Taucar Family

+**Luciano & Joao Angelino** by A Friend

+**Maria Albina Costa** by Lucy Miguelo & Family

+**Mabel Baird** by Jane & Paul Bernier

+**Helen Rak** by Zofi & Jan Rozek Karpienia

\***Spec. Int. to Our Lady** by Maria & Family

### Sunday May 13<sup>th</sup>

+**8:30am Tina & Manuel Neto** by Joaquim Neto

+**10:00am Vita & Antonio Ingoglia** by Ingoglia Family

+**11:30am Maria Helena Oliveira** by Family

+**4:45pm ProPopulo**

+**6:30pm ProPopulo**

## "May God Grant Them Eternal Peace"



The CWL has booked a tour and Mass on June 2, 2018 to St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica. We will be departing at 3:00pm sharp via bus from Holy Martyrs of Japan and returning around 7:30pm. The cost is \$15.00/person. Please reserve your seat quickly as space is limited. Please contact Tina if you have any questions at 905 775 4386.



**Blood Donor Clinic Wednesday May 16, 2018 from 3:00pm to 8:00pm.**



### HAPPY LONG WEEKEND

**Please Note: Mass on May 21, 2018 is at 9:30am and the Parish Office will be closed and will reopen on Tuesday May 22, 2018 at 9:30am.**

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