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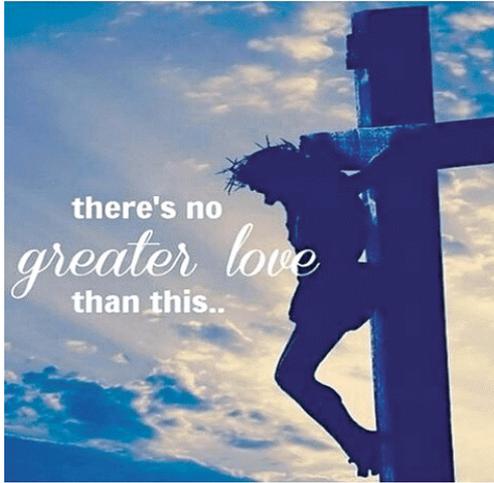
# Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish

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



**Pastor:** Father Joshua Roldan  
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**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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### OFFICE STAFF

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### MINISTERS

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### PARISH MINISTRIES and SOCIETIES

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Sacramental Preparation & Catechesis  
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### CULTURAL GROUPS

Divino Espirito Santo  
Nossa Senhora De Fatima  
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### 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

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**MONDAY, May 10, 7:00PM**

+Maria de Oliveira & Manuel Marques

**TUESDAY, May 11, 9:00AM**

+Olimpia Sousa & Vitorino Nazario

**WEDNESDAY, May 12, 7:00PM**

+Antonino Gammicchia

**THURSDAY, May 13, 9:00PM**

+Maria Sousa & Antonio Santana

**FRIDAY, May 14, 7:00PM**

+Antonio Janeiro

**SATURDAY, May 15, 9:00AM**

+ProPopulo

**SATURDAY, May 15, 5:00PM**

+Euclides dos Santos Pinho +Emma Chavez  
+Antonio Martins & Parents +Antonio Janeiro  
+Eduino Cabral +Idalina Moniz & Manuel Vieira  
+ Sandra Da Silva & Jennifer Da Silva +Irma &  
Eduardo Lancha +Antonio Gallo +David Paul  
Low

**SUNDAY, May 16, 10:00AM**

+Lino & Walter Andrade

**SUNDAY, May 16, 12:00PM**

+Maria Helena Oliveira

**SUNDAY, May 16, 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

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What is the greatest act of love which one can give for the sake of another? Jesus defines friendship – the mutual bond of trust and affection which people choose to have for one another – as the willingness to give totally of oneself – even to the point of laying down one's life for a friend. How is such love possible or even desirable? God made us IN love FOR love. That is our reason for being, our purpose for living and our goal in dying.

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 (Romans 8:14-17).

It is for this reason that we can take hold of a hope that does not fade. 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.

The Lord Jesus gives his followers a new commandment – a new way of love that goes beyond giving only what is required or what we think others might deserve. What is the essence of Jesus' new commandment of love? It is a love to the death – a purifying love that overcomes selfishness, fear and pride.

Jesus says there is no greater proof in love than the sacrifice of one's life for the sake of another. We prove our love for God and for one another when we embrace the way of the cross. What is the cross in my life? When my will crosses with God's will, then God's will must be done. The Lord Jesus loves us whole-heartedly and unconditionally. He wants us to love one another just as he love us and without reserve. His love fills our hearts and transforms our minds and frees us to give ourselves in loving service to one another. If we open our hearts to his love and obey his command to love our neighbour, then we will bear much fruit in our lives, fruit that will last for eternity. Servants of the word, [www.dailyscripture.net](http://www.dailyscripture.net) Don Schwager.

**PLEASE NOTE: DUE TO THE CHANGES IN RESTRICTIONS AS RECENTLY 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://holymartyrs of japan.archtoronto.org/>

**Followed by the drive thru distribution of the Eucharist (or blessing) immediately after Mass at the Church from 11:15am to 12:30pm.**



**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 for the 2021 First Holy Communion Sacrament. After two and a half months of on line registration, we are now ready to proceed to the next step. For those who registered on line, you should have received an email from Fr. Joshua on Sacramental Preparation and the How to Register for Communion dates, along with links for each. Please note, that the Eventbrite link will be live on Wednesday March 17, 2021 at 10:00am for you to choose the date you wish to celebrate your child's Communion. Please choose ONE date. 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. **PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU REGISTER OR RE-REGISTER YOUR CHILD BEFORE MARCH 19, 2021** to make sure we include everyone who wishes to receive this Sacrament.

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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