

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:** Rev. John Pak jpak@archtoronto.org  
**Associate Pastor:** Rev. Joseph Baal jbaal@archtoronto.org  
**Deacon:** Deacon David Langley



**St. Paul Miki and Companions—Pray for Us!**

## SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm

El Sembrador Spanish Mass 4th Saturday: 7:00pm

Sunday: 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00pm & 6:30pm

## 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

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

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## OFFICE STAFF

### **Office Manager:**

Delia McEvenue

### **Office Assistant:**

Anna Maria Mongillo

### **Custodian/Maintenance:**

Anthony Venroy

## MINISTERS

### **Youth Minister:**

Ray Reitzel email: reitzel@hotmail.com

### **Ministry to Migrant Workers:**

Nancy Mora

## PARISH MINISTRIES and SOCIETIES

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CWL (Catholic Women's League)

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EDGE Youth Ministry

El Sembrador - Ministry to Migrant Workers

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Liturgical Ministers

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Sacramental Preparation & Catechesis

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Santissima Divinidade

## 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, November 14, 7:00PM**

\*Special Intentions of the McEvenue Family +Sal Vena  
+Christopher Beaulieu

**TUESDAY, November 15, 9:00AM**

\*Special Intentions of Imelda Santos

**WEDNESDAY, November 16, 7:00PM**

+Francisco Paixao

**THURSDAY, November 17, 9:00AM**

+Antonio Martins

**FRIDAY, November 18, 7:00PM**

+Abilio Soares & Raimundo Pereira

**SATURDAY, November 19, 9:00AM**

+ProPopulo

**SATURDAY, November 19, 5:00PM**

+Luis & Laura Andrade +Arlindo Araujo Sr. +Idalina

Moniz & Manuel Vieira +Manuel Nuno Rodrigues &

Dennis Faria +Carlos & Maria Medeiros +Jose Miranda

+Manuel Pereira +Florimundo & Cila Abreu +Augusto

Balugas & Paulito Martins +Nello & Clara Del Bel Belluz

+Jan & Halina Woznica +Vincenzo Pellegrini

**SUNDAY, November 20, 8:00AM**

+ProPopulo

**SUNDAY, November 20, 10:00AM**

+Jose Santos Domingues

**SUNDAY, November 20, 12:00PM**

+Frank Calabrese

**SUNDAY, November 20, 6:30PM**

+Maribel Rabbah



- We have returned to 100% Capacity
- Masks are voluntary but *highly recommended*
- No registration required to attend Mass

Please note that we will continue with hand sanitization practices, along with cleaning procedures for extra precaution. We look forward to celebrating Mass together as a parish community.

### MONTHLY REQUIEM MASS AT HOLY MARTYRS OF JAPAN CEMETERY

Please join us in a Mass celebration at Holy Martyrs of Japan Cemetery for the faithful departed, the first Friday of every month at 11:00am weather permitting. In the event of inclement weather, the Mass will be held at the Church. Mass intentions can be booked through the parish office.

### MASS INTENTION BOOKINGS FOR 2023

PLEASE NOTE THE 2023 BOOK OF MASS INTENTIONS IS AVAILABLE FOR BOOKINGS

## REFLECTION

*"See that you not be deceived, for many will come in my name, saying, 'I am he,' and 'The time has come.' Do not follow them!" Luke 21:8*

What an interesting line. What does this mean? Who are the "many" that Jesus speaks of? Are they in our midst today?

It may not be helpful to try to point to this or that person or to this or that group of people in reference to the "many" who will come in Jesus' name falsely. But it is helpful to speak to some general and guiding principles.

First, Jesus uses the word "deceived." There will be many false prophets who will have the ability to deceive. They will portray themselves as messengers of the truth and dispensers of the will of God. Their words will be convincing, and many will follow.

This tells us that not everyone "speaking in the name of God" is in fact speaking in the "name of God." And even if many others are following, and they are very convincing, this is not proof that the person is a true prophet of the Lord. How do we discern when someone is speaking from the heart of Jesus? Ultimately, this can only be done through a state of prayer. Being in a "state of prayer" means that our hearts are attuned to God's voice. When God speaks through this or that person and our hearts are tuned into Him, we will simply know His voice as it is spoken through this or that person.

Conversely, when we are living in a state of true prayer and then someone speaks a false and deceiving message, something will not sit well with us. There will be a sense in the depths of our souls that something is not right. It will be a spiritual sense, and this is a result of the healthy working of our conscience. There are external guides such as the revealed teaching of the Church and the counsel of other good Christians, but in the end, we must allow God to speak within our consciences and follow His voice in this holy sanctuary.

Reflect, today, upon whether or not you daily seek out and hear God speaking to you in the depths of your conscience. We need God's discernment more than ever. Listen closely and attentively. Learn His voice and seek to hear Him speak through other people. And when the voice of others is in opposition to the voice speaking within your soul, remain faithful to God speaking within you. It is there, more than any other place, that He will lead you. Catholic News Agency 2021



*Lord, give me the grace to know and hear Your voice. I choose You above all things and desire to know You more clearly. May I follow You now and always in my life and may I never be deceived by the many false prophets of our day and age. Jesus, I trust in You.*



## PARISH NEWS

### FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

Will be held at 7:30pm following the 7:00pm Mass

Eucharistic adoration is the greatest power in the universe.  
Capable of transforming us and changing the face of the world. – *Saint Maximilian Kolbe*



### THANK YOU, DEACON PEDRO!

A big thank you to Deacon Pedro for his 10 years of service at Holy Martyrs. Please pray that God will bless him at his new assignment.

### ALL SOULS MEMORIAL BOX

For the entire month of November, we will be praying for all our faithful departed. A memorial box will be made available to you. You are welcome to drop off the names of your loved ones in an offertory envelope marked "All Souls" which will be made available at the entrance of the church when you come to Mass.

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED ALTAR LINENS CARE

We are in need of volunteers to assist with the cleaning of altar linens such as Purificators, Corporals, Lavabo Towels and other linens. If you are interested in volunteering to be trained on how to wash and care for the altar linens, please contact the parish office via phone or email.

To all who have offered their time and service to this ministry over the years, to prepare our altar each week for the celebration of Mass, thank you for your dedication and devotion to this special ministry. We are truly grateful.

### ALTAR SERVERS MANDATORY TRAINING SESSION

**Saturday November 19, 2022, at 2:00pm in the Church**

After such a long absence, we are excited to be able to finally return and share in the solemnity of Mass with our altar servers. We will be hosting a training session for new and experienced servers. We invite all to come and participate in this training session and to meet and greet the new ministry team.

Anyone still wishing to volunteer for this ministry and who has received their first communion, please contact Father Joseph Baal or the parish office.

### Offering Envelopes



If you are new to our parish community, WELCOME to Holy Martyrs of Japan! If you would like to register with our parish, would like to start using offering envelopes or wish to set up Pre-Authorized Giving, please contact the parish office at 905 775 2065. If you have moved, please don't forget to notify the parish office so we can update our database. Thank you for your kindness, support, and generosity.

### 2022 – 2023 MISSALS

Missals for the 2023 liturgical year will be made available for purchase in the foyer after all weekend Masses for \$5.00 each.

### COME & SEE – DAY RETREAT

Saturday November 18 - 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022 – St Augustine's Seminary

The office of Vocations will be hosting a Come & See Weekend Retreat for men 18 years and older at St. Augustine's Seminary on Friday November 18 (6:30pm) until Sunday, November 20 (2:00pm). This retreat offers a way for men to discern a possible call to priesthood at our seminary. Please Register at:

[www.vocationstoronto.ca/comeandsee](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca/comeandsee). For more information, please contact [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)

### CWL BAZAAR THANK YOU!

Your generous support of the CWL Bazaar held Saturday November 5<sup>th</sup> & Sunday November 6<sup>th</sup> was gratefully appreciated. Through your support we have been able to continue in supporting our five charities, our five catholic elementary schools and Holy Trinity High School. May Our Lady of Good Council bless you.

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY NEEDS YOUR HELP!



On this World Day of the Poor weekend, please think of The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul at Holy Martyrs of Japan. Every dollar donated goes to helping people in our community and the need is greater than ever before. Envelopes are available at the back of the church and donations are tax deductible.

## YOUTH MINISTRY



Edge is a fun, exciting and free Program that offers youth the opportunity to grow in faith and fellowship with other youth and peer leaders. Come to the EDGE! Grades 6, 7 & 8  
\*Fridays \* 7:00-8:30pm in the Parish Hall. New Friends, Fun Games, Deepen your Faith  
Edge Theme: November 25 - Tobogganing

*To begin is for everyone. To persevere is for saints. -St. Josemaria Escriva*



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