# We welcome you to

# Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish

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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: 9:00am

# **CONFESSIONS**

1/2 hour before each Sunday Mass or by appointment.

#### 1/2 nour before

**<u>BAPTISMS</u>** 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

Pastor:Rev. Father Joshua RoldanAssociate Pastor:Rev. Father Massillamani ZachariasPriest Celebrant Spanish Mass: Rev. Father Efren Alvarez-PelayoDeacons:Rev. Mr. David Langley<br/>Rev. Mr. Pedro Guevara-Mann



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

# **OFFICE STAFF**

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# 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.

#### THIRTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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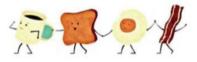
The Lord is preparing us for his return. Jesus told his first disciples that it was for their benefit that he return to his Father in heaven in order for the Holy Spirit to come (John 16:7) and fill the earth with the fire of God's love, truth and glory. The Lord Jesus in every age fills his people with the power of the Holy Spirit so that each one of us can hear his voice, understand his truth, and sow the seeds of his word - the good news of the Gospel wherever he sends us. The day of the Lord's return will be unlike any other moment in time, history, and destiny for the human race and our place in God's creation. Jesus' first coming was a rescue mission - to free the human race from slavery to sin and Satan - the father of lies. His second coming will be the final completion of his mission when he will "make all things new" - a new heavens and a new earth - after he has put down the last enemy which is death and restores our lowly bodies to immortality when death will be no more (Daniel 12:2-3).

What lesson does the Lord Jesus want us to learn from the parable of the budding fig tree? The fig tree was a common and important source of food for the Jews. It bore fruit twice a year, in the autumn and in the early spring. This parable foretells the joy of God's kingdom - the joy of new life and the promise of a new age of peace and blessing. The signs of spring are evident for all who can see. Just so are the signs of God's kingdom. The "budding" of God's kingdom begins first in the hearts of those who are receptive to God's word. Those who trust in God's word will bear the fruits of his kingdom. And what are the fruits of that kingdom? "The kingdom of God..is righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit (Romans 14:17). The first coming of the Lord Jesus is inseparably linked with his second coming at the end of this present age. We do not know the day or hour when the Lord will return again in glory. But now in this present age we can experience the first-fruits of the kingdom of God - the abundant new life in the Holy Spirit who dwells within us, and the fruits of the Spirit - love, peace, joy, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control (Galatians 5:22-23) - thus enabling us to love and serve others with tenderhearted mercy, patience, and goodness.

#### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWSLETTER**

The Knights of Columbus now have a newsletter!!! You can pick up your copy on the first Sunday of every month at the back of the Church.

Please note there will be NO 4:45 Mass on Sunday December 23, 2018



#### **COMMUNION BREAKFAST**

November 18, 2018 - The World Day Of The Poor The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a Communion Breakfast after all morning Masses on **Sunday November** 18, 2018. All Proceeds raised for this event will be to support the St. Vincent de Paul Society, a ministry that reaches out to the most vulnerable in our community, the poor and needy. Let us share our blessings with those less fortunate.

#### FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION VIGIL

Mass will be celebrated on **Friday December 7<sup>th</sup> 2018** at 7:00pm. *FOLLOWED BY HOLY HOUR* 

#### PARISH ADVENT RECONCILIATION

"Create in me a clean heart, O God and put a new and right spirit within me" Psalm 51:10 Thursday December 13, 2018 from 7:00pm – 9:00pm

#### COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION SACRAMENTS

**REMINDER:** Registration forms for each of the Sacraments are due before DECEMBER 25, 2018. Grades two and seven are milestones years in the eyes of the Catholic Church. For the grade two's it is a spiritual time where we prepare our children for the Sacrament of Reconciliation and Communion and for the grade seven's, a completion of the initiation of the faith with the Sacrament of Confirmation. Each Sacrament a blessed gift from God. Inforamtion packages about each Sacrament was distributed at the parent meetings. Families who did not attend the parent meeting and who wish to have their child receive the Sacraments are encouraged to pick up these Sacrament Information Packages after Saturday evening or Sunday Masses from the clergy. The packages will assist and instruct you in moving ahead to the celebration of these Sacraments. Thank you in advance to all the teachers of our schools and you the parents for their/your dedication and love for Christ in preparing our children and our young people for their next step on their Sacramental journey. Confirmation candidates don't forget to register for the YOUTH ALPHA SESSIONS! There has been a great response to participate so far!

# LIFE TEEN

High School teens in grade 9-12 are invited to gather and enjoy the gift of friendship with food and fun while growing in faith and virtue. It is a time to explore, share, ask, and pray in a non-judgmental environment that is safe and welcoming. This Life Night series explores the Good News of Jesus, not fake news. It dispels myths that Jesus is just a good guy, who teaches us how to be good, is tolerant of our life choices, and chooses the path of least resistance. His Passion and Death is certainly NOT the path of least resistance, and we are called to follow in His footsteps.

> **THE FAKE NEWS** A Life Night Series on the Real Jesus (7:45pm – 9:30pm)

December 2 – Jesus is a Friend Of Mine **December 16 – CHANGED TO: CHRISTMAS SOCIAL** Event will be off site. Please contact Ray for further details 905-251-8151



Edge is a fund Free Program that offers youth the opportunity to grow in faith and fellowship with other youth and peers.

WHO: Calling ALL youth Grades 6-8 Mondays 7:00-8:30pm WHEN: Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish Hall WHERE: FREE FREE FREE COST: Nov 19 Power Up – Grace

Nov 26 Working together - Society

#### Offering Envelopes

#### **2019 NEW PARISHIONERS-OFFERING ENVELOPES**

If you are new to the community, Welcome to Holy Martyrs of Japan! If you would like to

register, for the time being, please feel free to complete a new parishioner registration form located in the narthex of the Church on the credenza. Once completed you can hand it in to any one of the clergy after the Saturday evening or Sunday Masses. 2019 Offering envelopes will be made available for pick up on December 1, 2018 until December 21, 2018. After this date, envelopes can be picked up at the parish office. Before you take a box of envelopes please ensure your name is on it. If you would like to start using envelopes again, please take a box with no name on it and complete the New Parishioner Registration form attached and include the completed form with your first envelope offering. If you did not find your envelope number, have moved, or would like to set up Pre-Authorized giving, please contact the parish office at 905 775 2065. Thank you for your kindness and generosity.

# **UPCOMING MASS INTENTIONS** MONDAY NOVEMBER 19th 7:00PM

+Teresa Silva +Louana Chung KeeShe +Maria Preciosa de Jesus

# TUESDAY NOVEMBER 20th 8:30AM

\*Special Intention for Jose Santos Domingues

WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 21<sup>st</sup> 7:00PM +All Souls

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 22<sup>nd</sup> 8:30AM

+Claudio Neto & Maria Rosa de Jesus

# FRIDAY NOVEMBER 23<sup>rd</sup> 7:00PM

+Rosa Rosete & Jose Conceicao

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 24<sup>th</sup> 9:00am +All Souls

# SATURDAY NOVEMBER 24<sup>th</sup> 5:00pm

+Salvatore Cipponeri + Ignazio Polizzi + All Souls +Manuel Borges & Merces Silva + Antonio & Amelia Pacheco +Manuel & Merces Melo +Antonio & Madalena Rocha +Silvana & Davido Medeiros + Joao Luis +Joao Ferreira

#### **SUNDAY NOVEMBER 25<sup>th</sup>**

+8:30am Antonio Manuel Diogo +10:00am ProPopulo +11:30am Maria Amada +4:45pm ProPopulo +6:30pm Filadelfio Calcaterra



# "May God Grant Them Eternal Peace"



HOLYLAND PILGRIMAGE March 11 – 20, 2019

Travel to the Holy Land with Deacon Pedro 10 Days: March 11-20, 2019 Haifa, Tiberias, Nazareth, Bethlehem, Jerusalem and more! For more information call the parish office and visit The National Shrine Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes at www.nsgrotto.org/holy-land.html Deadline for registrations is November 15, 2018.

