

# We Welcome You To The Catholic Community of **HOLY MARTYRS OF JAPAN**

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## **Parish Office Hours:**

Monday through Friday - 9:00 A.M. TO 4:00 P.M.

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**Deacon:** Rev. Mr. David Langley

**Parish Secretary** - Delia McEvenue

**Pastoral Care** - Sr. Jean Doyle o.s.u.

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## **Parish Social Ministry**

Jean Lashley (cell) 905-392-1909

**Baptisms:** By appointment with at least one month's notice to provide for adequate preparation

## **Marriages:**

By appointment with at least one year's notice to provide for adequate preparation.

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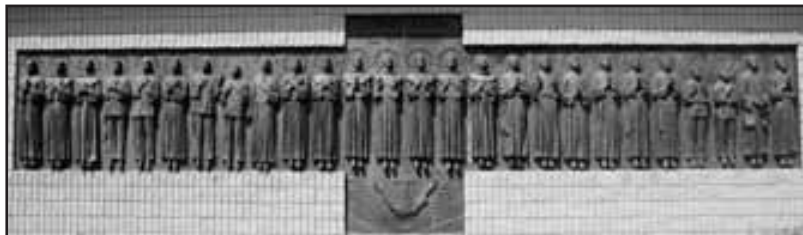
The Eucharist is brought regularly to the sick and shut-ins. Please notify the office if a family member is in hospital or confined to the home through sickness or old age.

## **Support and Enrichment Ministries**

- Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
- Consolation & Hope
- St. Vincent de Paul Society
- Catholic Women's League
- Knights of Columbus
- Development & Peace
- Holy Martyrs Seniors Club
- Divino Espirito Santo
- Santissima Trindade
- Nossa Senhora De Fatima
- Life Teen & EDGE Youth Ministry

## **Our Parish Catholic Schools:**

- Holy Trinity High School - 905-775-4841
- St. Charles - 905-775-6762
- Marie of the Incarnation - 905-775-3492
- St. Jean de Brébeuf - 905-775-8460
- Mother Teresa - 905-778-8653



## **Sunday Eucharist:**

Saturdays 5:00 PM • Sunday: 8:30 AM, 10:00 AM & 11:30 AM

Spanish Language Mass, 5:00 PM

Life Teen Mass Sundays at 6:30 PM


## **Weekday Masses:**

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays: 7:00 PM

Tuesdays and Thursdays: 8:00 AM • Saturdays: 9:15 AM

**Confessions:** Saturdays from 3:45 to 4:45 PM, Confessions may be heard anytime at the rectory. Please call ahead of time to be certain a priest is available

**New Parishioners: WELCOME!** You are invited to register by completing the form at the Parish office or in the gathering space of the church.



### Let us give thanks to the Lord

We thank thee, Lord,  
For fields of grain  
Gold and ripe from summer's rain,  
For hillsides bright  
With scarlet trees  
That rustle in the autumn breeze,  
For friends so dear,  
For those we love,  
For all things sent  
from heaven above . . .  
We thank thee,  
Lord.

**Our Mission:** We are disciples of Jesus, empowered by the Spirit, to live and proclaim with joy the Gospel of the Lord.

**A Nossa Missao:** Nos somos discipulos de Jesus, e o Espirito Santo nos da proderes para viver e proclamar com jubilo o Evangelo de Deus

### From the Desk of Father Boniface



As I sat to pen this small note, I could not help but to think of the stories my grandparents used to tell me about when they were children. Amidst the happy and funny stories there were also stories of struggle. When they grew up many like them in their part of Italy were poor. They tell many times of seeing their parents worry about what to eat. And if their crops failed, the fact that they would go hungry. Indeed there were times when they did; there was no social safety net then and should they not have enough the parish could not necessarily help all the people in their town who needed it, for a parish is as rich as people are generous. And in those circumstances it was hard to ask people to be generous. Even when my family came here they lived among many who did not have "in abundance" but had "just enough".

Thank the good Lord that mercifully those days are no more for many of us. But in this lies a danger my dear brothers and sisters, for we may take for granted that we do live in a land that can produce enough for all its people and most of us have the means and talents to secure our basic needs. We thank the Lord for friends and family who as someone once said, "add the best savour to the meal". Moreover, we are blessed to live in a land of great freedoms and liberties which many in the world even today do not enjoy. We are also blessed to live in a land wherein we can openly celebrate our faith and not be afraid to come and receive our blessed Lord in the Eucharist.

So indeed, we thank God for all these gifts. Not just this week but every week let us set aside that time to be with Our Lord and say to Him "thank you Lord for every good gift you have given me this week. Let me share my abundance with those who have very little. Keep me always in your graces and never let me be parted from You".

Happy Thanksgiving! May God Bless you all!

Fr. Boniface

### PRO-LIFE MASS WITH THE MOST REVEREND PETER HUNDT

When: Thursday, October 15<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30pm

Where: Blessed Sacrament Church – 24 Cheritan Ave (near Yonge and Lawrence).

For more information on 40 days for life, a community based prayer campaign, call 416-204-9749. We have over 800 hours to cover at the vigil sites! We need your help to make this campaign a great success!

To join us in prayer at either of the two vigil sites go to:

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## Weekly Offertory

Offertory Donation \$4,961.00

Our Weekly Goal is \$6,000.00

We thank you for your generosity but we need your help to meet our monthly expenses.

### SACRAMENTS

First Communion and First Reconciliation

Registration and information meeting will be on Tuesday, October 13<sup>th</sup> 2009 at 7:00pm in the Church.

Children 7 years old (grade 2).

**IMPORTANT REMINDER** - We ask everyone to bring a copy of their child's baptismal certificate and a completed registration form to this meeting. Forms are available at the back of the church after Mass or at the Parish Office.

### CONFIRMATION

There will be a registration and information meeting on Tuesday, October 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm and again on Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup> at 11:00am in the Church. At that meeting we would ask that the registration form be brought with you as well as a copy of your child's baptism certificate as only a baptized Catholic is to be admitted to this Sacrament.

### Cemetery Clean Up

The Knights of Columbus will be conducting our First Annual Cemetery Clean-up on October 24<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm. In preparation of the winter months volunteers are welcome and needed to ensure that we keep our Holy grounds beautiful.

### PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY MEETING

All those who have taken the Parish Social Ministry Training are invited to the next Social Ministry Meeting on Thursday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2009, at Holy Martyrs at 7:30pm.

### HOLY MARTYRS CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Our Parish Community would like to assemble a children's choir for the Mass. The first Mass the children will sing will be on Christmas Eve. Any children from grades 3 to 8 are more than welcome to join. The **first rehearsal will be on Thursday, October 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm.** For more information, please contact the parish office or Chris Taucar at 905-775-9144.

### MASS TIME CHANGES

Just for this week, there will be two changes for the Weekday Masses. **Monday, October 12<sup>th</sup> Mass will be said at 9:15AM** and no Mass in the evening due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

On Friday we are delighted to welcome the High School graduates from Holy Trinity for their graduation. **Mass will be at 6:15pm** and not at 7pm to accommodate the graduation ceremony afterwards.

### Knowing God Better

The series, "Knowing God Better" is being offered at Holy Martyrs beginning Thursday, October 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm to 9:30pm. This is a six-week series being held throughout the Archdiocese. The intent of the series is to provide parishioners who may already be involved in leadership or perhaps those who may be considering some form of leadership to gather with a facilitator and explore their faith. The series is at no cost to participants.

To register, please call Catherine Ecker 705-726-2153.

### Quote from the Saint of the Week

Contemplative prayer in my opinion is nothing else than a close sharing between friends; it means taking time frequently to be alone with Him who we know loves us.

St. Teresa of Avila (October 15<sup>th</sup>)

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

**5:00pm Saturday, October 10<sup>th</sup>**

- + Francisco Rodrigues by Ester Barros & Family
- + Antonio Santana, Vitorino Nazario, Maria Sousa by Carolina Santana
- + Manuel Moniz by Maria Da Conceicao
- + Special Intentions – Furlano Family by McEvenue Family

**Sunday, October 11<sup>th</sup>**

- 8:30am + Special Intentions - Jose Urbino & Maria Rosa Fernandes
- 10:00am + Crystal Organ by Laura & Neil Organ & Family
- 11:30am + Celeste Henriques by Alzirina & Family
- 5:00pm + Spanish Mass
- 6:30pm + Pro Populo

**PLEASE NOTE THAT MASS FOR MONDAY, OCTOBER 12<sup>TH</sup> WILL BE AT 9:15AM AND NOT AT 7:00PM DUE TO THE THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY**

**9:15am Monday, October 12<sup>th</sup>**

- + Antonio Mirassol by Wife & Children
- + Our Lady of Fatima – Special Intentions by Dinis Family

**8:00am Tuesday, October 13<sup>th</sup>**

- + Special Intentions by David & Christa Fernandes

**7:00pm Wednesday, October 14<sup>th</sup>**

- + Grace Nicholson by Phyllis Lariviere

**8:00am Thursday, October 15<sup>th</sup>**

- + Maria Meireles by Fernanda Nazario & Family

**7:00pm Friday, October 16<sup>th</sup>**

- + All Souls

**9:15am Saturday, October 17<sup>th</sup>**

- + All Souls

**5:00pm Saturday, October 17<sup>th</sup>**

- + Mariarosa Miranda, Manuel & Gabriel Oliveira by Family
- + Emi Chavez by McEvenue Family
- \* Special Intentions Rafael Chavez & Family by McEvenue Family
- + Joao & Hirminia Botas by Piedade Janeiro & Family
- + Rosa Vernola by Family
- + Antonio Lanno by Gerarda Lanno
- + Mark Oliveira by Idalina & Carlos Correia
- + Jorge Balugas & Manuel Balugas by Idalina & Carlos Correia

**Sunday, October 18<sup>th</sup>**

- 8:30am Manuel Carvalho by Amavel Carvalho & Family
- 10:00am Jim Vonk by Vonk Family
- 11:30am Maria Martins Pereira by Antonio, Isaac & Paula Pereira
- 5:00pm Spanish Mass
- 6:30pm Pro Populo

*"May God Grant Them Eternal Peace"*

### St. Vincent de Paul – Thanksgiving Food Drive

What better way to give thanks than to share our gifts with those who are less fortunate! Again this year, we will collect donations of food or cash for the food bank for the upcoming Thanksgiving weekend. Bins are available at the back of the church along with the St. Vincent de Paul collection boxes. Please give generously.



### **INTERNATIONAL LANGUAGES – Saturday mornings**

International Languages classes will once again be offered at two site locations this year. St. Bernadette Catholic School in Barrie or St. Jean de Brebeuf Catholic School in Bradford. Languages offered this year are Italian, Polish, and Portuguese. Classes start on Sat Oct 17<sup>th</sup> and end on May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2010. Email general inquiries to [ILP@smcdsb.on.ca](mailto:ILP@smcdsb.on.ca). Registration forms are available on line and parents can register their child(ren) at [www.smcdsb.on.ca](http://www.smcdsb.on.ca). For further information please call (705) 725-8360 ext. 310.

## Sunday to Sunday .....

### UPCOMING EVENTS AT HOLY MARTYR'S PARISH

- Sun Oct 11<sup>th</sup> – 10:45am – Choir Practice for the 11:30 Mass
- Sun Oct 11<sup>th</sup> – 6:00pm – Spanish Group
- Mon Oct 12<sup>th</sup> – Thanksgiving Holiday
- Tue Oct 13<sup>th</sup> – 7:00pm – First Communion Parent Info Meeting
- Wed Oct 14<sup>th</sup> – 10:00am – St. Charles School Visit
- Wed Oct 14<sup>th</sup> – 7:00pm – Knights of Columbus Meeting
- Wed Oct 14<sup>th</sup> – 7:30pm – VSI Meeting
- Wed Oct 14<sup>th</sup> – 8:00pm – Al-Anon
- Thur Oct 15<sup>th</sup> – 7:00pm – Children's Choir Rehearsal in Church
- Thur Oct 15<sup>th</sup> – 7:30pm – "Knowing God Better" Program
- Thur Oct 15<sup>th</sup> – 7:30pm – Bereavement Group
- Fri Oct 16<sup>th</sup> – 6:15pm – Holy Trinity High School – Mass & Graduation
- Sat Oct 17<sup>th</sup> – 11:00am – Altar Servers Training
- Sun Oct 18<sup>th</sup> – After Each Mass – CWL White Ribbon Booth at back of Church
- Sun Oct 18<sup>th</sup> – 10:45-11:15am – Choir Practice for the 11:30 Mass
- Sun Oct 18<sup>th</sup> – 6:00pm – Spanish Group



**Sunday October 11<sup>th</sup>**

**No Life Night**

**Sunday, October 18<sup>th</sup> – Fear Factor** – An action packed social night that's not for the faint of heart. Inviting all high school aged teens to test their bravery in a variety of fun fear factor challenges.



**Monday October 12<sup>th</sup>**

**No EDGE Night**

**Monday, October 19<sup>th</sup> – Try, Try Again** – This EDGE night will help the youth to recognize the difference between moral mistakes and other mistakes!!! If at first you don't succeed .....

### LIBRARY NEWS

With much joy, we are re-opening our Parish Library now located in its new home in the Small Meeting Room. If anyone would like to make use of the library please come to the Parish Office. We are however, looking for additional books, especially of a devotional or catechist nature. Or even books on the Saints or Scriptures, for adults or children. If you have such a book, please bring it into the office and if suitable we would be more than happy to place it in our library for all to enjoy.



### St. Charles & Matia Parish Katukura – Uganda, East Africa

The long awaited dream of the Catholic Community of Katukura came true on Sunday September 6<sup>th</sup>. In a colourful ceremony that was witness by more than 800 people, his Grace Arch Bishop Paul Bakyenga installed Fr. Joy as Parish Priest and Fr. Bernard as Assistant Parish Priest. They have a challenging task ahead mainly in transforming the community into a community of faith and mutual support. The building of the new church, furnishing of the presbytery, getting a means of transport, starting a kindergarten school are things that need to be charted out for the near future, and especially bringing the Sacraments to the young people as the school children are the pillars of the church tomorrow. Please keep them in your prayers.

Please find the address below if you wish to email or write to Father Joy.

**Fr. Joy Mampillikunnel**

**St. Charles and Matia Parish Katukuru**

**P.O. Box 340, Mbarara**

**Uganda, East Africa.**

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