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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: Father Joshua Roldan

Associate Pastor: Father Massillamani Zacharias

Deacons: Deacon David Langley, Deacon Pedro Guevara-Mann



Give thanks to the Lord for His many Blessings
On Thanksgiving

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, October 12, 9:00AM

- +Cecil Santos +Antonio Mirassol & Jose Romeiro
- +Giuseppina & Francesco Pisani

TUESDAY, October 13, 9:00AM

+Manuel & Glorinda Da Silva

WEDNESDAY, October 14, 7:00PM

+Teresa Silva

THURSDAY, October 15, 9:00AM

+Luis & Maria Borges

FRIDAY, October 16, 7:00PM

+ProPopulo

SATURDAY, October 17, 9:00AM

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SATURDAY, October 17, 5:00PM

+Arlindo Araujo +Manuel Nuno Rodrigues & Rufinu Rodrigues +Euclides Pinho +Manuel Borges & Merces Rocha +Joaquim Araujo & Idalina Araujo +Arlindo Araujo & Francisco Araujo +Perpetua Barroso +Joe Mendrek +Rosa Puma & Rosario Polizzi +Augusta Barros

SUNDAY, October 18, 8:30 AM

*Special Intention in Thanksgiving

SUNDAY October 18, 10:00AM

+Victor Latoszek

SUNDAY, October 18, 11:30AM

+Anello Muto

SUNDAY, October 18, 6:30PM

+ProPopulo

PLEASE NOTE: THE OFFICE IS CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE, HOWEVER WE ARE RETURNING CALLS AND RESPONDING TO EMAILS ON A REGULAR BASIS

ADORATION EVERY FRIDAY FROM 6:00PM – 7:00PM FOLLOWED BY MASS FROM 7:00PM TO 7:30PM



FACE MASKS OR FACE COVERINGS ARE REQUIRED WHEN ATTENDING CHURCH BY ORDER OF THE SIMCOE MUSKOKA PUBLIC HEALTH UNIT

FOSTERING FULL PARTICIPATION IN MASS

With our return to public Mass it is important to encourage the participation of the assembly. Although our singing has to be suspended we are able to respond to the prayers, listen attentively to the Word of God and recite together the parts of the Mass that are normally sung. During this time when we cannot sing or exchange a physical sign of peace may we be intentional in fostering unity during our communal prayer. Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish Bulletin

REFLECTION

One of the most beautiful images used in the Scriptures to depict what heaven is like is the wedding celebration and royal feast given by the King for his newly-wed son and bride. Whatever grand feast we can imagine on earth, heaven is the feast of all feasts because the Lord of heaven and earth invites us to the most important banquet of all – all feast of all feasts because the Lord of heaven and earth invites us to the most important banquet of all – not simply as bystanders or guest-but as members of Christ's own body, his bride the church! The last book in the Bible ends with an invitation to the wedding feast of the Lamb – the Lord Jesus who offered his life as an atoning sacrifice for our sins and who now reigns as King of Kings and Lord of Lords. The Spirit and the bride say Come! (Revelations 22:17). The Lord Jesus invites us to be united with himself in his heavenly kingdom of peace and righteousness.

Why does Jesus' parable of the marriage feast seem to focus on an angry king who ends up punishing those who refused his invitation and who mistreated his servants? Jesus' parable contains two stories. The first has to do with the original guests invited to the marriage feast. The king had sent our invitations well in advance to his subjects, so they would have plenty of time to prepare for coming to the feast. How insulting for the invited guests to then refuse when the time for celebrating came! They mad light of the King's request because they put their own interests above his. They not only insulted the King but the heir to the throne as well. The king's anger is justified because they openly refused to give the king the honor he was due. Jesus directed this warning to the Jews of his day, both to convey how much God wanted them to share in the joy of his kingdom, but also to give a warning about the consequences of refusing his Son, their Messiah and Savior.

The second part of the story focuses on those who had no claim on the king and who would never have considered getting such an invitation. The "good and the bad" referred to the Gentile (non-Jews) and to sinners. This is certainly an invitation of grace-undeserved, unmerited favor and kindness! But this invitation also contains a warning for those who refuse it or who approach the wedding feast unworthily. God' grace is a free gift, but it is also an awesome responsibility. God invites each of us as his friends to his heavenly banquet that we may celebrate with him and share his joy.

Servants of the word, www.dailyscripture.net Don Schwager.



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) Walk In - No Registration Required. Doors open 4:00pm

Sundays – 10:00am & 12:00pm Mass Registration Required Online – Eventbrite Doors open 1 hour before Mass

Sundays – 6:30pm Mass (All Age Groups) Walk In - No Registration Required. Doors open 6:00pm

EVENTBRITE Online Registration

Go to Holy Martyrs of Japan Website and click "Register for Mass" to order tickets

Please bring electronic or printed ticket for admission

The Sunday 10:00am Mass will continue to be livestreamed on youtube

REMINDERS

DISPENSATION FROM SUNDAY MASS

Cardinal Thomas Collins continues to provide dispensation form the Sunday Mass for those who may not be able to attend Mass at Church for health reasons or due to capacity restrictions.

TO REQUEST A MASS INTENTION:

If you are interested in booking a Mass Intention, Please Contact the Parish Office at 905 775 2065.



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If you have ever been curious about God, your Faith and life as a Christian this is a great place to start.

If you would like more information or are interested in attending, please contact Peter at alpha.hmoj@rogers.com.

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.

FIRST COMMUNION

Please visit our website for Communion updates

CONFIRMATION:

Due to the pandemic, Confirmation is not able to take place at this time. As soon as we hear something, families and schools will be informed.

CONFESSIONS: Can be heard a half hour before Sunday Mass or by appointment by calling the parish office to arrange a date and time.

COMMUNION FOR THE SICK: Please contact the parish office at 905 775 2065 if you are sick and need communion at home.

FUNERALS: Are resumed. Please contact the parish office at 905 775 2065



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