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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

FOR EVEN THE SON  
of Man came not  
TO BE SERVED BUT  
**TO SERVE,**  
and to give his life as  
a ransom for many.  
— Mark 10:45 —

**Pastor:** Father John Pak Jpak@archtoronto.org

**Associate Pastor:** Father Massillamani Zacharias

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

### OFFICE STAFF

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### MINISTERS

**Youth Minister:**

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### SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm

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 8:45am 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

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St. Charles—905-775-6762

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### PARISH MINISTRIES and SOCIETIES

Alpha

Consolation and Hope

CWL (Catholic Women's League)

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LifeTeen Youth Ministry

El Sembrador - Ministry to Migrant Workers

Knights of Columbus

Liturgical Ministers

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Sacramental Preparation & Catechesis

Seniors Outreach

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Divino Espirito Santo

Nossa Senhora De Fatima

Santissima Trindade

### 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, October 18, 7:00PM

+Manuel Nuno Rodrigues & Maria Gouveia +Teresa Silva & Silvano Fernandes +Abilio Soares +All Deceased MacCarthy Family Members +Maria Devald & Jack Devald

### TUESDAY, October 19, 9:00AM

+\*Special Intention for Rudolf Sutora

### WEDNESDAY, October 20, 7:00PM

+Maria Santos Rosete & Manuel Cruz Conceicao

### THURSDAY, October 21, 9:00PM

+ProPopulo

### FRIDAY, October 22, 7:00PM

+Anthony Gabriel Pillai

### SATURDAY, October 23, 9:00AM

+ProPopulo

### SATURDAY, October 23, 5:00PM

+All Deceased Santana Family Members  
+Arlindo Araujo & Francisco Araujo +Deolinda Oliveira +Jose Miranda +Francelino & Rita Vias +Joe Fernandes +Manuel Pinho & Maria Celest Pinho +Stefan Hrin +Coltilde Silveira  
+Augusta Pais +Eman George Dawood

### SUNDAY, October 24, 8:00AM

+Doris Fernandez

### SUNDAY, October 24, 10:00AM

+Siem Zerezghi

### SUNDAY, October 24, 12:00PM

+ProPopulo

### SUNDAY, October 24, 6:30PM

\*Special Intention for Agnes Kim & Marcello Seo

**TO REQUEST A MASS INTENTION:** If you are interested in booking a Mass Intention, please contact the parish office at 905 775 2065

### ADORATION CHAPEL

We are happy to announce that our Adoration Chapel open for prayer, Monday-Friday from 9:30am-4:30pm.

### FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH ADORATION

Adoration and Benediction will follow the after the 7:00pm Mass on the First Friday of every month.

**CONFESSIONS:** Will be heard on Saturday's between 8:00am-8:45am and again from 3:30pm-4:30pm or by appointment. Please contact the parish office for further information

**FUNERALS:** Please contact the parish office at 905 775 2065

## REFLECTION

Who doesn't want to be first, and to be esteemed and honored by others? We seem to have an unquenchable thirst for recognition and fame, power and authority to rule our own lives as we please as well as the lives of others. Should we be surprised to see the disciples of Jesus thirsting for power, position, and authority? James and John, the sons of Zebedee, urge their mother to strike a deal with Jesus, their Master and Messiah. They wanted the distinction of being first and most important in position, next to Jesus.

When Jesus called the twelve apostles to be his inner circle of disciples who would teach and exercise spiritual authority on his behalf, he did the unthinkable! Jesus taught contrary to the world's understanding of power, authority, and position, by reversing the order of master and servant, lord and subject, first and last! Jesus wedded authority with love, position with sacrifice, and service with humility. Authority without love is overbearing and slavish. Position without respect and concern for the subordinate is demeaning and rude. And service without generosity and sacrifice is cheap and unkind.

Those who wish to serve the Lord Jesus and to exercise authority in God's kingdom must be prepared to sacrifice-not just some of their time, money, and resources – but their whole lives and all that they possess! Jesus used stark language to explain what kind of sacrifice he had in mind. His disciples must drink his cup if they expect to reign with him in his kingdom. The cup he had in mind was a bitter one involving crucifixion. What kind of cup does the Lord have in mind for us? For some disciples such a cup entails the long routine of the Christian life, with all its daily sacrifices, disappointments, set-backs, struggles and temptations.

A disciple of Jesus must be ready to lay down his or her life – each and every day in the little and big sacrifices required – and even to the point of shedding one's blood if necessary for the sake of Christ and his Gospel. What makes such a sacrifice a joy rather than a burden? It is love. An early father of the Church summed up Jesus' teaching with the expression "We share in God's reign by laying down their lives in humble service and love for one another, just as Jesus did for our sake. Are you ready to laydown your life and to serve others as Jesus has taught and modeled for us? Servants of the word, [www.dailyscripture.net](http://www.dailyscripture.net) Don Schwager.

## REMINDERS

### ALL SAINTS AND ALL SOULS DAY MASSES

**All Saints Day:** Mass will be celebrated on Monday November 1, 2021, at 9:00am and again at 7:00pm.

**All Souls Day:** reminds us of our own mortality, that the love of each of us is limited and we need to be ready to meet our Lord when he calls us home. As we gather, let us pray in hope and confidence for one another and for our beloved dead. Through our prayers, may they find eternal rest. Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday November 2, 2021, at 9:00am and again at 7:00pm.

PLEASE NOTE THE 2022 BOOK OF MASS INTENTIONS WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR BOOKINGS ON MONDAY NOVEMBER 1, 2021

### 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 envelope marked "All Souls" which will be made available at the entrance of the church when you come to Mass. If you however are not yet comfortable with coming to Mass and still wish to add a name or names, please contact the parish office for alternate arrangements.

### PROOF OF VACCINATION NOT REQUIRED FOR MASS

**PLEASE NOTE: THE PARISH OFFICE IS OPEN BY APPOINTMENT ONLY**



I WANT TO BE A CATHOLIC

RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Each year we welcome into the Church adults through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A). It is a ministry for people who wish to inquire about becoming full members of our faith community. This program is geared towards prospective adults and their sponsors. If you would like to know more about the process or know someone who may be interested in the Catholic faith, please contact the parish office at 905 775 2065 or email Fr. John directly at [jpak@archtoronto.org](mailto:jpak@archtoronto.org)

### REQUIEM MASS AT HOLY MARTYRS OF JAPAN CEMETERY

Please join us in a Mass celebration for the faithful departed the first Friday of every month at Holy Martyrs of Japan cemetery at 11:00am, weather permitting, with the alternative to celebrate the Mass at the Church. All are welcome.

## SACRAMENTS

**BAPTISMS:** For parents wishing to baptize their child, please contact the parish office via email with your request and we will forward you a baptismal package. Please complete the required documents and email them back to the parish office. Upon receipt of your email a clergy member will be in touch with you to discuss details, covid protocols, and to confirm a date.

### FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION 2022

**To our CURRENT Grade 2's and Grade 7's:** Registration for the Sacrament of First Communion and Confirmation will be taking place in January of 2022 with celebrations scheduled sometime in the spring of 2022 after Easter. Please continue to attend Mass, watch livestream and visit our website for further communication.

### FIRST COMMUNION FOR 2021

**To all First Communion candidates currently in grades 3,4,5 and 6 who have NOT yet received First Communion:** If you wish to celebrate First Communion, registration for the Sacrament for this group, will be open on October 18, 2021, until November 15, 2021. During this time, the registration form will be made available on our website or can be picked up in person after Mass on Sundays. **Please complete all fields of the registration form, including email address which will be required for registering a date for Communion, along with a copy of your child's baptism certificate** and email it to [sacraments.hmoj@gmail.com](mailto:sacraments.hmoj@gmail.com) or drop it off in person to anyone of the clergy when you come to Mass. Registration Forms will be accepted until November 15 2021. **Communion Celebrations for this group will be taking place around the end of November.**

### CONFIRMATION FOR 2021

**To all Confirmation candidates currently in grades 8-12 who have NOT yet received the Sacrament of Confirmation:** Registration for this Sacrament for this group will be open on October 18, 2021, until November 15, 2021. During this time, the registration form will be made available on our website or can be picked up in person after Mass on Sundays. **Please complete all fields of the registration form, including email address which will be required for registering a date for Confirmation, along with a copy of your child's baptism certificate** and email it to [sacraments.hmoj@gmail.com](mailto:sacraments.hmoj@gmail.com) or drop it off in person to anyone of the clergy when you come to Mass. Registration Forms will be accepted until November 15 2021. **Confirmation Celebrations for this group will be taking place in December 2021.**

We look forward to coming together once again to celebrate these Sacraments with you and your families.

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