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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



**Pastor:** Fr. John Pak Jpak@archtoronto.org  
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**Deacons:** Deacon David Langley  
Deacon Pedro Guevara-Mann



## 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

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### MINISTERS

**Youth Minister:**

Ray Reitzel email: reitzel@hotmail.com

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Nancy Mora

### PARISH MINISTRIES and SOCIETIES

Alpha

CWL (Catholic Women's League)

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El Sembrador - Ministry to Migrant Workers

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LifeTeen Youth Ministry

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Nossa Senhora De Fatima

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Rosary Apostolate

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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, October 3, 7:00PM**

+Samantha Diogo +Maria dos Santos Rosete & Manuel Conceicao +Roman Sakac

**TUESDAY, October 4, 9:00AM**

+ProPopulo

**WEDNESDAY, October 5, 7:00PM**

+Rui Bolarinho

**THURSDAY, October 6, 9:00AM**

+ProPopulo

**FRIDAY, October 7, 7:00PM**

+For the Special Intentions of the Da Silva Family

**SATURDAY, October 8, 9:00AM**

+ProPopulo

**SATURDAY, October 8, 5:00PM**

+Benedito da Silva & Albino Barbosa +Maria da Conceicao +Carlos & Maria Medeiros +Miguel Gomes +Rosa Oliveira +Antonio Alberto Rocha +Manuel Pereira +Stanley Cemas & Matija Cadonic +Nelda Buttignol +Roman Sakac

**SUNDAY, October 9, 8:00AM**

+Fred & Mark Oliveira

**SUNDAY, October 9, 10:00AM**

+Augusta Barros & Joao Gomes

**SUNDAY, October 9, 12:00PM**

+ProPopulo

**SUNDAY, October 9, 6:30PM**

+Deacon William Plaus



- 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.**

## 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.

## VOCATIONS

“Increase our faith” Listen for the voice of God. Are you being called to be a priest, deacon or religious brother or sister? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997. Email: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)  
[www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca)

# REFLECTION

“When you have done all you have been commanded, say, ‘We are unprofitable servants; we have done what we were obliged to do.’” [Luke 17:10b](#)

This is a hard command to live. Most often when we have done something well, and fulfilled our duty, we seek recognition and praise. We want to be noticed. And while this may be a “normal” reaction, it’s not the most humble reaction. Humility comes in many degrees, and the deepest degree of humility allows a person to repeat this passage above and mean it.

First, we must realize that the will of God is good for us. It imposes an obligation of love on us. When we fulfill God’s will, we should take delight in that fact alone because it is good. That way, the fulfillment of God’s will becomes the source of our joy, not the recognition of others.

On the other hand, it is good when we see goodness in others and acknowledge it. We should do this not to build up their ego but to give praise to God for the good thing done. And when others see and acknowledge God’s will accomplished in our lives, we must accept their praise not as a source of our pride but as an honest acknowledgment that God is good and His will is being fulfilled. We must be grateful that we could do “what we were obliged to do.”

Embracing the will of God as a holy “obligation” also enables us to fulfill it more fully. When doing the will of God is seen as something extraordinary, we may not build a proper habit of fulfilling it. But when it’s seen as our duty of love and as the normal act we should fulfill, it’s easier to embrace His will more completely.

Reflect, today, on this humble phrase. “We are unprofitable servants; we have done what we were obliged to do.” Try to say it, mean it and let it become the foundation of your daily service of God’s will. Doing so will set you on the “fast track” toward holiness. Catholic News Agency 2021



*Lord, I am an unprofitable servant. When I fulfill Your holy will, I acknowledge that this is a holy obligation of love and my most fundamental duty. Help me to see Your will as the most normal part of my daily life. Help me to embrace it with wholehearted faith and obedience. Jesus, I trust in You.*

*Invoke your guardian angel who will enlighten you and guide you. God has given him to you for your protection; therefore, you should use him accordingly. – St. Pius of Pietrelcina*

## PARISH NEWS



**OKTOBERFEST DINNER DANCE  
SATURDAY OCTOBER 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2022  
LIVE MUSIC/FOOD/RAFFLE PRIZES/ CASH BAR**

**Doors open at 6:00pm**

**Tickets: Adults \$25.00 Youth (under 18) \$15.00 or \$30.00 at the door if available (children under 2 free)**  
**Tickets will be sold after Saturday evening and Sunday Masses in the church foyer starting September 24, 2022 or can be purchased in person from the parish office until October 16 2022.**

Volunteers are needed to help make Oktoberfest a great success! We cannot do this without your help. We are looking for people to help with various tasks from kitchen food prep, event set up, serving and maintaining stations, and cleaning. If you are interested in helping, please contact Ray Reitzel our youth minister at 905 251 8151 or email: [youthministry.hmj@hotmail.com](mailto:youthministry.hmj@hotmail.com)



### THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

*"If you can't feed a hundred people, then feed just one"-  
St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta*

The need to support our community food bank especially during this most difficult time of insecurity, is essential and needed more than ever. Let us not forget to share the blessings we have been given. Let's overwhelm our Food Bank with food and LOVE this thanksgiving! For anyone wishing to contribute, we invite our parish community to drop off your food items in the crate at the back of the Church.

**MONDAY OCTOBER 10, 2022, THANKSGIVING**  
Please note the office will be closed and Mass will be at 9:00am. Wishing you all, a safe and blessed celebration.

**OUR LADY OF FATIMA  
Saturday October 15, & Sunday October 16, 2022**

### 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 and generosity.



### CHOIR ANNOUNCEMENT

Make a Joyful noise!!!! Calling ALL singers, any skill level, you are invited to come and join a choir. The choirs will sing EVERY OTHER week at Mass.

The 10am main adult choir (high school & up) will meet downstairs before Mass at 9am to rehearse starting on October 23 (with one EXTRA rehearsal at 9am on October 16).

The Saturday 5pm children's choir (grades 3-8) will meet downstairs before Mass at 4pm to rehearse with their first Mass and rehearsal on October 15. Portuguese singers are invited to sing in the choir at the 8am Mass, no rehearsal, beginning October 23.

If you are in high school, you are also welcome to sing with the Sunday 6:30pm youth band (speak with Mark Fitzgerald at that Mass). For more information or to sign up, please email Jenn at [hmjchoirs@gmail.com](mailto:hmjchoirs@gmail.com)

**RENEW Toronto Young Adult Conference 2022  
Saturday November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022, 10:00am to 9:30pm  
Canada Christian College (300 Water St., Whitby)  
Doors open at 9:00am Social ends at 11:00pm**

RENEW Toronto is a conference for all young adults aged 19-39 with keynotes, workshops, worship music, Confessions, Mass, Eucharistic Adoration and fellowship. This conference will offer unique opportunities for students, young adult professionals, and young couples. We invite young adults to unite with one another to collectively renew their hearts, renew their call and renew their community. **To register please visit: [www.renewtoronto.org](http://www.renewtoronto.org) If you have any questions, contact [youngadult@ocytoronto.org](mailto:youngadult@ocytoronto.org). The registration deadline is October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022.**

## 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.

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

**FOR MASS INTENTIONS, MEMORIAL MASS, BLESSING OF A MILESTONE WEDDING**

**ANNIVERSARY:** Contact the parish office at 905 775 2065

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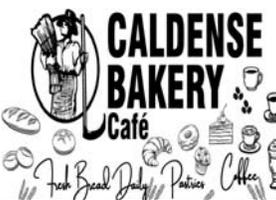
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