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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



SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:00pm

Sunday: 8:30am, 10:00am & 11:30am
6:30pm

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.

BAPTISMS

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.

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PARISH MINISTRIES and SOCIETIES

Alpha

Consolation and Hope

CWL (Catholic Women's League)

EDGE Youth Ministry

LifeTeen 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.

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, October 7, 7:00PM

+Antonio Mirassol +Helen Szabo +Yvonne Novello +Julie Jover +Primitiva Piamonte +Julian Fischer +Gertrude Recchia +Maria Rego *Special Intention In Thanksgiving of Villegas Family *Special Intention for Venessa & Leslie

TUESDAY, October 8, 8:30AM

*Special Intention In Thanksgiving to Our Lady

WEDNESDAY, October 9, 7:00PM

+Antonio Perna

THURSDAY, October 10, 8:30AM

*Special Intention In Thanksgiving to Our Lady

FRIDAY, October 11, 7:00PM

*Special Intention for Jose & Maria Fernandes

SATURDAY, October 12, 9:00AM

+ProPopulo

SATURDAY, October 12, 5:00PM

+Arlindo Araujo +Miguel & Eduardo Gomes +Maria Sousa & Antonio Santana +Pasquale & Antoniella Baccilieri +Felix Baybayan +Leo Mallet +Joe Lancha & John Ferreira +Virgilio Pinho & Luduvina Oliveira +Perpetua Barroso *Special Intention for Michael & Pamela Cerisano *Special Intention for McEvenue Family *Special Intention for Vanessa & Leslie

SUNDAY, October 13, 8:30 AM

+Antonio Martins & Parents

SUNDAY October 13, 10:00AM

+ProPopulo

SUNDAY, October 13, 11:30AM


+Cecile Santos & All Souls

SUNDAY, October 13, 6:30PM

+Steven (Istvan) Ott

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION CHAPEL... come be

with our Lord in awe of his presence, to know His peace, joy, blessings and mercies. It is time to draw near to His heart and you will be filled with His strength and power.



*The office will be closed on Monday
October 14th 2019 for the Thanksgiving
long weekend. Mass will be at 9:00am.
Wishing you and your loved ones a blessed celebration of
thanks.*

THANKSGIVING IS COMING...

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

Let us not forget to share the blessings we have been given. Let's overwhelm our Food Bank with food and LOVE this thanksgiving! Feel free to drop off your food items in the crate at the back of the Church.

REFLECTION

How Strong is your faith in God and how can you grow in it? Faith is not something vague, uncertain, undefinable, or something which requires a leap of the imagination or worse, some kind of blind allegiance. In fact, it is quite the opposite. Faith is a response of trust and belief in what is reliable, truthful, certain, and real. To have faith is to believe and trust in someone or something. We believe in the power of electricity even though we can't visibly see it with the naked eye. We know we can tap into that power and use it to do things we could not do by our own human power. Faith in God works in a similar way. When God reveals himself to us he gives the "assurance" and "conviction" that his power and presence and glory is just as real, and even more real, than our experience of the natural physical world around us (Letter to Hebrews 11:1-3). Things around us change, but God never changes. He is constant, ever true to his word and always faithful to his promises (Psalm 145:13, Hebrews 10:23). That is why we can have the greatest assurance of his unconditional love for us and why we can hope with utter conviction that he will give us everything he has promised. Jesus is God's visible proof that his word is reliable and true – his love is unfailing and unconditional – and his power is immeasurably great and unlimited. Don't we often encounter challenges and difficulties which seem beyond our power to handle? What appears impossible to human power is possible to those who believe in God's power. Faith is a gift freely given by God to help us know God personally, to understand his truth, and to live in the power of his love. God expects more from us than we can simply do by ourselves. That is why Jesus gives us the gift and power of the Holy Spirit who helps us to grow strong in faith, persevere in hope, and endure in love.

God honors the faithful servant who loves and serves with a generous heart. He is ever ready to work in and through each one of us by his Spirit for his glory. We must remember, however, that God can never be indebted to us. We have no claim on him. His love compels us to give him our best! And when we have done our best, we have simply done our duty. We can never outmatch God in his immeasurable merciful love, his extravagant kindness and goodness, and his ever constant and unceasing care for us. Does the love of God compel you to give your best to him with generous love and gratitude for all that he has done for you?

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

REMINDERS

THE CHILDREN'S CHOIR – Grades 1-8

Calling all children.... You are invited to come and register/participate in the children's choir. First meeting will be on **Saturday October 19, 2019 at 3:45pm in the parish hall.** Practices will be every other Saturday (bi-weekly), at the same time, thereafter. The children's choir will be singing at the 5:00pm Saturday evening Mass, once a month beginning the second Sunday of Advent.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time | October 6, 2019

REMINDERS (Continued)



ALPHA ... Back by Popular Demand

Holy Martyrs of Japan will be once again hosting the Alpha Series on Thursday nights at 6:30pm in the parish hall. Alpha is a program which seeks to introduce or hear a new, the basics of our Christian Catholic Faith through a series of talks and interactive sessions and discussions. Each talk looks at different questions and is designed to create conversation. Alpha is a program that is run worldwide and EVERYONE is welcome. Centered around food, friends and discussion, we re-introduce ourselves and further explore our faith and the meaning of life. It is a chance to share thoughts and ideas with one another in an open, honest and friendly environment. The series dates are as follows: Thursday October 10, October 17, 24, *Tuesday October 29, November 7, 14, 21, 28 December 5, 12. To RSVP, volunteer or if you have any questions please contact Ray at 905 251 8151 or the office at 905 775 2065.

COLLECTION FOR FR. MANI'S MISSION CO-OP

To help support the Diocese of Ahmedabad. We strongly believe that true religion must be manifested, not simply in rituals but also in working for the cause of the oppressed and the needy. Our Mission is transforming lives through faith and focusing on providing education, social and medical assistance to the boarding schools in the villages. On the weekend of Saturday October 12 & 13 there will be a second collection for Fr. Mani's Mission Co-op. Cream coloured mission co-op offering envelopes will be made available for pick up after Mass in the narthex (front) of the Church.

MORTGAGE UPDATE Thanks to your generosity and support a deposit of \$15,000.00 has been made towards our mortgage. We are currently at \$928,000.00.

2019 PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY CRUSADE
SATURDAY OCTOBER 12, 2019 at 12:00pm at the
CLOCKTOWER on Holland St. in Bradford (beside the
town courthouse)

PARISH EVENTS

OUR LADY OF FATIMA – OCTOBER 12 & 13TH
Saturday October 12, 7:00pm Mass will be celebrated in Portuguese at Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish followed by a procession and a candle light vigil. Sunday October 13, at 2:00pm at Holy Martyrs of Japan, a procession and celebration of the Eucharist in Portuguese. After the celebration on Sunday, all are welcome to a social afternoon at the Portuguese Cultural Center of Bradford for coffee, tea, refreshments and snacks.



SATURDAY OCTOBER 26, 2019

Doors open at 6:00pm

Live Music – Food – Drinks – Raffle Prizes
\$20.00/Adult - \$15.00/Child (ages 2-12) \$25.00 at
the door. Tickets available after Mass and at the
Parish Office Fundraiser event in support of Edge and
Lifeteen Ministries

SACRAMENTS

CONFIRMATION

For those students wishing to register and participate in the 2020 Sacrament of Confirmation please pick up a confirmation information package (which outlines the registration and celebration process of Confirmation), from any of the clergy after Mass on Saturday evening or any of the Sunday Masses. All Registration forms **MUST** be submitted to Fr. Joshua or Fr. Mani after the Saturday evening or any of the Sunday Masses **before the registration deadline of December 15, 2019.**

FIRST COMMUNION PARENT MEETING

For those students wishing to reister and celebrate First Holy Communion there will be two meetings in October of which we would ask parents and communion candidates to attend to better understand the registration and celebration process of communion and reconciliation. The parent information meetings are as follows:

Tuesday October 8, 2019 at 7:00pm

OR

Saturday October 12, 2019 at 10:00am

Please attend ONE!

YOUTH MINISTRY



EDGE
Catholic Middle School Ministry

Edge is a youth ministry program designed to help youth learn more about their Catholic faith and develop a personal relationship with Christ. Come have fun, meet friends and play games in faith and fellowship. Monday Nights in the Parish Hall at 7:00pm.

Oct 14 - No Edge – Thanksgiving

Oct 21 - Proof in the Paint



LIFE TEEN
Leading Teens Closer to Christ

High school teens in grades 9-12 are invited to gather and enjoy the gift of friendship with food and fun while growing in faith and virtue. Beginning Sunday September 29 at 7:45pm in the Parish Hall.

Oct 13 - No Life Night

Oct 20 - Photo Scavenger Hunt

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