Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish

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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:00pm

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

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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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, September 2, 9:00AM

*Special Intention for Gwenoleen Lo-a-chee

TUESDAY, September 3, 8:30AM

+Antonio Julio Diogo

WEDNESDAY, September 4, 7:00PM

+Manuel & John Da Silva

THURSDAY, September 5, 8:30AM

+Maria Clara Gomes

FRIDAY, September 6, 7:00PM

+William Yaszczyszyn

SATURDAY, September 7, 9:00AM

+ProPoulo

SATURDAY, September 7, 5:00PM

- +Sean McEvenue & All Souls +Toich & Zic Family
- +Maria & Eugenio Arruda +Antonio Roberto Rocha
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SUNDAY, September 8, 8:30 AM

+ProPopulo

SUNDAY September 8, 10:00AM

+Antonio Perna

SUNDAY, September 8, 11:30AM

*Special Intention In Thanksgiving to Mother Mary

SUNDAY, September 8, 6:30PM

+All Deceased Fletcher & Collor Family Members

NEW PARISHIONER - OFFERING ENVELOPES

Offering Envelopes

If you are new to the community, Welcome to Holy Martyrs of Japan! If you would like to register, please feel free to pick up a

Sunday Offering box and/or complete a registration form located in the narthex of the Church on the credenza. You can either drop off your completed form at the office, or include it with your first envelope offering. Pre-Authorization and Offering Envelopes will also be made available to you.

If you have moved and have not notified the Parish please call, so we can update our database 905 775 2067.

EL SEMBRADOR

Helpers needed to store and repair bicycle donations for Migrant workers as part of the El Sembrador Ministry. If anyone has

bikes in good working condition that you would like to donate, please contact the parish office at 905 755 2065.

REFLECTION

Who wants to be last? Isn't it only natural to desire respect and esteem from others? Jesus' parable of the guests invited to the marriage feast probes our motives for seeking honor and position. Self promotion is most often achieved at the expense of others! Jesus' parable reinforces the teaching of Proverbs: Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence or stand in the place of the great; for it is better to be told, "Come up here," than to be put lower in the presence of the prince (Proverbs 25:6-7).

True humility frees us to be our true selves as God sees us. What is true humility and why should we make it a characteristic mark of our life and action? True humility is not feeling bad about yourself, or thinking of yourself as inferior to others. True humility frees us from preoccupation with ourselves, whereas a low self-opinion tends to ficus our attention on ourselves. Humility is truth in selfunderstanding and truth in action. Viewing ourselves truthfully, with sober judgement, means seeing ourselves the way God sees us (Psalm 139:1_4). A humble person makes a realistic assessment of him/herself without illusion or pretense to be something he/she is not. The humble regard themselves neither smaller nor larger than they truly are. True humility frees us to be our true selves and to avoid despair and pride. A humble person does not have to wear a mask or put on a façade in order to look good to others, especially to those who are not really familiar with that person. The humble are not swayed by accidentals, such as fame, reputation, success or failure.

True humility frees us to love and serve selflessly for the good of others.

Humility is the queen or foundation of all the other virtues because it enables us to view and judge ourselves correctly, the way God sees us. Humility leads to true self-knowledge, honesty, realism, strength, and dedication to give ourselves to something greater than ourselves. Humility frees us to love and serve others selflessly, for their sake, rather than our own. Paul the Apostle, gives us the greatest example and model of humility in the person of Jesus Christ, who emptied himself, taking the form of a servant,... who humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross (Philippians 2:7-8). The Lord Jesus gives grace to those who seek him humbly.

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Lord Jesus, you became a servant for my sake to set me free from the tyranny of sin, selfishness, and conceit. Help me to be humble as you are humble and to love freely and graciously all whom you call me to serve."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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to 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.

REMINDERS



I WANT TO BE A CATHOLIC

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 evening program is geared towards prospective adults and their sponsors. We will be offering this process again in September. If you would like to know more about the process or know someone who may be interested in the Catholic faith, please contact Fr. Joshua, Fr. Mani or the Parish Office at 905 775 2065.

RUN WITH IT

Questioning your faith is not a sign of weakness but one of strength, validating that your faith is alive and well! Due to it's success, we are going to continue with our "Run with it" series again this coming fall. Please complete the suggestion form with any questions or topics you wish to discuss about our faith. You may pick up and drop off the suggestion form in the yellow box at the back counter in the gathering space to be considered for the upcoming session.

LABOUR DAY HOLIDAY

Please note the parish office will be closed on Monday September 2, 2019 and Mass will be celebrated at 9:00am. Have a blessed long weekend!

PASTORAL TEACHER REFERENCE

If you or one of your children are planning on attending Teacher's College in the Fall to become a teacher in our Catholic schools, part of the application process for the Board includes a letter of reference from your pastor. If you intend to ask for a reference letter, please note that you will have to be attending Mass here regularly and be an intentional disciple to the mission of the church (ie being involved in parish ministry or programs) before such a recommendation can be given.

If you have a son or daughter currently in Teacher's College who does not attend this parish (because they are away at school) and intends to use Holy Martyrs of Japan as the parish from which they will request a letter of reference, they will be required to obtain a letter from the pastor of the parish where they are attending while away at school. Let us pray for our Catholic teachers, students, schools and future Catholic educators!



BACK TO SCHOOL PRAYER



Dear God,

Thank you for the gift of education in every form. As our children and our teachers prepare to start a new year, may YOU be their foundation, may grace be their guide and may hope and faith be their compass toward a bright future. We pray they would have eyes to see the needs of those around them and a heart to love as you love. May they face each day with the blessed assurance that no matter what comes their way, with YOU they can do all things! In Jesus' Name. Amen

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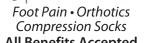


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