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Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish

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St. Paul Miki and Companions—Pray for Us!

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:00pm
Sunday: 8:30am, 10:00am & 11:30am
6:30pm
Spanish Mass—4:45pm

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.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Holy Trinity High School—905-775-4841
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PARISH MINISTRIES and SOCIETIES

Alpha
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EDGE Youth Ministry
El Sembrador
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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.

TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Who is Jesus for you - and what difference does he make in your life? Many in Israel recognized Jesus as a mighty man of God, even comparing him with the greatest of the prophets. Peter, always quick to respond whenever Jesus spoke, professed that Jesus was truly the "Christ of God" - "the Son of the living God" (Matthew 16:16). No mortal being could have revealed this to Peter, but only God. Why did Jesus command his disciples to be silent about his identity as the anointed Son of God? They were, after all, appointed to proclaim the good news to everyone. Jesus knew that they did not yet fully understand his mission and how he would accomplish it. Cyril of Alexandria (376-444 AD), an early church father, explains the reason for this silence: *"There were things yet unfulfilled which must also be included in their preaching about him. They must also proclaim the cross, the passion, and the death in the flesh. They must preach the resurrection of the dead, that great and truly glorious sign by which testimony is borne him that the Emmanuel is truly God and by nature the Son of God the Father. He utterly abolished death and wiped out destruction. He robbed hell, and overthrew the tyranny of the enemy. He took away the sin of the world, opened the gates above to the dwellers upon earth, and united earth to heaven."* If we want to share in the victory of the Lord Jesus, then we must also take up our cross and follow where he leads us. What is the "cross" that you and I must take up each day? When my will crosses (does not align) with God's will, then his will **must** be done. To know Jesus Christ is to know the power of his victory on the cross. The Holy Spirit gives each of us the gifts and strength we need to live as sons and daughters of God. The Holy Spirit gives us *faith* to know the Lord Jesus personally as our Redeemer, and the *power* to live the Gospel faithfully, and the *courage* to witness to others the joy, truth, and freedom of the Gospel. Who do you say that Jesus is?

"Lord Jesus, I believe and I profess that you are the Christ, the Son of the living God. Take my life, my will, and all that I have, that I may be wholly yours now and forever."

Thanksgiving is coming!!!

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

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



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 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.

COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION SACRAMENTS

Grades two and seven are milestones years in the eyes of the Catholic Church. For the grade two's it is a spiritual time where we prepare our children for the Sacrament of Reconciliation and Communion and for the grade seven's, a completion of the initiation of the faith with the Sacrament of Confirmation. Each Sacrament a blessed gift from God. Letters regarding these Sacraments will be made available at the meetings. Families who have children who attend Catholic schools outside the parish, or who have children attending public and private schools, or who have children in grade three and above who have not made communion or are in grade eight and above and have not made confirmation are encouraged to come to the meeting as it will assist and instruct you in moving forward to the celebration of these Sacraments. Thank you in advance to all the teachers of our schools and you the parents for their/your dedication and love for Christ in preparing our children and our young people for their next step on their Sacramental journey.



Confirmation Parent/Child Meeting Dates:

Thursday October 4, 2018 at 7:00pm in the Church

OR

Saturday October 6, 2018 at 10:00am in the Church



Communion Parent/Child Meeting Dates:

Thursday October 11, 2018 at 7:00pm in the Church

OR

Saturday October 13, 2018 at 10:00am in the Church

Children and Youth are welcome and encouraged to come!



PASTORAL CARE MINISTERS NEEDED

A handful of Pastoral Care Ministers bring Communion to and pray with the sick and the elderly in Bradford Valley Care Community (Nursing and retirement home at 2656 Line 6, Bradford, ON) every Sunday following the 8:30AM Mass till 11:30AM throughout the year. There is a great need for more Pastoral Care Ministers to serve in this mission of nourishing our brothers and sisters with our Lord’s spiritual food. If you can volunteer for at least 1 Sundays every month, please sign up to assist in this ministry of compassion. For more information, please contact [holymartyrs@rogers.com](mailto:holy martyrs@rogers.com)

CHILDREN’S LITURGY FACILITATORS NEEDED

We need more volunteers to help continue this wonderful ministry for the youth. Please prayerfully consider journeying with our children from Kindergarten to Grade 2 in breaking open the word with them at the 10AM Mass from Oct. to June! Speak to Fr. Joshua if you’re interested or email the office at [holymartyrs@rogers.com](mailto:holy martyrs@rogers.com).



SATURDAY OCTOBER 20, 2018

Come Join In The Festivities of the Evening! A wonderful night out for the whole family! Doors open at 6:00pm at Holy Martyrs of Japan parish hall. Schnitzel and Oktoberfest sausage for dinner. Tickets can be purchased from Ray or the Parish office. Tickets purchased in advance are \$15.00 per person, \$10.00 per child (12& under) and children under 5 years of age are free. Tickets bought at the door will be \$25.00 per person. For more information please contact Ray Reitzel at 905 251 8151. *This event is in support of our parish Youth Ministry.*

“RUN WITH IT” SUGGESTION FORM

An ongoing Process of Adult Catechesis

Are there any questions about the Catholic Faith that you would like answered? A topic that you would like to explore? You may drop off the suggestion form in the yellow box at the back counter in the gathering space to be considered for next session. Please print your questions and /or topic in the space below:

Four horizontal lines for writing suggestions, enclosed in a dashed blue border.

UPCOMING MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 17th 7:00PM
+ Manuel Nuno Rodriguez +Regina Cece +All Souls

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 18th 8:30AM
+Matthew Talarico

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 19th 7:00PM
+Katarina & Rudolph Spek

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 20th 8:30AM
+Kenneth Quinn

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 21th 7:00PM
+All Souls

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 22nd 9:00AM
+All Souls

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 22nd 5:00PM
+Joao & Teresa Moniz +Ignazio Polizzi +Irma & Eduardo Lancha +Livia & Francesco Lecoche + Stefania Czaskewicz +Jackquiline Coles +Virginio Bordignon

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 23th
+8:30am Deceased Members of Miranda Family
+10:00am Francisco Gameiro & Helena Neves
*11:30am Special Intention In Thanksgiving to Mary Undoer of Knots
+4:45pm ProPopulo
+6:30pm ProPopulo

“May God Grant Them Eternal Peace”



Dear Parents,
Edge is a fund Free Program that offers youth the opportunity to grow in faith and fellowship with other youth and peers from grades 6-8. We will be hosting a family night on Monday October 1 at 7:00pm at Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish Hall. We invite all parents and students of grades 6,7 & 8 to come and see what we offer at EDGE. Come meet our volunteers and register your child(ren) for the 2018/19 season!! We hope to see you there! It Will Be Blessed!!!

*Oct 1 – Family Night – Free Registration and Information
Oct 15 – Fear Factor – Pizza Party*

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