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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  
Spanish Mass—4:45pm

## WEEKDAY MASSES

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays—7:00pm  
Tuesdays & Thursdays—8:30am  
Saturdays: 9:30am

## 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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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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Liturgical Ministers  
RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)  
Sacramental Preparation & Catechesis  
Seniors Club  
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



*Thank You!*

*I just wanted to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your prayers and support following the Installation Mass last week.*

*The joy and welcome that I have received over the past two months has been most humbling. It is a great witness and testimony to each of you, as members of this parish, of it being open and welcoming to all who enter.*

*To all who helped make this liturgy possible, I thank you for bringing out the beauty of the Mass. And to all those who helped with the reception following, I thank you for bringing out the beauty and warmth of this community.*

*I pray that we may continue to work together as a parish on a mission, to bring the light of Christ to a world that needs to see it more and more.*

*God Bless,*

*Fr. Joshua*

### COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION SACRAMENTS

Grades two and seven are milestone 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 back of the Church on the cabinet. The First Communion Letter is yellow and Confirmation Letters are green. The children in grade two and seven in our five Catholic schools received these letters. Families who have children who attend Catholic schools outside the parish, or who have children attending private or public 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 pick up these letters. The letter will assist and instruct you in moving ahead to the celebration of these sacraments. Thank you in advance, to all the teachers of our schools for their dedication and love for Christ in preparing our children and our young people for their next step on their sacramental journey.

### HOLY HOUR

*First Friday of Every Month*

*Friday October 6, 2017*

*After the 7:00pm Mass*

*Come Spend an Hour with Our Lord!*



**SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 30, 2017**

Come join in the festivities! ALL are welcome to a wonderful night out for the whole family at Holy Martyrs of Japan. Doors open at 6:00pm Schnitzel and Oktoberfest sausage for dinner. \$15.00/person, \$10.00 per child (12 and under) and children under 5 years of age are FREE! Entertainment will be provided by Acclamation Nation. Any donations for raffle prizes are most appreciated and can be dropped off at the parish office. Tickets will be available for sale in September after Sunday Masses. Please come out and support our parish youth ministry!



### ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

#### Blessing of the Animals

The Blessing of the Animals for the Feast Day of St. Francis will be done on the 7th of October at 10:30am outside, at the front of the Church.



### COMMUNION BREAKFAST

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a Communion Breakfast after all morning Masses on **Sunday October 8 2017**. The cost for the breakfast is \$7.00/person. Come and enjoy some good food and fun. All proceeds raised from this event will go to Rose of Sharon. Rose of Sharon is a not-for-profit, charitable organization providing support and educational services to prenatal and parenting young women under the age of 25 across York Region. Thank you in advance for your support and generosity.

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTRY FOR BRADFORD NURSING HOME

*"This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh." The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" So Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day. ...."*

John 6:50-71



Volunteers Needed for Eucharistic Ministry at Bradford Nursing Home. This commitment would require you to be part of a team of three or four volunteers to distribute the sacrament of the Eucharist once a month to our elderly brothers and sisters who no longer have the privilege of coming to receive it on their own. If this is a ministry that speaks to your heart, please inquire at the parish office.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR CHILDREN'S LITURGY

This ministry takes place at the 10am Mass every Sunday, as volunteer you will be paired up with a partner and your volunteer commitment will be approximately 20-30 min. every six weeks or so and about half an hour to prepare using the available book. Thank you to those who have already come forward to volunteer for this ministry, we are still looking for a few more people. Please contact the office if this ministry speaks to your heart. If we cannot find enough volunteers for this ministry it may have to be suspended until further interest.



### DEAR PARENTS

Edge is a fun, exciting and **FREE** program that offers youth the opportunity to grow in faith and fellowship with other youth and peer leaders. On Monday September 18 at 7:00pm we will be hosting a parent information and youth registration night at Holy Martyrs of Japan parish hall. We are inviting 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 2017/18 season!! We hope to see you there!

**IT WILL BE BLESSED!!!**

**Sept 18 Parent Night FREE Registration and Information**  
**Sept 25 Minute to Win It Night Kick Off Social**



### PASTORAL REFERENCE FOR TEACHERS

Planning to become a Catholic Teacher? It is critical for you to know that to be hired to teach in any Catholic School Board in Ontario, as part of your application for employment there must be a letter of reference from your pastor. Due to requirement and policy changes you are required to produce a letter each year. If you ( or your adult child) is planning to apply to teach in a Catholic School, it is highly recommended you conatact the pastor directly. Please plan in advance to have a conversation with your pastor early in the process and you will avoid any disappointment and stress at the time when applications are being submitted.

### "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 below with any questions or topics you wish to discuss about our faith. You may drop off the suggestion form in the yellow box at the back counter in the gathering space to be considered for the next session.

#### "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?  
 Please print your questions and /or topic in the space below:

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## MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday September 16<sup>th</sup> 5:00pm

+Salvatore Lizzi by Wife, Children & Grandchildren  
 +Patrick & Margaret Connolly by Daughter Lynn  
 +Fernando Pereira by Idalina & Carlos Correia  
 +Teresa Mann de Guevara by Vilma La Roche  
 \*Spec. Int. for Deceased Family & Friends by Bill & Pat Jardine  
 +Rev. Fr. Davis Manadan by Imelda Santos  
 +Manuel Nuno Rodrigues & All Souls by Joe Faria & Family  
 +Simon McDevitt by Pat & Des McDevitt & Family

### Sunday September 17<sup>th</sup>

8:30am +Manuel Nuno Rodrigues by Wife & Children  
 10:00am +Charles Langley by Lorraine & Dan Frank  
 11:30am +Jim Vonk by Hans Vonk  
 4:45pm + ProPopulo  
 6:30pm + ProPopulo

### Monday September 18<sup>th</sup> 7:00pm

+Matthew Talarico by Family  
 +Michael Mallet by Mom & Dad  
 +Teresa Silva & Maria Nazario by Silva & Dias Families  
 +Wilmar Cardona by Cardona Family  
 +Isaura Melo by Lucy Miguelo & Family  
 +Antonio Mirassol by Ondina Mirassol  
 +Teresa Moniz by Family  
 \* Spec. Int. For Singson Family

### Tuesday September 19<sup>th</sup> 8:30am

+\*Spec. Int. & All Souls by David & Rosa Oliveira

### Wednesday September 20<sup>th</sup> 7:00pm

+Matthew Talarico by Tony, Darlene, Michael & Anthony

### Thursday September 21<sup>th</sup> 8:30am

+Antonio Martins by Maria & Family

### Friday September 22<sup>nd</sup> 7:00pm

+Cezar Antonio Francisco by Fatima & Children

### Saturday September 23<sup>rd</sup> 9:30am

+All Souls

### Saturday September 23<sup>rd</sup> 5:00pm

+Maria Sousa & Antonio Santana by Carolina Santana  
 +Ignazio Polizzi by Wife  
 +Antonio Basa & Carlos Bento by Wife & Family  
 +Tobias Rego by Wife & Children  
 +Rev. Fr. Davis Manadan by Sponsors of St. Mary's Boarding School

+Philip Mattucci by Mc Evenue Family  
 +Charles Langley by Imelda Santos  
 +Fernando Pereira by Maria Camarneiro

### Sunday September 24<sup>th</sup>

8:30am +ProPopulo  
 10:00am +Maria Helena Oliveira by Grandchildren  
 11:30am +Anna Yaszczyszyn by Family Taucar  
 2:45pm + ProPopulo  
 6:30pm + Charles Langley by Knights of Columbus

*May God Grant Them Eternal Peace"*

"The person who fears the Lord has humility as his constant companion and, through the thoughts which humility inspires, reaches a state of divine love and thankfulness." - St. Maximus the Confessor





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