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# Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish

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## St. Paul Miki and Companions—Pray for Us!

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### SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:00pm

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

Life Teen Mass—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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Life Teen

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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.

## SITTING WITH SCRIPTURE

In the first reading of the Mass today we read: *Now war broke out in heaven, when Michael with his angels attacked the dragon. The dragon fought back with his angels but they were defeated and driven out of heaven. The great dragon, the primeval serpent known as the devil or Satan who had deceived all the world, was hurled down to the earth and his angels were hurled down with him.* The Fathers of the Church interpret these words of the Apocalypse as a testimony of the battle between Michael and the devil when the angelic spirits were put to the test. They also understand the fight Satan sustains against the Church throughout the centuries. The ongoing battle will reach a final conclusion at the end of time. According to Jewish tradition some Church Fathers corroborate that the devil is an angelic creature who became God's enemy by not accepting the dignity granted mankind by the Incarnation. The devil and his followers were ejected from heaven, and ever since have never ceased tempting men and women so that through sinning they might be deprived of glory.

Given that the devil's activity in society is occasionally *expressed with great force and is almost tangibly perceived*, the Church therefore invokes St. Michael as a protector in adversity and against his plays: *Send Michael, the prince of the heavenly hosts, to the aid of your people. May he defend them against Satan and his angels on the day of battle.* Their plots are real and threatening, since they try to extinguish the life of Christ in souls. Their manoeuvres would be terrible if we did not count on divine grace, the help of the good angels, and the help of our Blessed Mother from heaven.

*Excerpted from In Conversation with God by Francis Fernandez*

### ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED



Servers are an integral part of the Mass and they bring a sense of solemnity to our liturgical celebrations. We are in need of more servers, now more than ever. Altar Servers are not limited only to the young, but can be of any age as long as they have received their First

Communion and are interested in this very rewarding ministry. Please see Fr. Boniface after any of the weekend Masses or call the office at 905-775-2065.

### REGISTRATION DATES for FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION

Registration for First Communion is on

**Tuesday, October 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm in the Church.**

We will be having two Registration dates for  
Confirmation

**Tuesday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00pm in the  
Church**

**Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm in the  
Church**

**If you child is in Grade 2 for First Communion and  
Grade 8 for Confirmation, be sure to attend these  
very important meetings.**



All Lifeteen events start following the 6:30pm Sunday Youth Mass	All EDGE events start at 7:00 to 8:30pm on Monday evening in the Parish Hall.
<b>Sept 29 – Kickoff Boot Camp</b>	<b>Sept 30 – Kickoff Pizza Party</b>
<b>Oct 6 – LifeChain (afternoon)</b>	<b>Oct 7 – Destination Heaven</b>
<b>Oct 13 – Happy Thanksgiving</b>	<b>Oct 14 – Happy Thanksgiving</b>

## Pastoral Visits

Some parishioners have asked if we would make home visits. Fr. Cas and I are willing to come to your home for a pastoral visit or house blessing. Please call the office if you would like a visit.

## Blessing of the Animals

On October 5, 2013 at 10:00am we will be having a blessing of animals outside the front entrance to the church. Please bring your furry (or non-furry) friends if you would like to have them blessed.

### Celebrating the Feast of the Canadian Martyrs Martyrs Shrine, Midland

In Canada, we celebrate the Feast of the Martyrs on Sept. 26<sup>th</sup>. Because the feast falls on a Thursday this year, we will have the feast day celebrations on Sunday, Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup>. Please join us in prayer as we begin the novena on Friday, Sept. 13<sup>th</sup> in Midland. Visit our website for the novena prayers: [www.martyrs-shrine.com](http://www.martyrs-shrine.com).

### Mothering – Full of Grace

This prayer group will meet on the first Saturday of every month in the large meeting room from 10:00am 12:00noon. First meeting is Saturday, October 5, 2013. There will be a 20 minute video, prayers, and group discussion. Coffee, tea and snacks. **Mothers of all ages welcome.** For more information please contact Jenn Reitzel 905 251-8625 or email [jennreitzel@gmail.com](mailto:jennreitzel@gmail.com)

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Want to learn how to succeed in the workplace and still be authentically Catholic? Want to succeed in your relationships? Want to know how to speak to your family members about our Faith? TV host, columnist and training expert Dorothy Pilarski will teach you how!

Our Lady of the Lake Church in Keswick, Saturday, October 5, 2013 from 10am to 2pm.

This enlightening workshop will give you a boost! \$10/person, bagged lunch. Coffee, tea and light refreshments provided. E-mail [cjoanneb@rogers.com](mailto:cjoanneb@rogers.com) or call Joanne @905-476-4093 to register your spot.

### New Beginnings: Catholic Family Services

Come and join us for an informative evening with Sally Amaral. Her topic is "Stages of Bereavement". This presentation will take place Tuesday, October 1, 2013 from 7:00 – 9:00 at the Catholic Pastoral Centre, 1155 Yonge St., 4<sup>th</sup> Floor. No registration required. For more information please contact Deacon James 416 921-1163, ext. 2227 or email at [jshaughn@cfstoronto.com](mailto:jshaughn@cfstoronto.com)

## MASS INTENTIONS

**5:00pm Saturday, September 28<sup>th</sup>**

- + Maria Fatima & Dennis Faria by Joe Faria & Family
- + Olivia Ribeiro Cacalussa by Isaura Balugas & Family
- + Pietro Ferragine by Wife & Family
- \*Sp. Int. in thanksgiving 54<sup>th</sup> Anniversary by Jose & Maria Pereira
- + Teresa Silva by Silva Family
- + Silvano & Alice Fernandes by Silva Family
- + Luis Carlos Ferreira Romeiro by Emidio Romeiro & Family
- + Amelia & Paulo Medeiros by Lourdes & Gerry

**Sunday, September 29<sup>th</sup>**

- 8:30am** + Virgilio & Mary Domingues by Family
- 10:00am** + Lino Andrade by Joe & Lucy Andrade
- 11:30am** Pro Populo
- 4:45pm** Spanish Mass
- 6:30pm** + Nuno Azevedo by Judite Azevedo

**7:00pm Monday, September 30<sup>th</sup>**

- + Mark Oliveira by Parents & Family
- + Joao Laranjeiro & Augusto Clemente by Family
- + Joao Oliveira & Maria Rosa de Jesus by Rosa & David Oliveira
- + Mike Dimayuga by Gabriel Braganza & Family
- + Elizabeth Puiatti by Husband & Family

**8:30am Tuesday, October 1<sup>st</sup>**

- + Gwen La-a-chee by Pamela Rampersaud

**7:00pm Wednesday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>**

- + Manuel Conceicao Jr. & Maria Rosete by John & Maria Conceicao

**8:30am Thursday October 3<sup>rd</sup>**

- + All Souls by Maria da Silva

**7:00pm Friday, October 4<sup>th</sup>**

- + All Souls by Lourdes Marques

**9:30am Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup>**

- + Maria Santos Rosete & Family by Celso & Maria Domingues

**5:00pm Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup>**

- + Francisco & Jose Francisco Rodrigues by wife & mother Ester
- + Giuseppe Beninati by wife Francesca
- + Pasquale & Antonietta Baccilieri by Family
- + Frank Kuppek by Katherina Djurkowsch
- + Jose Capela Correia by Conceicao Borges
- + Jose Raposo by wife Maria Raposo & Family
- + Olivia Ribeiro Cacalussa by Isaura Balugas & Family
- + Johanna McEvenue by McEvenue Family

**Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup>**

- 8:30am** + Manuel Capeloa Sequeira by Helena Peixoto
- 10:00am** + Antonio Santana & Maria Sousa by Carolina Santana
- 11:30am** + Maria & Eugenio Arruda by Tobias & Emilia Rego
- 4:45pm** Spanish Mass
- 6:30pm** Pro Populo

**"May God Grant Them Eternal Peace"**

*But if only someone would go to them. Pray for those who are called to 'run the race' as priests, sisters, deacons or brothers. If God is calling you, contact Fr. Hansoo Park 416 968-0997, or email [vocations@vocations.ca](mailto:vocations@vocations.ca)*

## CWL Reminders

- September 30<sup>th</sup> Executive Meeting after 7:00 Mass
- October 7<sup>th</sup> General Meeting after 7:00 Mass

## AN ANGEL IS COMING

As some of you heard by now, there is a statue of a large angel being placed in the cemetery, where the turn-around is, to honor our blessed dead. Keeping to the custom, there will be space on the sides and back of the statue for those who wish a special remembrance of family members. The front of the statue will contain words of universal remembrance. The donation for this is \$200.00. It will be shown on your tax receipt next January. Due to space limitations, and, so as to offer this option to as many people as possible, we are asking that only one name be given per donation, (a maximum of 18 characters including spaces). There is room for about 150 names on the base. If you would like to add the name of a loved one, please contact the office at 905-775-2065.



### Feitas da Irmandade

**Santissima Trindade de Bradford**

**Dinner and Dance**

**Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish Hall**

**Saturday, October 12, 2013 6:30pm**

For tickets please call:

- Joao Vieira (905) 775-4473
- Eduarda Furtado (905) 775-4085
- Marcia Raposo (905) 775-5179
- Adults \$30.00
- Children (7-12 years) \$15.00

### Our Lady of Fatima

**Saturday Oct. 12, 2013** Mass at 7:00pm

followed by candlelight procession

**Sunday Oct. 13, 2013** Mass at 1:00pm followed by procession

### Canadian Saints & Us

On October 10, 17, and 24, Jim Dunn from the Archdiocese of Toronto, Office of the Formation of Discipleship, will be speaking to us about our Canadian Saints. Three such saints, St. Marguerite Bourgeoys (1620-1700), St. Andre Bessette (1845-1937), and St. Kateri Tekakwitha (1656-1680) are inspirations for us as we seek to discover, or re-discover the God within us. Come and join these interesting, informative and faith-filled discussions on how we can relate to these early Canadian servants of Christ through our own discipleship. The evenings will start at 7:00pm in the Parish Hall.

The CWL has arranged to have a tour of the church with Fr. Boniface. The focus will be on the artwork and symbols that now adorn our church. The tour will take place on Wednesday, Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup> after the 7:00pm Mass starting in the Gathering Space. Everyone is welcome.

### Upcoming Events

- Oct. 5, 2013 – Blessing of Animals - 10:00am
- Oct. 5, 2013 – Mothering - Full of Grace 10-12noon
- Oct. 12 & 13, 2013 – Our Lady of Fatima Mass & Procession
- October 12, 2013 Feitas da Irmandade, Santissima Trindade de Bradford
- Oct. 10, 17 & 24 2013 – Canadian Saints Workshop



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