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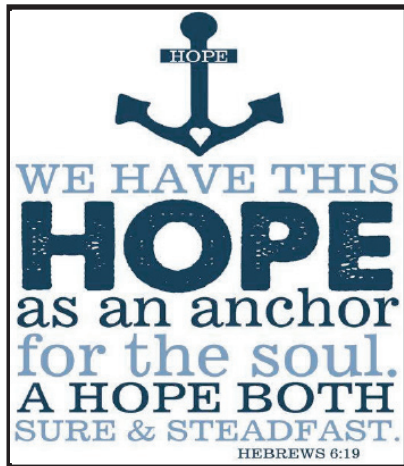
# Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish

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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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Savio Bruto da Costa



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Nancy Mora elsembrador.hmoj@gmail.com

Anthony Venroy

### 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, September 30, 7:00PM

+ Fernando Pereira +Maria & Jose Romeiro +Julie Jover  
+Noella Gillen +Frank Holohan +Maria Chiarenza  
+Shelagh Rogers \*Special Intention for Vanessa & Leslie

### TUESDAY, October 1, 8:30AM

+Maria Clara Gomes

### WEDNESDAY, October 2, 7:00PM

+Maria Santos Rosete & Manuel Conceicao

### THURSDAY, October 3, 8:30AM

+Maria Rosete & Manuel Conceicao Jr.

### FRIDAY, October 4, 7:00PM

+Jamie Meneses

### SATURDAY, October 5, 9:00AM

+ProPopulo

### SATURDAY, October 5, 5:00PM

+Maria & Eugenio Arruda +Antonio Alberto Rocha  
+Francisco Rodrigues & Jose Francisco Rodrigues  
+Albira Barbosa & Benedito da Silva + Jose Cardoso  
+Olimpia Sousa & Vitorino Nazario +Mark Oliveira  
+Arlindo Araujo +Tobias Rego & Antonio Ramos Dias  
+Idalina Moniz & Manuel Vieira +Vincenzo Catania  
+Antonella Vernola & Special Intention for the Vernola Family

### SUNDAY, October 6, 8:30 AM

+ProPopulo

### SUNDAY October 6, 10:00AM

+Antonio & Vita Ingolia

### SUNDAY, October 6, 11:30AM

\*Special Intention for Jose & Nicole Fernandes

### SUNDAY, October 6, 6:30PM

\*Special Intention for Our Seminarian Savio da Costa & All Seminarians

### 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.



### HOLY HOUR

Friday October 4, after the 7:00pm

Come be present with the Lord!

## EL SEMBRADOR



If anyone has bikes in good working condition that you would like to donate, please contact the parish office at 905 775 2065.

## REFLECTION

What most absorbs your time, your attention, and your heart? In the parable of the rich man who refused to help the beggar named Lazarus Jesus paints a dramatic scene of contrasts – riches and poverty, heaven and hell, compassion and indifference, inclusion and exclusion. We also see an abrupt and dramatic reversal of fortune. Lazarus was not only poor and a beggar, he was also sick and unable to fend for himself. He was “laid” at the gates of the rich man’s house. The dogs which licked his sores probably also stole the little bread he had for himself. Enduring torment of these savage dogs only added to the poor man’s miseries and sufferings. The rich man treated the beggar with contempt and indifference, until he found his fortunes reversed at the end of his life! In God’s economy, those who hold on possessively to what they have, lose it all in the end, while those who share generously receive back many times more than they gave away. The name *Lazarus* means *God is my help*. Despite a life of misfortune and suffering, Lazarus did not lose hope in God. His eyes were set on a treasure stored up for him in heaven. The rich man, however, could not see beyond his material wealth and possessions. He not only had everything he needed, he selfishly spent all he had on himself. He was too absorbed in what he possessed to notice the needs of those around him. He lost sight of God and the treasure of heaven because he was preoccupied with seeking happiness in material things. He served wealth rather than God. In the end the rich man became a beggar! Those who put their hope and security in the kingdom of heaven will not be disappointed (see Hebrews 6:19) Servants of the word, [www.dailyscripture.net](http://www.dailyscripture.net) Don Schwager.

## SACRAMENTS

### CONFIRMATION PARENT MEETING

For those students wishing to register and participate in the 2020 Sacrament of Confirmation there will be two meetings in October of which we would ask parents and confirmation candidates to attend to better understand the registration and celebration process of confirmation. The Parent information meetings are as follows:

Tuesday October 1, 2019 at 7:00pm

**OR**

Saturday October 5, 2019 at 10:00am

**Please attend ONE!**

### FIRST COMMUNION PARENT MEETING

For those students wishing to register 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 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!**

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time | September 29, 2019

## REMINDERS

### 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 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 its 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.



### ALPHA ... Back by Popular Demand

Holy Martyrs of Japan will be once again hosting the Alpha Series starting on **Thursday October 3, 2019 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.

### 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.

### 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. This is what St. Teresa of Calcutta did in India. Our Mission is transforming lives through faith and focusing on providing education, social and medical assistance to the boarding schools in the villages. Thank you from all of us, for your anticipated support. God Bless – *Fr. Mani*

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.

## PARISH EVENTS

### OUR LADY OF FATIMA – OCTOBER 12 & 13<sup>TH</sup>

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**

## 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

**Sept 30 - Mario Cart**

**Oct 7 - Art Show**



**LIFE TEEN**  
Leading Teens Closer to Christ

Starts Sunday September 29 at 7:45pm in the Parish Hall. The theme, "A Healthy Meal"

**Oct 6 - Love Sees**

**Oct 13 - No Life Night**



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