We welcome you to

Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish

P.O. Box 1180, 167 Essa Street, Bradford, Ont. L3Z 2B6 Telephone 905-775-2065 Fax 905-775-9241 Formed.org parish code: 2K8FFT Email:holymartyrs@rogers.com website: holymartyrsofjapan.archtoronto.org 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.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Holy Trinity High School-905-775-4841 St. Marie of the Incarnation—905-775-3492 St. Teresa of Calcutta-905-778-8653 St. Charles-905-775-6762 St. Jean de Brebeuf-905-775-8460 St. Angela Merici-289-231-2085

Pastor: Associate Pastor: Deacons:

Father Joshua Roldan Father Massillamani Zacharias Deacon David Langley Deacon Pedro Guevara-Mann Savio Bruto da Costa

Seminarian Assistant:



St. Paul Miki and Companions—Pray for Us!

OFFICE STAFF

Office Bus Manager: Delia McEvenue

Anna Maria Mongillo

Custodian/Maintenance:

Office Assistant:

MINISTERS

Youth Minister:

Ray Reitzel Email: reitzel@hotmail.com El Sembrador (Ministry to Migrant Workers): 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 7, 9:00AM +Gary Lamp & Parents

TUESDAY, September 8, 9:00AM +ProPopulo

WEDNESDAY, September 9, 7:00PM +ProPopulo

THURSDAY, September 10, 9:00AM +ProPopulo

FRIDAY, September 11, 7:00PM +ProPopulo

SATURDAY, September 12, 9:00AM +ProPopulo

SATURDAY, September 12, 5:00PM

+Idalina Moniz & Manuel Vieira +Francisco Rodrigues & Jose Francisco Rodrigues +Antonio Alberto Rocha +Adelino Oliveira & Maria Do Ceu Ferreira +Fernando Mendes & Joe Pais

SUNDAY, September 13, 8:30 AM *Special Intention in Thanksgiving

SUNDAY September 13, 10:00AM +Stefan Hrin SUNDAY, September 6, 11:30AM +ProPopulo SUNDAY, September 13, 6:30PM +Augusto Gabriel

PLEASE NOTE: THE OFFICE IS CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE, HOWEVER WE ARE RETURNING CALLS AND RESPONDING TO EMAILS ON A REGULAR BASIS



FACE MASKS OR FACE COVERINGS ARE REQUIRED WHEN ATTENDING CHURCH BY ORDER OF THE SIMCOE MUSKOKA PUBLIC HEALTH UNIT

FOSTERING FULL PARTICIPATION IN MASS

With our return to public Mass it is important to encourage the participation of the assembly. Although our singing has to be suspended we are able to respond to the prayers, listen attentively to the Word of God and recite together the parts of the Mass that are normally sung. During this time when we cannot sing or exchange a physical sign of peace may we be intentional in fostering unity during our communal prayer.

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REFLECTION

Don't brood over an offense – **speak directly and privately.** What can we learn from Jesus' instructions about how to mend a damaged relationship (Matthew 18:15-20)? If you feel you have been wronged by someone, Jesus says the first step is to speak directly but privately to the individual who has done the harm. One of the worst things we can do is brood over our grievance. This can poison our mind and heart and make it more difficult to go directly to the person who caused the damage.

If we truly want to settle a difference with someone, we need to do it face to face. If this fails in its purpose, then the second step is to bring another person or persons, someone who is wise and gracious rather than someone who is hot-tempered or judgmental. The goal is not so much to put the offender on trial, but to persuade the offender to see the wrong and to be reconciled. And if this fails, then we must still not give up, but seek the help of the Christian community. Note the emphasis here is on restoring a broken relationship by seeking the help of other Christians who hopefully will pray and seek a solution for reconciliation based on Christian love and wisdom, rather than relying on coercive force or threat of legal action, such as a lawsuit.

Lastly, if even the Christian community fails to bring about reconciliation, what must we do? Jesus seems to say that we have the right to abandon stubborn and obdurate offenders and treat them like social outcasts. The tax-collectors and Gentiles were regarding as "unclean" by the religious-minded Jews and they resorted to shunning them. However we know from the Gospel accounts that Jesus often had fellowship with tax-collectors (as well as other public sinners), ate with them, and even praised them at times! Jesus refuses no one who is open to receive pardon, healing and restoration. The Lord Jesus wants to set us free from resentment, ill-will, and an unwillingness to forgive. The love of Christ both purifies and sets us free to do good to all-even those who cause us grief. The call to accountability for what we have done and have failed to do is inevitable and we can't escape it, both in this life and at the day of judgement when the Lord Jesus will return. But while we have the opportunity today, we must not give up on praying for those who cause us offense. With God's help we must seek to make every effort to win them with the grace of God's healing love and wisdom. Do you tolerate broken relationships or do vou seek to repair them as God gives you the opportunity to mend and restore what is broken? Servants of the word, www.dailyscripture.net Don Schwager.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



WEEKDAY MASS: WALK IN Monday Wednesday & Friday – 7:00pm Tuesday Thursdays & Saturday – 9:00am Holidays: Masses are at 9:00am

WEEKEND MASSES: Saturdays – 5:00pm Vigil Mass (Seniors) Walk In - No Registration Required. Doors open 4:00pm

Sundays – 10:00am & 12:00pm Mass Registration Required Online – Eventbrite Doors open 1 hour before Mass

Sundays – 6:30pm Mass (All Age Groups) Walk In - No Registration Required. Doors open 6:00pm

EVENTBRITE Online Registration

Go to Holy Martyrs of Japan Website and click "Register for Mass" to order tickets

Please bring electronic or printed ticket for admission

The Sunday 10:00am Mass will continue to be livestreamed on youtube

REMINDERS

DISPENSATION FROM SUNDAY MASS

Cardinal Thomas Collins continues to provide dispensation form the Sunday Mass for those who may not be able to attend Mass at Church for health reasons or due to capacity restrictions.

TO REQUEST A MASS INTENTION:

If you are interested in booking a Mass Intention, Please Contact the Parish Office at 905 775 2065.

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time | September 6, 2020



Never before are we being called as a people of the Church. We ARE the CHURCH. Without you, there is no celebration of the Sacraments.

Thank you to ALL who have come forward to help during this time of transition in bringing the Sacrament of the Eucharist to our community.

If you are between the ages of 18 and 65 and would like to volunteer for this Hospitality Ministry, please leave your name with one of the ushers after Mass or you can email Anna at office.hmoj@rogers.com.

Duties involved: greeting, sanitizing hands and escorting parishioners to their seats for Mass, ushering during Communion and exiting after Mass. Duties also include sanitizing and disinfecting the pews after each of the Masses. It takes approximately 15 minutes to sanitize the Church. We require 4-6 volunteers at each Mass depending on the day and time of the Mass. We provide gloves, masks, the disinfectant and instructions. Thank you again for your support in moving our Church forward.

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS: Baptism Packages can be picked up after attending any Mass. Take the package home, complete the forms and return it after attending any Mass to clergy. A clergy member will be in touch with you to discuss details and to confirm a date.

FIRST COMMUNION Please visit our website for Communion updates

CONFIRMATION:

Due to the pandemic, Confirmation is not able to take place at this time. As soon as we hear something, the parishioners and schools will be informed.

CONFESSIONS: Can be heard a half hour before Mass or by appointment by calling the parish office to arrange a date and time.

COMMUNION FOR THE SICK: Please contact the parish office at 905 775 2065 if you are sick and need communion at home.

FUNERALS: Are resumed. Please contact the parish office at 905 775 2065

