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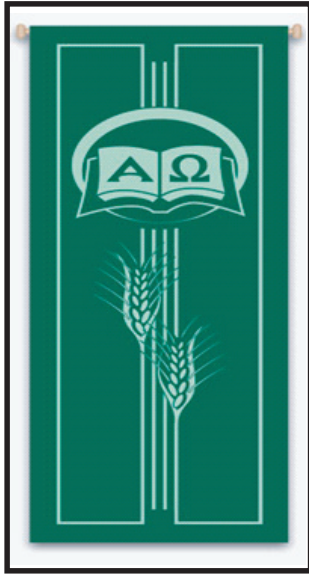
Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish

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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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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 THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

How do you expect the Lord Jesus to treat you when you ask for his help? Do you approach with fear and doubt, or with faith and confidence? Jesus never turned anyone aside who approached him with sincerity and trust. And whatever Jesus did, he did well. He demonstrated both the beauty and goodness of God in his actions. When Jesus approaches a man who is both deaf and a stutterer, Jesus shows his considerateness for this man's predicament. Jesus takes him aside privately, not doubt to remove him from embarrassment with a noisy crowd of gawkers (onlookers). Jesus then puts his fingers into the deaf man's ears and he touches the man's tongue with his own spittle to physically identify with this man's infirmity and to awaken faith in him. With a word of command the poor man's ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. What is the significance of Jesus putting his fingers into the man's ears? Gregory the Great, a church father from the 6th century, comments on this miracle: "The Spirit is called the finger of God. When the Lord puts his fingers into the ears of the deaf mute, he was opening the soul of man to faith through the gifts of the Holy Spirit." ***The transforming power of kindness and compassion.*** The people's response to this miracle testifies to Jesus' great care for others: *He has done all things well.* No problem or burden was too much for Jesus' careful consideration. The Lord treats each of us with kindness and compassion and he calls us to treat one another in like manner. The Holy Spirit who dwells within us enables us to love as Jesus loves. Do you show kindness and compassion to your neighbors and do you treat them with considerateness as Jesus did?

"Lord Jesus, fill me with your Holy Spirit and inflame my heart with love and compassion. Make me attentive to the needs of others that I may show them kindness and care. Make me an instrument of your mercy and peace that I may help others find healing and wholeness in you."



MARRIAGE RETREAT

NEWLY, YOUNG, OLD AND ENGAGED

Saturday September 15, 2018 from 9:30am to 4:30pm

It will be held at CatholicLand.com 21550 Bathurst St. Holland Landing Ontario (12 min from Holy Martyrs of Japan Church). Talks, snacks and lunch are included. Cost is \$25.00/couple or by donation. For details and to register go to CatholicLand.com or call: Marilyn/Victor at 647 834 2046. Facilitated by Deacon Pedro Guevara- Mann.



RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

I WANT TO BE A CATHOLIC

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.

PASTORAL TEACHER REFERENCE

If you or one of your children are planning on attending Teacher's College in the Fall to become a teacher in our Catholic schools, part of the application process for the Board includes a letter of reference from your pastor. If you intend to ask for a reference letter, please note that you will have to be attending Mass here regularly and be an intentional disciple to the mission of the church (i.e being involved in parish ministry or programs) before such a recommendation can be given.

If you have a son or daughter currently in Teacher's College who does not attend this parish (because they are away at school) and intends to use Holy Martyrs of Japan as the parish from which they will request a letter of reference, they will be required to obtain a letter from the pastor of the parish where they are attending while away at school. Let us pray for our Catholic teachers, students, schools and future Catholic educators!



SATURDAY OCTOBER 20, 2018

Come Join In The Festivities of the Evening! A wonderful night out for the whole family! ***Details to Follow***

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.

BACON ON A BUN

K of C will be hosting a welcome back Bacon on a Bun Breakfast for all parishioners after the morning Masses on September 16th 2018.



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 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 holy martyrs@rogers.com.

"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:

UPCOMING MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 10th 7:00PM

+ Manuel Moniz +Irma Lancha +Tobias Rego & Celestino Dias +Audrey Andrews

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 11th 8:30AM

+Heitor Saborano & Son

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 12th 7:00PM

+Domenico Ferragina

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 13th 8:30AM

+Sandra & Jennifer

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 14th 7:00PM

+All Souls

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 15th 9:00am

+All Souls

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 15th 5:00pm

+Salvatore Lizzi +Antonio Valente +Pietro Asaro & Gioachino Cristina + Giuseppe & Francesca Beninati +Vitorino Nazario & Olimpia Sousa +John Ferreira +Manuel Ferraz +Irma Lancha +Alfredo Soliva Dofiles +Joao Luis

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 16th

+8:30am Maria and Luisa Nazario
+10:00am Patrick & Margaret Connolly
+11:30am ProPopulo
+4:45pm ProPopulo
+6:30pm All Souls

"May God Grant Them Eternal Peace"



Offering
Envelopes



NEW PARISHIONERS-OFFERING ENVELOPES

If you are new to the community, Welcome to Holy Martyrs of Japan! If you would like to register, please feel free to pick up a Sunday Offering box and/or complete a registration form located in the narthex of the Church on the credenza. You can either drop off your completed form at the office, or include it with your first envelope offering. Pre-Authorization and Offering Envelopes will also be made available to you.

If you have moved and have not notified the Parish please call, so we can update our database 905 775 2065.



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