## 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: 10:00am, 12:00pm &

6:30pm

#### **WEEKDAY MASSES**

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays 7:00pm Tuesdays, Thursdays & 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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#### **PARISH MINISTRIES and SOCIETIES**

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#### **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, January 11, 7:00PM

+Augusta Barros & Joao Gomes Faria

#### TUESDAY, January 12, 9:00AM

+ProPopulo

#### WEDNESDAY, January 13, 7:00PM

+Janeiro Manuel Cruz Conceicao & Maria Santos Rosete

#### THURSDAY, January 14, 9:00AM

+Maria Sousa & Antonio Santana

#### FRIDAY, January 15, 7:00PM

+Nique de Lourenco & Family

#### SATURDAY, January 16, 9:00AM

+ProPopulo

#### SATURDAY, January 16, 5:00PM

+Emilia Avila & Joe Avelar +Euclides Dos Santos Pinho +Rafael Chavez +Michael Mulcahy +Garcia Miguelo & Luisa Loreiro +Jose Maltez +David Harrison +Cathy Von Kintzelat

#### SUNDAY, January 17, 10:00AM

+Manuel Nuno Rodrigues & Fatima Faria

SUNDAY, January 17, 12:00PM

+Halina Woznica

SUNDAY, January 17, 6:30PM

+ProPopulo

#### **2021 OFFERING ENVELOPES**

Pre-Authorized Giving

Parishioners are encouraged to sign up for preauthorized giving (PAG). In light of Covid-19, it is a convenient, easy and automatic way to support your parish. You access a form by visiting our website and Click the "Covid 19" tab and click on Pre-authorized Giving or contact the office.

Offering Envelopes

#### Envelope Pick up for Seniors:

A volunteer will be assisting our seniors at the 5:00pm Mass with envelope pick up. Upon entering please provide the usher with your name and box number and a volunteer will bring your offering box to your seat before the start of Mass.

As of December 26, 2020, please contact the office for more information.

#### New and Existing Parishioners:

Unfortunately, we had to reduce the number of boxes ordered this year as many were not in use. Anyone who was using box numbers from 800 and up will be assigned a new number. To pick up your new box contact the office.

#### REFLECTION

Why did Jesus, the Sinless One, submit himself to John's baptism? John preached a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins (Luke 3:3) – of which Jesus had no need. However, in this humble submission we see a foreshadowing of the "baptism" of his bloody death upon the cross. Jesus' baptism is the acceptance and the beginning of his mission as God's suffering Servant (Isaiah 53). He allowed himself to be numbered among sinners. Jesus submitted himself entirely to his Father's will. Out of love he consented to this baptism of death for the remission of our sins. Do you know the joy of trust and submission to God?

The Father proclaimed his entire delight in his Son and spoke audibly for all to hear. The Holy Spirit, too, was present as he anointed Jesus for his ministry which began that day as he rose from the waters of the Jordan River. Jesus will be the source of the Spirit for all who come to believe in him. At his baptism the heavens were opened and the waters were sanctified by the descent of Jesus and the Holy Spirit, signifying the beginning of a new creation.

Do you want to see your life transformed by the love and power of Jesus Christ? And do you want to become a more effective instrument of the Gospel of peace, mercy, and righteousness? Examine Jesus' humility and ask the Holy Spirit to forge this same attitude in your heart. As you do, heaven will open for you as well. The Lord Jesus is ever ready to renew us in his Holy Spirit and to anoint us for mission. We are called to be the "light" and "salt" to those around us. The Lord wants his love and truth to shine through us that others may see the goodness and truth of God's message of salvation. Ask the Lord Jesus to fill you with his Holy Spirit that you may radiate the joy of the Gospel to those around you.

Servants of the word, www.dailyscripture.net Don Schwager.

**DISPENSATION FROM SUNDAY MASS:** Cardinal Thomas Collins continues to provide dispensation from the Sunday Mass for those who may not be able to attend Mass at Church for health reasons or capacity.

THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED AS OF DECEMBER 26, 2020 AS PER NEW PROVINCIAL GUIDELINES, HOWEVER WE ARE RETURNING CALLS AND RESPONDINGTO EMAILS ON A REGULAR BASIS

Due to new provincial restrictions, our regular Mass schedules as listed below may no longer apply. Please contact the Parish for more information. Thank you.



#### 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

#### ON-LINE DONATIONS

Thank you to all of you who continue to support us with your donations as you come to Mass each week. Our beautiful parish is open for Mass and we have worked diligently following guidance from public health authorities to make the environment safe for you and all who visit. It is with much gratitude and thanks to ALL our volunteers that make this possible.

We have benefited greatly from the Canada Wage Subsidy, but that support is scheduled to stop after September. Our parish relies on the support of our parishioners to operate – salaries, programs and ongoing operating costs (heating, water, electricity, etc.) These are funded through the generosity of our parish community. It continues to be a challenge for our parish to maintain operations without the weekly offertory collection. We are most thankful for your continued and anticipated support during this difficult time.

### **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 & CONFIRMATION:

Emails were sent out back in August to book a date and time through Eventbrite for those who pre-registered to receive the Sacrament of Communion (our current grade 3's). Due to the lack of interest, as the dates and times offered did not fill, no additional dates for Communion were released. Those still waiting to receive the sacrament (current grade 3's), who did not register for the dates that were made available via Eventbrite, please come to any of our Masses, weekday or weekend, and speak to Fr. Joshua or any of the clergy, regarding the Sacrament.

We have completed the Sacrament of Confirmation for those students who pre-registered last year (our now grade 8's). Two sets of Confirmation dates have been released via email along with a link to register for your date through Eventbrite.

For our current grade 2's and 7's, wishing to receive First Holy Communion and Confirmation, the plan is to have a parent meeting in January, so that we can carefully plan and prepare the materials needed to assist you and your family on this journey. All will be communicated to you through whatever means we have. We invite you to come to Mass, watch it on youtube, or go to our website for any further updates or announcements.

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

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

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

TO REQUEST A MASS INTENTION: If you are interested in booking a Mass Intention, please contact the parish office at 905 775 2065



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