

We welcome you to

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



Pastor: Father Joshua Roldan
Associate Pastor: Father Massillamani Zacharias
Deacons: Deacon David Langley
Deacon Pedro Guevara-Mann



St. Paul Miki and Companions—Pray for Us!

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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OFFICE STAFF

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MINISTERS

Youth Minister: Ray Reitzel Email: reitzel@hotmail.com
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PARISH MINISTRIES and SOCIETIES

Alpha
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LifeTeen Youth Ministry
El Sembrador
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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.

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, February 15, 9:00AM – Family Day

+Frank Calabrese

TUESDAY, February 16, 9:00AM

+ProPopulo

ASH WEDNESDAY, February 17, 7:00PM

+ProPopulo

THURSDAY, February 18, 9:00AM

+ProPopulo

FRIDAY, February 19, 7:00PM

+ProPopulo

SATURDAY, February 20, 9:00AM

+ProPopulo

SATURDAY, February 20, 5:00PM

+Michele & Caterina Puma + Anthony McEvenue +All Deceased Members of Santana Family +Maria Helena Oliveira +Paul Gres *Special Intention for Matthew Mongillo& Angelo Mongillo

SUNDAY, February 21, 10:00AM

+Giuseppe Gullo

SUNDAY, February 21, 12:00PM

+Maria Albina & Natividade Miranda

SUNDAY, February 21, 6:30PM

+Francesco Gammicchia

2021 OFFERING ENVELOPES

Pre-Authorized Giving

Parishioners are encouraged to sign up for pre-authorized 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.

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.

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.

REFLECTION

Do you seek the Lord Jesus with expectant faith? No one who sought Jesus out was refused his help. Even the untouchables and the outcasts found help in him. Unlike the people of Jesus' time who fled at the sight of a leper, Jesus touched the leper who approached him and he made him whole and clean. Why was this so remarkable? Lepers were outcasts of society. They were driven from their homes and communities and left to fend for themselves. Their physical condition was terrible as they slowly lost the use of their limbs and withered away. They were not only shunned but regarded as "already dead" even by their relatives. The Jewish law forbade anyone from touching or approaching a leper, lest ritual defilement occur.

This leper did something quite bold. He approached Jesus confidently and humbly, expecting that Jesus could and would heal him. Normally a leper would be stoned or at least warded off if he tried to come near a rabbi. Jesus not only grants the man his request, but he demonstrates the personal love, compassion and tenderness of God in his physical touch. The medical knowledge of his day would have regarded such contact as grave risk for incurring infection. Jesus met the man's misery with compassion and tender kindness.

He communicated the love and mercy of God in a sign that spoke more eloquently than words. He touched the mad and made him clean – not only physically, but spiritually as well.

How do you approach those who are difficult to love, or who are shunned by others because they are different? Do you show them kindness and offer them mercy and helps as Jesus did? The Lord is always ready to show us his mercy and to free us from whatever makes us unclean, unapproachable or unloving towards others.

Lord Jesus, inflame my heart with your love and make me clean and whole in body, mind, and spirit. May I never doubt your love nor cease to tell others of your mercy and compassion

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

PLEASE NOTE THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY FEBRUARY 15, 2021 FOR FAMILY DAY. HAVE A BLESSED LONG WEEKEND.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time | February 14, 2021

HOLY MARTYRS OF JAPAN MASS SCHEDULE

Due to new provincial restrictions, our regular Mass schedules are cancelled at this time. Please Note: You can follow us on social media via Twitter and Facebook

Website:

<https://holymartyrsjapan.archtoronto.org>

You Tube:

<https://www.youtube.com/c/HolyMartyrsOfJapanParish>

Twitter:

https://twitter.com/holy_martyrs

Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/holymartyrsjapan/>

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

PLEASE NOTE: THE PARISH OFFICE IS OPEN BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

TO REQUEST A MASS INTENTION: If you are interested in booking a Mass Intention, 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.

THANK YOU FROM ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Thank you to all of those in our community who came to our aid with donations of cash and gift cards for distribution over this Christmas season.

We have experienced an increase in the number of citizens in our town seeking assistance for food, rent and utilities due to the pandemic. Your generosity has made a difference of a child receiving a gift for Christmas or not getting anything at all. A heart felt thank you to all who supported this ministry

If you would like to volunteer for the St. Vincent de Paul Society or would like more information, please call 905 775 2065 ext.50.

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. (To resume after lockdown restrictions)

FIRST COMMUNION/CONFESSIONS & CONFIRMATION:

To all parents and guardians of Grade 2 and Grade 7 Students

In this incredibly unsettled time, your thoughts may not be directed to First Communion, First Confession, or Confirmation. Obviously, there is a lot we cannot decide about moving ahead with these sacraments at present. We cannot give you dates or much direction on how the process will run. At this time, we are inviting those who wish to enroll their child for the Sacrament relevant to their grade:

Communion: Registration Link

<https://forms.gle/eeRewUjWHqmJ3jfv9>

Confirmation: Registration Link

<https://forms.gle/W4iHdfZoEF6aPthv8>

Forms are available on the parish website at:

<https://holymartyrsjapan.archtoronto.org> or by clicking on the links above. These will be available online for the remainder of the lockdown period, at which time we will revert to the process that we have used over the last number of years.

It is perfectly appropriate to put the Sacraments on the back burner for the time being. We will be in touch again as we move through the pandemic and this crisis.

To keep some semblance of a relationship with the parish, a reminder that Mass is streamed every Sunday at 10AM (please see the links), followed by a drive by procession to receive the Holy Eucharist or a blessing in your vehicle after the livestream between 11:00am and 1:00pm. We look forward to seeing you.

Please keep well and be safe through this time. Stay home during the provincial lockdown and remember if you are not feeling well, please stay home. And as always, continue to keep each other in prayer.

Pax Christi,

Fr. Joshua

CONFESSIONS: By appointment at this time.

Please contact the parish office for further information

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