

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
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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.

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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 22, 7:00PM

+ProPopulo

TUESDAY, February 23, 9:00AM

+ProPopulo

WEDNESDAY, February 24, 7:00PM

+Deolinda Oliveira

THURSDAY, February 25, 9:00AM

+ProPopulo

FRIDAY, February 26, 7:00PM

+ProPopulo

SATURDAY, February 27, 9:00AM

+ProPopulo

SATURDAY, February 27, 5:00PM

+Maria dos Anjos & Rosa Miranda +Francesco

Gammicchia +Beatrice & Jack Purcell +All Deceased

Sargeant Family Members

SUNDAY, February 28, 10:00AM

+Bruno Serato

SUNDAY, February 28, 12:00PM

+Glen MacLean

SUNDAY, February 28, 6:30PM

+ProPopulo

2021 OFFERING ENVELOPES

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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. 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 2021 offering envelopes, please contact the office.

PLEASE NOTE: THE PARISH OFFICE IS OPEN BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

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.

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.

REFLECTION

In the Old testament 40 days was often seen as a significant period of testing and preparation for entering into a covenant relationship with God. God tested Abraham to prove his faith. The Israelites were sorely tested in Egypt before God delivered them from their enemies. Jesus was no exception to this testing. After Jesus was anointed by the Spirit in the waters the Jordan River, he journeyed to the wilderness of Judea for 40 days to prepare himself for the mission of which the Father sent him to accomplish – to offer his life as the perfect atoning sacrifice for our sins. Satan did his best to entice Jesus to choose his own will over the will of his Father in heaven. Despite his weakened condition, due to fatigue and lack of food for 40 days, Jesus steadfastly rejected Satan's subtle and not so subtle temptations. Where did Jesus find his strength to survive the desert's harsh conditions and tempter's seduction? He fed on his Father's word and found strength in doing his will. Satan will surely tempt us and will try his best to get us to choose our will over God's will.

How do we enter the kingdom of God? In announcing the good news of the Gospel, Jesus gave two explicit things each of us must do in order to receive the kingdom of God: **Repent and Believe.**

Repentance is the first step to surrendering my will and my life to God. Repent means to turn away from sin and wrong-doing, to change my way of thinking, my attitude, my disposition, and the way I choose to live my life, to a way that honors and glorifies HIM. To follow God's way of love, truth and moral goodness. Whatever stands in the way of God's will and plan for my life must be surrendered to him-my sinful pride, my rebellious attitude and stubborn will to do as I please rather than which pleases HIM. If I am only sorry for the consequences of my own sinful ways, I will very likely keep repeating the same sins. True repentance requires a contrite heart and true sorrow for sins (Psalms 51:17) and a firm resolution to sin no more.

To **Believe** is to take Jesus at his word and recognize that God loved us so much that he sent his only begotten Son to free us from bondage to sin and harmful desires. God made the supreme sacrifice of his Son to bring us back to a relationship of peace, friendship and unity with Him. He is our Father and he wants us to live in joy and freedom as his *beloved* sons and daughters.

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

LENTEN PREPARATION

Come join us every Friday in reflection and adoration during the season of Lent. There will be adoration from 6:00pm-7:00pm, followed by Mass from 7:00pm - 7:30pm and closing with adoration again from 7:30pm to 8:30pm.

LENTEN FAST and RECONCILIATION

- ✓ Fast from HURTING WORDS and say KIND WORDS
- ✓ Fast from SADNESS and be filled with GRATITUDE
- ✓ Fast from ANGER and be filled with PATIENCE
- ✓ Fast from PESSIMISM and be filled with HOPE
- ✓ Fast from WORRIES and TRUST IN GOD
- ✓ Fast from COMPLAINTS and contemplate SIMPLICITY
- ✓ Fast from PRESSURES and be PRAYERFUL
- ✓ Fast from BITTERNESS and fill your heart with JOY
- ✓ Fast from SELFISHNESS and be COMPASSIONATE to others
- ✓ Fast from GRUDGES and be RECONCILED
 - ✓ Fast from WORDS and be SILENT so you can listen

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

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/eeRewUWHgmJ3jfv9>

Confirmation: Registration Lin

<https://forms.gle/W4iHdfZoEF6aPthv8>

Forms are available on the parish website at:

<https://holymartyrssofjapan.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 now being celebrated in the Church throughout the week and weekends, as well as live streamed every Sunday at 10AM (please see the links). 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

FUNERALS: Please contact the parish office at 905 775 2065

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