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 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



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:

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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, March 1, 7:00PM +Euclides do Santos Pinho TUESDAY, March 2, 9:00AM +Olimpia Sousa & Vitorino Nazario WEDNESDAY, March 3, 7:00PM +Samantha Diogo THURSDAY, March 4, 9:00AM +Peggy Langley FRIDAY, March 5, 7:00PM +Arminda & Heitor Saborano

SATURDAY, March 6, 9:00AM +ProPopulo

SATURDAY, March 6, 5:00PM

+Joao Neves + Maria & Eugenio Arruda +All deceased Members of Marques & Gomes Families +Antonio Janeiro +Samir Chaar +Abilio Soares +Antonio Martins & Parents

SUNDAY, March 7, 10:00AM +ProPopulo SUNDAY, March 7, 12:00PM +P. Zacharias SUNDAY, March 7, 6:30PM +Brenda Ginn

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. 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 that tax receipts for 2020 were mailed out in the second week of February.

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.

REFLECTION

What is the significance of this mysterious transfiguration? Jesus went to the mountain knowing full well what awaited him in Jerusalem – his betrayal, rejection and crucifixion. God the Father also spoke with Jesus and gave his approval: *This is my beloved Son; listen to him.* The Father glorified his Son because he obeyed. The Lord Jesus not only wants us to see his glory-he wants to share this glory with us. And Jesus shows us the way to the Father's glory: follow me-obey my words-take the path I have chosen for you and you will receive the glory and blessings of my Father's kingdom-your names will be written in heaven (Luke 10:20).

Jesus succeeded in his mission because he willingly went to Calvary (where he offered up his life for us on the cross), so that Paradise (our true dwelling place with God) would be restored to us once again. He embraced the cross to obtain the crown of glory that awaits each one of us. If we hope to share fully in his glory, we too, must follow him in the way of the cross-by dying to sin and embracing his will for our lives. This is the only true path that leads to everlasting peace and joy with God. How much do WE miss of God's glory and action because we are asleep spiritually? There are many things which can keep our minds asleep to the things of God: Mental lethargy and the "unexamined life" can keep us from thinking things through and facing our doubts and questions in the light of Christ's truth. The life of ease can also hinder us from considering the challenging or disturbing demands of Christ to forsake all for him and his kingdom. Prejudice can

make us blind to something new the Lord may have for us. Even sorrow and grief can be a block until we can see past it to the glory of God.

Peter, James and John were privileged witnesses of the glory of Christ. We, too, as disciples of Christ are called to the same. We all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being changed into his likeness form one degree of glory to another; for this comes form the Lord who is the Spirit (2 Corinthians 3:18). Be spiritually awake, for the Lord wants to reveal his glory to us, his beloved disciples.

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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/eeRewUhWHgmJ3jfv9

Confirmation: Registration Lin https://forms.gle/W4iHdfZoEF6aPthv8

Forms are available on the parish website at: <u>https://holymartyrsofjapan.archtoronto.org</u> 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

