We welcome you to

Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish

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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

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Father Joshua Roldan

Deacon David Langley

Father Massillamani Zacharias

Deacon Pedro Guevara-Mann

St. Paul Miki and Companions—Pray for Us!

OFFICE STAFF

Office Bus Manager: Delia McEvenue

Anna Maria Mongillo

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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 29, 7:00PM +Isabel Santos Domingues +Antonietta Bertocchi +Maria Adelaide Cordeiro TUESDAY, March 30, 9:00AM +ProPopulo WEDNESDAY, March 31, 7:00PM +Samantha Diogo HOLY THURSDAY, April 1, 7:00PM +ProPopulo

GOOD FRIDAY, April 2, 9:00am, 12:00PM & 3:00PM +ProPopulo

HOLY SATURDAY, April 3, 9:00AM NO MORNING MASS SATURDAY EASTER VIGIL, April 3, 8:00PM +ProPopulo

EASTER SUNDAY, April 4, 10:00AM +ProPopulo EASTER SUNDAY, April 4, 12:00PM +ProPopulo EASTER SUNDAY, April 4, 6:30PM +ProPopulo

2021 SHARELIFE CAMPAIGN Our Parish's ShareLife Campaign is now underway ShareLife Sunday is April 18th

In this time of Lent, please reflect on the great needs of our brothers and sisters who are helped and rely on your generous support of ShareLife. Last year, generous ShareLife supporters enabled 21,000 people to receive affordable mental health care through family service agencies across the Archdiocese of Toronto, including our community. Please give generously.

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.

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

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

REFLECTION

Does the King of glory find a welcome entry int your home and heart? Jesus went to Jerusalem knowing full well what awaited him – betrayal, rejection, and crucifixion. The people of Jerusalem, however were ready to hail him as their Messianic King! Little did they know what it would cost this king to usher in his kingdom. Jesus' entry into Jerusalem astride a colt was a direct fulfillment of the Messianic prophecy of Zechariah (9:9):

"Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion. Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem. Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, and riding on a donkey and upon a colt the foal of a donkey."

The colt was a sign of peace. Jesus enters Jerusalem in meekness and humility, as the Messianic King who offers victory and peace to his people. That victory and peace would be secured in the cross and resurrection which would soon take place at the time of Passover.

Augustine, the great 5th century church father, comments on the significance of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem:

"The master of humility is Christ who humbled himself and became obedient even to death, even the death of the cross. Thus, he does not lose his divinity when he teaches us humility... What great thing was it to the king of the ages to become the king of humanity? For Christ was not the king of Israel so that he might exact a tax or equip an army with weaponry and visibly vanquish an enemy. He was the king of Israel in that he rules minds, in that he gives counsel for eternity, in that he leads into the kingdom of heaven for those who believe, hope, and love. It is a condescension, not an advancement for one who is the Son of God, equal to the Father, the Word through whom all things were made, to become king of Israel. It is an indication of pity, not an increase in power." (Tractates on John 51.3-4)

Jesus Christ came to bring us the kingdom of God. He is the true King who offers peace, joy, and everlasting life for those who accept his kingship. Does the King of glory find a welcome entry in your heart and home? Do your walls echo with the praise of his glory? Servants of the word, www.dailyscripture.net Don Schwager.

Lord Jesus, be the King and Ruler of my heart, mind, life and home. May my life reflect your meekness and humility that you may be honored as the King of Glory!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please note registration required for ALL Masses except for Sunday April 4, at 6:30pm Mass

TRIDUUM



HOLY THURSDAY - Livestreamed April 1, 2021 at 7:00pm – Mass of the Lord's Supper Followed by Adoration until 12 Midnight

GOOD FRIDAY

April 2, 2021 at 9:00am 12:00pm and 3:00pm (Livestreamed) Celebration of the Lord's Passion Day of Fasting and Abstinence 7:00pm Solemn Stations of the Cross – Walk In

HOLY SATURDAY - Livestreamed April 3, 2021 (No Morming Mass)

(No Morning Mass) 8:00pm Easter Vigil

EASTER SUNDAY April 4, 2021 Masses will be celebrated in the Church and Parish Hall. Please register for ONE 10:00am (Livestreamed), 12:00pm 6:30pm Mass – Walk In

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

We invite our entire community to join in the Divine Mercy Novena this year. Recite it together as a family or on your own. Celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday is on Sunday April 11th 3:00pm

To be sure we do not exceed capacity, you Must register for this Mass

GARDEN OF LILIES



Holy Saturday – No Morning Mass To help decorate our Church for Easter, we invite

parishioners to bring a lily plant in memory of their loved ones to be placed in our memorial garden of lilies at the altar. You can drop off your plant at the parish office during the hours of 9:30am-4:30pm on Monday March 29th, 30th and 31st. You may also drop off your lily on Saturday April 3rd between 9:00am and 12:00pm at the front doors of the Church and someone will be there to receive them. Labels will be completed by our staff with the name of your loved ones affixed to your lily. Labels will be completed by our staff with the name of your loved ones.

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

To all communion candidates and families who have registered for the 2021 First Holy Communion Sacrament. You should have received an email from Fr. Joshua on Sacramental Preparation and the How to Register for Communion dates, along with links for each. Please note, that the Eventbrite link will be live on Wednesday March 17, 2021 at 10:00am for you to choose the date you wish to celebrate your child's Communion. Please choose ONE date. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact the office and speak to Anna. We hope to see you and your families at Mass.

CONFIRMATION:

We have been accepting registrations for Confirmation for several months for students in grades 7 (class of 2021) and grade 8 (Class of 2020) and for all candidates who wish to receive their Sacrament who registered last year and did not receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU REGISTER OR RE-REGISTER YOUR CHILD BEFORE MARCH 19, 2021 to make sure we include everyone who wishes to receive this Sacrament.

A March 11, 2021 Confirmation update was sent out which outlines the "next step". Once registration is closed and we have our numbers, we will be contacting families who registered, via email to provide them with Eventbrite links in which to choose their date of Confirmation. As well, there is a home based and Parish based preparation program in which to assist you to prepare your child for the Sacrament. Please note: that the Parish based program, Alpha Youth Virtual has limited spots and will be designated on a first come first serve basis. Please refer to the letter posted on our website for further instruction. It is perfectly appropriate to put the Sacraments on the back burner for the time being. We are currently in Red which means the Church is open for Mass. We look forward to seeing you.

CONFESSIONS: By appointment at this time. Please contact the parish office for further information

FUNERALS: Please contact the parish office at 905 775 2065

