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.

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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, June 14, 7:00 PM

*Special Intention for Teresa Kang

TUESDAY, June 15, 9:00AM

+Jamie Meneses

WEDNESDAY, June 16, 7:00PM

+ProPopulo

THURSDAY, June 17, 9:00PM

+Maria Branco

FRIDAY, June 18, 7:00PM

+Luis Pontes

SATURDAY, June 19, 9:00AM

+ProPopulo

SATURDAY, June 19, 5:00PM

- +All Deceased Members of Santana Family
- +Francesco Gammicchia +Salvatore Cipponeri
- +Abilio Soares +Arlindo Araujo Sr. +Eduino
- Cabral & Fernando Paulino +Sandra DaSilva & Jennifer DaSilva +Maria Adelaide Cordeiro
- +Eduardo Lancha & Joao Ferreira +Teresa Silva
- +Bill Greer +Carmela Mongillo

SUNDAY, June 20, 10:00AM

+Manuel Nuno Rodrigues & Dennis Faria

SUNDAY, June 20, 12:00PM

+Greg McIntyre & Ilona Szabo

SUNDAY, June 20 6:30PM

+ProPopulo

Offering Envelopes

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. Please contact the parish 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

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

REFLECTION

What can mustard seeds teach us about the kingdom of God? The tiny mustard seed literally grew to be a tree which attracted numerous birds because they loved the little black mustard seed it produced. God's kingdom works in a similar fashion. It starts from the smallest beginnings in the hearts of men and women who are receptive to God's word. And it works unseen and causes a transformation from within. Just as a seed has no power to change itself until it is planted in the ground, so we cannot change our lives to be like God until God gives us the power of his Holy Spirit.

The Lord of the Universe is ever ready to transform us by the power of his Spirit. The kingdom of God produces a transformation in those who receive the new life which Jesus Christ offers. When we yield to the Lord Jesus and allow his word to take root in us, our lives are transformed by the power of the Holy Spirit who dwells within us. Paul the Apostle says, "we have this treasure in earthen vessels, to show that the transcendent power belongs to God and not to us" (2 Corinthians 4:7). Do you believe in the transforming power of the Holy Spirit?

Peter Chrysologous (400-450AD), an early church father explained how the "tree of the cross" spread its branches throughout the world and grew into a worldwide community of faith offering its fruit to the whole world: "Christ became all things in order to restore us all in himself. The man Christ received the mustard seed which represents the kingdom of God. He sowed it in his garden, that is in his bride, the Church. The Church is a garden is a garden extending over the whole world, tilled by the plough of the gospel, fenced in by stakes of doctrine and discipline, cleared of every harmful weed by the labor of the apostles, fragrant and lovely with perennial flowers: virgins' lilies and martyr's roses set amid the pleasant verdure of all who bear witness to Christ and the tender plants of all who have faith in him. Such then is the mustard seed which Christ sowed in his garden."

Lord Jesus, fill me with your Holy Spirit and transform me into the Christ-like holiness you desire. Increase my zeal for your kingdom and instill in me a holy desire to live for your greater glory.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PLEASE NOTE: DUE TO THE RECENT ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE PROVINVIAL GOVERNMENT, COMMENCING FRIDAY JUNE 11, WE WILL BE ENTERING INTO STEP 1 OF THE RE-OPENING PLAN WHICH ALLOWS FOR INPERSON RELIGIOUS GATHERINGS/ MASSES TO RESUME AT 15% CAPACITY. IN LIGHT OF THIS NEW ANNOUNCEMENT, OUR MASS SCHEDULE WILL RESUME ON FRIDAY JUNE 11, AT 7:00PM

Sunday Mass will continue to be livestreamed via Youtube at 10:00am

https://holymartyrsofjapan.archtoronto.org/



IN PERSON MASS IS CANCELLED AT THIS TIME UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

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) Doors open 1 hour before Mass

Sundays – 10:00am & 12:00pm Mass Doors open 1 hour before Mass

Sundays – 6:30pm Mass (All Age Groups) Doors open 1 hour before Mass

The Sunday 10:00am Mass will continue to be livestreamed on Youtube

2021 SHARELIFE CAMPAIGN

Our Parish's ShareLife Campaign is now underway

Please reflect on the great needs of our brothers and sisters in these most difficult of times who are helped and rely on your generous support of ShareLife. Please give generously.

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 be resumed after lockdown restrictions)

FIRST COMMUNION/CONFESSIONS

To all communion candidates and families who have registered and chosen dates for the 2021 First Holy Communion Sacrament: On May 20th, 2021 the Provincial Government of Ontario shared their "roadmap to Reopen" outlining a three step approach that will be implemented throughout Ontario. Step 1 is expected to be introduced the week of June 14. Each step will last a minimum of 21 days- movement to the next step is also impacted by the number of positive Covid-19 cases in the province, demand on the Intensive Care Unit in hospitals as well as the vaccination rate for Ontarians. Step 1 limits indoor gatherings at places of worship to the current hard cap of 10 people. In Step 1, outdoor religious services may be conducted without limits as long as 2 m distancing is maintained. Step 2- First week of July at the earliest – places of worship are permitted 15% capacity. Step 3- At least 21 days following the start of Step 2 – places of worship are permitted "larger indoor services, rites or ceremonies" – no specific number or percentage is provided. This means that the earliest the Church can reopen is 21 days after Step 1 commences and reaches its target goals for vaccinations.

In light of this new announcement First Communions will be postponed at this time with new dates to be determined. Updates will be communicated via Livestream Mass at 10am on YouTube, as well as through our website, online bulletin, and social media. We recognize and share the same stress and frustration everyone is feeling due to the spiritual and social pains inflicted by these restrictions. However, we also recognize the need to do our part, together in battling this pandemic for the sake of our brothers and sisters. We are grateful for the hard work and dedication of our front-line workers and volunteers of the parish who make our place of prayer clean and safe. Remain in hope as we know that these measures are temporary with a beginning and an end. We look forward to the day that we can once again gather without restrictions to celebrate the Eucharist, the Source and Summit of our Faith.

Pax Christi, Rev. Fr. Joshua Roldan

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

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