# We welcome you to

# Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish

P.O. Box 1180, 167 Essa Street, Bradford, Ont. L3Z 2B6

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#### **SUNDAY MASSES**

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm

Sunday: 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00pm & 6:30pm

#### **WEEKDAY MASSES**

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays 7:00pm Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturdays 9:00am

#### **CONFESSIONS**

Saturday: 8:00am to 8:45am and 3:30pm to 4:30pm or by appointment.

#### **BAPTISMS**

Please contact the parish office or Father John.

#### **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**

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#### **OFFICE STAFF**

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#### **PARISH MINISTRIES and SOCIETIES**

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#### **CULTURAL GROUPS**

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# NEW PARISHIONERS: WELCOME!

We are delighted to have you join our parish family; we invite you to register by completing the form in the parish foyer or at the parish office. Offering envelopes available by request.

#### **WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS**

#### MONDAY, August 16, 7:00 PM

+Manuel Nuno Rodrigues & Rufino Rodrigues +Sidonio Marques

TUESDAY, August 17, 9:00AM

+Maria Borges

WEDNESDAY, August 18, 7:00PM

+Teresa Silva

THURSDAY, August 19, 9:00PM

+Glorinda Da Silva

FRIDAY, August 20, 7:00PM

+Virgilio Santos Conceicao & Jose Santos Conceicao

#### SATURDAY, August 21, 9:00AM

+Savariammal

#### SATURDAY, August 21, 5:00PM

+Patrick Connolly +Deceased Members of Santana Family + Arlindo Araujo Sr. +Jose Miranda +Liviano Fabbro +Abilio Soares +Augusto Balugas & George Balugas

#### SUNDAY, August 22, 8:00AM

+All Deceased Members of Borges & Da Silva Families

#### SUNDAY, August 22, 10:00AM

+Virgilio Conceicao & Jose Conceicao

SUNDAY, August 22, 12:00PM

+Maria Da Incarcao

SUNDAY, August 22, 6:30PM

+ProPopulo

Offering Envelopes

#### 2021 OFFERING ENVELOPES

To pick up your 2021 offering envelopes, please contact the office.

# PLEASE NOTE: THE PARISH OFFICE IS OPEN BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

#### ADORATION CHAPEL

We are happy to announce that our Adoration Chapel open once again for prayer, Monday-Friday from 9:30am-4:30pm. "We can pray anywhere," Cardinal Collins writes, "but there is no more fitting place to pray on earth than in the sacramental presence of the Lord. There we are profoundly struck with the awesome mystery of God's grace."

#### FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH ADORATION

Adoration and Benediction will follow the after the 7:00pm Mass on the First Friday of every month.

**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

How strong is your hope in the promises of God? Mary is a model of faith and hope for us. And she is among "the first fruits" of "all those who belong to Jesus" and who share in his triumph (1 Corinthians 15:20-24). There is a venerable tradition dating back to the early church which marks Mary's "falling asleep" (called the Feast of Dormition in many Eastern churches) and her heavenly birthday when she was received into heaven. Her reception into heaven is seen as a sign to all believing Christians of the promise Jesus made that we too would be received into paradise. At the las supper Jesus told his disciples that he would prepare a place for them in his Father's house. "And when I go to prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also" (John 14:3). Jesus made himself an offering and sacrifice, a gift that was truly pleasing to the Father. He "offered himself without blemish to God" (Hebrews 9:14) and "gave himself as a sacrifice to God" (Ephesians 5:2).

What enabled Mary to grow in faith and to persevere in hope in the face of obstacles and trials? The Gospel of Luke reveals the presence and power of the Holy Spirit in Mary's life. When Elizabeth and Mary greeted one another, they were filled with the Holy Spirit and with a joyful anticipation of the fulfillment of God's promise to give a Savior. John the Baptist, even before the birth of the Messiah, pointed to his coming and leapt for joy in the womb of his mother as the Holy Spirit revealed to him the presence of the Anointed King in the womb of Mary.

The Holy Spirit is God's gift to us to enable us to know and experience the indwelling presence of God and the power of his kingdom. The Holy Spirit is the way in which God reigns within each of us. Mary accepted her mission with uncompromising faith and obedience. She acted with unwavering trust and faith because she believed that God would fulfill the word he had spoken. Her great hymn of praise echoes the song of Hannah (see 1 Samuel 2:1-10) and proclaims the favor of the Lord: *God exalts the lowly and he fills the hungry*.

The Holy Spirit is ever ready to renew your faith and hope in God's promises and to make you strong in love for God and your neighbour. Do you live in the joy and confidence of God's indwelling presence with you through his Holy Spirit?

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ALL MASSES ARE WALK IN FIRST COME, FIRST SEATED BASIS. FACE MASKS ARE MANDATORY

The Rosary will be prayed 45 minutes before the start of each Mass

#### **WEEKDAY MASS:**

Monday Wednesday & Friday – 7:00pm Tuesday Thursdays & Saturday – 9:00am Holidays: Masses are at 9:00am

#### **WEEKEND MASSES:**

Saturdays – 5:00pm Vigil Mass

Sundays -8:00am 10:00am & 12:00pm Mass

Sundays – 6:30pm Mass

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

https://holymartyrsofjapan.archtoronto.org/

#### **VOLUNTEERS WANTED**

Our parish is in need of volunteers to assist with livestreaming, counters for weekly offerings, and the hospitality ministry which involves the welcoming, ushering and cleaning after Masses. If you are interested in helping out with any of these tasks, please see Fr. John after any of the Masses or contact the parish office.

#### 2021 SHARELIFE CAMPAIGN

ShareLife agencies are there for you, too

Please remember that ShareLife organizations are also there to help you. If you, your family or other loved ones are in need of support from the services of a ShareLife funded agency, visit sharelife.org and click on the "Need Help?" button.

For those who are able, please give to ShareLife through the parish office or <u>sharelife.org</u>.

#### **SACRAMENTS**

**BAPTISMS:** For parents wishing to baptize their child, please contact the parish office via email with your request and we will forward you a baptismal package. Please complete the required documents and email them back to the parish office. Upon receipt of your email a clergy member will be in touch with you to discuss details, covid protocols, and to confirm a date.

#### **FIRST COMMUNION**

To all communion candidates and families who have registered and chosen dates for the 2021 First Holy Communion Sacrament: On July 15, 2021 an email was sent out to those families only, who registered for Communion on-line and booked June dates that were recently postponed due to Covid. An Email was sent along with an Eventbrite invitation to book NEW dates for August. Please be sure to book your new date. Registration for these August dates will be open until July 30, 2021 at 9:00am.

Once these Sacraments are completed (Communion and Confirmation for 2021) we hope to move right into the next group, those awaiting to receive the Sacrament of Communion. More information on how we will proceed with this process will follow. Announcements regarding the celebration of future First Reconciliation and Communion will be made at Mass. By coming to Mass, or watching livestream, this will be the first point of communication. As well, please visit our website and our on-line bulletin for additional resources and updates on the Sacrament. We look forward to coming together once again to celebrate this Sacrament with you and your families.

#### CONFIRMATION

To all Confirmation candidates and families who have registered and chosen their October dates for the 2021 Confirmation Sacrament: We are going to keep our current Confirmation dates in October; however, many experts are predicting the rise in numbers of covid Cases from September onwards. Therefore, we would like to offer these families the opportunity to celebrate the Sacrament in August, should there be another lockdown and cancellation this fall. This is a voluntary sign up, you can keep your October dates as booked if you wish. If you choose to change your date, these August dates will be open for booking until July 30, 2021 at 9:00am dates.

**CONFESSIONS:** Will be heard on Saturday's between 8:00am-8:45am and again from 3:30pm-4:30pm or by appointment. Please contact the parish office for further information

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