

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 John Pak Jpak@archtoronto.org

**Associate Pastor:** Father Massillamani Zacharias

**Deacons:** Deacon David Langley

Deacon Pedro Guevara-Mann



**St. Paul Miki and Companions—Pray for Us!**

## 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 Father John at jpak@archtoronto.org

## MARRIAGE

Please contact Father John at jpak@archtoronto.org

## 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

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## OFFICE STAFF

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## MINISTERS

**Youth Minister:**

Ray Reitzel Email: reitzel@hotmail.com

## PARISH MINISTRIES and SOCIETIES

Alpha

Consolation and Hope

CWL (Catholic Women's League)

EDGE Youth Ministry

LifeTeen Youth Ministry

El Sembrador - Ministry to Migrant Workers

Knights of Columbus

Liturgical Ministers

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Sacramental Preparation & Catechesis

Seniors Outreach

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Divino Espirito Santo

Nossa Senhora De Fatima

Santissima Trindade

## 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, November 1, 7:00PM**

+ProPopulo

**TUESDAY, November 2, 9:00AM**

+For All Faithful Departed

**WEDNESDAY, November 3, 7:00PM**

+Charles Langley

**THURSDAY, November 4, 9:00PM**

+ProPopulo

**FRIDAY, November 5, 7:00PM**

+Samantha Diogo

**SATURDAY, November 6, 9:00AM**

+ProPopulo

**SATURDAY, November 6, 5:00PM**

+Maria & Eugenio Arruda +Abilio Soares

+Miguel Gomes & Deceased Grandparents +Jose

Miranda +Dennis & Maria Faria +Stanley Cemas

+Deolinda Oliveira +Rosa Oliveira +Ceú

Francisco & Maria Medeiros +Augusto

Domingues +Margaret Langley +Franco Creglia

**SUNDAY, November 7, 8:00AM**

+Manuel & Maria Celeste Pinho

**SUNDAY, November 7, 10:00AM**

+ProPopulo

**SUNDAY, November 7, 12:00PM**

+Carmela Mongillo

**SUNDAY, November 7, 6:30PM**

+Jose Fernandes

## PROOF OF VACCINATION NOT REQUIRED FOR MASS

**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

## ADORATION CHAPEL

We are happy to announce that our Adoration Chapel open for prayer, Monday-Friday from 9:30am-4:30pm.

## FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH ADORATION

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

**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

**FUNERALS:** Please contact the parish office at 905 775 2065

# REFLECTION

What is the purpose of God's law or commandments? The Pharisees prided themselves in the knowledge of the law and their ritual requirements. They made it a life-time practice to study the 613 precepts of the Old Testament along with the numerous rabbinic commentaries. They tested Jesus to see if he correctly understood the law as they did. Jesus startled them with his profound simplicity and mastery of the law of God and its purpose.

What does God require of us? Simply that we love as he loves! God is love and everything he does flows from this love of us. God loved us first and our love for him is a response to his exceeding grace and kindness towards us. The love of God comes first and the love of neighbour is firmly grounded in the love of God. The more we know of God's love and truth the more we love what he loves and reject what is hateful and contrary to his will. What makes our love for God and his commands grow in us? Faith in God and hope in his promises strengthens us in the love of God. They are essential for a good relationship with God, for being united with him. The more we know of God the more we love him and the more we love him, the greater we believe and hope in his promises. The Lord, through the gift of the Holy Spirit, gives us a new freedom to love as he loves. Do you allow anything to keep you from the love of God and the joy of serving others with a generous heart? Paul the Apostle says: *hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit which has been given to us*(Romans 5:5).

"We love you, O our God; and we desire to love you more and more. Grant to us that we may love you as much as we desire, and as much as we ought. O dearest friend, who has so loved and saved us, the thought of whom is so sweet and always growing sweeter, come with Christ and dwell in our hearts; that you keep a watch over our lips, our steps, our deeds, and we shall not need to be anxious either for our souls or our bodies. Give us love, sweetest of all gifts, which knows no enemy. Give us in our hearts pure love, born of your love to us, that we may love others as you love us. O most loving Father of Jesus Christ, from whom flows all love, let our hearts, frozen in sin, cold to you, and cold to others, be warmed by your divine fire. So help and bless us in your Son. (Prayer of Anselm, 1033-1109).

Servants of the word, [www.dailyscripture.net](http://www.dailyscripture.net) Don Schwager.

## REMINDERS

### ALL SAINTS AND ALL SOULS DAY MASSES

**All Saints Day:** Mass will be celebrated on Monday November 1, 2021, at 9:00am and again at 7:00pm.

**All Souls Day:** reminds us of our own mortality, that the love of each of us is limited and we need to be ready to meet our Lord when he calls us home. As we gather, let us pray in hope and confidence for one another and for our beloved dead. Through our prayers, may they find eternal rest. Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday November 2, 2021, at 9:00am and again at 7:00pm.

PLEASE NOTE THE 2022 BOOK OF MASS INTENTIONS WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR BOOKINGS ON MONDAY NOVEMBER 1, 2021

### ALL SOULS MEMORIAL BOX

For the entire month of November, we will be praying for all our faithful departed. A memorial box will be made available to you. You are welcome to drop off the names of your loved ones in an envelope marked "All Souls" which will be made available at the entrance of the church when you come to Mass. If you however are not yet comfortable with coming to Mass and still wish to add a name or names, please contact the parish office for alternate arrangements.

### REQUIEM MASS AT HOLY MARTYRS OF JAPAN CEMETERY

Please join us in a Mass celebration for the faithful departed the first Friday of every month at Holy Martyrs of Japan cemetery at 11:00am, weather permitting, with the alternative to celebrate the Mass at the Church. All are welcome.



**I WANT TO BE A CATHOLIC**

If you would like to know more about the process or know someone who may be interested in the Catholic faith, please contact the parish office at 905 775 2065 or email Fr. John directly at [jpak@archtoronto.org](mailto:jpak@archtoronto.org)

### COME & SEE – DAY RETREAT

**Saturday, November 20 2021 – St Augustine's Seminary**

Inviting single Catholic men 18 years and older, to cultivate a deeper prayer life and relationship with Jesus Christ; leading to a better discernment of God's call for their lives. Time for prayer, reflection and information on the process of becoming one of Christ's disciples as a Catholic Priest. Please Register online at [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca). For More information, please contact the Office of Vocations via email: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)

## 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 & CONFIRMATION 2022

**To our CURRENT Grade 2's and Grade 7's:** Registration for the Sacrament of First Communion and Confirmation will be taking place in January of 2022 with celebrations scheduled sometime in the spring of 2022 after Easter. Please continue to attend Mass, watch livestream and visit our website for further communication.

### FIRST COMMUNION FOR 2021

**To all First Communion candidates currently in grades 3,4,5 and 6 who have NOT yet received**

**First Communion:** If you wish to celebrate First Communion, registration for the Sacrament for this group, will be open on October 18, 2021, until November 15, 2021. During this time, the registration form will be made available on our website or can be picked up in person after Mass on Sundays. **Please complete all fields of the registration form, including email address which will be required for registering a date for Communion, along with a copy of your child's baptism certificate** and email it to [sacraments.hmoj@gmail.com](mailto:sacraments.hmoj@gmail.com) or drop it off in person to anyone of the clergy when you come to Mass. Registration Forms will be accepted until November 15 2021. **Communion Celebrations for this group will be taking place around the end of November.**

### CONFIRMATION FOR 2021

**To all Confirmation candidates currently in grades 8-12 who have NOT yet received the Sacrament of**

**Confirmation:** Registration for this Sacrament for this group will be open on October 18, 2021, until November 15, 2021. During this time, the registration form will be made available on our website or can be picked up in person after Mass on Sundays. **Please complete all fields of the registration form, including email address which will be required for registering a date for Confirmation, along with a copy of your child's baptism certificate** and email it to [sacraments.hmoj@gmail.com](mailto:sacraments.hmoj@gmail.com) or drop it off in person to anyone of the clergy when you come to Mass. Registration Forms will be accepted until November 15 2021. **Confirmation Celebrations for this group will be taking place in December 2021.**

We look forward to coming together once again to celebrate these Sacraments with you and your families.

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