# We welcome you to

# Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish

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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 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**

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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, February 7, 7:00PM

\*Special Intention for the Oliveira Family

**TUESDAY, February 8, 9:00AM** 

+Antonio Pinto

WEDNESDAY, February 9, 7:00PM

+Antonio Gabriel Pinto

THURSDAY, February 10, 9:00AM

+Paul Gres

FRIDAY, February 11, 7:00pm

+Antonio Gammicchia

SATURDAY, February 12, 9:00AM

+ProPopulo

SATURDAY, February 12, 5:00PM

+Caterina & Michele Suma +August Pais

+Ernesto Correia +Jose Carlos Lancha & Joao

Ferreira +Augusta Barros +Walter & Maria Bak

SUNDAY, February 13, 8:00AM

+Antonio Gabriel Pinto

SUNDAY, February 13, 10:00AM

+Maria de Jesus Morais & Guilhermina de Jesus

SUNDAY, February 13, 12:00PM

+ProPopulo

SUNDAY, February 13, 6:30PM

+ProPopulo

# **LATEST NEWS**

# **WORLD DAY OF THE SICK**Friday February 11, 2022 - Our Lady of Lourdes

"Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful" (Lk 6:36).

The Universal Church will celebrate the **Thirtieth World Day of the Sick on Friday February 11, 2022.** We will pray for the sick and recognize those who provide them assistance and care. We especially remember and pray for all those who have suffered, and continue to suffer, the effects of the Coronavirus pandemic.

Anointing of the Sick will be administered for all those who seek the gift of healing of mind, body, and soul at 7:00PM Mass.

#### **VOCATIONS**

Do not be afraid. If the Lord is calling you to the ordained or consecrated life, do not be afraid. Jesus calls and will give you the grace to respond wholeheartedly. IF God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416 968 0997.

Email: vocations@archtoronto.org

www.vocationstoronot.ca

# MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners of Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish,

Happy Feast Day!

Congratulations to all of you as we celebrate our Parish Feast Day.

I cannot believe that it has already been more than six months since I came to the parish.

The last six months have been filled with so many blessings and goodness that I am so very grateful to all of you, and I praise and give thanks to our Lord Jesus Christ.

I was able to accompany you in our pilgrimage of faith and share with you the joys, sorrows, heartaches, and consolations. I was able to witness from the depth of your faith and generosity.

As we continue to struggle with the pandemic, let us continue to pray and support each other so that we can all follow the examples of the Martyrs of Japan, who kept their faith in Jesus even through the most difficult challenges and trials, even at the face of death.

Let us Pray!

O God our Father, who brought the holy martyrs of Japan through the suffering of the cross to the joys of eternal life: Grant that we, encouraged by their example, may hold fast to the faith we profess, even to death itself; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

#### **MARRIAGE SUNDAY - FEBRUARY 12/13, 2022**

"Marriage is a precious sign, for when a man and a woman celebrate the sacrament of marriage, God is, as it were, 'mirrored' in them; he impresses in them his own features and the indelible character of his love. Marriage is the icon of God's love for us." - From Pope Francis' Amoris Laetitia

As part of Marriage Sunday 2022 celebrations, Bishop Robert Kasun, will preside at a special Mass to honor married couples celebrating milestone anniversaries (25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup> or 60+) in 2022. The Mass will take place on Sunday February 13 at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica, Toronto. Due to social distancing measures, cathedral attendance is limited to pre-registered couples celebrating milestone wedding anniversaries and a maximum of one guest per celebrant couple. Registration is now open. Given the limited attendance, we encourage milestone celebrants to register early. Those who are not able to register, may join the celebration via livestream at:

www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live. Beginning at 2:15pm

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**



Attendance for all weekend Mass celebrations must be registered via Eventbrite. Please visit our website to register. holymartyrsofjapan.archtoronto.org

Weekday Masses are still walk in. However, due to the new health regulations in Simcoe Muskoka, visitors will be asked for their information and a series of health questions upon entry.

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

# MONTHLY REQUIEM MASS AT HOLY MARTYRS OF JAPAN CEMETERY

During the winter months, please join us in a Mass celebration at the Church for the faithful departed, the first Friday of every month at 11:00am. Mass Intentions can be booked through the parish office.

**TO REQUEST A MASS INTENTION:** If you are interested in booking a Mass Intention, please contact the parish office at 905 775 2065

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

#### **ADORATION CHAPEL**

Adoration Chapel open for prayer, Monday-Friday from 9:30am-4:30pm.

#### FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH ADORATION

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

Prayer is the place of refuge for every worry, a foundation for cheerfulness, a source of constant happiness, a protection against sadness. – St John Chrysostom

# **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:

REMINDER: FOR ANYONE WISHING TO RECEIVE THE SACRAMENT OF FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION IN 2022 MUST REGISTER BY FEBRUARY 7, 2022. Please visit our website to complete the registration form.

# Recent Sacramental Communication as of: January 10, 2022, from Fr. John

This is a reminder letter that the deadline for First Communion and Confirmation registration is February 7, 2022. All those who wish to receive the sacraments and registered in previous years must register again.

Please register quickly because it is very difficult to give any extensions or exceptions. It is most important to have clear and accurate information on the number of registrants so that we can plan our celebrations properly and safely due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Once again, registration for First Communion and Confirmation for all grades will close on Monday February 7, 2022, at 12 Midnight.

Links to the registration forms:

First Communion:

 $\frac{https://holymartyrsofjapan.archtoronto.org/siteasse}{ts/blocks/contactforms/first-communion-request-form-2021-2022-1-oct-2021.pdf}$ 

Confirmation:

https://holymartyrsofjapan.archtoronto.org/siteassets/blocks/contactforms/confirmation-request-form-2021-2022-1-oct-2021.pdf

Information on preparation and the dates of the Sacraments will be given out after February, taking everything into account: number of registrants, Covid restrictions etc.

Thank you for your patience and understanding

**CONFESSIONS:** In light of the current Covid numbers Confessions will be heard by appointment only. Please contact the parish office for further information.



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