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# Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish

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

## SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm

8:00 am (Mass in Portuguese the second Sunday of the month.)

10:00 am, 12:00 pm

4:30 pm (Spanish Mass for Migrant Workers)

6:30 pm

## WEEKDAY MASSES

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays 7:00pm

Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturdays 9:00am

## CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 8:00am to 8:30am 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

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## MINISTERS

**Youth Minister:**

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## PARISH MINISTRIES and SOCIETIES

Alpha

Among Friends (Ministry for grieving women)

Catholic Moms Group

Catholic Moms and Tots

CWL (Catholic Women's League)

Consolation and Hope

EDGE Youth Ministry

Knights of Columbus

LifeTeen Youth Ministry

Liturgical Ministers

Nossa Senhora De Fatima

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Rosary Apostolate

Sacramental Preparation & Catechesis

St. Vincent de Paul Society

San Felipe de Jesus: Ministry to Migrant Workers

Santissima Divinidade

Young Adult Ministry (YAM)

## 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, May 27, 7:00PM

+Alojzia & Tibor Sakac +Augusta Barros & Joao Gomes  
Faria +Antonio Mirassol & Luis Sequeira +Izaura Melo  
+Caterina Pappano +Pasqualina Tartaglia +Agnes  
Ziegelbauer +Margaret Twigg +Anthony De Silva  
+Thomas Bricknell +Palmeira & Joao Verissimo +Maureen  
Sheppard +Emil Maslak

### TUESDAY, May 28, 9:00AM

+Manuel da Silva

### WEDNESDAY, May 29, 7:00pm

+All Deceased Lecoche Family Members

### THURSDAY, May 30, 9:00AM

+Assunta Colalillo

### FRIDAY, May 31, 7:00PM

+Manuel Bastos Da Silva

### SATURDAY, June 1, 9:00AM – First Saturday

+All Souls in Purgatory

### SATURDAY, June 1, 5:00PM

+Antonio Carneiro & Antonio Cardoso +Maria & Eugenio  
Arruda +Manuel Augusto da Cruz Conceicao +Mario Fic  
& All Deceased Family Members +Virgilio Domingues &  
Rosa Miranda +Jordan & Jackie Louise \*Special Intention  
for Mary Toich \*Special Intention for Peter Hwang

### SUNDAY, June 2, 8:00AM

+Maria Dolores Vigario

### SUNDAY, June 2, 10:00AM

+All Deceased Gomes & Marques Family Members

### SUNDAY, June 2, 12:00PM

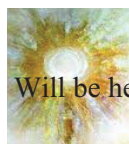
+Elio Bellon

### SUNDAY, June 2, 4:30PM

**Migrant Worker Spanish Mass** \*ProPopulo

### SUNDAY, June 2, 6:30PM

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### FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR ADORATION

Will be held on June 7, 2024, the first Friday of the month,  
at 7:30pm following the 7:00pm Mass.

### MONTHLY REQUIEM MASS AT HOLY MARTYRS OF JAPAN – Friday June 7, 2024, at 11:00am

Mass will be held at the church Mass Intentions can be  
booked at the parish office.

### VOCATIONS

God the Father, Creator; God the Son, Redeemer; God the  
Holy Spirit, Sanctifier. When we go out to “Make disciples  
of all nations”, we have a lot to tell! God is present  
everywhere. Would you be willing to proclaim the truth of  
God’s love and presence in your life as a priest, religious  
or deacon? If so, call Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of  
Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416 968 0997.  
Email: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)

## REFLECTION

“All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me.  
Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing  
them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the  
Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have  
commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until  
the end of the age.” [Matthew 28:19–20](#) (Year B Gospel)

Of all the great feasts we celebrate within the Church  
throughout the year, today’s Solemnity presents us with a  
Mystery that is so deep and transcendent that our eternity  
will be spent in perpetual contemplation. The Trinity, the  
life of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, will never get old,  
never be fully understood, and will be the cause of our  
everlasting adoration and joy. Though the Church has used  
philosophical concepts to explain the Trinity, no human  
concept or description will ever fully explain Who God is.  
Though we can point to some general truths about God, we  
will never be able to fully depict the inner essence, depth,  
beauty and omnipotence of the Trinity.

As we consider that fact, it’s important to understand that  
the Trinity is not *first* a theological mystery we try to define.  
Rather, the Trinity is *first* a communion of Persons we are  
invited to know. We do not primarily come to know God  
through intellectual deduction. We come to know God  
through prayerful union with Him. Though theology is  
exceptionally useful and important, the essence of God is  
beyond any and every philosophical concept we can define.  
The Father, Son and Holy Spirit are Persons. And as  
Persons, they want to be known. And they want to be known  
primarily through a life of deep and intimate prayer. Praying  
to One Person, of course, is praying to all, since they are  
One God. But we are, nonetheless, called to a relationship of  
love with the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. And  
though our feeble minds may not be able to fully  
comprehend the essence of God, He will draw us deeper and  
deeper into a knowledge of Him if we let Him.

Prayer often begins by saying prayers, by meditating upon  
Scripture, and by listening. But true prayer is something  
much deeper. True prayer is contemplative prayer that  
ultimately leads to divine union. Only God can initiate this  
form of prayer in our lives, and only God, through this deep  
form of prayer, can communicate Himself to us as He is.  
Some of the greatest mystics of our Church, such as Saint  
John of the Cross and Saint Teresa of Ávila, explain in their  
mystical theology that the deepest knowledge of God does  
not come through concepts or images. In fact, if we wish to  
obtain a knowledge of God in His essence, we must allow  
Him to purge every concept of Who He is so that the pure  
light of His essence can be poured forth upon our minds.  
This knowledge, they say, is beyond knowing “about” God.  
It’s the beginning of a knowledge “of” God.

Reflect, today, upon the Most Holy Trinity. As you do, say a  
prayer to God asking for a deeper and more intimate  
knowledge of Him. Ask Him to communicate to you His  
divine love and to open your mind and heart to a deeper  
understanding of Who He is. Try to humble yourself before

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the great Mystery of the inner life of God. Humility before the Mystery of God means that we know how little we know about Him and how little we know of Him. But that humble truth will help you move closer to the deeper relationship of love to which you are called.

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**SANTISSIMA DIVINIDADE  
THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY  
Sunday May 26, 2024  
2:00pm Mass Followed by Procession**

## CORPUS CHRTISI

### The Solemnity of the most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

This feast calls us to focus on two manifestations of the Body of Christ, the Holy Eucharist and the Church. The primary purpose of this feast is to focus our attention on the Eucharist.

At every Mass our attention is called to the Eucharist and the Real Presence of Christ in it. The secondary focus of this feast is upon the Body and Christ as it is present in the Church. The Church is called the Body of Christ because of the intimate communion which Jesus shares with his disciples.

Please join us for the celebration of this solemnity.

### 9 Day Novena Prayer

Friday May 24, to Saturday June 1, after all Masses.

### Corpus Christi Triduum:

A 3-day Reflection on the Eucharist followed by Benediction.

Thursday May 30<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm

Friday May 31<sup>st</sup> after the 7:00pm Mass

Saturday June 1<sup>st</sup> after the 5:00pm Mass

**Sunday June 2, 2024, Corpus Christi procession after the 12 Noon Mass followed by Benediction**



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BREAKFAST SUNDAY  
June 9, 2024**



**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE  
FATHER'S DAY BAKE SALE  
June 16, 2024**

## SACRAMENTS

### A PRAYER FOR OUR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CANDIDATES



Please join us in praying for our grade two students who have been preparing and are now going to be receiving their First Holy Communion over the next couple of months. May Jesus come to bless you on this most special of days as you are invited

to the table to celebrate in the Holy Eucharist. May you feel His presence in a very special way and as you strive to follow in His footsteps, may He bless your life with many graces and lasting happiness.

## ShareLife

### Your ShareLife support goes beyond borders!

ShareLife isn't just local. Your ShareLife gift extends mercy and justice to people beyond our borders by supporting the humanitarian projects of our agencies, particularly those that prioritize taking care of hungry children in vulnerable communities. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, through our parish website or at [sharelife.org/donate](http://sharelife.org/donate).

## YOUTH MINISTRY



Grades 6, 7 & 8's are invited to come to the EDGE, on Fridays 7:00-8:30pm in the Parish Hall.

**Next Edge Night: May 31 – Beyond Wires and Robotics**

## LIFE TEEN

Life Teen is for youth in Grades 9-12 and will be held on every other Friday from 7:00pm to 9:00pm are all welcome!

**Next Life Teen Night: June 7 – End of Year BBQ**



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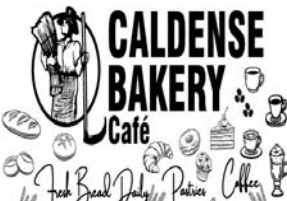


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