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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.

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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, June 10, 7:00PM

+Daniel Vivieros +Joseph Lundy & All Souls in Purgatory*Special Intentions of the McEvenue Family

TUESDAY, June 11, 9:00AM

+Manuel da Silva

WEDNESDAY, June 12, 7:00pm

+Salvatore Cipponeri

THURSDAY, June 13, 9:00AM

+Gino Merola & Donato Merola

FRIDAY, June 14, 7:00PM

+Rafael & Arminda de Jesus Miranda

SATURDAY, June 15, 9:00AM

*ProPopulo

SATURDAY, June 15, 5:00PM

+Salvatore Vena & Vincenzo De Girolamo +Maria Dolores Vigarito +Manuel Nuno Rodrigues & Maria Faria +Jose Manuel Caldas Azevedo +Joseph Balon +Eduardo Lancha & Joao Ferreira +Carlos & Maria Medeiros +Maria Esperanca Espinola +Manuel & Celeste Laranjeiro +Mario Sist +Manuel Borges & Antonio Pacheco +Michael Scott +Jose Manuel Barbosa +Manuel Pereira & Jose Miranda

*Special Intentions for Fex Family

SUNDAY, June 16, 8:00AM

+Joao Veloso

SUNDAY, June 16, 10:00AM

*Special Intention For All Fathers Living and Deceased

SUNDAY, June 16, 12:00PM

*ProPopulo

SUNDAY, June 16, 4:30PM

Migrant Worker Spanish Mass +Luis Jose Alvarado and Special Intention for Margarida Alvarado & Family

SUNDAY, June 16, 6:30PM

+Katerina & Rudolf Spek

PARISH OFFICE SUMMER HOURS

During the months of July and August the parish office will be open on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays Only. Tuesdays and Thursdays the parish office will be closed.

FATHER JOSEPH'S FARWELL AND THANK YOU CELEBRATION

On Sunday June 23,2024 after the 12:00noon Mass, you are welcome to join us for a social farewell honoring Fr. Joseph Baal. Please join us in a celebration thanking Father Joseph for his humble service and sacrifice over the years to our parish community. To help with the celebration, we are asking our parishioners who would like to come, to help us in preparing a bountiful table by bringing a main dish entrée which serves about 8-10 people (of finger foods). A potluck sign up sheet for main dishes, will be made available at the entrance of the church. Desserts and Fruit have already been looked after.

REFLECTION

"Amen, I say to you, all sins and all blasphemies that people utter will be forgiven them. But whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit will never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an everlasting sin." For they had said, "He has an unclean spirit." [Mark 3:28-30](#)

Jesus spoke these words to the crowds who had gathered around His home in Capernaum because two groups of people had just spoken very critically of Him in a public way. First, some of His extended family arrived and said to everyone, "He is out of his mind." And then some of the scribes from Jerusalem said, "He is possessed by Beelzebul." Thus, Jesus states clearly that their blasphemy is a sin against the Holy Spirit and will have everlasting consequences.

Why is it that certain sins will never be forgiven? What exactly is a sin against the Holy Spirit? Traditionally, our Church has identified this sin in a couple of ways. First, it is a sin of final impenitence, that is, the sin of obstinately persisting in grave sin. Obstinacy, or the refusal to repent, is a sin that cannot be forgiven, simply because the person committing it never seeks forgiveness. They become so entrenched in their sin that they refuse to change. Thus, the mercy of God is incapable of entering into them. Second, it has also been identified as presumption, meaning a person sins while expecting God to forgive. Presumption is more subtle; however, it also has the effect of keeping a person from the sincere repentance that is needed for forgiveness. The presumptuous person never fully repents and amends their life as long as they remain in their sin.

Of all the many sins you struggle with or might struggle with in the future, pay special attention to the sins against the Holy Spirit. Though we should never think we have a right to God's forgiveness, we must always believe that God's mercy is so great that the moment we humbly acknowledge our sin and sincerely repent of it, God will forgive. But the key is "sincerity." In order to be forgiven, the repentance within us must be sincere, authentic, real and complete. We cannot fool God. We can certainly fool ourselves, but not God.

One of the best ways to regularly be certain that you are not guilty of any sin against the Holy Spirit is by going to the Sacrament of Confession and confessing your sins with openness, thoroughness and humility. Own your sin. Acknowledge it. Experience sorrow for it. Resolve to change. Then confess it and trust in God's mercy. Reflect, today, upon any way that you lack sincerity and thoroughness in your repentance from sin. Are you honest with yourself about the sins you have committed? Have you taken ownership of those sins? If so, have you also confessed them to God and firmly resolved never to commit them again? Take repentance seriously so that you never even begin to fall down the slippery slope that leads to any sin against the Holy Spirit. Catholic News Agency2021

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



Sunday September 8th, 2024

The Knights of Columbus will organize a bus trip to Martyr's Shrine in Midland, for the 40th Annual Rosary Sunday Pilgrimage which will include an outdoor Mass celebrated by Bishop John Boissonneau, followed by a procession. More details and final cost to come over the next few weeks.

**FEAST OF ST ANTHONY OF PADUA
THURSDAY JUNE 13, 2024**

Please join us in celebrating the feast day of St. Anthony of Padua. The praying of the rosary will be at 6:30pm, followed by Mass in English and Italian at 7:00pm. All are welcome to join in this celebration irrespective of the language spoken! Following the Mass, Father will bless the children in attendance and there will also be a blessing of bread, which will be shared with those in attendance. Following the blessing of bread there will be light refreshments for all to enjoy. We look forward to having you join us in celebrating the Feast Day of St. Anthony of Padua.

HARBOUR

An Evening of praise and worship

DATE: JULY 20, 2024 | DOORS OPEN AT 6:30PM

PLACE: HOLY MARTYR'S OF JAPAN PARISH, BRADFORD, ALL ARE WELCOME!

REGISTER THROUGH EVENTBRITE:
2024HARBOUR3.EVENTBRITE.COM
OR SCAN CODE TO REGISTER

ADMISSION: PAY WHAT YOU CAN (COLLECTED AT THE EVENT) LIGHT REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED



Children's Liturgy will not be available during the months of July and August and will resume in September. Thank you to all the volunteers who help and sacrifice their time for this important ministry!

DEAR GRADUATES

"The Church together with your parents and families, your priests, teachers and mentors along with all who have supported you during your years of elementary school, high school and college are very proud of you. We pray that your futures be filled with many blessings from the Lord. You have learned the teachings of Jesus; you have learned how to build your lives on solid rock. When we listen to Jesus and put his words into practice, we are building our lives on a secure foundation. Listen to his words each day through prayer. He is the one friend who will never deceive you, reject you, or leave you. We get lost along the path of life when we do not walk with Christ as our guide. As you go forth, whatever your plans are after graduation, be steadfast in your faith. If you build on this solid rock, not only will your life be solid and stable, you will also be able to confront challenges and difficulties with confidence and courage."

Dearest youth, you are not our future, you are our now!

Know that each of you are a unique gift from God, each with unique talents which He has bestowed on you so that you can accomplish His will on this earth. You are forever in our prayers as you embark on this wonderful journey.

God Bless,

From The Clergy and Staff of Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish

www.rkspa.nl, Pope Benedict to WYD: Build your life on Solid Rock
www.vatican.va - Krakow-Blonie May 27, 2006, Todayscatholic.org - May 30, 2021

"Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young. Instead, set an example for the believers through your speech, behavior, love and faith." – 1 Timothy 4:12

SACRAMENTS

THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

Thank you to all our volunteers who have generously gave of their time over the past few months to help with the preparations and celebrations of the Sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation for the students and families of our parish community. Your acts of love, kindness, dedication and service are greatly appreciated. May you continue to be strengthened and sustained by Him whom you serve. Thank you.

YOUTH MINISTRY



Next Edge Night: June 14 – End of Year BBQ



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

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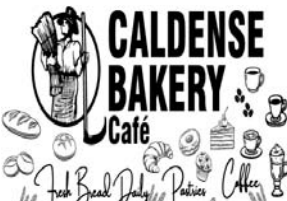


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