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Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish

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July & August Office Hours - Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays - 9:30am - 12pm & 1pm - 4:30pm



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Holy Martyrs of Japan-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 St. Philip of Jesus Mission (Migrant Workers in Spanish)

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.

PARISH CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Holy Trinity High School—905-775-4841
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PARISH MINISTRIES and SOCIETIES

Alpha
Among Friends (Ministry for grieving women)
Catholic Moms Group
CWL (Catholic Women's League)
Consolation and Hope
EDGE Youth Ministry
Faith and Fellowship
Knights of Columbus
LIFETEEN Youth Ministry
Liturgical Ministers
Nossa Senhora de Fatima
RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)
Rosary Apostolate
St. Vincent de Paul Society
St. Philip of Jesus Mission for the Migrant Workers
Santissima Trinitade & Espirito Santo
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, August 5, 9:00AM – Civic Holiday
+Glorinda & Manuel da Silva +Antonio Martins & Parents
+Lucas Kang *Special Intention in Thanksgiving *Special
Intention for Celestina May *Special Intention for Maryln
La Pierre

TUESDAY, August 6, 9:00AM

+Manuel da Silva

WEDNESDAY, August 7, 7:00PM

+Carlos Pais

THURSDAY, August 8, 9:00AM

+Jamie da Silva

FRIDAY, August 9, 7:00PM

+Joao Perna

SATURDAY, August 10, 9:00AM

+Biagio Belcamino

SATURDAY, August 10, 5:00PM

+Joseph Lundy +Andy Klic +Francesca Lo

Giudice +Esmatorsadt Mojtahedi

SUNDAY, August 11, 8:00AM

+Augusta Barros & Joao Gomes Faria

SUNDAY, August 11, 10:00AM

+Jose Manuel Caldas Azevedo

SUNDAY, August 11, 12:00PM

+Maria Esperanca Espinola

SUNDAY, August 11, 4:30PM

St. Philip of Jesus (Mission) *ProPopulo

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.

MONTHLY REQUIEM MASS AT HOLY MARTYRS OF JAPAN

Requiem Mass will be held at the cemetery weather permitting. Mass Intentions can be booked at the parish office.



FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR ADORATION

Holy hour will be the first Friday of every month at 7:30pm following the 7:00pm Mass.

VOCATIONS

“I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.” Today’s readings remind us that the priest is ordained by the Holy Spirit to be the means by which Jesus’ words are fulfilled. If you feel God is calling you to priesthood, religious life or the diaconate, call Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416 968 0997. Email vocations@archtoronto.org



HAPPY LONG WEEKEND!!!

Monday August 5, 2024 – Civic Holiday
Mass will be at 9:00am and the parish office will be closed.
Have a wonderful, fun filled, 3-day weekend

REFLECTION

“Rabbi, when did you get here?” Jesus answered them and said, “Amen, amen, I say to you, you are looking for me not because you saw signs but because you ate the loaves and were filled. Do not work for food that perishes but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you.” [John 6:25–27](#)

The day before, Jesus fed the crowds at the miracle of the multiplication of the loaves and fish. The next day, the people were hungry again, so they went looking for Jesus thinking that He might miraculously feed them again. In the passage above, Jesus uses their physical hunger to point them to a deeper spiritual reality.

Each one of us is hungry. We continually have cravings that we want satiated. Certainly, food and drink are among our cravings, but the deepest craving we each have is a spiritual one. The problem is that we often try to satiate ourselves in ways that will never satisfy us. Therefore, we each need to hear Jesus say, “Do not work for food that perishes but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you.” What is that food that the Son of Man will give to us? Of course, it is His very Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity. It is the Most Holy Eucharist.

This passage begins the lengthy “Bread of Life Discourse” from which we will read over the next three Sundays.

Throughout this discourse, Jesus makes it clear that His flesh is true food and His blood is true drink. Eating Jesus’ flesh and blood is the only way to eternal life. Some who listen to this teaching find that it is too difficult to accept and, as a result, reject Jesus and His teaching. The discourse ends with Jesus asking the Twelve if they want to leave too. Peter gives the perfect response by saying, “Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God.”

As we ponder this teaching of Jesus over the next few weekends, it is important to start with the foundation. The foundation is our spiritual hunger. We each experience it. We each are aware of it. We cannot escape it. For that reason, look into your own soul. What do you see? Do you see a certain restlessness and unfulfilled desire? Do you sense the cravings within your own soul? When you see this, know that you have discovered the starting point of the life of fulfillment. Unless you can see that hunger within, you cannot turn to the source of satiation.

The Eucharist is the source of all that we long for in life; however, too often we fail to see that. We can easily fall into the trap of seeing the Eucharist as an obligation we must meet each week. Sometimes Mass can even be seen as an inconvenience. If this is your struggle, try to use the next few Sundays to reexamine your understanding of the Most Holy Eucharist.

Sunday Mass, more than anything else in life, must be understood as the source of our deepest satisfaction in life. It must be seen as the answer to every interior longing and restlessness we have. It is not money, recognition, status,

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power, or anything else in life that fulfills us. It is God. And God comes to us first and foremost in the celebration of the Mass. Do you believe this? Do you understand? Reflect, today, and for the next few weeks, upon the Gift of the Most Holy Eucharist. As you do, try to see it as the answer to every interior longing and hunger that you have in life. Try to make an act of faith in this spiritual truth. If you do not regularly experience the satiation offered by consuming the Eucharist, ask yourself why not. Believe in everything that Jesus teaches in this holy discourse of the Bread of Life. If you do, you will also begin to receive the nourishment that our Lord promises. Catholic News Agency2021



Archdiocese of Toronto invites all families within the Archdiocese of Toronto to participate in the Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed on **Wednesday August 14, 2024, at 7:00pm**

Cemetery Location and celebrations for this year's Mass are as follows:

Assumption Cemetery, Mississauga:

Most Rev. Ivan Camilleri

Christ the King Cemetery, Markham:

Rev. Msgr. Vid Vlasic

Holy Cross Cemetery, Thornhill:

Most Rev. Francis Leo, Archbishop of Toronto

Mount Hope Cemetery, Toronto:

Most Rev. Robert Kasun

Queen of Heaven Cemetery, Woodbridge:

Rev. Msgr. Patrick O'Dea

Resurrection Cemetery, Whitby:

Most Rev. Vincent Nguyen

St. Mary's Cemetery, Barrie:

Most Rev. John A. Boissonneau

In the Event of Rain, Masses will be held In:

Our Lady of Fatima Mausoleum at Assumption Cemetery

Holy Family Mausoleum at Holy Cross Cemetery

St. Anthony's Mausoleum at Queen of Heaven Cemetery

Main Mausoleum at Resurrection Cemetery

Christ the King Cemetery will celebrate Mass in the Reception Center at the Cemetery Office

Mount Hope Cemetery will celebrate Mass at St. Monica's Parish, 44 Broadway Ave. Toronto

St. Mary's Cemetery will celebrate Mass at St. John

Vianney Parish, 13 Baldwin Lane, Barrie

PILGRIMAGE TO MARTYR'S SHRINE

Sunday September 8th, 2024

40th Anniversary and celebration of Blessed Pope John Paul II visit to the Martyr's Shrine. The Knights of Columbus are chartering a bus for those who would like to participate in the Mass, Living Rosary and Benediction. The cost will be \$30.00 per person which covers the bus parking, admittance ticket, and the tip for the driver. The bus departs at 10:15am from HMJ and tentatively returns at 5:30pm. For further details or to book your seat reservation, please contact Ainsley 647 395 6334. Seat Reservations ends August 6.

FAITH AND FELLOWSHIP

Tuesday August 13 from 7:00pm – 8:30pm

HMJ Parish Hall

All are invited to our Faith and Fellowship evenings, where we cover a different topic of Catholic theology. Come learn and share about our beautiful Catholic Faith! Format: Fellowship, video presentation, group discussions. This is a free event, no registration is necessary. For Parents with young children, our large meeting room is available for childcare and activities to give parents the opportunity to participate.



RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Each year we welcome into the Church adults through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.). It is a ministry for people who wish to inquire about becoming full members of our faith community. This evening program is geared towards prospective adults and their sponsors. We will be offering this process again in September. 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.

ShareLife

Thank you for sharing your blessings with our brothers and sisters in need. Thank you for your kindness and generosity. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, through our parish website or at sharelife.org/donate.

SACRAMENTS

FIRST COMMUNION (Grade 2) AND CONFIRMATION (Grade 7) FOR 2025

Information for the upcoming First Communion and Confirmation Registrations for the 2025 season will be made available sometime in September. Please stay connected with us. Announcements will be made at Mass. We invite you to come celebrate Mass with us on Sundays, and be sure to visit our website, and online bulletin for up-to-date information and registration for these sacraments.

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