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Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish

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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
2:00 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
At least one year's notice is needed and do not book venues until the first meeting with the priest.

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, November 11, 7:00PM – Remembrance Day

+For the Souls of All Soldiers & Public Servants +Jose Manuel Cladas Azevedo +Augusta Barros & Joao Gomes Faria +Antonio Martins & Clara Gomes +Maria Esperanca Espinola +Gloria Rodrigues +Emilia Oliveira Domingues +All Deceased Dias & Assis Family Members

TUESDAY, November 12, 9:00AM *ProPopulo

WEDNESDAY, November 13, 7:00PM

+Maria da Conceicao Camarniera

THURSDAY, November 14, 9:00AM

*Special Intentions of the McEvenue Family

FRIDAY, November 15, 7:00PM

*Special Intention for Imelda Santos

SATURDAY, November 16, 9:00AM *ProPopulo

SATURDAY, November 16, 5:00PM

+Luis & Laura Andrade +Manuel Nuno Rodrigues & Vitoria Rodrigues +Arlindo Araujo +Manuel Da Silva +Antonio Santana & Maria Sousa +Vitorino Nazario & Olimpia Sousa +Carlos & Maria Medeiros +Daniel Viveiros +Lucy Dantas +Teresa Silva +Joao Balugas +Richard Lourenco & Anita Scott + Antonio Bettencourt & Maria Bernardete +Mary Matos

*Special Intention for Ethan May

SUNDAY, November 17, 8:00AM

+Emma Isabel Barahona

SUNDAY, November 17, 10:00AM

+Abilio Soares & Raimundo Pereira

SUNDAY, November 17, 12:00PM

+Salvatore Vena & Vincenzo DeGirolamo

SUNDAY, November 17, 2:00PM

St. Philip of Jesus (Mission) *ProPopulo



PLEASE NOTE THE 2025 BOOK OF MASS INTENTIONS IS OPEN AND CAN BE BOOKED THROUGH THE PARISH OFFICE
Note: Due to the increase demand, additional Mass Intention Spots have been added to weekday and Sunday Masses.

ALL SOULS MEMORIAL BOX & BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

For the entire month of November, we will be praying for all our faithful departed. You are welcome to write the name(s) of your loved one(s) in Our Book of Remembrance, after Mass, and place your “All Souls” offertory envelope in the memorial offertory box which will be made available to you at the front of the altar of the church.

2025 MISSALS

Missals for the 2025 liturgical year are available for purchase after all weekend Masses at the entrance of the church. The cost of the missals will be \$6.00 each. We kindly ask to bring exact change.

REFLECTION

Mark 12:41-42 If you were in charge of the Temple treasury, which would you prefer? The rich putting in large sums of money? Or one poor widow putting in two small coins? Of course, an honest answer to that question might be hard to give. Much good can be done with large sums of money, right? Wouldn't it be better to accept more than a few cents? The dilemma one would experience in this situation reveals a misperception that we regularly encounter in life. Is more, better than less? Is wealth better than poverty? Is success better than failure? It all depends upon the spiritual reality at hand.

Take, for example, success vs. failure. Say one person sets off on a selfish and immoral business venture that quickly produces a huge income. Many would consider that a success. Say another person prayerfully sought to fulfill the will of God and started some other business. After years of trying, that business failed and went into bankruptcy. Which situation is better? Clearly, the one who sought to fulfill the will of God is the winner. Why? Because the spiritual fruit of fidelity to the will of God, despite worldly setbacks, produced an eternal treasure more valuable than earthly wealth.

God judges the heart, not the worldly outcome. In fact, from a worldly perspective alone, Jesus' life was a complete failure. He was arrested, charged with a capital crime, beaten and killed. His earthly kingdom—desired by many of his followers—was never established. Many of them abandoned Him when He was killed. Even after He rose from the dead, He didn't establish an earthly kingdom. Of course, in the spiritual realm, the realm of eternal realities, Jesus' life was infinitely successful. His death destroyed death itself, and His Resurrection enabled all who believe in Him to share in eternal life. His spiritual Kingdom is now in full bloom and will one day be visible to all.

Back to our original question. If you were in charge of the Temple treasury, and you were given the same option that Jesus pointed to of receiving the large sums of money from the rich, or the two coins from the poor widow, it would certainly be better to accept the two coins. If that is hard to comprehend, then it is a sign that you live more according to the values of the world than the values of the spiritual Kingdom of God. The poor widow gave more than two small coins; she also gave the spiritual gift of her generosity and complete trust in God. She gave all she had and trusted that God would take care of her and use her gift for good. This is infinitely more fruitful for the building of the Kingdom of God than the gift of someone's excess of money. God does not need our money, but we need to give it, be detached from it, and be ready and willing to give everything we have, all that we are, our entire livelihood to God. This is trust. We are called to give everything to God—not just a portion of our lives. Reflect upon how well you imitate this poor widow and seek to follow her holy example. *My Catholic Life! 2024*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time | November 10, 2024

11 NOVEMBER
REMEMBRANCE DAY

Lest we forget



*I do not know your name - Nor for which battle you died.
I do not know your home, Nor the tears that were cried.
I do not know where your rest- Nor the promises broken.
I do not know your uniform, And your fears that lay unspoken.
But, I know your spirit exists- That your courage is admired,
And your sacrifice is honored, By each soul that's inspired.
And I offer you from my heart Thank You, to the guardians
unknown, For offering yourselves for us all
That we may keep freedom... OUR HOME -unknown*

FOOD BANK CHRISTMAS DRIVE

These times have been challenging for everyone, some more than others. Help to spread the message of Christ's HOPE this season by donating non-perishable items (such as: Pasta sauce, Kraft Dinner, Cereal, Granola Bars, Crackers, Canned Fruit, Baked Beans, Juice Boxes/1lt Juices, Soup, Peanut Butter, Rice Flour, Sugar, Tea, Pancake Mix, Syrup, Diapers and Baby wipes are just a few suggestions) to our Food Bank. Please feel free to drop off your food items in the crate at the entrance of the Church when you come to Mass. Let us overwhelm our Food Bank with food and LOVE this upcoming season!

Family Movie Night

All are welcome to join us for Free Family Movie Night on Saturday November 23 at 6:30 sharp (after the 5:00pm Mass) in the parish hall. Pizza and refreshments will be available. Donations are welcome to help cover for expenses. Please contact the parish office in advance to let us know how many people are coming so we can better plan for the event. Movie: War Room – Rated PG

COME & SEE DISCERNMENT WEEKEND RETREAT

The office of Vocations is hosting a Come and See Weekend Retreat: **Friday November 15 (6:30pm) until Sunday November 17 (2:00pm) at St. Augustine's Seminary for men 18 years and older.** To Register visit: www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee
For more info, email: vocations@archtoronto.org

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY NEEDS YOUR HELP! – November 17, 2024

“Do not turn your face away from anyone who is poor”
(Tob 4:7) On the World Day of the Poor weekend, please think of The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul at Holy Martyrs of Japan. Every dollar donated goes to helping people in our community and the need is greater than ever before. Envelopes are available at the back of the church and donations are tax deductible.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BREAKFAST

Sunday November 24, 2024, after all Masses.

SACRAMENTS

FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION 2024-2025 REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

Registration forms can be pick up at the back of the Church after Mass, from the parish office and will also be available on our parish website for downloading. **To allow for faster processing times, please ensure you attach a photocopy of your child's baptism certificate with your completed registration form.** The completed registration forms and a copy of the baptism certificate can be emailed to sacraments.hmoj@gmail.com or dropped off after any Mass, or at the parish office. Please allow a 2 week (or so) processing time. We will confirm your registration and date of celebration via email. We look forward to seeing you and your families at Mass. **PLEASE NOTE THE DEADLINE TO REGISTER FOR THE SACRAMENTS IS NOVEMBER 30, 2024**

YOUTH MINISTRY



Edge is a fun, exciting and free Program that offers youth the opportunity to grow in faith and fellowship with other youth and peer leaders. Grades 6, 7 & 8's are invited to come to the EDGE, on Fridays 7:00-8:30pm in the Parish Hall. To register, please scan QR code. **Next Edge Night: November 15 – Lights Out Dodgeball**

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 Lifeteen Night is: November 22 – One for All

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CONFERENCE – November 23 - November 24, 2024
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www.renewtoronto.org**



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