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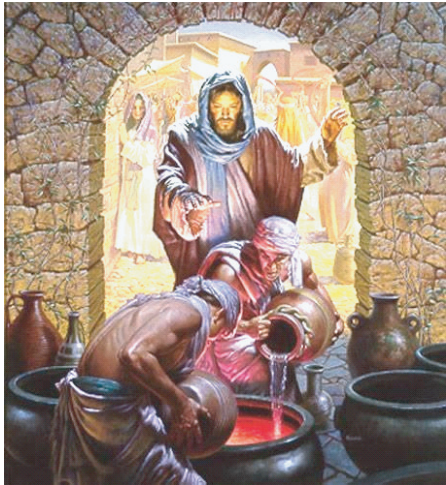
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Holy Martyrs of Japan-Pray for Us!

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.

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Alpha

Among Friends (Ministry for grieving women)

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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, January 20, 7:00PM

+Emilia Minatel *Special Intention of the Talarico Family
+Maurizio Rapisardi

TUESDAY, January 21, 9:00AM

+Maria & Luis Borges +Joseph & Wladyslawa Balon

WEDNESDAY, January 22, 7:00PM

+Ilona Szabo +Manuel Conceicao Jr. & Maria Rosete

THURSDAY, January 23, 9:00AM

+Maria & Luis Borges +Manuel Augusto Dinis & Family

FRIDAY, January 24, 7:00PM

+Joseph & Wladyslawa Balon +Manuel Diniz & Joao Perna

SATURDAY, January 25, 9:00AM *ProPopulo

SATURDAY, January 25, 5:00PM

+Manuel da Silva +Jose Manuel Barbosa

+Augusta Barros & Joao Gomes Faria +Eduardo

Coelho +Antonio Nazario & Luisa Nazario

+Terezinha Teixeira +Joao Balugas +Frank Cota

+Herman Avelar +William Demarco +Rick

Walker +Owen & Elaine Porter +Francesco

Gammicchia & Antonio Gammicchia

SUNDAY, January 26, 8:00PM *ProPopulo

SUNDAY, January 26, 10:00AM

+Arthur Frej +Rudolf Sutora

SUNDAY, January 26, 12:00pm

+Matija Cadonic & Joe Stanesic +Stanley Cemas & Mario Cemas

SUNDAY, January 26, 2:00pm

St. Philip of Jesus (Mission) *ProPopulo

FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR ADORATION

Holy Hour will be on the first Friday of the month at 7:30pm following the 7:00pm Mass



“I THIRST”

“It is there in His Eucharist that He says to me: “I thirst, thirst for your love, your sacrifices, your sufferings. I thirst for your happiness, for it was to save you that I came into the world, that I suffered and died on the Cross, and in order to console and strengthen you I left you the Eucharist. So you have there all My life, all My tenderness.” – *Mother*

Mary of Jesus, foundress of the Sisters of Marie Reparatrice

REFLECTION

[John 2:11](#) John’s Gospel is commonly divided into four sections: the Prologue, the Book of Signs, the Book of Glory and the Epilogue (which contains the resurrection appearance in Galilee). Today’s Gospel comes from the beginning of the Book of Signs, which begins at Chapter 1:19 and continues through Chapter 12. In this section, the Apostle John presents us with seven “signs,” which are seven miracles Jesus performed. Each sign has a deeper spiritual meaning that reveals Jesus’ divinity and mission. In many ways, the entire Book of Signs prepares us for the Book of Glory in which Jesus’ “hour” of glory is identified with Him taking up His glorious throne of the Cross, fulfilling His mission as the “Lamb of God” Who offers His life for the salvation of all, and pouring forth His grace and mercy from His wounded side.

The first of seven signs Jesus performs in John’s Gospel is the changing of water into wine at the Wedding of Cana, which was done in superabundance! The six stone jars, filled to the brim with water, were transformed into as much as 180 gallons of the finest wine. The changing of water into wine was done at the request of Jesus’ mother, who told the servants to do whatever Jesus told them to do.

There is certainly much to ponder in this incredible miracle. One specific thing to consider, as we begin reading the first of these signs, is that Jesus uses His miracles to prepare His disciples for the “hour” of grace and glory that is to come. And though the hour of Jesus has already taken place in time, it’s important to understand that each one of us needs to go through the process of preparing for that hour in our own lives. We must let Christ continuously prepare us for the hour of glory by which we receive Him and all the grace He won for us on the Cross. This preparation will take place in our lives, just as it was presented in John’s Gospel. Jesus’ seven signs, His miraculous actions, were performed to prepare His disciples to receive all that He bestowed on the Cross. We must not only prayerfully reflect upon these signs as recorded by John throughout the year, we must also look for the many personal signs that our Lord gives to each one of us. Just as the participants at the Wedding of Cana were left in amazement at the miracle of Jesus, so we must allow ourselves to become continuously amazed at His action in our lives. The seven signs that are recorded in Scripture, as well as the effect of our spiritual pondering of them, must become beacons of light that prepare us to come to know our Lord more fully and to receive the grace won by His Cross of glory.

Reflect, today, upon this, the first of Jesus’ signs. Try to meditate upon this story as a way of preparing yourself to receive His grace more fully in your life. Think of the superabundance of the miracle and ponder the fact that it points to the superabundance of grace God wants to give you. Reflect, also, upon the fact that it took place by the intercession of Jesus’ dear mother. She also will anticipate your needs and pray for you with her motherly heart.

My Catholic Life! 2024

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time | January 19, 2025

Jubilee – Pilgrims of Hope – Holy Doors 2025

“In the course of the year,” Pope Francis had written, “every effort should be made to enable the People of God to participate fully in its proclamation of hope in God’s grace and in the signs that attest to their efficacy.” Vatican News Agency © 2017-2024 Dicasterium proCommunicatione. For more information on the Jubilee and a list of Holy Door locations, please visit the Archdiocese of Toronto website.

BLESSING OF THE THROATS

To celebrate the Feast of St. Blaise there will be the Blessing of the Throats on Monday February 3, 2025, after the 7:00pm Mass.

MARRIAGE SUNDAY- February 9, 2025, At 2:30PM -St. Michael’s Cathedral Basilica

As part of Marriage Sunday 2025 celebrations, Bishop Ivan Camilleri will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, with special recognition for those celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th and 60+ wedding anniversaries in 2025. The Mass will take place at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, February 9, 2025, at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond Street, Toronto). All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their marriage commitment during the Mass. Registration is open and can be accessed online. Please visit www.archtoronto.org/marriage January 31, 2025, is the last day to register. Reserved seating is limited so please register early. All other seating is on a first come, first served basis. Those who are unable to attend at the Cathedral are invited to join the celebration via livestream Mass here: <https://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live/>. The broadcast will begin at 2:15pm.

2025 OFFERTORY BOXES READY

2025 Offertory Boxes will be available for pick up once again in the front foyer! If you do not find your box, please contact the parish office. Please be sure to use 2025 offertory envelopes ONLY when making donations. NOTE TO ALL USING OFFERTORY ENVELOPES: We kindly ask that you please complete the full name and address on each envelope for every offering, to ensure proper allocation of funds for tax purposes. If you are new to our parish community, and would like to register with our parish, or would like to start using offering envelopes or wish to set up Pre-Authorized Giving, please contact the parish office at 905 775 2065. **We would kindly ask that parishioners not use old envelope numbers from previous years for your offering as old numbers may no longer be active.** If you have moved, please don’t forget to notify the parish office so we can update our database. Thank you for your kindness, support, and generosity.

HEALING AFTER ABORTION: The Sisters of Life

Do you know someone who is carrying the grief of a past abortion? There is always hope. The pain and sorrow of abortion does not need to endure for a lifetime. We offer accompaniment and retreats to women seeking healing after abortion. A “Day of Prayer and Healing” offers the opportunity to experience the love and mercy of God and to respond to His invitation to begin the journey of healing the wound of abortion. Upcoming dates are: February 8 and April 5 2025. For more details, locations, and confidential registration, or to simply talk to a Sister, please call the Sisters of Life at 416 463 2722 or email us at toronto@sistersoflife.org.

VOCATIONS

Pray to know how God wants to use your talents and abilities. Could it be He is calling you to consider priesthood, diaconate, or religious life? If He, is contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416 968 0997 email: vocations@archtoronto.org



Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, through our parish website or at sharelife.org/donate. Please help us reach our goal!

SACRAMENTS

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

Thank you to all who have registered to receive the Sacrament of First Communion and Confirmation scheduled for the spring of 2025. As of November 30, 2024, the registration process for the Sacraments is now closed and we are able to move into the next stages of the planning process based on our number of registrations. For all those who have not registered for the 2025 Sacramental season, we look forward to celebrating these Sacraments with you next year. Be sure to visit our website and Online bulletin for future communication regarding the registration process for next year.

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: January 24 – Beach Resort



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: February 1 – Teen Dance RSVP to Ray by January 24, 2025.**

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