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# Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish

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*My heart overflows  
with great mercy for  
souls*

## 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](mailto:jpak@archtoronto.org)

## MARRIAGE

Please contact Father John at [jpak@archtoronto.org](mailto: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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## Holy Martyrs of Japan-Pray for Us!

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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, April 28, 7:00PM** +Francesco Gammicchia & Antonio Gammicchia +Virginia Correia +Lucy Balugas +Angelo Mongillo +Leo Alejandro Sandoval & Angel Hurtado +Petra Tan\*Special Intention for Thalia Sandoval & Lida Hurtado

**TUESDAY, April 29, 9:00AM** +Manuel Da Silva +Virginia Correia & Lucia Balugas

**WEDNESDAY, April 30, 7:00PM** +Manuel & Maria Marques +Arminda de Jesus Miranda

**THURSDAY, May 1, 9:00AM** +John Da Silva +Maria dos Santos & Family

**FRIDAY, May 2, 7:00PM** +Maria Dolores Vigario +Maria Oliveira & Manuel Marques

**SATURDAY, May 3, 9:00AM - First Saturday** +All Souls in Purgatory

**SATURDAY, May 3, 5:00PM** +Samantha Diogo +Isabel Camacho & Manuel Feliciano Coelho +Maria & Eugenio Arruda +Romanko Sakac +Perpetua & Manuel Barroso +Cidalia Rodrigues & Venancio Silva +Joao Balugas +Herenegildo Avelar +Virginia Correia +Angelo & Danny Canestraro +Maria Arromba + John Chyz +Antoinette Scott +Virgilio Domingues & Isaura Lorenzo +Joanne Kerkhof

**SUNDAY, May 4, 8:00PM** \*ProPopulo

**SUNDAY, May 4, 10:00AM** +Romanko Sakac +Laura & Augusto Marques

**SUNDAY, May 4, 12:00pm** +Helena Das Neves +Stacie Gibson Power

**SUNDAY, May 4, 2:00pm** \*ProPopulo  
**St. Philip of Jesus (Mission)**

**\*Please note: That our Lady of Fatima Mass on Sunday May 11 at 2:00 will substitute for our Regular scheduled 2:00pm Spanish Mass.**

### LOVE INCARNATE...WAITING FOR YOU FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR ADORATION

Holy hour will be on **Friday May 2, 2025, at 7:30pm** following the 7:00pm Mass.

### NOTE: CHANGE TO REQUIEM MASS SCHEDULE

Starting the month of April, the Requiem Mass will be celebrated on the **LAST FRIDAY** of the Month, at 11:00am. Mass Intentions can be booked at the parish office.

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BREAKFAST

Your Knights of Columbus will be serving breakfast after the 8am, 10am and Noon Masses on Sunday, May 4th. Unfortunately, the parish hall is booked for Saturday evening and we'll be unable to serve parishioners who attend Saturday evening Mass. Hopefully we will be able to find a date to serve dinner to those parishioners in the near future. Please come support your Knights!

## REFLECTION

Today is the Feast of all Feasts! It is the Feast of Mercy! This Feast originated from the private revelations given to Sr. Maria Faustina Kowolska, a Polish cloistered nun who died in 1938. In the year 2000, she was canonized by Saint Pope John Paul II, and the Feast of Mercy was instituted as a universal Feast of the Church. To better understand this Feast, let's read some of the private revelations Jesus gave to Saint Faustina:

"Whoever approaches the Fountain of Life on this day will be granted complete forgiveness of sins and punishment" (*Diary #300*).

"This Feast emerged from the very depths of My mercy, and it is confirmed in the vast depths of my tender mercies" (*Diary #420*).

"On one occasion, I heard these words: My daughter, tell the whole world about My Inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day all the divine floodgates through which grace flows are opened. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet. My mercy is so great that no mind, be it of man or of angel, will be able to fathom it throughout all eternity. Everything that exists has come forth from the very depths of My most tender mercy. Every soul in its relation to Me will contemplate My love and mercy throughout eternity. The Feast of Mercy emerged from My very depths of tenderness. It is My desire that it be solemnly celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter. Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the Fount of My Mercy" (*Diary #699*).

"Yes, the first Sunday after Easter is the Feast of Mercy, but there must also be deeds of mercy, which are to arise out of love for Me. You are to show mercy to our neighbors always and everywhere. You must not shrink from this or try to absolve yourself from it" (*Diary #742*).

"Souls perish in spite of My bitter Passion. I am giving them the last hope of salvation; that is, the Feast of My Mercy. If they will not adore My mercy, they will perish for all eternity" (*Diary #965*).

"I want to grant complete pardon to the souls that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion on the Feast of My mercy" (*Diary #1109*).

In addition to the above quotes about the celebration of the Feast of Mercy, below are some quotes revealing more about The Divine Mercy itself:

"Mankind will not have peace until it turns with trust to My Mercy" (*Diary #300*).

"My Heart overflows with great mercy for souls, and especially for poor sinners. If only they could understand that I am the best of Fathers to them and that it is for them

that the Blood and Water flowed from My Heart as from a fount overflowing with mercy” (*Diary #367*).

“I desire trust from My creatures. Encourage souls to place great trust in My fathomless mercy. Let the weak, sinful soul have no fear to approach Me, for even if it had more sins than there are grains of sand in the world, all would be drowned in the unmeasurable depths of My mercy” (*Diary #1059*). “Tell all people, My daughter, that I am Love and Mercy itself. When a soul approaches Me with trust, I fill it with such an abundance of graces that it cannot contain them within itself, but radiates them to other souls” (*Diary #1074*). “My daughter, write that the greater the misery of a soul, the greater its right to My mercy; urge all souls to trust in the unfathomable abyss of My mercy, because I want to save them all” (*Diary #1182*).

Reflect, today, upon God’s infinite and unfathomable Mercy. The Divine Mercy is especially for those who struggle with sin. Jesus says, “The greater the sinner, the greater the right he has to My mercy” (*Diary #723*). The Divine Mercy is the very tenderness and compassion of God. Run to Him, trust in Him, open your soul to Him and allow Him to pour forth an ocean of Mercy on this holy day. *My Catholic Life! 2024*

## OUR LADY OF FATIMA – May 10 & 11

**Our Lady of Fatima Mass Saturday May 10 at 7:00pm (in Portuguese) followed by procession and candlelight.** Reception at the Portuguese Cultural Center 9:30pm.

**Sunday May 11 at 2:00pm, Mass (in Portuguese) followed by procession.** Reception at the Portuguese Cultural Center 4:00pm.

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**Sabado 10 de Maio 2025 Missa em Portuguese seguida da Procissao das Velas Club Portuguese de Bradford 9:30pm.**

**Domingo 11 de Maio 2025, Missa em Portuguese seguida da Procissao e bencao do santissimo. Club Portuguese de Bradford 4:00pm.**

**A DAY WITH MARY - MAY 31, 10:00am -4:00pm** (Doors open at 8:30am) Would you like to spend A Day with Mary? The archdiocese’s first ever “A Day with Mary” will take place on May 31 at Villanova College in King City. Registration is open now - visit [archtoronto.org/mary](http://archtoronto.org/mary) to learn more. Rain or shine, join His Eminence Cardinal Frank Leo for A Day with Mary.

## IN MEMORIAM 1936- 2025



### MASS FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF POPE FRANCIS

**Monday April 28, 2025, at 7:00pm**

“Our Catholic family worldwide is in mourning following the death of our spiritual father, Pope Francis. Since 2013, our shepherd has guided the flock lovingly and served as a global ambassador of peace, hope and love. The Holy Father’s humility, compassion and care for others, most especially the poor and marginalized, has served as a powerful witness and a reminder of our daily call to reflect the face of Jesus to all those whom we encounter. I invite the faithful throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto and all those who mourn his loss, to pray for the repose of the soul of Pope Francis. May we honour his legacy and lovingly embrace his invitation to be missionaries of mercy, sharing the light of Christ in abundance as we affirm the dignity of every human life and foster a culture of care and love.” - *Cardinal Frank Leo, Archdiocese of Toronto, April 21, 2025*

## ShareLife

**May 4, 2025, is ShareLife Sunday. Our ShareLife Goal is this year is \$54,500.00. To date we have raised \$12,577.00.** As many as 7,000 youth are homeless across Canada on any given night. Covenant House, an agency you support through ShareLife, provides refuge for at-risk youth. They offer safe housing alongside healthcare, education, and employment guidance. Thanks to your compassionate heart, young people can move from a life on the street to a life with a future. The second ShareLife Sunday of the year is May 4. We ask you to share your blessings through the parish or using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at [sharelife.org/donate](http://sharelife.org/donate).

## YOUTH MINISTRY



**Next Edge Night: May 2 – Easter Eggstravaganza**



**Next Lifeteen Night is: May 9 – Life of the Party**

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