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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.

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PARISH MINISTRIES and SOCIETIES

Alpha
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CWL (Catholic Women's League)
Consolation and Hope
EDGE Youth Ministry
Faith and Fellowship
Knights of Columbus
LIFETEEN Youth Ministry
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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, May 12, 7:00PM +Antonio Gammicchia & Francesco Gammicchia +Laura Marques +Virginia Correia +Manuel & Maria Marques +Margaret Connolly *Special Intentions for the McEvenue Family *Special Intentions for Domingues Grandchildren

TUESDAY, May 13, 9:00AM +Manuel Da Silva +Joao Veloso

WEDNESDAY, May 14, 7:00PM +Maria Esperanca Espinola *Special intention for Vilma LaRoche

THURSDAY, May 15, 9:00AM +Luis & Maria Borges +Rudolph & Zophia Saniga

FRIDAY, May 16, 7:00PM +Salvatore Vena & Vincenzo DeGirolamo +Maria Di Lorenzo

SATURDAY, May 17, 9:00AM *ProPopulo

SATURDAY, May 17, 5:00PM +Assunta & Mario Mazzotta +Maria & Pietro Angolella +Emma Chavez & Celeste McEvenue +Lino & Walter Andrade +Manuel Nuno Rodrigues & Victoria Rodrigues +Eduino Cabral & Fernando Paulino +Joao Balugas +Maria Ferreira +Virginia Correia +Lucy Balugas +Pasquale Marsella +All Deceased Members and Friends of Jardine Family +John Chyz +Giovanni Catoricala +Manuel Periera & Jose Miranda

SUNDAY, May 18, 8:00PM +Abilio Soares & Julio Soares +Jose Rodrigues & Francisco Rodrigues

SUNDAY, May 18, 10:00AM +Carmela Mongillo & Angelo Mongillo +Maria Celeste Joaquina & Jose Francisco Marques

SUNDAY, May 18, 12:00pm *ProPopulo

SUNDAY, May 18, 2:00pm *ProPopulo
St. Philip of Jesus (Mission)

FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR ADORATION



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

“Could you not stay awake with me even for one hour?” - Matthew 26:40-45

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.

VICTORIA DAY - Monday May 19, 2025

Mass will be celebrated at 9:00am and the parish office will be closed. Wishing you all a wonderful long weekend.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Would like to thank everyone who helped make our Parish Breakfast a success. This weekend we will be providing small gift and prayer cards for all mothers.

REFLECTION

Jesus said: “My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish. No one can take them out of my hand.” John 10:27–28

The image of Jesus as the Good Shepherd is an endearing image. Many artists have depicted the gentleness of Christ as He leads His sheep or carries a straying lamb on His shoulders. We are given this image today as we celebrate Good Shepherd Sunday.

In our short Gospel passage today, Jesus addressed some of the Jews who were trying to trap Him in His speech. Prior to this passage, they asked Him, “How long are you going to keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.” To that, Jesus responded, “I told you and you do not believe.” Jesus answered this way because the people questioning Him were not interested in actually knowing whether He was the Messiah. Instead, they wanted to accuse Him of blasphemy. But Jesus tells them that He already told them Who He was through His works: “The works I do in my Father’s name testify to me.”

Do you see the works of God in your life? If you do, then it is important to understand that Jesus’ works are one of the primary ways that He speaks to you and leads you as your Shepherd. God certainly speaks to us through His Word as it is revealed in the Scriptures and in the teachings of the Church. But He also speaks to us through His works.

Among the many works of God in your life is the work of grace by which God enables you to grow in virtue. Therefore, it is important to look for the ways that supernatural virtue grows in your life. For example, do you see courage in the face of fear? If so, what is God saying to you through the increase of this virtue? Do you see a supernatural ability to forgive another? If so, what is God telling you through the increase of that virtue? Do you see an increase in the virtue of piety, by which your life of prayer becomes more important to you? If so, what is God saying to you through the increase of this virtue?

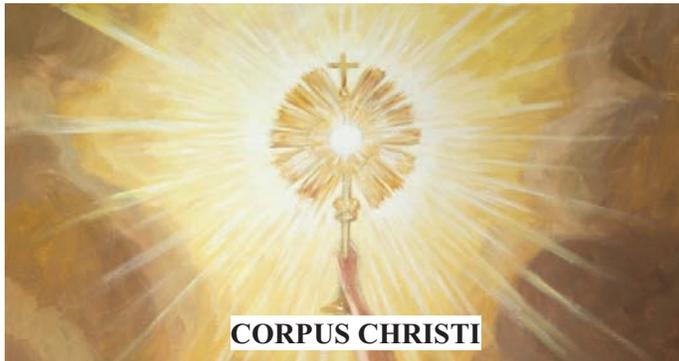
The discernment of the will of God enables us to hear His voice and follow Him. And one of the best ways to discern the will of God is to look for the ways that God is touching your life. Where you see virtue increase, the will of God is present and is calling you to grow in that area. Conversely, if there is something in your life that leads you to sin, and, thus, a decrease in virtue, then this is also God’s voice telling you to avoid these things.

Reflect, today, upon God’s actions that are perceptible in your life. Even though God speaks clearly to us through His revealed Word, He also speaks to us and shepherds us through His discernable touching of our souls. Where you see virtue increase, you will find the will of God. Where you see virtue decrease, you will not find the will of God. Listen to God as He speaks to you this way so that you will hear His voice, follow Him and receive eternal life. *My Catholic Life! 2025*

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COMMUNITY MEAL FOR OUR NEIGHBOURS ON MAY 24, 2025, AT 2:00PM. Sign up sheets will be posted for all parishioners who are interested in volunteering.

SANTISSIMA TRINDADE & ESPIRITO SANTO THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY Sunday June 15, 2025 – 2:00pm Mass. Followed by Crowning and Procession. Dinner in the Parish Hall. All are Welcome!

***Please note: That this Mass on Sunday June 15 at 2:00pm will substitute for our Regular scheduled 2:00pm Spanish Mass**



THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

This feast calls us to focus on two manifestations of the Body of Christ, the Holy Eucharist and the Church. The primary purpose of this feast is to focus our attention on the Eucharist.

At every mass our attention is called to the Eucharist and the Real Presence of Christ in it. The secondary focus of this feast is upon the Body of Christ as it is present in the Church. The Church is called the Body of Christ because of the intimate communion which Jesus shares with his disciples. Please join us for the celebration of this solemnity.

Saturday June 21, 5:00pm Mass followed by procession.

We invite all children, especially those who recently received their First Communion and their families to join us in this Solemn Eucharistic Procession.

Sunday June 22, Corpus Christi Mass celebration, followed by procession after the 12 Noon Mass.

VOCATIONS

On this Good Shepherd Sunday, we celebrate the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life, especially for our diocese, that God will raise up good shepherds in our midst. If God is calling you, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416 968 0997. Email: vocations@archtoronto.org.



A MOTHER'S DAY PRAYER

Mary, on this day when we honor all mothers, we turn to you. We thank the Lord whom you serve for the great gift of motherhood. Never has it been known that anyone who sought your intercession was left unaided by grace. Dear Mother, thank you for your "Yes" to the invitation of the angel which brought heaven to earth and changed human history. You opened yourself to God's word and the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us.

Dear Mother, intercede for all of our mothers. Ask your Divine Son to give them the grace of surrendered love that they could join with you in giving their own "Fiat." May they find daily strength to say yes to the call to the sacrificial love – the very heart of the vocation of motherhood. May their love and witness be a source of great inspiration for all of us called to follow your Son.

On this Mother's Day, Mother of the Word Incarnate, pray for us who have recourse to you...

In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit
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Saturday May 31, the Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, invites you to participate in a new archdiocesan event called "A Day with Mary"

Online registration is open for A Day With Mary taking place May 31 at Villanova College in King City. During this Jubilee Holy Year, spend a day with our Blessed Mother, Our Lady of Hope and deepen your devotion to her through a keynote address by Dr. Josephine Lombardi, a number of inspiring witnessings and Holy Mass presided over by His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo. This family-friendly event will have music, food, fellowship, children's catechesis and activities – something for everyone. For more information and to register, visit archtoronto.org/mary.

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: May 16 – Focus Mode



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: May 23 – On Cloud Nine

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