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# Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish

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**Deacon:** Dcn. David Langley



## 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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### MINISTERS

**Youth Minister:**

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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, June 30, 9:00 AM – Canada Day Weekend**

\*ProPopulo

**TUESDAY, July 1, 9:00AM – Canada Day Weekend**

+Manuel Da Silva +Stacie Gibson Power

**WEDNESDAY, July 2, 7:00PM**

+Maria Dolores Vigario

**THURSDAY, July 3, 9:00AM**

+Samantha Diogo +Porinchu Jose

**FRIDAY, July 4, 7:00PM** +Romanko Sakac

\*Special Intentions for Tymothy Tuyen Tran

**SATURDAY, July 5, 9:00AM – First Saturday**

+All Souls in Purgatory

**SATURDAY, July 5, 5:00PM**

+Maria & Eugenio Arruda +Antonio Albert Rocha +Joao

Balugas +Virginia Correia +Julia Jover +Marco Fernandes

+Dorinda de Jesus +Lucy Balugas & Danny Viveiros

+Mary Ingoglia +Robert Spek & David Harrison

**SUNDAY, July 6, 8:00PM** \*ProPopulo

**SUNDAY, July 6, 10:00AM** +Jacob Pawlowski

**SUNDAY, July 6, 12:00pm**

+Eduino Cabral & Fernando Paulino +Halina & Jan Woznica

**SUNDAY, July 6, 2:00pm** \*ProPopulo

**St. Philip of Jesus (Mission)**



### FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR ADORATION

Holy hour will be on Friday July 4, 2025,  
at 7:30pm following the 7:00pm Mass.

### NOTE: CHANGE TO REQUIEM MASS SCHEDULE

The Requiem Mass will be celebrated on the **LAST FRIDAY** of the Month. **The Requiem Mass will be held Friday July 25 at 11:00am at the cemetery weather permitting.** Mass Intentions can be booked at the parish office.

### 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.



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## REFLECTION

*“And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys to the Kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.” [Matthew 16:17-19](#)*

Saints Peter and Paul are often referred to as two of the great “Pillars of the Church.” They each played an incredibly essential role in the establishment of the early Church. And though each of their roles was essential and foundational, their roles were as different as they were different as persons.

Peter was a family man, a local fisherman, uneducated and quite ordinary. From what we know about him prior to being called by Jesus, there was nothing that made him uniquely qualified to become one of the pillars of the new Church to be established by the Son of God. Jesus simply called him, and he responded. Jesus got into Peter’s boat, ordered him to lower the nets, and produced a huge catch of fish. When Peter saw this miracle, he fell down at Jesus’ feet and acknowledged that he was “a sinful man” who was unworthy of being in Jesus’ presence (See [Luke 5:8](#)). But Jesus informed Peter that he would from now on be catching men. Peter immediately left everything behind and followed Jesus.

Paul describes himself as “a Jew, born at Tarsus in Cili’cia, but brought up in this city at the feet of Gama’li-el, educated according to the strict manner of the law of our fathers, being zealous for God as you all are this day” ([Acts 22:3](#)). Paul was well educated in the strictest interpretation of the Jewish law, understood philosophy and was quite zealous as a young man. Recall, also, that prior to becoming a convert to Christianity, he “persecuted the church of God violently and tried to destroy it” ([Galatians 1:13](#)). In many ways, Paul would have been seen as the most unlikely person to be chosen to be a pillar of the Church, because he so vigorously opposed it at first. He even supported the killing of Saint Stephen, the first Christian martyr.

Though each of these men would have been considered by many as very unlikely founders of the Christian Church, this is exactly what they became. Paul, after his conversion, traveled far and wide to preach the Gospel, founding several new Churches throughout Asia Minor and Europe.

Eventually he was arrested in Jerusalem, brought to Rome for trial and was beheaded. Over half of the New Testament books are attributed to Paul and half of the Acts of the Apostles detail Paul’s missionary journeys. Paul is especially known for his missionary activity to the Gentiles, those who were not Jews.

Peter’s role was truly a unique one. His name was changed from “Simon” to “Peter” by Jesus. Recall Jesus saying, “And I tell you, you are Peter (*Petros*), and on this rock (*petra*) I will build my church...([Matthew 16:18](#)). “Peter” in Greek is *Petros*. However, the Greek word *petra* means a rock as a solid formation that is fixed, immovable, and

enduring. Therefore, Jesus chose to make Peter a solid foundation of immovable rock on which the Church was to be built.

You, too, have been called by our Lord to a unique mission within the Church that has not been entrusted to another. In your own way, God wants to use you to reach certain people with the Gospel as He did with Saint Paul. And like Saint Peter, God wants to continue to establish His Church upon you and your faith.

Reflect, today, upon these two holy and unique pillars of our Church. As you do, ponder how God may want to use you to continue their mission in this world. Though Saints Peter and Paul are among the greatest and most consequential Christians within our world, their mission must continue, and you are among the instruments that God wants to use. Commit yourself to this mission so that the preaching of the Gospel and the rock foundation of our Church will remain strong within our day and age just as it was of old. *My Catholic Life! 2025*

*Saint Peter, you were uniquely chosen to be a rock foundation of faith upon which the Church was established. Saint Paul, you went forth to preach this faith far and wide, establishing many new communities of faith. Please use me, dear Lord, to continue the mission of Your Church so that the faith may be firmly planted in the minds and hearts of all Your people throughout the world. Jesus, I trust in You.*

## VOCATIONS

Jesus still speaks the invitation "Follow Me." Pray for the strength and the grace of discernment if you feel He is calling you to be an ordained or consecrated person. If God is calling you, to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416 968 0997 or email : [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)

## THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

Thank you to all our volunteers who have generously gave of their time over the past few months to help with the preparations and celebrations of the Sacraments of First Reconciliations, First Communions, Confirmations and Graduations for the students and families of our parish community. Your acts of love, kindness, dedication and service are greatly appreciated. May you continue to be strengthened and sustained by Him whom you serve. Thank you.

## CANADA DAY LONG WEEKEND – MASS TIME CHANGE



On Monday June 30 and Tuesday July 1, Mass will be celebrated at 9:00am and the parish office will be closed. Wishing you all a wonderful long weekend.



Archdiocese of Toronto invites all families within the Archdiocese of Toronto to participate in the Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed on **Wednesday August 13, 2025, 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:

Most Rev. Vincent Nguyen

### Holy Cross Cemetery, Thornhill:

Most Rev. John A. Boissonneau

### Mount Hope Cemetery, Toronto:

Most Rev. Robert Kasun

### Queen of Heaven Cemetery, Woodbridge:

His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo, Archbishop of Toronto

### Resurrection Cemetery, Whitby:

Rev. Monsignor Edgardo Pan

### St. Mary's Cemetery, Barrie:

Most Rev. John Corriveau

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

Our Lady of Fatima Mausoleum Chapel at **Assumption Cemetery**

Cemetery Office Reception Center at **Christ the King Cemetery**

Holy Family Mausoleum at **Holy Cross Cemetery**

St. Monica's Parish, 44 Broadway Ave. Toronto for **Mount Hope Cemetery**

St. Anthony's Mausoleum Chapel at **Queen of Heaven Cemetery**

Our Lady of the Assumption Mausoleum at **Resurrection Cemetery**

St. Mary's Catholic Church, 65 Amalia St. Barrie for **St Mary's Cemetery**



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