We welcome you to

Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish

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Office Hours - Monday to Friday 9:30 am - 12:00 pm & 1:00 pm to 4:30 pm



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

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Nossa Senhora de Fatima

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

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St. Vincent de Paul Society

St. Philip of Jesus Mission for the Migrant Workers

Santissima Trinidade & 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, July 21, 7:00PM +Frankie Cota TUESDAY, July 22, 9:00AM +Manuel Da Silva WEDNESDAY, July 23, 7:00PM +Lucia & Lorenzo Cetrullo

THURSDAY, July 24, 9:00AM +Reginal Wells & Valentin Brizeno

FRIDAY, July 25, 7:00PM +Antonio Mirassol & Family SATURDAY, July 26, 9:00AM *ProPopulo SATURDAY, July 26, 5:00PM +Terezinha Teixeira +Joao Balugas +Jose Lancha & Antonio Soares +Ana Balkovec & Stanley Cemas +Marco Fernandes +Cidalia Rodrigues & Venancio Silva +Lucy Balugas & Danny Vivieros +Donald & Arthur Harrison +All Deceased Arminda & Carlos Miranda Family Members + Manuel Silveira

SUNDAY, July 27, 8:00PM *ProPopulo SUNDAY, July 27, 10:00AM +Antonio Rodrigues & Laura Marques +Alfreda Coritico & All Deceased Family Members

SUNDAY, July 27, 12:00pm +Frank Sunderland SUNDAY, July 27, 2:00pm *ProPopulo St. Philip of Jesus (Mission)



FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR ADORATION

Holy hour will be on Friday August 1, at 7:30pm following the 7:00pm Mass.

REQUIEM MASS

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.

VOCATIONS

We are like Martha. There's plenty to be anxious about but only one thing that is required of us. For five minutes today be like Mary, rest with Jesus and ask Him what He require of you. 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

CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in August 2025 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800- 268-2637.

REFLECTION

Jesus entered a village where a woman whose name was Martha welcomed him. She had a sister named Mary who sat beside the Lord at his feet listening to him speak. <u>Luke</u> 10:38–39

It's interesting that it was Martha who welcomed Jesus, but it was Mary who sat at His feet listening to Him. As the story goes on, we discover that Martha took her responsibility of hospitality seriously; she was very busy preparing a meal. But it appears that Mary needed a different form of hospitality from our Lord Himself. As Martha prepared to feed Jesus so as to care for His physical hunger, Mary sought to be fed by our Lord so as to feed her spiritual hunger. And interestingly, it was the generosity of Martha who was diligent in preparing the meal that made it possible for her sister to receive the spiritual food she longed for.

When we read this story, we can easily become critical of Martha because she complained to Jesus about her sister. It is easy to see Martha's frustration in her words, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me by myself to do the serving? Tell her to help me." And though Martha may have been a little impatient, Jesus' response to her was gentle and corrective. "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her." What was that "better part?" It was Mary's prayerful attentiveness to Jesus. She was hungry for His teaching, and Jesus offered it to her in a very personal and loving way. And though this image of Mary before Jesus is a beautiful image to ponder and to use as a model of our own prayer, there is also something important to be said about Martha's role in making Mary's prayer possible.

Because Martha was diligent in taking care of the duties of hospitality, Mary felt the freedom to sit at Jesus' feet. Perhaps the ideal response from Martha would have been to notice that Mary was being spiritually fed by our Lord and to rejoice in that fact, giving her the continued freedom to sit at Jesus' feet. If Martha would have realized this, then she would have continued working in the background so that her sister could continue listening to Jesus. But even though Martha did interrupt this sacred moment for her sister, the fact remains that her initial diligence in taking care of preparing the meal did give Mary some time alone with Jesus.

In a similar way, we will all be given various opportunities in life to take care of the daily mundane tasks that are needed within a family or community. It is easy to fall into the trap of thinking that unless everyone does their equal part, then things are not fair. But being "fair" should not be our focus. True charity, especially within the family, means that, first and foremost, we look for opportunities to better the lives of those around us. For example, spending extra time cleaning a home so that others can enjoy it more adds much to family life. Or spending hours preparing a nice meal for family or friends may afford everyone the

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opportunity of time well spent together. These are only a couple of the countless ways that our diligence and generosity toward others is fruitful, especially within family life.

Reflect, today, upon these two women and the unique calling they each were given at the time of Jesus' visit to their house. One was called to be fed by our Lord as she sat at His feet. The other was called to work hard so as to make it easier for her sister to receive that spiritual nourishment. Know that both of these callings are important. For that reason, if God calls you to be more like Martha at times, rejoice in that fact and work hard at serving in many ways. If God calls you to be more like Mary at times, then rejoice in those moments and sit prayerfully at the feet of our Lord, being fed by His holy Words. *My Catholic Life! 2025*



CIA I WANT TO BE A CATHOLIC

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Each year we welcome into the Church adults through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A). It is a ministry for people who wish to inquire about becoming full members of our faith community. This program is geared towards prospective adults and their sponsors. We will be offering this process again in September. If you would like to know more about the process or know someone who may be interested in the Catholic faith, please contact the Parish office at 905 775 2065 or email holymartyrsofjapan@archtoronto.org

SL ShareLife

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Too often, individuals feel like they are alone with their trauma. Unseen and unheard this inner pain can develop into an addiction. When Shaun's mother passed away, he battled with alcohol, which led him down a destructive path. ShareLife-funded agencies like Good Shepherd Ministries and their DARE program provide a safe space to recover and a supportive community to lean on to avoid relapse. Please continue to give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

PILGRIMAGE TO THE MARTYR'S SHRINE

All are welcome and encouraged to attend the Archdiocese of Toronto's Jubilee Pilgrimage to the Martyrs' Shrine in Midland on Sunday, August 24, 2025, with Frank Cardinal Leo, Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto. Please Register. Entrance Fees payable on arrival Adults \$10.00, Youth 0-18 Free, *Bus: \$2.00 *Includes all pilgrims on bus. For more information, or to register visit:

holymartyrsofjapan.archtoronto.org

Note: Our Knights of Columbus will be organizing bus transportation to the Shrine.



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

SACRAMENTS

FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION FOR 2026 SEASON

Information for the upcoming First Communion and Confirmation Registrations for the 2026 season will be made available sometime in the fall. Please stay connected with us. We invite you to celebrate Mass with us on Saturdays or Sundays. Announcements regarding registration will be made at Mass. Please be sure to visit our website, and online bulletin for up-to-date information and registration for these sacraments.

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