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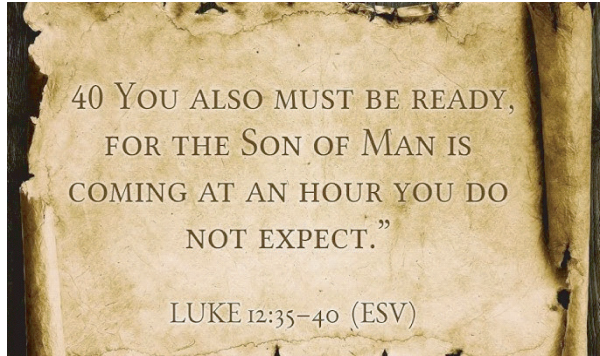
Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish

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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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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

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 Trinite & 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, August 11, 7:00PM

+Manuel Candido Rodrigues +All Souls in Purgatory

TUESDAY, August 12, 9:00AM

+Manuel Da Silva

WEDNESDAY, August 13, 7:00PM

+Zuzana Saly

THURSDAY, August 14, 9:00AM

+John Da Silva

FRIDAY, August 15, 7:00PM

+Salvatore Vena & Vincenzo DeGirolamo

+John & Manuel DaSilva

SATURDAY, August 16, 9:00AM

*ProPopulo

SATURDAY, August 16, 5:00PM

+Assunta & Mario Mazzotta +Maria & Pietro Angolella

+Maria de Jesus Carreiro +Isaura Lorenc

+Jose Manuel Caldas Azevedo +Joao Balugas +Lucy

Balugas & Danny Viveiros +Gabriel Oliveira & Manuel

Oliveira +Tony Macaluso +John Chyz

SUNDAY, August 17, 8:00PM

*ProPopulo

SUNDAY, August 17, 10:00AM

+Augusta Barros & Joao Gomes Faria +Manuel Nuno

Rodrigues & Maria Gouv

SUNDAY, August 17, 12:00pm

+Filomena & Mario Di Re

+Antonio Novia

SUNDAY, August 17, 2:00pm *ProPopulo

St. Philip of Jesus (Mission)



FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR ADORATION

Holy hour will be on Friday September 5, 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 on **August 29, at 11:00am at the cemetery weather permitting**. Mass Intentions can be booked at the parish office.

VOCATIONS

“Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.” What do you hope for in the future? If God is calling you contact Fr Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416 968 0997 or email : vocations@archtoronto.org

MISSION CO-OP COLLECTION – AUGUST 16 & 17
Fr. James Cherickal will be visiting our parish to speak for the mission representing the Diocese of Thamarassery, India.

REFLECTION

Jesus said to his disciples: “Gird your loins and light your lamps and be like servants who await their master’s return from a wedding, ready to open immediately when he comes and knocks. Blessed are those servants whom the master finds vigilant on his arrival. Amen, I say to you, he will gird himself, have the servants recline at table, and proceed to wait on them.” [Luke 12:35–37](#)

Vigilance, hard work, determination, attentiveness, fidelity—these are some of the qualities that Jesus is speaking about. To “gird your loins” means that you are immediately prepared for some challenging task. You are ready for the hard work ahead and are committed to it. To “light your lamps” implies that you are not in the dark but that your mind is enlightened in such a way that you are able to see that which is the will of God.

As we go through life, it is easy to become complacent in the things of faith. It is easy to become lazy, disinterested, distracted, and unfocused. This parable goes on to speak of a thief who tries to break into a house in the middle of the night. This is Jesus’ way of saying that the evil one, with his lies and attacks, is constant, vicious, forceful, and unpredictable. For that reason, we must never grow tired of being vigilant in the spiritual life and must always be attentive to the light of God’s voice.

How attentive are you to the mission of Christ on a daily basis? This is an essential question to answer honestly. Most people will find that they become distracted from the mission God has given to them. We experience countless things every day that compete for our attention. Many of those competing voices might not appear to be sinful. For example, perhaps a certain hobby has become the dominant focus of your free time. Or perhaps responsibilities at work have spilled over into your family time. Or perhaps some painful or even enjoyable experience has had your full attention for some time. Though it is obvious that sinful distractions in life are evil, it might not always be as obvious that there are many other neutral distractions that are a real problem. The problems they can produce are a lack of attentiveness to the will of God and a lack of readiness to engage the will of God the moment He calls.

Imagine, for example, that a very important person calls you to ask for a favor. Most likely you would drop all you were doing and respond immediately. But, sadly, when the King of the Universe attempts to speak to us and inspire us to some mission, we can be too distracted to even listen, let alone respond with immediacy and zeal. This is a problem. If, however, a person is continually attentive to the voice of God and responds to His interior promptings as soon as they are received, then Jesus says that this person is truly blessed and that He will “have the servants recline at table, and proceed to wait on them.” In other words, the result of being vigilant in our attentiveness to the inspirations of God is that God Himself will reward us with His service. He will invite us to the table of spiritual rest, peace, joy, and fulfillment.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time | August 10, 2025

He will serve us His mercy, which will be more than we could ever imagine.

Reflect, today, upon the call from God to always be attentive to His voice the instant He speaks. Reflect upon how aware you are of His constant presence in your life and His ongoing communication. Know that if you can form a habit of always listening, then you will never miss out on the grace-filled mission given to you by our Lord. Always listen to Him, seek out His still and gentle voice, and be ready to respond to Him every time He calls.

My Catholic Life! 2025



85th PARISH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Weekend of September 13 & 14, 2025

All Sunday Masses will be offered in thanksgiving for 85 years of faith and community. Join us as we celebrate this milestone together as one parish family.

85th PARISH ANNIVERSARY SEMI-FORMAL DINNER & DANCE

Date: Saturday September 13, 2025

Time: 6:30pm

Location: Portuguese Cultural Center of Bradford
767 Simcoe Road, Bradford, Ontario L3Z 2A6

Tickets: \$50.00 per person

EVENING INCLUDES: Catered Dinner

Bottle of water and soda

Sparkling Wine (one bottle per table for toasting),

Coffee, tea, and dessert,

Cash bar available

Raffle prizes and more!

All proceeds for the event will go toward the renovation of our parish confessional- a sacred space dedicated to healing, reconciliation, and the spiritual life of our parish. Come join us for a joyful evening of food, music, and celebration as we honor 85 years of faith and community!



Living the Gospel by providing for those in need

We call upon your compassionate hearts to support your vulnerable brothers and sisters in need. More people than ever are turning to our agencies for help. The Kindheartedness of ShareLife supporters like you enables access to essential programs and services, such as the treatment program and transitional housing at St Michael's Homes. Please continue to give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.



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 for more information. 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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