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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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Holy Trinity High School—905-775-4841

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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 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, November 10, 7:00PM +Graciete Domingues
+Julia Robinson +Urzula Blalasik +Vanessa Rodrigues &
Peggy Michaud *Special Intentions of the Margarido
Family *Special Intention for Aldo & Sandra Greco

TUESDAY, November 11, 9:00AM

+The Souls of All Soldiers & Public Servants +For All
Souls in Purgatory

WEDNESDAY, November 12, 7:00PM

+Fernando de Jesus Marques +Graciete Domingues

THURSDAY, November 13, 9:00AM

+Saul Domingues & Maria Oliveira +Manuel Cruz
Conceicao & Maria Santos Rosete

FRIDAY, November 14, 7:00PM

+All Deceased Oliveira & Marques Family Members
*Special Intentions of the McEvenue Family

SATURDAY, November 15, 9:00AM *ProPopulo

SATURDAY, November 15, 5:00PM

+Salvatore Vena & Vincenzo De Girolamo +Manuel Da
Silva +Augusta Barros & Joao Gomes Faria +Manuel Nuno
Rodrigues & Fatima Faria +Manuel Paulos & Emilia Lopes
+Antonio Santana & Maria Sousa +Vitorino Nazario &
Olimpia Sousa +Isaura Lorencio +Frank Cota +Antonio
Martins +Lucy Balugas & Danny Viveiros +Antonio Novia
+Graciete Domingues +Anita Scott & Richard Lourenco
+All Deceased Furgiele & Rende Family Members

SUNDAY, November 16, 8:00AM

+Gilda Presta *Special Intentions of Mary Toich

SUNDAY, November 16, 10:00AM *ProPopulo

SUNDAY, November 16, 12:00pm +Celestina Nunes &
Manuel Thomas +Larry MacIntyre

SUNDAY, November 16, 2:00pm *ProPopulo
St. Philip of Jesus (Mission)

**PLEASE NOTE THE 2026 BOOK OF MASS
INTENTIONS IS AVAILABLE FOR BOOKINGS.**



FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR ADORATION

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

REQUIEM MASS

**The Requiem Mass will be held on the last Friday of the
month November 28 at 11:00am at the Church.** Mass
Intentions can be booked at the parish office.



NOVEMBER 11 – Remembrance Day

Remembering and honoring the
selflessness of service and sacrifice of all
who served and continue to serve our
countries, acknowledging the humanity,

sacrifice and courage of those who gave their lives for our
peace and freedoms. Many went to war believing their fight
would secure peace. Lest we forget! Remembrance Day
challenges people to ensure this dream is realized. It serves
as a reminder for all, to work and strive for peace.

REFLECTION

*“Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up.”
The Jews said, “This temple has been under construction for
forty-six years, and you will raise it up in three days?” But
he was speaking about the temple of his Body. ~[John 2:19-21](#)*

The most important temple is the temple of a person’s soul
because God dwells within each one of us. In the most
secret center of our being is that sacred sanctuary where we
meet God. Saint Teresa of Ávila called it the Presence
Chamber, the most central and interior dwelling place within
us.

In addition to the temple of the soul, there are many sacred
places throughout the world. There are shrines, churches,
basilicas, grottos, cathedrals, and other holy places that are
set aside for the sole purpose of worship of God. They are to
be a Heaven on earth, a place where we join with the
Seraphim, Cherubim, and Thrones in their angelic praises of
the Most Holy Trinity. Today’s feast commemorates one
such place, the most important church on earth.

In the city of Rome, there are four major basilicas. The first
three are Saint Peter’s Basilica in Vatican City, the Basilica
of Saint Paul Outside the Walls, and the Basilica of Saint
Mary Major. The fourth is the Archbasilica Cathedral of the
Most Holy Savior and of Saints John the Baptist and John
the Evangelist in the Lateran, also called Saint John Lateran,
or the Lateran Basilica for short. Of the four major basilicas,
the oldest and most important is Saint John Lateran, the
dedication of which is remembered today. Though the pope
now lives next to Saint Peter’s Basilica, Saint John Lateran
is the official cathedral of Rome. That means Saint John
Lateran is not only the mother church of the Archdiocese of
Rome but also the mother church of the entire world.

The church building has a long and storied history. In 312,
when Constantine the Great became the sole ruler of the
Western Roman Empire, he took possession of the Lateran
Palace. The following year, after issuing the Edict of Milan
with Emperor Licinius of the Eastern Roman Empire,
Constantine donated the Lateran Palace to Pope Miltiades
who first used it to conduct a synod of bishops and then
began constructing the first Basilica in Rome. Upon its
completion in the year 324, it was dedicated by Pope
Sylvester and given the name the “House of God,” with a
special designation to Christ the Savior.

Constantine the Great did much to help the Catholic Church
flourish after legalizing its practice. He saw to it that the
Lateran Basilica was beautifully decorated with gold and
silver. Up until that time, the church had suffered greatly,
always fearing persecution and death. Now, it had its first
cathedral in the heart of Rome, beautifully decorated, with
the Roman Emperor’s full support.

Though the basilica was first dedicated to Christ the Savior,
in the tenth century Pope Sergius III added a new baptistry
and rededicated the basilica to Saint John the Baptist. In the
twelfth century, Pope Lucius II dedicated the basilica to
Saint John the Evangelist. The basilica, therefore, honors

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica |
November 9, 2025

Christ the Savior first and the two Saint Johns as the co-patrons.

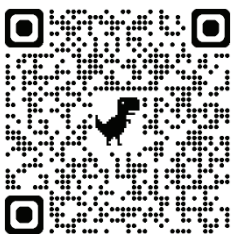
Though the Lateran Basilica has remained the pope's cathedral from the time of its dedication, the Lateran Palace, next to the Basilica, was the papal residence from 324–1305. In 1305, Pope Clement V was elected to the papacy and refused to move to Rome. In 1309, he moved the entire papal court to Avignon, France, where it remained until Pope Gregory XI returned to Rome from Avignon in 1377. Upon the pope's return to Rome, the Lateran Palace was in disrepair due to two fires, so the pope eventually built a new palace next to Saint Peter's on Vatican Hill, where every subsequent pope has resided until today.

As we honor the mother church of the whole world, ponder the importance of a church building. A church is sacred because it is exclusively dedicated to the worship of God. Saint John Lateran is an exclusive-purpose church. It is the pope's cathedral from which the entire Church is governed and the central place of worship for the world. As we honor the dedication of that church in 324, pray for the Church today. Pray for your local parish, religious institutions, religious orders, dioceses, national conferences, and the Universal Church headed in Rome. Our churches and sacred places exist to be places where we come to encounter God. Pray for the pope in a particular way today, that Saint John Lateran will always be a place where he, and every pope after him, will encounter God in a profound way. *My Catholic Life! 2025*

THE SHEPHERDS' TRUST COLLECTION November 15 & 16, 2025

The mission of The Shepherds' Trust is to help ensure that elderly and disabled priests are provided with sufficient financial resources to lead a dignified life after the many years of ministry. Your generous gift will help our priests to maintain a modest but active and independent lifestyle in their retirement years. For priests who are ill or otherwise infirm, the Trust ensures they have access to nursing home facilities and medical care. Thank you for your support of this important work.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY NEEDS YOUR HELP! – November 16, 2025 – World Day of the Poor! "You are my Hope" (Ps 71:5)



On the World Day of the Poor weekend, please think of The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul at Holy Martyrs of Japan. Every dollar donated goes to helping people in our community and the need is greater than ever before. Envelopes will be available in the

foyer of the church and donations are tax deductible.

Prepare your hearts for the coming of the Lord!



ADVENT

Reconciliation

TUESDAY DECEMBER 2, 2025,
6:00pm-8:00pm

"Create in me a clean heart, O God and put a new and right spirit within me" Psalm 51:10

FOOD BANK CHRISTMAS DRIVE- Lets start early!

Advent will soon be here. Let us prepare our hearts in the anticipation of His coming by being the hands and feet of Christ alive in our community displaying acts of charity and love of neighbour. Help to spread the message of Christ's HOPE this season by donating non-perishable items to our Food Bank. Please feel free to drop off your food items in the crate at the entrance of the Church when you come to Mass. Let us overwhelm our Food Bank with food and LOVE this upcoming season!

SACRAMENTS

FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION FOR 2026

THE REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS
NOVEMBER 30, 2025 (INCLUSIVE).

Registration for First Communion and Confirmation opened MONDAY OCTOBER 6, 2025! Registration forms for each sacrament can be found on our parish website at holymartyrssofjapan.archtoronto.org click "Sacraments" on the menu bar and click on "First Communion" or "Confirmation" and go to registrations 2025-2026.

YOUTH MINISTRY



EDGE is a fun, exciting and free program that offers youth the opportunity to grow in faith and fellowship with other youth and peer leaders. Come to the EDGE! Grades 6, 7 & 8. *Next Edge Night: November 21 – Upside-Down*

LIFE TEEN

LIFE TEEN is an international Catholic ministry that serves the Church and leads all teens closer to Christ by providing resources that encourage vibrant Eucharistic celebrations and opportunities for teens to grow in their faith. Life Teen is for youth in Grades 9-12.

Next LifeTeen Night: November 14 – Take the Plunge

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