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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.

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PARISH MINISTRIES and SOCIETIES

Alpha

Catholic Moms Group

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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, November 24, 7:00PM +Virginia Correia
+Maria Aparecida Trevisian Friss +Elena Rojas +Mario
Mazzotta +All Souls in Purgatory

TUESDAY, November 25, 9:00AM +Lucia & Lorenzo
Cetrulo *Special Intentions of the McEvenue Family

WEDNESDAY, November 26, 7:00PM +Tony
Macaluso +Carlos Ribeiro Marques & Parents

THURSDAY, November 27, 9:00AM +Jose Conceicao &
Virgilio Conceicao

FRIDAY, November 28, 7:00PM +Stacie Gibson Power
+Generosa Paulos

SATURDAY, November 29, 9:00AM *ProPopulo

SATURDAY, November 29, 5:00PM+Manuel DaSilva
+Lucy Balugas & Danny Viveiros +Graciete Domingues
+John Stark +Charles William Krohn +John Faria &
Dennis Faria +Maria Faria & John Faria +Jose Gomes &
Ris Gomes +Duarte & Maria Gomes +Jose Miranda &
Manuel Pereira +Gabriel Miranda & Laurindina Barbosa
+Carlos Bento & Euclides Pinho +Sebastiano & Angela
Domingo +Arulappu Madutheen

SUNDAY, November 30, 8:00AM *ProPopulo

SUNDAY, November 30, 10:00AM +Tony & Adele
Caruso +Nick & Doris Yaremko

SUNDAY, November 30, 12:00pm +Manuel Marques &
Maria Do Ceu +Giuseppe & Angiolina D'Alimonte

SUNDAY, November 30, 2:00pm *ProPopulo
St. Philip of Jesus (Mission)

COMMUNITY MEAL–December 13, HELP WANTED

Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish will be hosting another community Meal on Saturday December 13, beginning at 3:00pm. We will invite our neighbors from Helping Hand Food bank, Out of the Cold Café, and the people served by our Society of St. Vincent de Paul. We will need volunteers to help organize, set up, serve, entertain and clean up afterwards. There will be sign up sheets at the back of the church, or you may email Peter at pjb@rogers.com

FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR ADORATION

Holy hour will be celebrated on December 5, 2025, 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.

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

REFLECTION

"Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied to him, "Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise." Luke 22:42-43

What powerful words these were. As Jesus hung dying on the Cross for the salvation of the world, He hung between two thieves. These thieves represent all of us. One of them wanted Jesus to save His earthly life by coming down from the Cross and saving him at the same time. The other thief made a prayer for eternal life, asking Jesus to remember him when Jesus entered His Kingdom. To the latter, Jesus granted his request.

Oftentimes we pray for earthly goods and pay little attention to eternal ones. Today, as we celebrate the last Sunday of the liturgical year, we celebrate the Solemnity of Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. On this day, we are invited to pray this prayer with the good thief, acknowledging that we are sinners deserving death, but hoping and praying for mercy and a share in the Eternal Kingdom of God.

Nothing makes the soul of our Lord more joyful than saving His children. He endured suffering and death out of love. On the Cross, Jesus' gaze was on eternal, not earthly, redemption. He beheld the glorious throne that He mounted. It began with a cross but would end with glory, power and splendor beyond imagination. As we honor Jesus as the great and glorious King of the Universe, we are encouraged to invite Him to establish His kingship in our lives more fully.

The Kingdom of God is established here and now every time you allow Him to exercise His kingship in your life. As a King, Jesus desires to order your life. He demands perfect submission of your will to Him. He demands complete obedience. And He demands that you embrace this kingship of His freely, of your own choosing. These are demands of perfect love that bring about a sharing in His eternal Kingdom. How well do you do this?

Throughout our world, there are many forms of governments. Democracies are thought by many to be the best form of government because no one person is capable of being the perfect king. Therefore, a democracy is more of a safeguard against tyranny and abusive leadership. But when it comes to the end of time, the governance of humanity will take place by a King—the King of Kings and Lord of Lords. He is the only one Who is capable of governing humanity with justice and love. He is the only one under Whose leadership we will all flourish. He is the only one Who will be able to establish universal peace and harmony.

Reflect, today, upon the glorious end of the world when our Lord Jesus Christ, the King of the Universe, will return in splendor and majesty to judge the living and the dead and to establish His permanent and unending Kingdom. Surrender all to Him. Invite Him to reign over your thoughts, will, body and soul. Do not hesitate. Trust in this one and only glorious King Who is worthy of our total obedience.

My Catholic Life! 2025

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe |
November 23, 2025

Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve – Wednesday December 24, 2025

Vigil-Nativity of the Lord

4:00pm English, 6:00pm-Spanish

12:00 Midnight

Christmas Day – Wednesday December 25, 2025

Nativity of the Lord

10:00am (Livestream), 12 Noon

Holy Family – Sunday December 28, 2025

8:00am, 10:00am (Livestream), 12 Noon, 2:00pm

Vigil-Mary Mother of God–Wednesday December 31, 2025

5:00pm-Spanish, 7:00pm-English

Mary Mother of God –Thursday January 1, 2026

10:00am (Livestream), 12 Noon

**Please Note: The parish office will be closed on
December 24, 25, 26, 31, and January 1, & 2, 2026.**

**DECEMBER REQUIEM MASS: Friday December 26
at 7:00pm in the Church**

POINSETTIA MEMORIAL GARDEN

We invite all parishioners to bring a poinsettia in memory of their loved ones to be placed in our poinsettia memorial garden for the altar. **Poinsettias are asked to be dropped off starting on Saturday December 20th until Tuesday December 23rd in the Narthex of the Church.** Labels will be available to you to write the name(s) of your loved ones. Please affix the label to your poinsettia. They will later be placed at the altar for our Christmas celebration.



CHURCH DECORATING INVITATION

We will be decorating our Church for Christmas on **Saturday December 20 after the 9:00am Mass.** Everyone is welcome to come in fellowship and help out.

FAITH AND FELLOWSHIP

Dates: Tuesday November 25, from 7:00pm to 8:30pm in the Parish Hall. **This is a Free Event!** All are invited to our Faith and Fellowship evenings. For parents with young children, our large meeting room is available for childcare and activities to give parents the opportunity to participate.

**OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE FEAST DAY MASS
FRIDAY DECEMBER 12, 2025,** join us in celebrating the Feast Day of Our Lady of Guadalupe at the 7:00pm Mass.



Your gift will double in value from November 3 until year end, your contribution to our parish's ShareLife campaign will be matched by an anonymous donor up to a total of \$500,000.00! Too often families face their struggles in silence, unseen and unheard. New data shows that many food bank visitors are working age and that one in four visitors is children. Through ShareLife's Food Security Grants, parents find relief in knowing they can provide nourishing meals for their children, and seniors are able to live with dignity, free from the fear of hunger. These are just a few ways your love leads the way, bringing warmth, comfort, and renewed hope to those who need it most. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

FOOD BANK CHRISTMAS DRIVE- Lets start early!

These times have been challenging for everyone, some more than others. Despite the varied social ills that inflict our local society, we must be drawn to the fact that we all have a role to play in healing our broken world. Each one of us is to embrace his/her responsibility and contribute to repairing the holes of the fabric of our common humanity. In doing so, we honor God Himself. Help to spread the message of Christ's HOPE this season by donating non-perishable items (such as: Pasta sauce, Kraft Dinner, Cereal, Granola Bars, Crackers, Canned Fruit, Baked Beans, Juice Boxes/1lt Juices, Soup, Peanut Butter, Rice Flour, Sugar, Tea, Pancake Mix, Syrup, Diapers and Baby wipes are just a few suggestions) 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

**THE REGISTRATION DEADLINE FOR FIRST
COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION FOR 2026 IS
NOVEMBER 30, 2025 (INCLUSIVE). PLEASE BE
SURE TO REGISTER BEFORE THE DEADLINE!**

YOUTH MINISTRY



Come to the EDGE! Grades 6, 7 & 8.
**Next Edge Night:
December 5 -Perfect Square**



Life Teen is for youth in Grades 9-12.
Next LifeTeen Night: November 28 – Mission Confirmed

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