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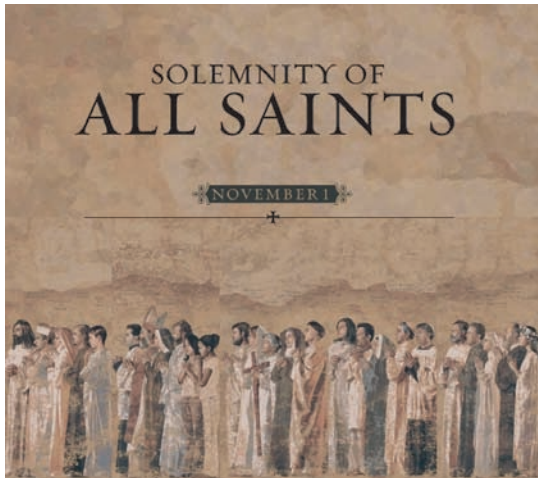
Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish

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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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Consolation and Hope

EDGE Youth Ministry

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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 2, 9:00AM & 7:00PM

+For All the Faithful Departed

TUESDAY, November 3, 9:00AM

+Manuel Da Silva +Samantha Diogo

WEDNESDAY, November 4, 7:00PM

+Romanko Sakac +Maria Dolores Vigario

THURSDAY, November 5, 9:00AM

+Manuel Da Silva +Generosa Paulos

FRIDAY, November 6, 7:00PM

+All Deceased Oliveira & Marques Family Members

+Cindy Diogo & Francisco Paixao

SATURDAY, November 7, 9:00AM - First Saturday

+All Souls in Purgatory

SATURDAY, November 7, 5:00PM

+Maria & Eugenio Arruda +Jose Manuel Barbosa +Helene

Victorine Ophelders +Isaura Lourenco & All Deceased

Family Members +Carlos Pais +Jose Manuel Caldas

Azevedo +Maria de Fatima Soares +Augusta Barros &

Joao Gomes Faria +Maria Helena Oliveira +Fernando &

Graciete Domingues +All Deceased Barroso Family

Members +Virginia Correia +Eduarda Rodrigues & Sam

Oliveira +David Maloles Ramsay Jr. & All Souls in

Purgatory *Special Intention for Pope Leo & All Priests

SUNDAY, November 8, 8:00AM *ProPopulo

SUNDAY, November 8, 10:00AM

+Luis Pontes *Special Intention for Julian & Marina

Mongillo

SUNDAY, November 8, 12:00PM

+Terezinha Teixeira +Joao Perna

SUNDAY, November 8, 2:00PM *ProPopulo

St. Philip of Jesus Mission

**PLEASE NOTE THE 2027 BOOK OF MASS
INTENTIONS WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR
BOOKINGS ON MONDAY NOVEMBER 2, 2026.**

FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR ADORATION

Holy hour will be celebrated on Friday December 4,
following the 7:00pm Mass



**HOLY MARTYRS OF JAPAN
ANNUAL CHRISTMAS MARKET**
Hosted By: Catholic Women's League
Saturday November 7th & Sunday November 8th
9:00am to 3:00pm Parish Hall

Raffle Prizes and a Silent Auction with exciting Prizes!
*The event will feature lots of vendors showcasing exciting
new products like jewellery, soaps, honey, jams, candles,
gift baskets, plants, religious goods and lots of fresh
baked goods and much more! Don't miss it – enjoy a hot
lunch and start your Christmas shopping early!*

REFLECTION

Today, we celebrate the Solemnity of All Saints, a celebration honoring all men and women who have entered Heaven. While this includes every soul in Heaven, the focus is particularly on those who led extraordinarily holy lives on earth and that the Church has canonized as saints. These individuals honored God in a variety of ways: through deep prayer and mystical union, through enduring martyrdom or other forms of religious persecution, and through acts of service, such as caring for the needy or teaching the faith. Some saints were powerful preachers or miracle workers. Others were leaders, some lived in obscurity, and still others experienced exile or made significant personal sacrifices for their faith. In various ways, these saints glorified God during their lifetimes.

By honoring this host of saintly witnesses, we honor and glorify God through their lives. By honoring them, we honor Him Who made them holy. This liturgical solemnity is but a foretaste of the eternal Solemnity of Heaven. Heaven will be the eternal glory of God through the lives of all His saints.

In Heaven, the virtues, sacrifices, prayers, and selfless service of all the saints will radiate as beacons that eternally manifest the great mercy and goodness of God. The life of every saint in Heaven will become a continuous chorus of praise and worship of God, intertwined with the nine choirs of angelic hosts. With the Seraphim, Cherubim, and Thrones, the saints will cry “Holy, Holy, Holy...” With the Dominions, Virtues, and Powers, the saints will participate in God’s providential care of the New Heavens and Earth. With the Principalities, Archangels, and Guardian Angels, the saints will celebrate God’s protection and continuous communication with all of His sons and daughters. Heaven today, as well as the New Heavens and Earth at the end of time, will be nothing other than a continuous solemn celebration of all that God is in His essence and all that God has done in the lives of those who responded to His grace. Honoring the saints also becomes an invitation to each one of us on earth to strive after the holiness the saints attained. The saints give us an example; their lives are a “how to” book in holiness. The lives of the “super saints”—such as the Blessed Virgin Mary and Saints Francis of Assisi, Catherine of Siena, Teresa of Ávila, Thérèse of Lisieux, Augustine of Hippo, and Thomas Aquinas—should be studied and pondered so that we can learn from their example.

We must also remember that, from Heaven, the saints become powerful intercessors for us on earth. It is true that God could deal directly with us without using the mediation of angels and saints. He chooses to use secondary causes, while He always remains the First Cause and Source of all grace. The saints and angels are among those secondary causes God chooses to mediate His grace. For that reason, we should rely upon their intercession. Doing so is an act of faith by which we profess our belief in God, using the saints and angels as His instruments.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

All Saints Day | November 1, 2026

As we honor all the saints in Heaven today, ponder the fact that you are called to be among their company. The extent to which you become holy while on earth is the extent to which your life will be an eternal glorification of God. Seek a profound depth of holiness. Don't just try to remain in a state of grace. Seek an abundance of grace. Strive to grow in virtue. Purge all sin, even small sins, from your life. Pray as often as you can. Read about the saints. Ponder the Scripture. Act with generosity and charity. Forgive everyone. And do everything you can to become the super saint God wants you to become.

My Catholic Life! 2026

ALL SOULS DAY



Monday November 2, 2026, All Souls Day, All Souls Day, reminds us of our own mortality, that the life of each of us is limited and we need to be ready to meet our Lord when he calls us. As we gather, let us pray in hope and confidence for one another and our beloved dead. Through our prayers may they find eternal rest. **There will be 2 Masses as we commemorate All the Faithful Departed on Monday November 2 at 9:00am and 7:00pm Mass.**

CEMETERY PRAYERS FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED ON ALL SOULS DAY

Come join us for **Prayers** at Holy Martyrs of Japan Cemetery (2952, 9th Line, Bradford) for all the faithful departed on **Monday November 2, 2026, at 12:00 Noon (weather permitting).**

ALL SOULS MEMORIAL BOX & BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE For the entire month of November, we will be praying for all our faithful departed. You are welcome to write the name(s) of your loved one(s) in Our Book of Remembrance, after Mass, and place your "All Souls" offertory envelope in the memorial offertory box which will be made available to you at the front of the altar of the church.

SACRAMENTS

FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION FOR 2026/27 SEASON IS OPEN!

Registration for First Communion and Confirmation is open! 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 2026-2027.

THE REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS NOVEMBER 30, 2026 (INCLUSIVE).



THE SHEPHERDS' TRUST COLLECTION November 14 & 15, 2026

There will be a second collection for The Shepherds' Trust on the weekend of November 14/15, 2026. 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 14 & 15, 2026

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.

TO OUR YOUNG PEOPLE: *"You are not only the future of the church, you are the present. Your voices, your ideas, your faith matter right now. And the church needs you."* – Pope Leo

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 6 – Personal Foul

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 27 – 3 and 1

YOUNG ADULT GROUP AGES 18-39

Calling all young adults to join us Sundays at 3:00 in the large meeting room. It is an opportunity to get together, grow in faith alongside like-minded people in a similar stage of life. We look forward to seeing you. For more info, contact Fr. John at jpak@archtoronto.org.

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