



Guiding Light

MARCH 2019

名号不思議の海水は
逆謗の屍骸もとどまらず
衆悪の万川帰しぬれば
功德のうしほに一味なり

The ocean of the inconceivable Name does not hold unchanged
The corpses of the five grave offenses and slander of the Dharma;
The myriad rivers of evil acts, on entering it,
Because one in taste with the ocean water of virtues.



Quote from Wasan

Photo by Rev. Yoshi

TORONTO BUDDHIST CHURCH *a Jodo Shinshu Temple*

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MARCH 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
PLEASE NOTE: Events marked with an asterisk * are private and <u>NOT</u> open to the general public						Thank You !
					1	2
3 MONTHLY MEMORIAL & WINTER WARMUP Installation of Board 9:30 am Keirokai Mtg(Eko) 10:30 am Kids' Sangha 11:00 am Service 12:30 Dana Mtg (Eko)	4 10:00 am Sr. Karaoke	5	6 7:00 pm Taiko	7 10:00 am Tai Chi 1:00 pm Buyo 7:00 pm Meditation	8 7:30 pm Buyo	9 10:00 am *Temple Event 11:30 am * Family Memorial Srv
10 REGULAR SERVICE 11:00 am Service 12:30 pm Sangha Mtg (LDC) 3:30 pm *Japanese Garden Club Mtg Service in Hamilton	11 10:00 am Sr. Karaoke	12	13 7 pm Taiko	14 10:00 am Tai Chi 1:00 pm Buyo 2:00 pm * Momiji 4:00 pm *Yee Hong 7:00 pm Meditation	15 7:30 pm Buyo	16 10:00 am Obon Committee Mtg 11:00 am * Family Memorial Srv
17 HIGAN & KEIRO KAI 10:30 am Kids' Sangha 11:00 am Service	18 10:00 am Sr. Karaoke	19	20 7 pm Taiko	21 10:00 am Tai Chi 1:00 pm Buyo 2:00pm * Castlevew 3:00 pm Ikenobo class 7:00 pm Meditation	22 7:30 pm Buyo	23 10:00 am * Temple Event
24 REGULAR SERVICE 11:00 am Service 9:15 am Management Committee Mtg (Mezz) 12:30 pm Board of Directors Mtg (Eko)	25 10:00 am Sr. Karaoke	26	27 7 pm Taiko	28 10:00 am Tai Chi 1:00 pm Buyo 3:00 pm Ikenobo class 7:00 pm <u>NO</u> Meditation	29 7:30 pm Buyo	30 Service in Ottawa
31 REGULAR SERVICE 11:00 am Service Service in Montreal						

Morning Chanting: When available, Rev. Ouchi will lead chanting on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 10:00 am. As last minute emergencies do come up, cancellations may occur. If you wish to join the chanting may we ask that you notify ahead of your visit by email or phone. Thank You !

APRIL 2019

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	1 10:00 am Sr. Karaoke	2	3 7:00 pm Taiko	4 10:00 am Tai Chi 2:00 pm Buyo 3:00 pm Ikebana 7:00 pm Meditation	5 * 7:30 pm Buyo	6
7 MONTHLY MEMORIAL SERVICE & Buyo Group Bento Sale 10:30 am Kids' Sangha 11:00 am Service 12:30 pm *Dana Mtg (Eko) 12:30 pm Shin Fujinkai Mtg (KS)	8 10:00 am Sr. Karaoke	9	10 7:00 pm Taiko	11 10:00 am Tai Chi 10:30 am *Japanese Garden Club Mtg 2:00 pm Buyo 2:00 pm *Momiji 3:00 pm Ikebana 4:00 pm *Yee Hong 7:00 pm Meditation	12 * 7:30 pm Buyo <div>Rev. Ouchi guest speaker at Manitoba Buddhist Temple</div>	13 10:00 * Temple Event
14 ESHINNI DAY SERVICE 11:00 am Service 12:30 pm *Sangha Mtg (LDC)	15 10:00 am Sr. Karaoke	16	17 7:00 pm Taiko	18 10:00 am Tai Chi 2:00 pm Buyo 2:00 pm * Castlevue 3:00 pm Ikebana	19 <div>TEMPLE CLOSED</div>	20
21 HANAMATSURI SERVICE 9:15 am MC mtg(Mezz) 10:30 am Kids' Sangha 11:00 am Hana Matsuri Service 12:30 pm BOD Mtg(Eko) 12:30 PM Hanamatsuri Family Banquet	22 10:00 am Sr. Karaoke	23 8:00 pm Bon Odori Practice	24 10:30 am Momiji Community Mtg 7:00 pm Taiko	25 10:00 am Tai Chi 2:00 pm Buyo 3:00 pm Ikebana 7:00 pm Meditation	26 7:30 pm Bon Odori Practice 8:00 pm Buyo	27
<div>Annual General Meetings of the JSBTC (Board, Ministers' and Women's Federation) will be held in Vancouver April 24th to 28th, 2019</div> <div>*** PLEASE NOTE: * Rev. Ouchi will be away during this time ***</div>						
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EVIL



This morning as I drove in to work, I caught the last few minutes of an interview with Dr. Julia Shaw of University College London. She was talking about her new book *Making Evil: The Science Behind Humanity's Dark Side*. Dr. Shaw talked about various complex topics like war crimes and artificial intelligence, but her final takeaways were surprisingly simple:

1. Assume you're capable of the worst
2. Stop calling people evil
3. We can all benefit from seeing the humanity in everyone.

These three final thoughts aligned so completely with Buddhism that I was able to remember them in full later on when I sat down to write. And particularly, they are very close to the essence of the spiritual path that Shinran taught.

We spend much of our lives blaming others and protecting ourselves from criticism. When someone else does something we don't like, we get angry and say they should have known better. When we do something similar, we make excuses for ourselves about why our actions were justified, or we had no choice, or we've been misunderstood. I'm certainly like this. For example, I don't like when people judge my behaviour, and if someone points out something I shouldn't have done, I'm not very good at accepting the criticism or even admitting my role in the situation. But when my children do something that I've told them not to do, or even just that I think they ought to know better about, I speak to them very sternly and don't let them escape from my criticism. This is especially ironic because on some level I am partially to blame for their poor behaviour.

Shinran was often disappointed in those whom he felt should know better (high-ranking monks, the emperor, and so on), but he saved his most piercing gaze of truthfulness for himself. He often admitted that he put on a show of outward wisdom while being full of turmoil. He did not excuse his actions, but frankly admitted his difficult nature. He knew that he was capable of the worst, and he encouraged others to let the light of the Buddha show them that they too were capable of the worst.

At the same time, Shinran didn't let this make him judgmental about everyone. In Tannisho he teaches his disciple that anyone is capable of doing the worst if karmic circumstances arise, even Shinran himself. But precisely for this reason, we can't condemn others and call them evil—we need to draw close to them and affirm that we are like this too. With such an attitude we can recognize that there are reasons and circumstances behind others' actions, and while we may not excuse harmful acts, we can try to discern the circumstances that give rise to harm and work to prevent them.

Finally, this moves us to recognize the humanity of everyone. We too are like those we disagree with. We are foolish and cause harm, and they are foolish and cause harm. We are capable of the worst, and they are capable of the worst. They act not out of evil, but out of ignorance, greed, and anger, all of which we are victims of as well. And despite their objectionable actions, they are human and they have value, just as we do too.

Seeing the humanity in everyone has a single meaning in Dr. Shaw's mainstream approach to the concept. It means to see that each person, since they are human, has something worthy of respect about them. Shinran's Buddhist approach is similar but deeper and more complex. We are enabled to see others' humanity not simply in an abstract way, but in the light of the Buddha, which reveals the deep, deep truth of our inner togetherness. And what we recognize isn't singular, but twofold: our common humanity means we are all equally subject to blind passions, and our common humanity means that for that very reason we are all also constantly embraced by great compassion and enabled to wake up.

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EVIL, Continued

In a way, scientists like Dr. Shaw are rediscovering truths that Shinran has made available to us for many centuries. I'm grateful for this research, which helps bring perspectives similar to Buddhism out to the rest of society. No matter whom we learn it from, we'll all be a little better off if we can manage to be more honest about ourselves and more accepting of one another.

Gassho

Professor Jeff Wilson

TORONTO DANA

Membership Dues Reminder

A reminder that the 2019 Dana membership fee of \$15 per member is now due.

Please mail a cheque for \$15 made payable to the Toronto Buddhist Church Dana to the church, give your fee to any members of the Dana executive or place it in the Dana mail slot in the church office.

Also, if you are turning 80 years of age in 2019, you will become an honorary member and will not be required to pay the membership fee.

Thank you for your continued support of the Dana and the TBC.

GUIDING LIGHT

TRANSLATORS NEEDED

The Guiding Light is looking for volunteers to translate articles from Japanese to English for the newsletter. The Guiding Light is printed once a month; English articles are due on the 3rd Wednesday of each month, Japanese translations would be required by the following Wednesday.

If you are interested in translating for the Guiding Light please contact Darlene at: darlene.rieger28@gmail.com

Thank you

Obon Odori 2019

As we await the arrival of spring after a cold, snowy winter, we can look forward to the start of Obon odori practices at the Toronto Buddhist Church. Come out and learn dances to both traditional and modern Japanese songs. Beginners are welcome as step-by-step instructions are given, and veterans will recognise dances from years past.

Practices will be held every Tuesday and Friday nights, 8:00 – 9:30pm, starting on Tuesday April 23, 2019 until Obon.

Obon is a significant Buddhist celebration and it would be wonderful to see more TBC members participating especially Kids Sangha and their parents.

Obon odori is for all ages, any gender, the young and the young at heart. So come out to the TBC to learn odori, see old friends, make new ones, and have some fun! The Obon festival will be held on the evening of Saturday July 13, 2019 at the Japanese Canadian Cultural Centre following Natsu Matsuri.



Memorial (Shotsuki) Listing for the Month of April

Our monthly memorial services (shotsuki) are usually held on the first Sunday of each month (please check our temple calendars to confirm the day of the monthly memorial service) to remember and honour those who have passed away in that month regardless of year.

Usually, mail reminders are sent out to the next of kin but due to changing circumstances we have not always been able to reach families and hope that by publishing the names of those who have passed, we can still reach and remind families and dear friends of the month of their loved ones honouring.

Below is our listing of our members and supporters who have passed away during the month of April. All are invited and welcome to attend.

ABE, Takeo Tom	ITO, Jukichi	MORI, Sukeshiro	SUYAMA, Hisakichi
AIHOSHI, Yone	IWASA, Hisa	MORIKAWA, Tokio	TAHARA, Tsune
AKADA, Saki	IWASAKI, Sosaku	MOTOMURA, Yutaka	TAKAHASHI, Hideo
AMEMORI, Isaburo	IZUKAWA, Kane	NAGANO, Kiyoko	TAKAHASHI, Takejiro
AOKI, Hiroshi	KADOHAMA, Kumiko	NAKAGAWA, Ai	TAKATA, Kase
ATAGI, Yoshio	KAMADA, Denjiro	NAKAGAWA, Kotaro	TAKAYAMA, Harold Shoichi
AYUKAWA, Etsuko Marjorie	KANDA, Masano	Harold	TAKEDA, Tsuneyo
BABA, Kinu	KASAI, Tsutomu	NAKAMURA, Masanobu	TAKENO, Heisaburo
BANDO, Tomizo	KAWAGUCHI, Sachiko	NAKANISHI, Yoshie	TANAKA, Kazuo
DOI, Shizue	KAWANO, Katsuyo Ray	NAKAO, Masaru Mas	TANAKA, Koryo
EBATA, Lillian Shizue	KAWANO, Sueo	NAKATSU, Hatsu	TANAKA, Marion Miyo
EBATA, Tada Harumi	KAWASAKI, Ginny Tatsuye	NIKAIDO, Barbara Hiroye	TANIISHI, Gonshiro
EBISUZAKI, Tsunetaro	KIKUTA, Noboru	NISHI, Yasu	TERAKITA, Yoshio
EDAMURA, Masao	KINOSHITA, Hatsue	NISHIKAWA, Hidekazu Nick	TESHIMA, Rose Setsuko
FUJII Yayeko	KISHIMOTO, Tomoko	NISHIKAWA, Shizue	TOWATA, Takiyo
FUJIMOTO, Kiju	KITAMURA, Mina	NODA, Tameo	TOWATA, Toichiro
FUJIOKA, Seiichi	KIYONAGA, Shoji	NODA, Yasuichiro	TSUBOUCHI, Lynne Reiko
FUJITA, Haruko	KOJIMA, Masao	OHASHI, Matsujiro	TSUCHIDA, Fusa
FUKUNAGA, Sukeo	KOMORI, Hiromu Ken	OIKAWA, Yoshiye	TSUKADA, Iso
HAMADE, Yoneichi	KONDO, Mitsuharu	OKU, Takeji	TSUTSUI, Iwanosuke
HAMANISHI, Ikuko	KOTANI, Akie	OMOTO, Mitsuye	TSUYUKI, Kakuzo Ken
HARA, Fusae	KOYANAGI, Koto	OMOTO, Chiyo	URA, Ikukichi
HARADA, Kumaichi	KOYATA, Shoji	ONO, Fumiye	URAGAMI, Misao
HAYASHI, Genji	KOZAI, Shinkuro	OTSU, Mataharu	UYENO, Natsue
HAYASHI, James Sumio	KUBOTA, Miyoko	SAITO, Takako	YAMAMOTO, Frank Shunzo
HAYASHI, Kaneo	MAKIMOTO, Tomisaburo	SAKAMOTO, Asakichi	YAMAMOTO, Yaeko
HAYASHI, Toshiko	MASUDA, Haru	SEKO, Hatsu	YAMAMOTO, Yohko Joan
HIGUCHI, Naoichi	MATSUOKA, Tsunehichi	SEKO, Mitsuyo	YAMASHITA, Toyono
HIGUCHI, Takashi	MATSUYAMA, Heishiro Harry	SHIBATA, Sumi	YOSHIDA, Kikumi
HIRAMORI, Yukio	MIYAMOTO, Masako	SHIGEISHI, Kimiko	YOSHIDA, Tozo
HIROTA, Naoyuki	MIYAMA, Irene Chikayo	SHINDE, Susumu	
HISAKI, Yoneko	MIZUTANI, Tomie Mary	SHIKATANI, Tsuji	
HORIBE, George	KONDO, Masao	SHIOMI, Michiyo	
INAMOTO, Hanako	MORI, Masu	SHIOZAKI, Tsunejiro Tony	

FOODFEST A Success!

Thank you to all the Dana and Shin Fujinkai members for all your generous contributions of delicious food items that were put into the bentos and other donations of sekihan, preserves, manjus and seafood soup. We thank everyone who supported this annual event with your purchases. Proceeds will be used for the Jodo Shinshu Buddhist Churches of Canada Women's Federation Outreach Program.



FOREIGN COINS and USED STAMP COLLECTION

Please bring in any foreign coins from your travels and place them in the box provided in the Temple lobby. The Women's Federation collects for Air Canada charity. Also we still collect unwanted pennies.

Any collection of stamps will be sent to Save The Children. The stamps will be given to Women's Federation group at the end of April. If you have any stamps, a box is provided in the lobby of the Temple



**Join or Renew
Online**

**MEMBERSHIP
Join/Renew**



IT'S TIME FOR YOUR 2019 MEMBERSHIP AND TO SUPPORT THE TEMPLE

We must now approach you and remind you to renew or apply for your membership for 2019. This past year our membership was slightly lower than 2017 memberships. We hope that this will not be a trend for future years. We know there are still some who have not applied for membership or have forgotten to submit the membership application with your membership fee.

Needless to say the future of the Temple depends on our members so we need you to take the time or remember to submit your application and membership fee.

We continue trying to improve the benefits of being a member of the Temple, here are a few reasons why a membership is valuable:

1. Most importantly, as a member you will have the right to vote on all important matters affecting the Temple, such as the election of the President and the Directors, the approval of budgets and all significant matters affecting the future of the Temple.
2. As a member you are subscribing to the Jodo Shinshu values of the Temple.
3. As a member you are entitled to free notarial services offered by one of our Temple members.
4. As a member you are entitled to a discount on premium-level CAA memberships.
5. As a member you will be entitled to attend special Temple activities free of charge or at rates not available to non-members.
6. As a member you are entitled to discounts from Arbour Alliances on your funeral arrangements

Regular memberships are valid from January 1 to December 31 each year, so we ask that those wishing to be recognized as a Temple member complete the application form as early as possible at the start of each year. Once your signed application and membership fee (minimum of \$130.00) or your promise to pay the total fee by May 31 have been received, your membership card will be sent to you.

Honorary Membership Cards will be issued to all members 77 years of age and over who sign up for the year 2019, or if already an Honorary Member, he or she confirms in each year his or her wish to continue Honorary Membership. Honorary Members do not need to pay any annual membership fees, although all donations are welcome. **Membership card will be issued once.**



TORONTO BUDDHIST CHURCH

*a Jodo Shinshu Temple***2019 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

Please note that this application is for membership from January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019. The Individual Membership Fee for 2019 is a minimum of \$130. However, the Temple welcomes and will be grateful for any amount over and above this minimum fee.

A tax receipt will be issued for the total Membership amount paid.

Please note that \$80 of your Individual Membership Fee is paid to Jodo Shinshu Buddhist Temples of Canada (JSBTC) as an assessment for each member of our Temple.

Membership Fees may be paid in one lump sum or in monthly or quarterly installments. Please do not use Offering envelopes to pay membership fees. Instead, please insert them in separate plain envelopes clearly marked "For Membership". Please make any cheques payable to Toronto Buddhist Church.

In the case of couples, please complete information for each applicant individually.

Applicant #1 Renewal (☐) New (☐) Mr. (☐) Mrs. (☐) Ms. (☐)

Last Name: _____ Birthdate: dy/mm/year: _____

First Name: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

City: _____ Signature: _____

Prov: _____ Postal Code: _____

I promise to pay \$_____ as my Membership Fee for 2019 and am enclosing the amount of \$_____ on account of such fee. I will pay the balance of my Membership Fee, if any, by **May 31, 2019**. By signing this Membership Application I hereby adopt the vow printed on the reverse side of your membership card.

I would like a Guiding Light mailed to me _____ English _____ English/Japanese _____

Applicant #2 Renewal (☐) New (☐) Mr. (☐) Mrs. (☐) Ms. (☐)

Last Name: _____ Birthdate: dy/mm/year: _____

First Name: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

City: _____ Signature: _____

Prov. _____ Postal Code: _____

I promise to pay \$_____ as my Membership Fee for 2019 and am enclosing the amount of \$_____ on account of such fee. I will pay the balance of my Membership Fee, if any, by **May 31, 2019**. By signing this Membership Application I hereby adopt the vow printed on the reverse side of your membership card.

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Sangha Day – Feb. 17th, 2019

Thank You for Attending!

During the Nirvana Day service the TBC Sangha Executive Board for 2019 was introduced.

Cary Kataoka	President	Mits Sumiya	Advisor
Nobby Shiraishi	Past President	Sid Ikeda	Publicity
Dennis Madokoro	Treasurer	Phil Miller	Publicity
Ron Shimizu	Secretary	Aki Ikebata	Special Projects
Martin Cartledge	Social	Mas Matsuyama	Membership
Fred Kotani	Welfare	Toku Suyama	Director
Richard Goto	Board Member	Jordan Freeman	Board Member

The TBC Sangha Executive Board!



I was also happy to recognize new Sangha member Richard Takata and lifetime member Gord Yoshida.

The Lunch!



The Cooks!



Free Lunch!

As promised in last month's Guiding light, in recognition of Nirvana Day and Sangha day, TBC Sangha members and friends cooked and served a delicious lunch following the Nirvana Day service.

In addition to cooks who helped to prepare our delicious lunch, I would like to recognize and thank the many volunteers who without being asked pitched in to help clean up after lunch – your help was very much appreciated!



Following lunch, we enjoyed trays of fresh fruit and some cake.

To help work off lunch, we participated in a sing a long of favourite tunes.

Thank you for joining us and we hope you enjoyed Sangha Day lunch!

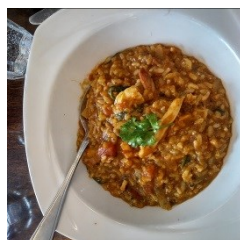


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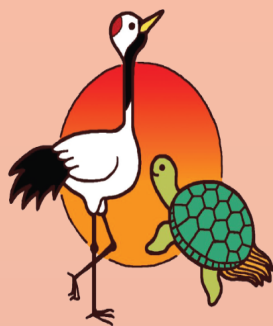
Cary Kataoka, President
TBC Sangha

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Four Shin Fujinkai members enjoyed a lovely lunch at Midi Bistro on McCaul



KEIROKAI



敬老会

Celebrating our young at heart!

Sunday, March 17, 2019
we will be honouring Temple members
who are celebrating their
77th (kiju)
88th (beiju)
or 99th (hakuju) year

**Complimentary bento for Temple members
77 years of age or older**

Subject to availability,
everyone else will be able to purchase a bento for \$10

An entertainment programme will follow the luncheon



FOOD AND BENTO SALE



**Sunday, April 7, 2019
in the Social Hall**

PLEASE NOTE: MINDFUL MEDITATION IS CANCELLED ON THURSDAY MARCH 28TH (ONLY). SESSIONS WILL RESUME THURSDAY APRIL 4TH FROM 7:00 - 9:00 PM. WE APOLOGIZE FOR THE INCONVENIENCE.

MEDITATION AND MINDFULNESS

WHEN: Every Thursday Evening -7:00 -9:00 pm

WHERE: Toronto Buddhist Church—Hondo

The 2 hour session will include:

- ◇ Guided Sitting Meditation
- ◇ Silent Walking Meditation
- ◇ Silent Sitting Meditation
- ◇ Dharma Talk

Please arrive at least 15 minutes early in order to allow time for “settling in” so the session can begin promptly at 7:00 pm

If have any questions please contact the Temple at 416-534-4302 or you can email Denise Crofton at dcrofton@rogers.com





CALLING ALL SANGHA KIDS

MARCH'S THEME: KEIROKAI

Keirokai is an annual celebration when we honour and express our gratitude to our temple members who have reached the age of 77, 88, 99 and older.

March 17, 2019 – Keirokai

Let's have fun as we perform for our honoured guests.



APRIL'S THEME: HANAMATSURI



April 7, 2019 – plant flowers

Hanamatsuri ("Flower Festival") celebrates the birth of the Buddha. Let's make flowers for this special day.



April 21, 2019 - Hanamatsuri

Let's learn about Hanamatsuri and the sweet tea ceremony.
Spring time crafts



We hope you will join us for Kids Sangha. We look forward to seeing you. Everyone is welcome.



With gratitude,

Yumi, Jessica, Abigail, Rachel, Koji, Eri, Denise, Les and Naomi

Save the Date!

Hanamatsuri Family Banquet

12:30pm Sunday April 21st, 2019

- ◆ Gourmet Food Including Vegan Course
- ◆ Entertainment
- ◆ Bingo

*** Donations for Door Prizes are Appreciated! ***

NEWS FROM THE OFFICE

For the past five years, since changing over to our current donation receipting programme, we have issued receipts on a quarterly basis. However, due to the ever-increasing cost of paper, envelopes and postage; we will, in 2019 begin issuing receipts semi-annually or twice a year. Therefore, you will receive a receipt for any donations made January to June, in early July 2019 and in early January, 2020 for donations made July to December, 2019.

We would also like to take this opportunity to remind everyone that cheques must be made out to TORONTO BUDDHIST CHURCH. Please note that TBC or T.B.C is not acceptable. If you would like your donation to be directed to one of the church groups or funds, please indicate this information in the memo line of your cheque...ie: Dana, Sangha, Altar Flower Fund, etc.

We would like to thank everyone for their co-operation and understanding in these matters.

Toronto Buddhist Church Office.

Weekday Services

Weekday chanting services are generally conducted Wednesday, Thursday and Friday mornings around 10:00am, when Rev. Yoshi is available. If you are interested in participating in these short services, it is best if you call the office in advance to ask if Rev. Yoshi will be available on the day you would like to attend as Rev. Yoshi can be called away for emergencies and appointments.

We strongly suggest that you leave your name and contact information in the event that Rev. Yoshi becomes unexpectedly unavailable subsequent to your inquiry.



TBC DANA SCHOLARSHIP INVITES APPLICATIONS

The Toronto Buddhist Church Dana Scholarship Committee invites all qualified, graduating students to apply for a scholarship.

Eligibility:

Students who are first time applicants and who are members or who are children or grandchildren of members of a temple/church in the Eastern District of the Jodo Shinshu Buddhist Temples of Canada and who will be attending their first year of post-secondary education at a recognized institution such as a university, college, institute of technology, etc.

All applications must be submitted in writing and accompanied by a Letter of Reference. The amount of the scholarship is dependent on monies available each year end and is at the discretion of the Committee.

The selection criteria will be as follows:

Academic Results	50%
Church Activities	30%
School and Community Involvement	10%
Essay (minimum 300 words)	10%
Total	100%

If you wish to apply for a scholarship, please contact the office at tbc@tbc.on.ca or 416-534-4302 and an application form will be forwarded to you as soon as possible.

**** DEADLINE for the scholarship application is Sunday, April 14, 2019 ****

All scholarship winners will be honoured at the scholarship presentation and luncheon which will take place on Sunday, June 2, 2019 (during the 11:00 am service).



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 August 30 — September 1, 2019
 San Francisco Marriott Marquis Hotel
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16th World Buddhist Women's Convention • San Francisco, California, USA

2019 16TH WBWC MONTO SHIKISHO

Going to the 2019 WBWC in San Francisco? BCA has sent us a photo of the FBWA Monto Shikisho for the 2019 convention.

If you would like to order one in advance of the convention the cost is \$55.00 US\$ plus 8.5% tax. This would be \$78.55 CDN which includes tax. If you order through the JSBTCWF Committee now, you can purchase one for pick up at the convention and avoid shipping costs. The cost of the Monto Shikisho at the convention will be \$65.00 US\$ plus the 8.5% tax.

Not going to the convention but would like a souvenir, you can place your order with the JSBTCWF and Myra Takasaki will happily pick up the Monto Shikisho and bring it back to Toronto for you.

If you wish to order a Monto Shikisho please email Myra at takasaki@rogers.com for details on payment.

All proceeds from the sale of the Monto Shikisho and Wagesas will be directed toward the convention expenses



Guiding Light

REMINDER: ONLY MEMBERS ARE RECEIVING GUIDING LIGHT

As mentioned in our membership articles the rising cost of postage has forced us to implement a subscription fee for all those who are not members of the Temple. The subscription fee charged applies to those receiving the Guiding Light by mail. If you were not a member in 2018 or have not applied for or renewed your membership for 2019 you will no longer receive a Guiding Light. The subscription fee for January—December 2019 is \$30.00.

If you do not wish to apply for membership but wish to continue to receive a copy of the Guiding Light by mail please submit your subscription form and fee to the Toronto Buddhist Church (indicating it's for the Guiding Light).

The Guiding Light is also posted on the Toronto Buddhist Church website tbc.on.ca

SUBSCRIPTION REQUEST FOR THE GUIDING LIGHT FOR NON MEMBERS

SUBSCRIPTIONS IS FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR JAN—DEC

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_____ ENGLISH/JAPANESE

Send your request to Toronto Buddhist Church, 1011 Sheppard Ave. W. Toronto, ON M3H 2T7, accompanied with your subscription fee of \$30.00. Cheques should be made payable to Toronto Buddhist Church indicating it is for subscription for the Guiding Light. You can also drop the form off at the Temple office.

****A tax receipt will not be issued for the subscription fee**