ST. JOSEPHINE BAKHITA PARISH

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OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday to Friday 9 AM to 6:00 PM



All new parishioners are welcome to register. Registration forms are available at the entrance to our worship space on Sundays. You can also register

www.stjosephinebakhita.ca

Please do not forget to request for your box of Sunday Envelopes after you register. You may also wish to use the Pre-Authorized Form of Giving. Forms are available.

The Mission of the Parish is to be a Catholic, multicultural community of faith, called to witness and proclaim, to celebrate and share the Hope and Charity we have in Jesus Christ as exemplifed by St. Josephine Bakhita, our "Universal Sister" (John Paul II) and "Model of Hope" (Benedict XVI).

We are a people who weave together this neighbourhood as:

- a community of faith, committed to live the Greatest Love of Jesus Christ Crucified, and Mary, Mother of Charity at the foot of the Cross.
- a community of prayer, nourished by the Word of God, the Eucharist, and the traditions of the Church, reflected in the way we live and
- a community that welcomes every woman and man, child and youth, of all cultures, to equal discipleship in Jesus Christ.
- a community that is missionary, open to the needs of the world, committed to the promotion of justice, peace, and the stewardship of
- a community that is not afraid to face its pain and yet deeply trust "in the hope that saves."

We believe that each one [of us] is called to be the strand that God will use to weave a tapestry in this place; a tapestry that will be intricate and exquisite.

SCHOOLS

St. Bernard of Clairvaux Tel. (905) 542-9203 St. Edith Stein Tel. (905) 824-5777 St. Simon Stock Tel. (905) 785-7434 St. Faustina Tel. (905) 821-3256

St. Joan of Arc Secondary School Tel. (905) 285-0050

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We celebrate Holy Mass at

St. Joan of Arc Secondary School 3801 Thomas Street Mississauga, ON L5M 7G2

SUNDAY MASSES

5:00 PM 9:00 AM Sunday 11:00 AM 12:30 PM

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday, Thursday 7:30 AM 7:00 PM Wednesday, Friday

> St. Peter's Mission Church Ninth Line, north of Britannia Road

> > SUNDAY MASSES

Sunday 7:30 AM

WEEKDAY MASSES

7:00 PM Monday Saturday 9:00 AM

DEVOTIONS

- Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena every Wednesday after the 7 PM Holy
- Chaplet of the Divine Mercy every Friday after the 7 PM Holy Mass
- Solemn Vespers and Benediction every First Friday at 7:30 PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00 PM or any time by appointment

Sacrament of Baptism

Parents who wish to have their children baptized must fill out a baptismal form to be submitted to the parish office. The baptism form is available on our parish website, at the parish office, or at the desk at the entrance to our worship space. We celebrate baptism during our Sunday Eucharists or anytime by agreement with the pastor.

Sacrament of Marriage

Couples planning to be married must contact the priest one year in advance. A marriage course is required. The wedding will either be held at Merciful Redeemer Church or at St. Peter's Mission Church.

Funerals

Losing someone through death is very difficult for anyone. To help you plan the funeral, please contact the parish office. We will hold the Liturgy at Merciful Redeemer or at St. Peter's Mission Church.

The Sacrament of Confirmation

will be celebrated on Friday, May 8 starting at 7 PM at Merciful Redeemer Church for Grade 8 Students of St. Edith Stein School with His Excellency Most Rev. John Boissonneau, D.D.

Men's Day of Retreat

May 9 – 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre 1617 Blythe

Theme: "A biblical journey into a deeper relationship with Christ." The facilitator is Greg DeMarchi, deacon, surgeon and scripture scholar. The day begins with coffee, tea and muffins and a four-course lunch will be served in our dining room at noon. Suggested offering is \$35. To register, contact the Centre at 905-278-5229

CFC-Youth Mississauga West Presents:

CAMP VICTORY

The youth camp is scheduled on May 9-10, 2015 at Blue Springs Scout Reseve (14045 6th Line Nassagaweya, Milton ON)

The camp aims to provide an experience for the young people to know Jesus Christ in a personal way, build lasting friendships, and discover how each individual is destined for greatness! A Parent's Orientation will be held on April 25 at St. Peter's Church (Ninth Line) starting at 1:30 PM

We are hoping to once again organize a Vacation Bible Camp for the children from July 6 to 10. In order to do so, we are looking for volunteers, please contact Liz Capule or Cecilia Vaz if you are interested to participate.

JOB OPENING

Catholic Missions in Canada, Toronto Deadline: April 30

The Database Administrator assists in the implementation and management of Catholic Missions in Canada's fund development, relationship management and information systems. This is a full-time position (35 hours/week) with benefits. University or college degree required. Must have advanced knowledge and experience working with RE (2 to 5 years). To apply send your resume in confidence to the email address below.

EMAIL: info@cmic.info WEBSITE: www.cmic.info

Inner Healing Retreat

Friday, May 1 to Sunday, May 3 - 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Divine Retreat Centre Toronto (69 William St., Toronto)

Three-day inner healing retreat (Friday to Sunday) led by Fr. Joby Kachappilly, VC and Divine Team Toronto. Pre- registration required. Registration Fee: \$75. Attendance is mandatory on all three days.

PHONE: 647-660-1314 / 647-949-4932

Mass Intention

Saturday (April 25)

5:00 Thanksgiving of Michelle Encarnacion

Sunday (April 26)

7:30 AM For the Parish Community 9:00 AM +Jose Barbosa, Special Intention of Tessie Buena II:00 AM +Antonio D'Souza, +Thomas Anthicques, +Zosimo Lopez and Julia Manego I2:30 PM Thanksgiving of Maya

Monday (April 27)

Pereira

7:00 PM +Mary Kelly

Tuesday (April 28)

7:30 AM Departed family and friends of Crescencio & Anita Masallano

Wednesday (April 29)

7:00 PM Open

Thursday (April 30)

7:30 AM Departed family and friends of Maria Cecilia & Gilbert Cananto

Friday (May 1)

7:00 PM Thanksgiving of Avelino & Maria Lara

Saturday (May 2)

9:00 AM For Parish Benefactors and Friends

5:00 PM Open

To offer a Mass for yourself or your loved one, see Cecilia at the desk or use the form on our parish website.

Thank you for supporting our Building Fund Invested in the Archdiocese \$1,606,304.49 Architectural & other Fees \$209,531.34

Total Building Fund Collected \$1,815,835.83

Please remember to pray daily for our church building project

Man and Woman, complementary and of the same divine substance

Vatican City, 22 April 2015 (VIS) – Pope Francis dedicated his catechesis at today's Wednesday general audience to the second chapter of Genesis, in which we read that God created man as the culmination of all Creation and placed him in a beautiful garden so that he could cultivate it. "The Holy Spirit, who inspires all the Bible, suggests for a moment the image of man alone, without woman", said the Pontiff. "And it suggests the thought of God, almost the sentiments of God as He watches him, as He observes Adam alone in the garden: he is free, he is the master, but ... he is alone. And God sees that this is not good; it is a lack of communion, a lack of fullness. 'It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him".

When after presenting all the other creatures, God finally presents woman to Adam, "the man joyfully recognises that creature, and only her, to be part of him: 'bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh'. Finally there is reflection, reciprocity. The woman is not a replica of man; she comes directly from God's gesture of creation. Indeed, the image of the 'rib' does not imply inferiority or subordination, but on the contrary, that man and woman are of the same substance and are complementary. And the fact that, again in the parable, God forms woman while man is sleeping, underlines that she is in no way a creation of man, but of God".

God's trust in man and woman, to whom He entrusts the earth, is generous, direct and full. "He trusts them. But here there is the evil one who introduces suspicion, incredulity and distrust into their minds. And finally, they arrive at the point of disobeying the commandment that protects them. They give in to the delirium of omnipotence that contaminates everything and destroys harmony".

"Sin generates diffidence and division between man and woman. Their relationship is undermined by a thousand forms of abuse and subjection, of deceptive seduction and humiliating arrogance, including the most tragic and violent. History bears their traces. Let us think, for instance, of the negative excesses of patriarchal culture. Think of the exploitation and commodification of the female body in the media in contemporary culture. But let us also think of the recent epidemic of distrust, scepticism and even hostility that is spreading in our culture – starting in particular from a comprehensible diffidence on the part of women – with regard to the alliance between man and woman that is able, at the same time, to refine the intimacy of communion and safeguard the dignity of difference".

"If we do not find a wave of sympathy for this alliance, able to protect new generations from distrust and indifference, the children who come into the world will be increasingly rooted in it", warned the bishop of Rome. "The social devaluation of the stable and generative alliance of man and woman is certainly a loss for all. We must restore honour to marriage and the family".

"The stewardship of this alliance of man and woman, even if they are sinners and wounded, confused and humiliated, distrustful and uncertain, is therefore for us as believers a demanding and exciting vocation. The account of creation and sin, at the end, offers us a beautiful image: 'And the Lord God made for Adam and for his wife garments of skins and clothed them'. It is an image of tenderness towards the couple, sinners as they were, that leaves us speechless. It is an image of the paternal protection of the human couple. God Himself cares for and protects His finest creation", concluded the Pope.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

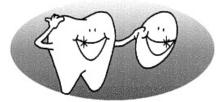
for Grade 2 students of St. Faustina School April 26, 2015 at 3 PM Merciful Redeemer Church

Sunday Collection		
Offertory	\$	3,824.35
Building Fund	\$	1,346.95
St. Peter's	\$	408.25
Confirmation	\$	1,487.55
Wednesday	\$	146.90
ShareLife	\$	335.00
Stipend	\$	80.00
Beads and Things	\$	60.00
Baptism	\$	110.00
Total	\$	7,799.00

Working wonders in our Archdiocesan family

This year, Catholics across our archdiocese are being asked to support the Family of Faith campaign. this campaign will provide for the pastoral and temporal needs of the archdiocese, such as campus and youth ministry, communication initiatives that will strengthen our family of faith, and support to help new parishes to celebrate Mass in a new church. the ShareLife campaign provides for the needs of our social service agencies, helps our brothers and sisters in Christ across the world, and supports the education of our clergy. there is no duplication - ShareLife agencies do not receive funding from the Family of Faith campaign. thus it is important that we continue to support the ShareLife appeal, to provide for the needs of the marginalized both here in our communities and around the world.

Please give generously. You can work wonders! May 3, 2015



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