

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF ST. JOSEPHINE BAKHITA

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SUNDAY MASS

Saturday
5 PM
Sunday Mass
7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM, and
12:30 PM

WEEKDAY MASS

Monday, Wednesday, Friday
7:00 PM
Tuesday, Thursday
7:30 AM
Saturday
9:00 AM

DEVOTIONS

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena
Every Wednesday following the 7 PM
Mass

Daily Rosary before every Mass

Chaplet of the Divine Mercy every
Friday after the 7 PM Mass

Solemn Vespers and Benediction
Every First Saturday at 4 PM

Sacrament of Baptism

Parents who wish to have their children
baptized must fill out the online
baptismal request form available in our
parish website

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 4 PM or any time by
appointment

OUR MISSION

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 exemplified by St. Josephine Bakhita, our "Universal Sister" and "Model of Hope for the Twenty-first century". 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 celebrate.
- A community that welcomes every man and woman, child and youth, to equal discipleship.
- A community that is missionary, open to the needs of the world, committed to the promotion of justice, peace, and the stewardship of creation.
- A community that is not afraid to face its pain and yet deeply trust "in the hope that saves."

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

PASTORAL TEAM

Pastor

Rev. Mark Achilles Villanueva

Deacons

Deacon Gerry Steyn
Deacon Michael Ho
Deacon Roman Lim

Administrative Assistant

Cecilia Vaz

Assistants

Daniel Mathew
Clifford Jumapit

Office Hour

Monday 5 PM to 9 PM
Tuesday to Friday at 9 AM to 9 PM
Saturday 9 AM to 7 PM
Sunday 9 AM to 3 PM

Schools

St. Bernard of Clairvaux
St. Faustina
St. Edith Stein
St. Simon Stock
St. Joan of Arc Catholic Secondary
School

Sacrament of Marriage

Couples planning to be married must contact the pastor one year in advance. A Marriage course is required. For additional information, please contact the pastor.

Our Sanctuary Light

The Sanctuary Candle is a five-day candle that is lit above the Tabernacle to signify the real presence of Jesus in our midst. It is like the star that appeared and guided the wise men from far away lands to where Jesus was born. If you wish to sponsor a candle, the suggested donation is \$20. We assign the date in the order that the offering is made. Please see the reception desk if you would like to make an offering.

August 23 +Brenda Lemay
 August 27 +Brenda Lemay
 August 31 Agnes Bolivar
 September 4 Albert & Vicky de Leon
 September 8 Rene & Paz de Leon
 September 12 Lewellyn & Clarissa Fernandez
 September 16 Pamella Allen
 September 20 Anonymous donor
 September 24 Edwin & Maria Azanon
 September 28 Inacio & Paulo Lee-len
 October 2 Inacio & Paula Lee-Len
 October 6 Inacio & Paula Lee-Len
 October 10 Pol and Cora Cruz
 October 14 Yannick Villegas
 October 18 Xavier Rodrigues
 October 22 Anastasia and Johan Jackson
 October 26 +Noella D'Souza
 October 30 Celeste White
 November 3 Bernadette & Charles Wong
 November 7 Venantius Family
 November 11 Ronaldo & Charito Sta Mina
 November 15 + Jose and Petra Feril
 November 19 + Socorro & Feliza Singson
 November 23 + Jose & Josefina Villanueva
 November 27 + Jose & Petra Feril
 December 1 +Feliza & Socorro Singson

Annual Pilgrimage to the Martyrs' Shrine in Midland

Our parish will be joining the Western Pastoral Region's Pilgrimage to the Martyrs' Shrine in Midland, Ontario. The Regional pilgrimage, led by His Excellency The Most Reverend John Boissonneau, D.D., will be held on the second Saturday of September. The cost of the bus trip is \$30 per person. A sign-up sheet is located at the Reception Desk to reserve your place.

Our Parish Sacramental Preparation Program

The registration for **First Reconciliation and First Communion** will be held before or after the Sunday Mass in the Parish Hall on the following dates:

- September 8/9 for St. Bernard of Clairvaux School and St. Edith Stein School
- September 15/16 for St. Faustina School and St. Simon Stock School

The registration for the **Sacrament of Confirmation** will be held before or after the Sunday Mass on the following dates:

- September 22/23 for St. Bernard of Clairvaux School and St. Edith Stein School
- September 29/30 for St. Faustina School and St. Simon Stock School

Reserve the date

INTERNATIONAL FOOD FESTIVAL

September 14, 2018 in our Church Hall and Grounds

Organized by the Daughters of Isabella

Tickets will be on sale after all the Masses

We are looking for volunteers to showcase food from their respective countries, that is, Korean, Chinese, and any other country besides the other countries that very generously keep coming back with their delicious food year after year. Sign up sheets will be at the vestibule after all the Masses. Any questions/concerns, please speak to the DOI who will be at the table. Thank you.

Fr. Mark will be on retreat from September 9 to October 4. If you really need to get in touch with him, email him at apomark@mac.com

The Mission Co-op

Every year, our parish welcomes a missionary to share with us their story and to do a mission appeal. This visit gives us an opportunity to hear how God is actively present in other parts of the world. This year, the mission diocese of Imphal in Northeast India is our focus of interest. It is the home to 35 tribes of Mongolian origin. The first Catholic baptism in the diocese was recorded in 1952. The Catholic population has grown up to 100,000. The diocese has 45 parishes and 5 mission centres, 160 priests including 82 indigenous tribal priests. The growth of the Church has always been accompanied by various challenges and persecutions during the past decades. Between 1990-2001, six of our young and dynamic missionaries were killed for witnessing the gospel.

Besides direct evangelization, the Church is actively involved in the everyday life of the people through other forms of apostolate like education, health care, self-help program, rehabilitation of the sick, drug addicts, and the orphans. Much remains to be done for this interior and underdeveloped region through your participation and generous support.

In spite of the many challenges, missionary efforts are yielding an increase in vocation to the priesthood and religious life. The proceeds of the mission appeal will be used for training 30 community health workers for the 30 parishes. Your generous support and prayers will be of great help for the evangelization work in the diocese of Imphal that began 70 years ago.

“Not all of us can do great things. But we can do small things with great love.”
(Mother Teresa)

Retrouvaille Weekend – September 14, 2018

At a hotel located in Mississauga, Ontario, close to Highway 401

If you are thinking of separation or divorce or you are already separated, but want to try again then Retrouvaille can help. If you and your spouse want your marriage to work and are willing to put in a full weekend of hard work and your best effort, then you are invited to attend a Retrouvaille Weekend.

Retrouvaille is a program to help married couples through difficult times in their marriage relationships. It is designed to provide the tools to help get your marriage back on track. It will give you the opportunity to rediscover one another and examine your lives together in a new and positive way.

Although Retrouvaille follows the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church, couples of other faith expressions are also welcome. **PHONE:** 416-281-6007 **EMAIL:** www.torontoretrovaille.com

Bible Study

A Bible Study will be held in our parish in the Fall. More information is forthcoming. “Ignorance of the Scriptures is ignorance of Christ” (St. Jerome).

THE SCHEDULE OF MASS INTENTIONS IS LOCATED IN OUR BULLETIN BOARD.

We will resume printing them on a weekly basis in our Parish Bulletin in September.

Join us on Friday, September 7, for an extended Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in honour of the Nativity of our Lady following the 7 PM Mass until 10 PM.

A Walk for Msgr. Terence D’Souza

Msgr. D’Souza enjoyed walking, even when he came to celebrate Masses at our Church. We are organizing a 5 Km Walk to honour his memory on Saturday, October 27. More information will be coming in the next few weeks.

Silent Retreat for Men and Women

Starting on September 21
Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre 2325 Liverpool Rd., Pickering

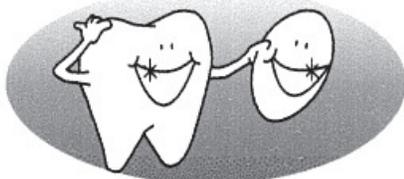
A silent retreat in the Jesuit tradition. Fr. John Sullivan, SJ, Pastor, Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Toronto, will facilitate the retreat, "We love because he first loved us." Our discipleship as a response to God's love, mercy and grace.

COST: Suggested offering \$220 per person. This includes accommodation, meals, program and spiritual direction.

PHONE: 905-839-2864

EMAIL: registration@manresa.ca

Thank you to Fr. Emmanuel and Fr. Martin for looking after the parish.



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