

# ST. JOSEPHINE BAKHITA PARISH

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

*Prepare the way...*



# ADVENT



Children's Liturgy  
Children from JK to  
Grade 5 are invited to  
participate in the  
Children's Liturgy of  
the Word during our  
Sunday Eucharist.

Saturday Vigil Mass at 5:00 p.m., and  
Sundays at 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m., and  
12:30 p.m.

### MASS INTENTION

#### December 17 (Saturday)

5:00 PM +Alfredo Fonseca

7:00 PM +Eusebio & Lourdes Naluz

#### December 18 (Sunday)

7:30 AM For All Parishioners

9:00 AM +Francisco Barbosa, +Olinda  
Pacheco

11:00 AM +Richard Valere, Mario

Antonio D'Souza, +Ann D'Souza

Thanksgiving of Jasuratnam

12:30 PM +Exequiel Naje, +Esperanza,  
+Dolores Santa Mina

7:00 PM +Paul Delicata, +Joey Micallef

#### December 19 (Monday)

7:00 PM +Paul Delicata, +Joey Micallef

#### December 20 (Tuesday)

7:00 PM +Paul Delicata, +Joey Micallef

#### December 21 (Wednesday)

7:00 PM +Paul Delicata, +Joey Micallef

#### December 22 (Thursday)

7:00 PM +Paul Delicata, +Joey Micallef

#### December 23 (Friday)

7:00 PM +Paul Delicata, +Joey Micallef

#### December 24 (Saturday)

5:00 PM For all Parishioners

7:00 PM For all Parishioners

9:00 PM For all Parishioners

10:30 PM For all Parishioners

*Please note that all the Masses from  
Monday to Friday this week is held at 7  
PM. No Mass in the morning.*

There are several ways you can offer  
Holy Mass. You can fill the form on our  
parish website ([stjosephinebakhita.org](http://stjosephinebakhita.org)),  
call the Office and talk to Fatima, our  
parish secretary, or book your intention  
at the desk when you come for Holy  
Mass on Sundays.

### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

December 18 is a significant day for me as a priest. It was on this day that I was ordained for the service of God and God's people. Like many priests, the words of Lacordaire are a constant reminder what a lofty vocation God has graced us with.

To live in the midst of the world  
without wishing its pleasures;  
To be a member of each family,  
yet belonging to none;  
To share all suffering;  
to penetrate all secrets;  
To heal all wounds;  
to go from men to God  
and offer Him their prayers;  
To return from God to men  
to bring pardon and hope;  
To have a heart of fire for Charity,  
and a heart of bronze for Chastity  
To teach and to pardon,  
console and bless always.  
My God, what a life;  
and it is yours,  
O priest of Jesus Christ.

### Pray for me and pray for all priests.

Christmas is fast approaching. As many of us are busy with all the preparation and wrapping gifts, our Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI, reminds us not to forget to prepare our hearts. "Let us think that Christ the Lord is close to us, that He enters our lives and brings us light and joy. Pray always, the Holy Father echoes the words of the Apostle Paul...what this means is that we must not lose contact with God in our hearts. If such contact exists then we have a reason to be joyful even amidst our doubts and difficulties.



The Youth Ministry Team invites the young people from Grades 7 to 12 for their monthly gathering at St. Joan of Arc School on December 18 from 2:30 PM to 4:30 PM. The theme of the gathering will be "Jesus is the reason for the season"

### THANK YOU from the Social Concerns Ministry



The Social Concerns Ministry at St. Josephine Bakhita Parish has been very busy this Advent Season coordinating efforts with St. Edith Stein, St. Faustina, St. Simon Stock and St. Bernard Clairvaux elementary schools to help families in need at Christmas, as well as reaching out to our own parishioners to respond to the request to help. This is the third year running the Sponsor A Family initiative where those families in need are provided with the means for a Christmas dinner and a gift for each family member. This initiative has been very successful due to the overwhelming response of the parish and school communities. Twenty six families will be able to have a

happier Christmas due to everyone's generosity. A food drive was also ran along side the Sponsor a Family program and will continue until Dec. 18th where all food collected will go to St. Vincent de Paul to help continue the support to families in the Meadowvale area. A huge THANK YOU to all of you who reached into your hearts and pockets to help once again. Together we can make a difference in the community. Merry Christmas.

**We are accepting donation of flowers to adorn our altar for Christmas. Thank you.**

**Christmas Novena**

Our Novena Masses in preparation for the Birthday of our Lord Jesus Christ have started. Each night, we reflect on a theme that is taken from the New Roman Missal. The themes help us to deepen our understanding and appreciation of the gift that Jesus gave us by His birth. We invite everyone to join us for this celebration of joy.



*At 7 PM St. Peter's Mission Church*

**December 17** "Yoke of sin and the offer of Newness"

**December 18** "Venerating with Integrity of Faith"

**December 19** "Holding Fast the Will of God like Mary"

**December 20** "Rejoicing in hope"

**December 21** "Confessing the Mystery of the Incarnation with humble fervour"

**December 22** "Mercy flowing from God's Word"

*On our last day of the Novena, we are holding the Mass at St. Joan of Arc Secondary School at 7 PM.*



**December 23** "Solace and Relief in Christ's coming"

There will be a Potluck Christmas Dinner following the Holy Mass at the Matrix.

## **The Schedule of Holy Mass for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day**

**Solemnity of the Nativity of our Lord**

**December 24**

**at St. Joan of Arc Secondary School**

5:00 PM, 7:00 PM, 10:30 PM

**at St. Peter's Mission Church**

9:00 PM

**December 25**

**At St. Joan of Arc Secondary School**

9:00 AM, 11:00 AM, and 12:30 PM

**at St. Peter's Mission Church**

## **Advent Mission: Come Down, O Love Divine**

Salt + Light will present viewers with an Advent Mission entitled, "Come Down, O Love Divine."

Fr. Thomas Rosica will lead evenings of reflections on the spirit of Advent including John the Baptist, The Annunciation, and the Visitation that will air December 19, 20, 21 at 8:00 p.m.

Salt + Light Availability: Bell TV – 654, Rogers – 240, Cogeco – 185 or online via live stream at [www.saltandlighttv.org/live](http://www.saltandlighttv.org/live).

## **The Paulist Ministry Centre Presents...**

**An evening with Mike Glugosh:** Dealing with Anxiety and Depression. Many people feel overwhelmed, afraid and depressed. Mike says that he offers practical, useful and technical skills that will be helpful to anyone. This session will be held on Tuesday, January 10, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at the Paulist Centre.

**Understanding the Catholic Faith.** The Centre offers 8 week program on "Understanding the Catholic Faith". Session will begin on Tuesday, February 14 to April 3, 2012 from 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. This program is structured for adults who wish to receive adult Confirmation or who want to learn more about the Catholic faith.

**Bereavement Group.** For those who are grieving the loss of loved ones. The Paulist Centre offers a support group starting from Wednesday, February 15 to March 14, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. for 5 weeks. Mary Marrocco and Fr. Paul Lannan, C.S.P. will facilitate these sessions.

**Separated or Divorced Group.** For those who are separated or divorced. The Paulist Centre is offering ways to work through these issues. Fr. Paul Lannan is the author of the book "Getting Unstuck: Moving on After Divorce". Fr. Paul will facilitate these sessions beginning on Wednesday, March 28 to May 30, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

The Paulist Ministry Centre is located at 830 Bathurst Street, Toronto. For more information contact Fr. Paul Lannan, C.S.P., M.S. at 416-534-2326 ext. 231.

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## **The Schedule of Holy Mass for New Year's Eve and New Year's Day**

**Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God**

December 31 New Year's Eve  
5:00 PM at St. Joan of Arc Secondary School  
7:00 PM at St. Peter's Mission Church

January 1 New Year's Day  
at St. Joan of Arc Secondary School  
9:00 AM, 11:00 AM, and 12:30 PM

*Please note that there will be no Mass on New Year's day at St. Peter's Mission Church*



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