

# ST. JOSEPHINE BAKHITA PARISH

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



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" (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 celebrate.
- 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 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 [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.

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

[www.stjosephinebakhita.org](http://www.stjosephinebakhita.org)

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.

## 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) 821-2606

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

## PASTORAL TEAM

|                               |                    |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| Rev. Mark Achilles Villanueva | Pastor             |
| Rev. Michael Ho               | Deacon             |
| Rev. Gerry Steyn              | Deacon             |
| Sr. Necy Guan, Fdccc          | Pastoral Assistant |
| Sr. Linda Carandang, Fdccc    | Pastoral Assistant |
| Mrs. Fatima Chan              | Secretary          |

## MINISTRIES

|                                |                          |                                   |                     |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|
| Volunteer Coordinator          | Anusha De Silva          | <b>Financial Council</b>          |                     |
| Children's Liturgy             | Wilma Menezes            | Chairperson                       | Tel de la Cruz      |
| Eucharistic Ministers          | Max de la Cruz           | <b>Fundraising Committee</b>      |                     |
| Lectors                        | Conrad Rodrigues         | Chairperson                       | Roman Lim           |
| Ushers                         | Miguel Basurto           | <b>Building Committee</b>         |                     |
| Altar Servers                  | Hartoni Ashali           | Chairperson                       | Rita Borg           |
| Choirs                         | Jamie Marr               | <b>St. Peter's Mission Church</b> |                     |
|                                | Suzanne Pereira          | Chairperson                       | JC Cadieux          |
|                                | Raul Manzanares          |                                   |                     |
|                                | Ronald Pasajol           | Women at the Well                 | Anne-Marie Caister  |
| Arts & Environment             | Cora & Boyer del Rosario | Hospitality                       | Frank Amegah        |
| Youth Ministry                 | Elisha Pinto             |                                   |                     |
|                                | Ryan Mascarenhas         | <b>Knights of Columbus</b>        | Tony Ciuffo         |
| Social Concerns                | Patricia Scire           |                                   | 905-542-9883        |
| Sacristans                     | James Amores             | <b>Daughters of Isabella</b>      | Rita Venantius      |
| Home Visitation                | Rebecca Poirier          |                                   | 905-824-7223        |
| <b>Sacramental Preparation</b> |                          | <b>Couples for Christ</b>         | Toti Quijano        |
| RCIC                           | Liza Capule              |                                   | 905-567-3236        |
| RCIA                           | Roman Lim                | <b>Legion of Mary</b>             | Cristina Manzanares |
| First Reconciliation/Eucharist | Chanel D'Mello           |                                   | 905-812-0891        |
| Confirmation                   | Clara Fernandes          |                                   |                     |

We celebrate Holy Mass at

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

## SUNDAY MASSES

|          |          |
|----------|----------|
| Saturday | 5:00 PM  |
| Sunday   | 9:00 AM  |
|          | 11:00 AM |
|          | 12:30 PM |

## WEEKDAY MASSES

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

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

## SUNDAY MASSES

|        |         |
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| Sunday | 7:30 AM |
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## WEEKDAY MASSES

|          |         |
|----------|---------|
| Monday   | 7:00 PM |
| Saturday | 9:00 AM |

## DEVOTIONS

- Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena every Wednesday after the 7 PM Holy Mass
- 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.

### Social Concerns Christmas Initiative

Thank you to all the parishioners who acquired a tag to sponsor someone for Christmas. This the fourth year running the Sponsor A Person Initiative where people in need are provided with the means for a Christmas dinner and a gift. This initiative has been very successful in the past due to the overwhelming response of the parish and school communities. If you would still like to help please do so by way of a donation of a grocery gift card as that is also greatly appreciated. A small box will be placed at the desk in the hall during all Masses for dropping off gift cards. Just a reminder that all sponsored gifts are due by December 9th at the end of the 12:30 PM Mass. Thank you in advance for answering the call for help of those who most need it this Christmas.

### World AIDS Day

December 1

AIDS is a disease that has caused millions of death and tragic human suffering.



Mother of God  
Light in all darkness,  
shelter Him  
our flame of hope  
with your  
tender hands.  
And in our times  
of dread and nightmares,  
let Him be our  
dream of comfort,  
And in our times of  
physical pain  
and suffering,

let Him be  
our healer.  
And in our times  
of separation  
from God and one another,  
let Him be  
our communion.  
Amen

“HIV/AIDS particularly affects the poorest regions of the world, where there is very limited access to effective medicines.

### Mass Intention

Saturday (December 1)

5:00 PM +Expedito Caniedo,  
+Anna & Justice d'Souza, +Ignatius  
Vu, +Long Mao

Sunday (December 2)

7:30 AM For the Parish  
Community  
9:00 AM +Dorvalina Leonardo,  
+George Martin, +Veronica  
Fernandez, +Antonio Janiero  
11:00 AM Thanksgiving of Menaka  
DeSilva, +Emerita Tadeo, +Elvira  
Geronimo, +Jose Bayog  
12:30 PM Open

Monday (December 3)

7:00 PM +Mekala Showreddy

Tuesday (December 4)

7:30 AM For our Beloved Dead

Wednesday (December 5)

7:00 PM Thanksgiving of Kevin  
Sia

Thursday (December 6)

7:30 For our Beloved dead

Friday (December 7)

7:00 PM +Ruben Esteron

Saturday (December 8)

9:00 AM Theresa Desouza  
5:00 PM +Maria Vu, +Thi Thin,  
+Peter Pham, +Van Thin

Thank you for supporting our  
Building Fund  
\$1,196,280.53

Our Parish welcomes this weekend our Confirmation Candidates from St. Bernard School, St. Edith Stein School, and Parish Religion Class for the Presentation of Letters of Request. Please remember to include in your prayers and sacrifices all our young people who are preparing to receive the Sacraments.

**On the Way to Bethlehem**

Christmas Nativity Pageant

a cooperative project of Milton Area Christian Churches Working Together

Friday, Saturday, Sunday, & Monday

December 1, 2, & 3

6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

at Country Heritage Park

8560 Tremaine Road, Milton

“On the Way to Bethlehem” is an outdoor Christmas Nativity Pageant. On arrival, visitors will enter the large reception area (Gabrel Barn), enjoy the music of the massed choir, and when ready, groups will travel the road to Bethlehem with a “guide”. On their 30-45 minute journey, visitors will witness King Herod’s court, interact with Roman soldiers, shepherds, magi, innkeepers and fellow travelers to reveal the Christmas story. At the end of their journey, visitors will follow a lamplight walkway to the refreshment area, have their passports stamped and be given a wagon ride to the exit. Admission Adults \$5/Children are Free. For more information, visit [www.onthewaytobethlehem.ca](http://www.onthewaytobethlehem.ca)

**Our Christmas Mass Schedule**

Christmas Eve (Vigil of the Nativity of our Lord)

December 24

5:00 PM St. Joan of Arc Secondary School

7:00 PM St. Joan of Arc Secondary School

9:00 PM St. Peter’s Mission Church

10:30 PM St. Joan of Arc Secondary School

Christmas Day (The Nativity of our Lord)

December 25

9:00 AM St. Joan of Arc Secondary School

11:00 AM St. Joan of Arc Secondary School

12:30 PM St. Joan of Arc Secondary School

December 26 (Feast of St. Stephen)

9:00 AM St. Peter’s Mission Church

New Year’s Eve (Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God)

December 31

5:00 PM St. Joan of Arc Secondary School

7:00 PM St. Peter’s Mission Church

New Year’s Day

9:00 AM Joan of Arc School

11:00 AM St. Joan of Arc Secondary School

12:30 AM St. Joan of Arc Secondary School

January 2 (St. Basil & St. Gregory)

9:00 AM St. Peter’s Church

**Total Offerings last weekend**

|                      |                   |
|----------------------|-------------------|
| Offertory Collection | \$4,204.28        |
| Building Fund        | \$3,904.53        |
| St. Peter’s Church   | \$364.82          |
| Wednesday Collection | \$182.40          |
| Frames               | \$120.00          |
| Beads and Things     | \$50.00           |
| Shepherds’ Trust     | \$330.00          |
| Confirmation         | \$45.00           |
| Communion            | \$20.00           |
| Stipends             | \$330.00          |
| <b>Total</b>         | <b>\$9,551.03</b> |

Do you have a family member who is unable to go to church due to old age or sickness and wish to be visited and received Holy Communion?

Please call Fr. Mark or Sister Linda  
289-997-2105

Our Parish celebrates Holy Mass for the Senior Residents of Viva Retirement every First Thursday of every month at 3 PM.

**Confessions during the Advent Season**

will be held on Saturdays at 4 PM or anytime by appointment in the Parish

In other parishes of the area

Monday, December 10 (St. John of the Cross)

Tuesday, December 11 (St. Ignatius of Loyola)

Thursday, December 13 (St. Francis of Assisi)

Christmas Novena Mass

December 15 to 22

St. Peter’s Mission Church

7 PM

*The Ninth Day of the Christmas Novena will be held at St. Joan of Arc School Cafeteria at 7 PM*

*followed by a Christmas Party for the whole parish community.*





**Dr. Cecille Rubic-Pangilinan**  
Dentist

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