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Sr. Nocy Guan, Fdcc	Pastoral Assistant
Sr. Linda Carandang, Fdcc	Pastoral Assistant
Mrs. Fatima Chan	Secretary



Peace on Earth

Mass Schedule for the New Year



December 30 (Sixth Day within the Octave of Christmas)

Mass will be celebrated at 7 PM at St. Peter's Mission Church

December 31 (Vigil of the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God; New Year's Eve)

Mass will be celebrated at 5 PM at St. Joan of Arc Secondary School

Mass will be celebrated at 7 PM at St. Peter's Mission Church

January 1 (Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God)

Mass will be celebrated at 9 AM, 11 AM, and 12:30 PM at St. Joan of Arc Secondary School

There will be no 7:30 AM Mass at St. Peter's Mission Church

January 2 (Feast of St. Basil)

Mass will be celebrated at 7:30 AM at St. Joan of Arc Secondary School Chapel

If you have a change of status or address recently, please advise Fatima, our Parish Secretary.

We will be closing the Financial Record for the year and issuing Tax Receipts in the new year.

Thank you for supporting our Building Fund

Invested in the Archdiocese

\$1,407,638.43

Architectural Fees

\$59,450.68

Total Building Fund Collected

\$1,467,089.11

Please remember to pray daily for our church building project

World Day of Peace



"In this, my first Message for the World Day of Peace, I wish to offer to everyone, individuals and peoples, my best wishes for a life filled with joy and hope. In the heart of every man and woman is the desire for a full life, including that irrepensible longing for fraternity which draws us to fellowship with others and enables us to see them not as enemies or rivals, but as brothers and sisters to be accepted and embraced.

Fraternity is an essential human quality, for we are relational beings. A lively awareness of our

relatedness helps us to look upon and to treat each person as a true sister or brother; without fraternity it is impossible to build a just society and a solid and lasting peace. We should remember that fraternity is generally first learned in the family, thanks above all to the responsible and complementary roles of each of its members, particularly the father and the mother. The family is the wellspring of all fraternity, and as such it is the foundation and the first pathway to peace, since, by its vocation, it is meant to spread its love to the world around it.

The ever-increasing number of interconnections and communications in today's world makes us powerfully aware of the unity and common destiny of the nations. In the dynamics of history, and in the diversity of ethnic groups, societies and cultures, we see the seeds of a vocation to form a community composed of brothers and sisters who accept and care for one another. But this vocation is still frequently denied and ignored in a world marked by a "globalization of indifference" which makes us slowly inured to the suffering of others and closed in on ourselves.

In many parts of the world, there seems to be no end to grave offences against fundamental human rights, especially the right to life and the right to religious freedom. The tragic phenomenon of human trafficking, in which the unscrupulous prey on the lives and the desperation of others, is but one unsettling example of this. Alongside overt armed conflicts are the less visible but no less cruel wars fought in the economic and financial sectors with means which are equally destructive of lives, families and businesses.

Globalisation, as Benedict XVI pointed out, makes us neighbours, but does not make us brothers. The many situations of inequality, poverty and injustice, are signs not only of a profound lack of fraternity, but also of the absence of a culture of solidarity. New ideologies, characterized by rampant individualism, egocentrism and materialistic consumerism, weaken social bonds, fuelling that 'throwaway' mentality which leads to contempt for, and the abandonment of, the weakest and those considered 'useless'. In this way human coexistence increasingly tends to resemble a mere *do ut des* which is both pragmatic and selfish.

At the same time, it appears clear that contemporary ethical systems remain incapable of producing authentic bonds of fraternity, since a fraternity devoid of reference to a common Father as its ultimate foundation is unable to endure. True brotherhood among people presupposes and demands a transcendent Fatherhood. Based on the recognition of this fatherhood, human fraternity is consolidated: each person becomes a 'neighbour' who cares for others.

The Knights of Columbus will be collecting your empty beer bottles after the New Year.

Your empty beer bottles will support the Special Olympics.

What is the Pre-Authorized Giving Plan

The Pre-Authorized Giving Plan is one way of supporting your Parish of St. Josephine Bakhita. The work of our parish is made possible through the giving hearts of our parishioners.

Pre-Authorized Giving may be a good choice for you. This method creates a win/win situation for you and St. Josephine Bakhita Parish.

When you participate in Pre-Authorized Giving your offering will be withdrawn from your account on the 20th day of the month. This amount will then be deposited to the parish's account.

Advantages to you as a donor:

- Convenience. Your offering is received automatically every month.
- Continual support of the parish when you are away.

Advantage to the Parish

- Regular, dependable flow of contributions to the parish.
- Reduction of paperwork and bookkeeping.

How do you enrol?

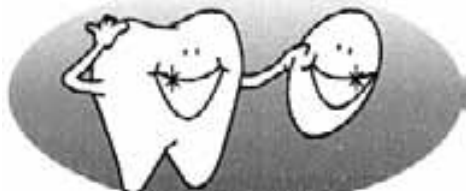
- Decide the amount of your gift to be withdrawn from your account each month.
- Fill out the form. Forms are available at the desk.
- Put the form and void cheque in a sealed envelope and

Household Income		Monthly Giving to the Parish PAG Collection								
Monthly	Yearly	1%	1.5%	2%	2.5%	3%	3.5%	4%	4.5%	5%
\$1,154	\$15,000	\$12	\$17	\$23	\$29	\$35	\$40	\$46	\$52	\$58
\$1,538	\$20,000	\$15	\$23	\$31	\$38	\$46	\$54	\$62	\$69	\$77
\$1,923	\$25,000	\$19	\$29	\$38	\$48	\$58	\$67	\$77	\$87	\$96
\$2,308	\$30,000	\$23	\$35	\$46	\$58	\$69	\$81	\$92	\$104	\$115
\$2,692	\$35,000	\$27	\$40	\$54	\$67	\$81	\$94	\$108	\$121	\$135
\$3,077	\$40,000	\$31	\$46	\$62	\$77	\$92	\$108	\$123	\$138	\$154
\$3,846	\$50,000	\$38	\$58	\$77	\$96	\$115	\$135	\$154	\$173	\$192
\$4,615	\$60,000	\$46	\$69	\$92	\$115	\$138	\$161	\$185	\$208	\$231
\$5,385	\$70,000	\$54	\$81	\$108	\$135	\$162	\$188	\$215	\$242	\$269
\$6,154	\$80,000	\$62	\$92	\$123	\$154	\$185	\$215	\$246	\$277	\$308
\$6,923	\$90,000	\$69	\$104	\$138	\$173	\$208	\$242	\$277	\$312	\$346
\$7,692	\$100,000	\$77	\$115	\$154	\$192	\$231	\$269	\$308	\$346	\$385

This chart has been created taking into account and is based on 52 weeks. All numbers have been rounded up or down to the nearest dollar. If a parishioner wants to give more than 5% monthly, all they have to do is add the respective lines. For example: If a parishioner wants to donate 7% a month and earns \$40000 per year, they would simply add the 5% line with the 2% line to calculate their amount. This would be \$154 + \$62 = \$216 amount per month.

This suggested Chart can also be applied to those who prefer to give on a weekly basis using the regular envelope at the Offertory

Suppose you wish to give 4% of your monthly salary of \$3,077. The monthly donation based on the chart is \$123. There are usually 4 weeks in a month. You Your weekly Sunday donation should be \$30.77. If there are five Sundays in a month, the weekly donation will be \$25.



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