



THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF ST. JOSEPHINE BAKHITA

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We celebrate Holy Mass at

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

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 5 PM
Sunday 9 AM, 11 AM, 12:30 PM

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday, Thursday 7:30 AM
Wednesday, Friday 7 PM
St. Peter's Mission Church
Ninth Line, north of Britannia Rd.

SUNDAY MASS

Sunday 7:30 AM

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday 7 PM
Saturday 9 AM

DEVOTIONS

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

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

Solemn Vespers and
Benediction every First Friday
7:30 PM

Pastoral Team

Rev. Mark Achilles Villanueva	Pastor
Rev. Michael Ho	Deacon
Rev. Gerry Steyn	Deacon
Cecilia Vaz	Administrative Assistant
Fatima Chan	Secretary

Office Hours: Tuesday to Friday 9 AM to 6 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 for the Twenty-first Century" (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 man and woman, 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 parishioner are welcome.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturday 4 PM or any time by appointment

Sacrament of Baptism

Parents who wish to have their children baptized must fill out a Baptismal Request Form available in our parish website.

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.

Funerals

Losing someone through death is very difficult for anyone. To help you plan for the funeral, please contact the pastor.

Schools

St. Bernard of Clairvaux
St. Edith Stein
St. Faustina
St. Simon Stock
St. Joan of Arc Catholic
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BUILDING BAKHITA AS A FAMILY OF FAITH

Total Pledges to date : \$722,270
Our heartfelt thanks to the families that have
already made a pledge

Have you received already your folder?

Commitment Sunday
Following this Commitment Sunday the
campaign will be taking a short
break until January.



CANS FOR CHRISTMAS

St. Joan of Arc Secondary School will be hosting for the Christmas season their canned food drive "Cans for Christmas" which will take place from December 6th - 13th and we would like to open up this event to the community of St. Josephine Bakhita parish.

Parishioners are requested to donate canned foods (beans, veggies, soup etc.) that will go straight to the local families of Mississauga through the salvation army organization.

Special Mass will be held on Tuesday, December 8 Feast of the Immaculate Concepcion at St. Peter's Mission Church, 7 PM

Christmas Novena Mass

will be held at St. Peter's Mission Church
 from December 15 to 22 at 7 PM

The last day of the Christmas Preparation will be held at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Secondary School at 7 PM followed by our Parish Christmas Fellowship.

Mass Intention

Saturday (December 5)

5:00 PM Thanksgiving of Menaka De Silva, +Alfred Rego, +Vilma Yeung

Sunday (December 6)

7:30 AM For the Parish Community
 9:00 AM +Vilma Yeung, +Michael-John Gomes

11:00 +Ruben Esteron, +Teofilo Buenaventura, +Nene de Leon, Special Intention of Marcia Buenaventura and Family, Special Intentions of Rene & Ian de Leon
 12:30 PM +Francisca & Marystila Mudiyaappu

Monday (December 7)

7:00 PM +Vilma Yeung, & Grace Zajac

Tuesday (December 8)

7:30 AM +Vilma Yeung

Wednesday (December 9)

7:00 PM +Vilma Yeung,

Thursday (December 10)

7:30 AM +Vilma Yeung,

Friday (December 11)

7:00 PM +Vilma Yeung

Saturday (December 12)

9:00 AM +Vilma Yeung

5:00 PM +Aloysius & Sabina Pinto

Thank you for supporting our Building Fund

Invested in the Archdiocese

\$1,407,537

Architectural & other Fees

\$537,101

Total Building Fund Collected

\$1,944,638

Please remember to pray daily for our church building project

The Pope opens the Holy Door of Mercy in Bangui, spiritual capital of the world

Vatican City, 30 November 2015 (VIS) "Today Bangui becomes the spiritual capital of the world. The Holy Year of Mercy comes in advance to this land. A land that has suffered for many years as a result of war, hatred, misunderstanding, and the lack of peace. But in this suffering land there are also all the countries that are experiencing the Cross of war", said Pope Francis yesterday afternoon in the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception of Bangui, before opening the Holy Door and thus beginning the Jubilee Year of Mercy.

Bangui thus becomes, he continued, the spiritual capital of prayer for the Father's mercy. We all ask for peace, mercy, reconciliation, forgiveness, and love. For Bangui, and for all the Central African Republic, for all the world, for countries that suffer war, we ask for peace. Let us all ask together for love and peace!", he exclaimed, adding in the Sango language of the Central African Republic, "Doye Siriri! Love and peace!".

With this prayer he began the Holy Year following the rite for the opening of the Holy Door: "Opne the doors of justice; this is the door of the Lord; I enter Your House, Lord", said Francis before entering first, alone, into the cathedral where he was awaited by the priests, men and women religious, and seminarians of the Central African Republic to participate in the Holy Mass. In his homily, the Pope reiterated that all, without exception, share in the "God's grace, the alms of peace", and he made a fresh appeal to those who "make unjust use" of weapons: "Lay down these instruments of death. Arm yourselves instead with righteousness, with love and mercy, the authentic guarantors of peace".

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

is offered at the Parish every Saturday from 4 to 5 PM
or at any time by appointment

St. Michael's Cathedral Open House

December 9 from 10 AM to 7 PM

His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop of Toronto, and Father Michael Busch, rector of St. Michael's Cathedral, invite the entire community to experience the beauty, architecture and unique historical journey of St. Michael's Cathedral. Extensive restoration has taken place over the last several years with the cathedral closed since June 2015 for major work. Two days of open houses during the Advent season will provide visitors with a preview of these efforts. From sculptors to brick layers and stone masons, restoration artists will showcase their expertise inside the church, with diverse exhibits highlighting the incredible efforts to restore the mother church of the Archdiocese of Toronto. Open houses will take place on December 8 and 9 from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. with a prayer service each day at 12 p.m.

Journeys Worth Taking: Personal Stories of Faith Mississauga

7:00 am

Thursday evenings – January 14, February 4, March 3,
April 7, May 5 and June 2, 2016 – 7 to 9 p.m.

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Come celebrate Rev. Fr. Mark Villanueva's

Silver Sacerdotal Jubilee

on

Friday, January 8, 2016

Mass 4:30 pm

Saviour of the World Church

30 Bristol Road West, Mississauga

Reception at Capitol Banquet Hall

6435 Dixie Road, Mississauga

Cocktails 6 pm

Dinner 7 pm

Entertainment and dancing to follow

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Dress code - Formal

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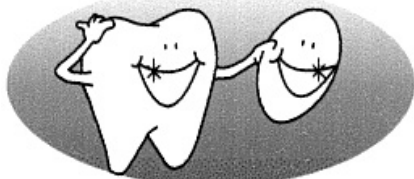
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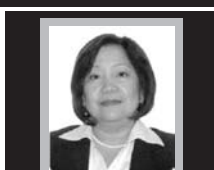


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