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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.ca

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.

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St. Edith Stein Tel. (905) 824-5777
St. Simon Stock Tel. (905) 785-7434
St. Faustina Tel. (905) 821-3256

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
Ms. Cecilia Vaz	Administrative Assistant
Mrs. Fatima Chan	Secretary

MINISTRIES

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RCIA	Roman Lim	Legion of Mary	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

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.

Electronic Waste Campaign

What: Electronic Waste Fundraiser

When: Community Drop Off is on Saturday February 14th from 9am - 3pm.

Where: St. Joan of Arc CSS, bin will be located beside our first portable at the front of the school

Why: 29 members of our SJA community are embarking on a trip of a lifetime travelling to Germany, Poland and the Czech Republic over March Break to visit Auschwitz and other historical sites from WWII

What is electronic waste? Monitors and Televisions, Desktop Computers, Portable Computers, Computer Peripherals, Printing & Copying machines, Telephones & Answering Machines, Cell phones, Home Theatres in a Box (Speakers, Amplifiers etc.), Vehicle Devices & Video Devices, Image, Audio & Video Devices non-portable and portable.

Minister of Care Training and Formation Program 2015

Saturdays,
March 14, 21, 28, April 11, 18
& May 2, 2015

Time: 9:30am – 3:00pm
St. Anthony of Padua Parish
940 North Park Drive
Brampton, ON. L6S 3L5

This training program will help parishioners grow in their understanding of the Gospel's call to lovingly serve those in need and help them in living out the Catholic Social Teaching in their family, workplace and parish community. All parishioners are welcome.

This program is a faith-based educational and spiritual learning opportunity. It incorporates prayer and reflections, skills development, personal growth and faith development, discernment of personal gifts, and commitment to bring our gifts into service to our community.

There is no cost to attend, however registration is required by February 28, 2015. Please bring your own lunch. Further information and registration forms are available on our website, please visit: <http://www.archtoronto.org/discipleship/formationprograms.html> or call Brenda Voisin at 416-934-3400 ext. 523

*If you are interested in having a Box of Donation Envelopes for 2015,
please ask Cecilia at the desk on Sundays.*

Mass Intention

Saturday (January 31)
5:00 PM +Joseph Gomes

Sunday (February 1)
7:30 AM For the Parish Community
9:00 AM +Olinda & Francisco
Barbosa, +Antonio & Josefa
Mendonca, +Mariano Villa, +Andres
Cabelloy
11:00 AM +Moises Manego, +Elvira
Geronimo & Emerita Tadeo, +Fidelina
Libran
12:30 PM Special Intention of Maria
Anya Maxion

Monday (February 2)
7:00 PM +Marjo Gasser

Tuesday (February 3)
7:30 AM Departed family and friends
of Melao

Wednesday (February 4)
7:00 PM Safe return of Fr. Mark

Thursday (February 5)
7:30 AM +Rosa D'Amico, +Vicente
Godawen

Friday (February 6)
7:00 PM +Rev. Joel Licos

Saturday (February 7)
9:00 AM For parish benefactors and
their families

5:00 PM +William Isaac Pereira

Thank you for supporting our
Building Fund

Invested in the Archdiocese
\$1,595,146

Architectural & other Fees
\$148,929.69

Total Building Fund Collected
\$1,744,075.69

*Please remember to pray daily for
our church building project*

General audience: fatherly responsibility and the sense of orphanhood in children

Vatican City, 28 January 2015 (VIS) – Pope Francis, returning to the theme of the family, dedicated the catechesis of today’s Wednesday general audience to the figure of the father: “a word dear to us as Christians, more than any other, as it is the name with which Jesus taught us to call God”, he said to the thousands of faithful gathered in the Vatican’s Paul VI Hall.

“Father is a universal word, known to all. It indicates a fundamental relationship that is real and ancient as the history of mankind. Today, however, we have reached the point of affirming that ours would be a ‘society without fathers’. In other words, in particular in western culture, the figure of the father would be symbolically absent, to have vanished. ... At first, this was perceived as a form of liberation: freedom from the father-master, from the father as the representative of a law imposed from the outside, from the father as the censor of the happiness of his children and an obstacle to the emancipation of the autonomy of the young. Indeed, in the past in some cases authoritarianism, indeed even oppression reigned in some homes: parents who treated their children like servants, who did not respect the personal needs of their growth, fathers who did not help them to embark on their path in freedom, to assume their own responsibilities for building their future and that of society”. And, as often happens, we have passed from one extreme to the other. The problem of our times no longer seems to be the invasive presence of fathers, but rather their absence. ... Fathers are so focused on themselves, on their work and at times their personal fulfilment, that they even forget their families, leaving children and the young to their own devices. ... Now, on this shared path of reflection on the family, I would like to say to all Christian communities that we must be more careful: the absence of the paternal figure in the life of children and the young produces lacunae and wounds that can be very serious. And in effect the deviances of children and adolescents may to a considerable extent be due to this lack of examples and authoritative guidance in their everyday life, to this lack of closeness and love from their fathers”.

“The feeling of orphanhood experienced by many young people is more profound than we might think. They are orphans in their families because their fathers are often absent, also physically, from the home, but above all because when they are present, they do not act like fathers: they do not speak with their children, they do not give their children, by their example accompanied by words, those principles, those values, those rules for life that the young need in the same way as they need bread. ... At times it seems as if fathers are not sure what position they should occupy in the family, or how to educate their children. And so, in doubt, they abstain, they withdraw and neglect their responsibilities, possibly seeking refuge in an improbable relationship of parity with their children”.

The civil community with its institutions too has “a certain responsibility towards the young, that might be described as paternal”, the Pope added: “a responsibility that at times it neglects or exercises poorly. This too leaves them as orphans, and does not offer them true prospects. The young are therefore orphaned of sure paths to follow, orphaned of teachers in whom they can trust, orphaned of ideals to warm their hearts, orphaned of values and hopes that support them day by day. They are filled with idols but robbed of their hearts; they are driven to dream of enjoyment and pleasure, but they are not given work; they are deluded by the god of money and denied true richness”. “Therefore, it is good for all of us, fathers and children, to listen once again to the promise that Jesus made to His disciples: ‘I will not leave you orphans’. Indeed, He is the path to follow, the master to listen to, the hope that the world can change, that love will conquer hate, that there can be a future of brotherhood and peace for all”, Francis concluded. He added that next Wednesday he will further pursue this theme, focusing on “the beauty of paternity”. “For this reason I have chosen to begin with the darkness in order to reach the light. May the Lord help us to understand these things well”.

Sunday Collection	
Offertory	\$ 2,962.25
Building Fund	\$ 949.00
St. Peter’s	\$ 217.10
Stipend	\$ 280.00
Wednesday	\$ 113.65
Beads and Things	\$ 100.00
Confirmation	\$ 75.00
First Communion	\$ 50.00
Total	\$ 4,747.00

Monday, February 9, 2015

"Awakening to the Spirit in Times of Suffering - What to do with my experience?: 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. at The Catholic Pastoral Centre, 1155 Yonge St., Toronto. Inspirational Talk hosted by Catholic Family Services of Toronto - New Beginnings. Speaker: Maureen McDonnell, D.Min. For more information, please contact 416-921-1163 x2235 or email mbenincasa@cfstoronto.com.

Tuesday, February 17, 2015

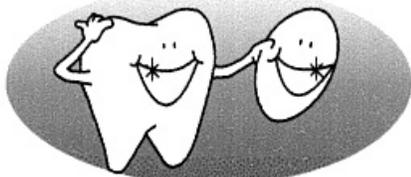
"Hurting and Grieving? Have You Tried God's Way?": 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. at St. Ignatius of Loyola Church, 2300 Burnhamthorpe Rd. W., Mississauga. Twilight Talk hosted by Catholic Family Services of Toronto - New Beginnings. Speaker: Fr. Fred Scinto, CR. For more information, please contact 416-921-1163 x2235 or email mbenincasa@cfstoronto.com.

ASH WEDNESDAY

18 FEBRUARY 2015

7:30 AM MASS and Distribution of Ashes
 St. Peter’s Mission Church
 7:00 PM MASS and Distribution of Ashes
 St. Joan of Arc Catholic Secondary School

Liturgy of the Word and Distribution of Ashes will be held in the four Grade Schools



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