



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

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| Rev. Mark Achilles Villanueva | Pastor |
| Rev. Michael Ho | Deacon |
| Rev. Gerry Steyn | Deacon |
| Cecilia Vaz | Administrative Assistant |

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
Secondary School

Our New Church



At the end of November of 2007, Pope Benedict XVI offered to the world his second encyclical “Spe Salvi”, referencing the Latin text of Romans 8:24, “Spe salvi facti sumus” (In hope we were saved). In the encyclical, the Pope traced the connection between hope and redemption. As Christians, the Holy Father, reminded us, that our lives have a future and it will not end in emptiness. To illustrate his point, he gave the example of Josephine Bakhita, a former slave who came to know Jesus Crucified.

Through her experience of slavery and violence, Bakhita could have come out of that situation with a heart full of bitterness and despair. Her encounter with Jesus Crucified allowed her to integrate the wrong that was inflicted on her, giving it new

meaning, transforming and transfiguring it, and interpreting it as a blessing. “If I were to meet those slave traders who kidnapped me and even those who tortured me, I would get down on my knees to kiss their hands, because if it weren’t for them, I wouldn’t be a Christian and a religious today.”

The parish started celebrating Mass at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Secondary School in the third weekend of July 2008. Not long after, a Building Committee was setup and we started talking about the design of the church together with our architect, Andrew Baczynski of IBI Group of Architects. Six years later, we were able to present our drawings to the Archdiocese Building Committee and to the City of Mississauga for Site Plan Approval and Building Permit. Thanks to the successful Family of Faith Campaign and parish capital campaign, we were given permission to proceed. Mellow-Blamey Construction Inc. was awarded the contract and the work of building commenced in August 2016.

Our church design comprises three octagonal shape buildings that is joined together by a narthex. Pope John Paul II, at the Beatification of Josephine Bakhita, said: “In Blessed Josephine Bakhita, we find an outstanding witness to God’s Fatherly love and a bright sign of the enduring value of the Beatitudes. In our time, when the race for power, money and pleasure causes distrust, violence and loneliness, the Lord is giving us Sister Bakhita as the Universal Sister, so the she may reveal to us the secret of the truest happiness: the Beatitudes.” There are eight Beatitudes, but why three octagonal shapes, you may asked. In the 1800’s, many of the people of Sudan lived in thatched huts and having three of these joined together indicate the shape of a flower. Our patron saint is often referred to as “The African flower”. We are fortunate enough to have the City-owned protected woodlot behind the church property, which we also took into account in designing the building. Thus, we do not only have a building with a garden, but a garden with a church. More importantly, as St. Josephine Bakhita herself would teach us, our lives must be marked by unconditional surrender to the will of God, the essence of perfection. Her motto was: “What the Master wishes”. As you look at the design, it reminds us of the Transfiguration of Jesus, like a mirror in which the mystery of Christianity is seen in its unity. In this event of Jesus’ life, we realize our true calling, that is, to share in the divine life, to find our ultimate end of being united with the Lord, and hope that one day we shall all see God.

Mass Intention

Saturday (February 10)

5:00 PM +Benedict Venantius,
+Manuel Fonte, +Clorinda Araujo,
+Silvanus Sukandar, +Maria Regina
Sfurianti, +Peter Lai Nguyen

Sunday (February 11)

9:00 AM +Aquilino Rivera, +Juan
Cabading
11:00 AM +Domenico Caracciolo,
+Pelagio Legaspi, +Antonia Llige,
Thanksgiving of Matthew Reyes
12:30 PM +Filomena Rivera

Monday (February 12)

7:00 PM +Jose and Petra Feril

Tuesday (February 13)

7:30 AM +Alino Vaz, +William Sy,
+Adelaida Montes

Wednesday (February 14)

7:30 AM Ash Wednesday Mass
7:00 PM Ash Wednesday Mass

Thursday, (February 15)

7:30 AM Open

Friday (February 16)

7:00 PM Open

Saturday (February 10)

9:00 AM For Parish Benefactors and
their families
5:00 PM +Sr. Simon Peter Lobo,
+Deceased relatives of Trans, Nguyen,
and Ngo Families, Thanksgiving for
graces received in the Lunar Year for
the Tran’s, Ngo’s, and Nguyen Families

The Celebration of First Reconciliation

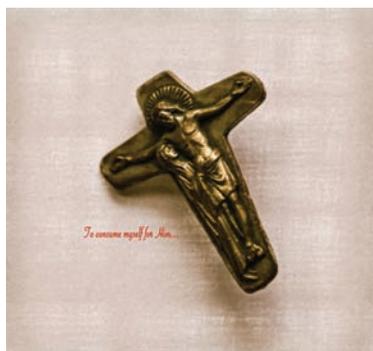
Our parish has prepared the Schedule for the celebration of First Reconciliation for all our schools including Public/Private Schools. We ask the parents to please secure a copy of the schedule from Cecilia and/or the catechists in charge of the preparation. Thank you.

Ash Wednesday

7:30 AM Mass and Distribution of Ashes
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Liturgy of the Word and Distribution of Ashes in the Schools

9:30 AM St. Bernard School
 10:30 AM St. Faustina School
 1:00 PM St. Simon Stock School
 2:00 PM St. Edith Stein School



A good number of you are asking about Fasting and Abstinence especially as Ash Wednesday happens also to be Valentine's Day. The Church wants emphasis to be given to the evangelical law that a follower of Christ must do penance. While the heart of penance is hatred of sin as an offence against God, external forms of penance are required to deepen and encourage the internal virtue.

Fridays are days of abstinence from meat, but Catholics may substitute special acts of charity or piety on this day.

The Paschal Fast is observed on Good Friday and, where possible, continued through Holy Saturday.

In the Roman Rite, including in Canada, Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fasting and of abstinence from meat.

Privileged forms of Penance are recommended, especially during Lent. These forms are privileged because they are based on the teachings of the Gospels (fasting, almsgiving, prayer, works of mercy) or because of their traditional value among the people of God (abstinence from meat).

Christian fasting obtains its full meaning when we deprive ourselves of food in order to be more open to prayer, to share more in the suffering of those who are starving and to save money to give to the poor. Fasting is a penitential discipline intended to open our hearts to God and others, a means of purification and spiritual liberation, a witness of the depth of our faith.

The law of 'abstinence from meat' binds those who are 14 and older; the law of "fasting" binds those from 18 to 59 years of age. Parents and educators are reminded of their duty to introduce children gradually to the understanding and practice of penance. Adult example will be the greatest influence in the matter.

**2018 Lift Jesus Higher Rally
 Metro Toronto Convention Centre
 255 Front St. W., Toronto**

The theme of this year's rally is "Fire on the Earth" (Luke 12:49). Featuring: Inspired talks by Ralph Martin, Sr. Ann Shields and keynote guest speaker Patti Mansfield; an adult High Mass (with Sunday readings) will be celebrated by His Eminence Cardinal Thomas Collins; a youth mass (with Sunday readings) will be celebrated Bishop Scott McCaig; a separate youth event (13-18 years) with great music, dynamic talks and inspirational skits. COST: \$25 for adults, \$15 for youth Tel. 905-270-2510

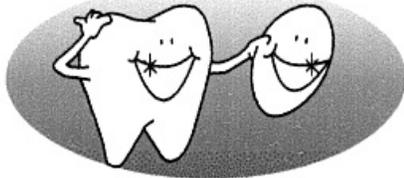
| OFFERINGS | |
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| Offertory | \$ 3,287.05 |
| Building Fund | \$ 2,496.00 |
| Liturgical Fund | \$ 97.10 |
| Stipend | \$ 290.00 |
| Tabernacle | \$ 100.00 |
| Family of Faith | \$ 300.00 |
| CBW III | \$ 1,429.00 |
| Stools | \$ 825.00 |
| Statue | \$ 1,000.00 |
| From the box | \$ 1.85 |
| Total | \$ 9,826.00 |

WISH LIST FOR THE NEW CHURCH

These are some items that you might want to sponsor in full or in part:

- 1) Behind the sanctuary is a small chapel where those who wish to pray closer to the Tabernacle will be able to do so. We would like to see a railing (similar to a communion rail) installed to separate the chapel from the passageway and the door to the Sacristy. The railing costs \$7350.
- 2) We will require 750 copies of the Catholic Book of Worship III to enable the community to actively participate in the Mass. Each copy of the Catholic Book of Worship costs \$22. Ninety books have been pledged. We need 600 more.
- 3) We got a good deal for the chairs that we will need for the Parish Hall. Each chair costs \$45. We will need about 398 chairs.

Pledge forms are available at the door. Thank you for your generosity!



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