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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. 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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Sacramental Preparation		Couples for Christ	Toti Quijano
RCIC	Liza Capule		905-567-3236
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.



Vatican City, 9 February 2014 (VIS) – At midday today Pope Francis appeared at the window of his study to pray the Angelus with the faithful gathered in St. Peter's Square and, before the Marian prayer, he commented on this Sunday's Gospel reading in which Jesus says to his disciples, “You are the salt of the earth ... You are the light of the world”.

“It is rather surprising, if we consider to whom Jesus addressed these words. Who were those disciples? They were fishermen, simple people. But Jesus saw them through God's eyes, and his statement may be understood precisely as a consequence of

the Beatitudes. He meant to say, if you are poor in spirit, if you are meek, if you are pure of heart, if you are merciful .. you will be the salt of the earth and the light of the world!”

And to better understand the meaning of Christ's phrase, the Holy Father explained that Jewish law prescribed the addition of a little salt to every offering presented to God, as a sign of alliance, and light was for Israel the symbol of the messianic revelation, triumphant over the darkness of paganism. “Christians, the new Israel, therefore received a mission in relation to all mankind: with faith and charity they were able to guide, consecrate and make fruitful all humanity. We all, as baptised persons, are missionary disciples, and are called to become a living gospel in the world: by a holy life we bring 'flavour' to many contexts, and defend them against corruption, like salt; and we will bring the light of Christ with our witness of true charity”.

But if we Christians “lose our flavour, and renounce our presence as salt and light, we lose our effectiveness. But our mission to bring light to the world is beautiful! ... And it is also beautiful to preserve the light we have received from Jesus. ... The Christian must be a luminous person, who brings light, who always gives light! ... A light that is not his or hers, but rather a gift from God, and a gift from Jesus. And we bring this light. If the Christian allows this light to be extinguished, his life no longer has meaning; he is a Christian by name only”.

The Pope concluded by asking the faithful in the square if they wanted to live as shining lamps or as lights that had gone out; when they responded, “Shining lamps!”, he added, “It is God himself who gives us this light, and we offer it to others. Shining lamps! This is the Christian vocation”.

Mass Intention

Saturday (February 15)

5:00 PM Thanksgiving to Infant Jesus

Sunday (February 16)

7:30 AM For the Parish Community
 9:00 AM +Aquilino Rivera, +Julia & Jose Cabral, +Antonio Mendonca, +Maria Josefa & Cesar Sousa, +Orlinda & Francisco Barbosa
 11:00 AM +Richard Valere & Lina de Montbrun, +Stanley Anthony, + Lauro & Emilia Lobending, +Adoracion Ignacio Maliwat, Thanksgiving of Minusha De Silva, Thanksgiving of Ermerita Pangilinan
 12:30 PM +John Braganza, Special Intention of Diana & Roy Pineda

Monday (February 17)

7:00 PM Thanksgiving of Linda Corrales

Tuesday (February 18)

7:30 AM Open

Wednesday (February 19)

7:00 PM Special Intention of Chris Kubat and family

Thursday (February 20)

7:30 AM Special Intention of Cora del Rosario

Friday (February 21)

7:00 PM +Sheldon Gomes

Saturday (February 22)

9:00 AM For Parish Benefactors and their families

5:00 PM Open

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Usher Training

The Accessibility Disability Ontario Act - Training for all Ushers will be held on Sunday, February 16 & 23 at 10 AM. This training is required by the Archdiocese for all Ushers. The training is also open to all Sacristans, Eucharistic Ministers, and Altar Servers.

Sacramental Preparation

The Confirmation Gatherings will be held on two Saturdays, February 8 & 15, Lecture Room at St. Joan of Arc Secondary School starting at 4 PM. We ask that all Confirmation candidates arrive on time for the gathering. We also remind the candidates that the Holy Mass is an essential part of the preparation for Confirmation.

**First Reconciliation**

The First Reconciliation for the children enrolled at St. Faustina School and St. Simon Stock School will be held at Merciful Redeemer on Thursday, February 27, starting at 9:30 AM

10th Annual Mass for Life

March 24 - 6:30 p.m.

St. Anne's Parish

115 Vodden St. E., Brampton

Rosary at 6:30 p.m. Mass 7 p.m. with special blessing for unborn babies. Speaker: Jim Hughes, President of Campaign Life Coalition. Reception and baby shower for Birthright to follow Mass. For more information, call 905-453-1303.

The Knights of Columbus Membership Drive

will be held on the weekend of March 22 and 23.

The members of the Knight of Columbus are inviting all the men of the parish 18 years and over to consider joining this Fraternal Order.

Raffle Tickets in Support of the Arthritis Foundation

will be sold at the parish on the weekend of March 1 and 2. Tickets are \$5.

1000 prizes valued at over \$700,000

10 Cash prizes including 1 prize of \$250,000

Lay Pastoral Visitors' Training Program

The Office of Formation for Discipleship is pleased to be offering the Lay Pastoral Visitors' Training Program at St. Ignatius of Loyola Parish in Mississauga on Saturdays March 8, 15, 22, 2014 from 9:30 AM to 3 PM.

This program is designed to prepare lay persons to provide pastoral visits and/or bring Holy Communion to the sick and shut-ins of our parish communities. New and seasoned Lay Pastoral Visitors are welcome to attend. Participants are required to attend all 3 Saturdays and bring their lunch. There is no cost to attend, however registration is required. For more information about this training, please visit

http://www.archtoronto.org/discipleship/formation_winter2014.html

Offertory Collection

Offertory	\$2842.00
Building Fund	\$1440.00
St. Peter's Church	\$185.00
Wednesday Collection	\$270.00
Stipend	\$380.00
Total	\$5117.00

A group of parishioners went on a pilgrimage to Fatima, Lourdes, and the Holy Land. The combination of a Marian pilgrimage of two famous apparitions and the Holy Land does not always happen. The itinerary was so appealing that it was copied by several groups across the GTA. This year, Zenie Cuevillas, our parishioner, is organizing a pilgrimage to the same places we visited. The priest to accompany this group is still to be announced. The pilgrimage, however, is scheduled for October 9 to 22 (14 days) and priced at \$3390. Travel arrangements by International Heritage Tours. Zennie Cuevillas can be contacted at 905-824-9718 if you are interested.

The Building Committee

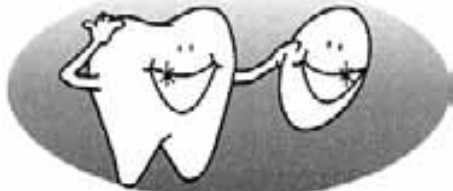
The Building Committee is scheduled to meet on Tuesday, February 25, starting at 7:45 PM at the Rectory.

Tax Receipts

The Tax Receipts for your donations in 2013 has been mailed. If there is any discrepancy between the stated amount in your receipt and your personal record, please do not hesitate to call Fatima at the parish office. She will be at the office from Tuesday to Friday from 12 noon to 6:30 PM.

Box of Donation Envelopes

If you wish to have your own box of Donation Envelopes for 2014, please ask Cecilia at the desk. We have boxes available.



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