

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 Secondary School

BUILDING BAKHITA AS A FAMILY OF FAITH

Our Family of Faith Campaign has raised \$1,164,110

We expect to receive our Building Permit soon. Thank you everyone for your support!

The next step in our process is to secure permission from the archdiocese to begin. But we still need your help. Our Ambassadors are working hard to meet with all parishioners, so please welcome them when you are contacted. If you have already received your package and pledge form, then we ask you to return it at your earliest convenience.

Together we are closer to building our church!

Feast Day of St. Josephine Bakhita

Our Parish Feast Day will be celebrated on the weekend of February 6/7 Join us for fellowship after the Mass

Ash Wednesday

February 10, 2016

Two Masses will be offered on Ash Wednesday 7:30 AM St. Peter's Mission Church 7:00 PM St. Joan of Arc Catholic Secondary School

Liturgy of the Word and Distribution of Ashes will also be held at 9 AM St. Bernard of Clairvaux School. 10:30 AM at St. Faustina School, 1 PM at St. Simon Stock School, and 2 PM at St. Edith Stein School

Please be reminded that Ash Wednesday is a day of Fasting and Abstinence!

Mass Intention

Saturday (February 6)

5:00 PM +Vincent D'Souza +Felix & Helen Pinto, Thanksgiving for Xavier Rodrigues

Sunday (February 7)

7:30 AM For the Parish Community 9:00 AM +Oscar Invierno & Clarita,

- +Antonio & Josefa Mendonza
- +Antonio & Maria Amaral 11:00+Richard Valere, Lina de Montbrun, +Ricardo Gonzales 12:30 PM Open

Monday (February 8)

7:00 PM Special Intention of Fr. Mark

Tuesday (February 9)

7:30 AM For the seniors living at Viva Residence

Wednesday (February 10)

7:00 PM Ash Wednesday

Thursday(February 11)

7:30 AM For the sick and the homebound in our parish community

Friday (February 12)

7:00 PM Open

Saturday (February 13)

9:00 AM For our parish benefactors

5:00 PM Thanksgiving of Sequeira family, +Avelino Vaz

Thank you for supporting our Building Fund Invested in the Archdiocese

\$1,377,787 Architectural & other Fees \$629,118

Total Building Fund Collected \$2,006,905.30

Please remember to pray daily for our church building project

General audience: God's justice is mercy

Vatican City, 3 February 2016 (VIS) – The relationship between mercy and justice, in the light of the Sacred Scriptures, was the theme of Pope Francis' catechesis in this Wednesday's general audience, which took place in St. Peter's Square and was attended by more than ten thousand people.

"The Sacred Scripture presents God as infinite mercy, but also as perfect justice", he said. "How can the two be reconciled? They may appear to be contradictory, but this is not the case, as it is precisely God's mercy that leads us to achieve true justice. In the legal administration of justice, we see that those who consider themselves to have been victims of abuse consult a judge in court and ask that justice be done. It is a retributive justice, inflicting punishment on the guilty, according to the principle that each person receives what he deserves. ... But this route does not lead to true justice, as in reality it does not conquer evil, it simply limits it. Instead, only by responding with good can evil truly be conquered".

The Bible, he explained, proposes a different form of justice, in which the victim invites the guilty party to convert, helping him to understand the harm he has done and appealing to his conscience. "In this way, recognising his blame, he can open up to the forgiveness that the injured party offers. ... This is the way of resolving conflicts within families, in relations between spouses and between parents and children, in which the injured party loves the guilty and does not wish to lose the bond between them. It is certainly a difficult path: it demands that the victim be disposed to forgive and wishes for the salvation and the good of the perpetrator of the damage. But only in this way can justice triumph, as if the guilty party acknowledges the harm he has done and ceases to do so, the evil no longer exists and the unjust becomes just, as he has been forgiven and helped to find the way of good".

"God treats us sinners, in the same way. He continually offers us His forgiveness, He helps us to welcome Him and to be aware of our evil so as to free ourselves of it. God does not seek our condemnation, only our salvation. God does not wish to condemn anyone! ... The Lord of Mercy wishes to save everyone. ... The problem is letting Him enter into our heart. All the words of the prophets are an impassioned and love-filled plea for our conversion".

God's heart is "the heart of a Father Who loves all His children and wants them to live in goodness and justice, and therefore to live in fullness and happiness. A Father's heart that goes beyond our meagre concept of justice so as to open up to us the immense horizons of His mercy. A Father's heart that does not treat us or repay us according to our sins, as the Psalm says".

"It is precisely a Father's heart that we encounter when we go to the confessional", Francis emphasised. "Perhaps it will tell us something to better understand our evil, but at the confessional we all go in search of a father who will help us change our life; a father who gives us the strength to go on; a father who forgives us in God's name. Therefore, to be a confessor is a great responsibility, as the son or daughter who comes to you seeks only to encounter a father. And you, the priest there in the confessional, are the place where the Father does justice with His mercy", he concluded.

OFFERING		
Offertory	\$	3,013.20
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Stipend	\$	220.00
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Missals	\$	2.75
Total Offerings	\$	4,407.00

Theology on Tap West: Mental Illness

February 8, 2016 at 7:00 pm at Boston Pizza 50 Courtneypark Dr. E., Mississauga Faith Connections, the Office of Catholic Youth and the local parishes invite young adults (19-39) to join us for an evening of thought-provoking theological discussion in a comfortable and relaxed setting, with special guest Denis Costello, executive director of Catholic Family Services of Toronto. Munchies provided. Cash bar. Come and bring a friend. CONTACT: Vanessa Nicholas-Schmidt PHONE: 416-467-2645

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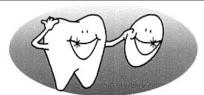
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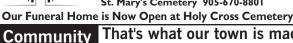




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