# ST. JOSEPHINE BAKHITA PARISH

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OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday to Friday 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM



We celebrate Holy Mass at

## St. Joan of Arc Secondary School

3801 Thomas Street, Mississauga, ON L5M 7G2

#### SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday	5:00 p.m.
Sunday	9:00 a.m.
	11:00 a.m.
	12:30 p.m.

#### **WEEKDAY MASSES**

Tuesday, Thursday 7:45 a.m. Wednesday, Friday 7:00 p.m.

#### **St. Peter's Mission Church** Ninth Line, north of Britannia Road

#### SUNDAY MASSES

Sunday 7:30 a.m.

#### WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday 7:00 p.m. Saturday 9:00 a.m.

#### DEVOTIONS

- Our Lady of Perpetual Help every Wednesday after the 7:00 p.m. Holy Mass
- Chaplet of the Divine Mercy every Friday after the 7:00 p.m. Holy Mass
- Solemn Vespers and Benediction every First Friday 7:30 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" (Pope John Paul II) and "Model of Hope for the twenty-first century" (Pope 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.

#### PASTORAL TEAM

Fr. Mark Achilles Villanueva
Sr. Cristina Ovejera, Fdcc
Sr. Necy, Guan, Fdcc
Fatima Chan

Pastor
Pastoral Assistant for Adult Formation
Pastoral Assistant for Children & Youth
Parish Secretary

#### **MINISTRIES**

Volunteer Coordinator Anusha De Silva Children's Liturgy Rory Agellon **Children Relgious Education** Chanel D'Mello **Eucharistic Ministers** Max de la Cruz Lectors Tim Marchand Ushers Miguel Basurto **Altar Servers** Joanna Aguilar **Social Concerns** Patricia Scire Choirs Jamie Marr Raul Manzanares Suzanna Pereira Ronald Pasajol Church's Environment Cora and Boyer del Rosario

#### PARISH FINANCIAL COUNCIL

Chairperson Tel de la Cruz

#### PARISH FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

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## Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturday 4:00 p.m. or any time by appointment

#### Sacrament of Baptism

Parents who wish to have their children baptized must fill out a baptismal form and submitted to the parish office. The baptismal form is available at the parish office, after all our weekend Masses at the school, or from our website. Once the parish office receives the form, the pastor will set up the appointment to process your application.

#### Sacrament of Marriage

Couples planning to be married must contact the parish priest one year in advance. A marriage course is required. The pastor will arrange the wedding ceremony with Merciful Redeemer Church or St. Peter's Mission Church. For additional information, please contact the parish office.

#### **Funerals**

Losing someone through death is very difficult for anyone. To help you plan and celebrate the funeral, please contact the parish office. We will celebrate the Funeral liturgy either at Merciful Redeemer Church or St. Peter's Mission Church.

#### **Elementary Schools**

St. Bernard of Clairvaux
Tel. (905) 542-9203
St. Edith Stein
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St. Simon Stock
Tel. (905) 785-7434
St. Faustina
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#### **Secondary School**

St. Joan of Arc Tel. (905) 285-0050

All new parishioners are welcome. Registration forms are available at the entrance to our worship space on the Weekends. You can also register online at

www.stjosephinebakhita.org

Please do not forget to request for your box of Sunday Envelopes.

PARISH SUNDAY BULLETIN JANUARY 16, 2011



#### Children's Liturgy

Children from JK to Grade 5 are invited to participate in the Children's Liturgy of the Word during our Sunday Eucharist.

Saturday Vigil Mass at 5:00 p.m., and Sundays at 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m., and 12:30 p.m.

#### **MASS INTENTION**

#### January 15 (Saturday)

5:00 PM +Higino Cuenca, +Mary Low

#### January 16 (Sunday)

7:30 AM For the Parish Community 9:00 AM Joe Furtado 11:00 AM Librada Bustamante 12:30 PM Open

#### January 17 (Monday)

7:00 PM Open

#### January 18 (Tuesday)

7:45 AM Thanksgiving of Darwin Laurencio

#### January 19 (Wednesday)

7:00 PM +Maria Kopacz

#### January 20 (Thursday)

7:45 AM Open

#### January 21 (Friday)

7:00 PM Open

#### January 22 (Saturday)

9:00 AM Open

#### **SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION**

The dates for the Second Gathering for First Communion Candidates:

January 23, 2011 at 10 AM

The dates for the the Second Gathering for Confirmation Candidates:

January 22, 2011 at 4 PM January 30, 2011 at 10 AM

#### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

St. Paul, in our second reading this Sunday, underscored the fact that as Christians, we are called and consecrated by God to be a holy people. As a holy people, we are called to allow the glory of God to have an effect on the often gruesome aspects of our human experience and to bring the light of truth, justice and salvation to every darkened heart.

Life lived as a reflection of the glory of God and of the light who is Christ will necessarily involve conflict; life committed to Christ demands that the believer will, more often than not, live in a manner that contradicts the prevailing culture. However, the conflicts and contradictions which occur as a result of Christian commitment are not intended to quarantine certain members from society but rather, to cause them to question their choices. values and priorities so as to bring them closer to God and to the community to which they rightfully belong. Those who accept the challenge of living counter-culture are, en effect, declaring a willingness to embrace the world. The late Thomas Merton, in his book entitled "Contemplation in a World of Action" suggested that the "world" is not just a physical space traversed by jet planes and full of people running in all directions. The world is a complex of responsibilities and options made out of the loves, the hates, fears, the joys, the hopes, the greed, the cruelty, the kindness, the faith, the trust, the suspicion of all. Merton further explained that, rather than deny the world and remain aloof from it, preferring a "sacred" to a "secular" mode of existence, the church must affirm the world. The energy that formerly was dissipated in rejecting the world is better redirected toward the recovery and rediscovery of those deep and imperishable values that seem to have been lost or forgotten.

By turning toward the world and taking its rightful place within it as witness, servant, evangelizer, and healer, the church thereby recognizes that the world is not only an object of choice but that, in fact, it must be chosen. Choosing the world requires more than an admission that it has come from the hand of God; to choose the world means to accept that I have been called, forgiven, consecrated, and graced through baptism so as to accept the responsibility for the world.

When each believer's baptismal responsibilities are generously and truthfully met, the mystery of the incarnation will be renewed among us. The saving message of Christ, the word made flesh, will once again be heard and welcomed, bringing grace, peace and redemption to every conceivable human venue. Then will the secular be transformed by the sacred; then will "salvation reach to the ends of the earth." (*The commentary was written by Patricia Dutchuck Sanchez and was published in Celebration, 1999*).

#### Tax Receipts for the Year 2010

The parish office will issue the Tax Receipts for the Year 2010 starting this weekend. In order to facilitate the distribution of Tax Receipts, we would like to request the regular donation envelope users to pick up their Tax Receipts at the end of the Mass. This process will save the parish some postage. Thank you for your generosity and cooperation.

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csia90@yahoo.ca

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Youth Ministry Meeting Grades 7 to 12 Sunday, January 16th 2:30pm-4:30pm

Come join us for some faith-filled fun!



We are inviting parishioners who may be interested to join our Building Committee. If you are interested, please see Fr. Mark

Thank you for supporting our Building Fund \$488,166

#### **BIBLE STUDY**

The Bible Study will be held on Mondays at 7:45 PM to 9 PM, St. Peter's Mission Church for 8 weeks starting on February 7, 2011. The topic of the Bible Study will be "The Gift of the Psalms". Please register with Fr. Mark via email if you wish to participate.



#### **Parish Pastoral Council**

The Parish Pastoral Council Meeting will be held at the Rectory on Thursday, January 27, 2011 at 7:30 PM. All Heads of Ministries and Lay Organizations are invited to attend including members of the Pastoral Team.

#### **The Finance Committee**

The Finance Committee will meet at the Rectory on Thursday, January 20, 2011. at 7:30 PM. We will be reviewing the prepared budget and the semi-annual Financial Report to the Archdiocese and to Parishioners.

#### **BUILDING COMMITTEE**

The Building Committee will meet on Thursday, February 3, 2011 at the Rectory.

# Vacation Bible School (VBS) is coming to Saint Josephine Bakhita Parish

VBS is a unique opportunity to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with children and their families. The activities offered are: Bible time, Arts and Crafts. Music, Games and more. It is scheduled from Monday through Friday (July 4-8, 2011) at 8:30 am - 12:30 pm. We need volunteers: youth (Grade7-12), young adults and adults who are willing to journey with children. If you are interested please contact Sr. Necy at 289-997-2105 or email: srnecy@stjosephinebakhita.org. You don't need to be an expert on the Bible. We will provide the training you need.

# Are you a volunteer in the Parish? Are you looking for leadership formation?

Archdiocesan Leadership Formation Programme
Year 1 Module 2
Basic Teachings of the Catholic Church
Tuesdays from March 8 to April 12
7:30 PM to 9:00 PM
Please see Anusha if you are interested.

### **Legion of Mary**

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