ST. JOSEPHINE BAKHITA PARISH

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



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.

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 exemplifed 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

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

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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

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, 12 January 2014 (VIS) – "I like to baptise children, I like it very much. ... Every child who is born is a gift of joy and hope, and each child who is baptised is a prodigy of faith and a cause for celebration for the family of God", said the Pope after appearing at the window of his study to pray the Angelus with the faithful gathered in St. Peter's Square, shortly before baptising 32 children in the Sistine Chapel on the festivity of the Baptism of Jesus.

"Today's Gospel emphasises that when Jesus received baptism from John in the River Jordan, the heavens opened up for him", explained Pope Francis. "The manifestation of the Son of God on earth marks the beginning of a great time of mercy, after sin closed the heavens, raising a barrier between human beings and their Creator. ... In Christ, God gave us the guarantee of

indestructible love. Since the Word was made flesh, it is possible to see the open heavens. It was possible for the shepherds of Bethlehem, for the Magi from the East, for the Baptist, for Jesus' Apostles, for St. Stephen, the first martyr... And it is also possible for each of us, if we allow ourselves to be filled with God's love, which is given to us the first time in Baptism, by means of the Holy Spirit".

When Jesus received the baptism of penance from John the Baptist, expressing his solidarity with the penitent people – since He was without sin and therefore without the need for conversion – God the Father let His voice be heard from heaven. ... Jesus received the approval of the celestial Father, Who sent Him precisely because He wished to share in our condition, in our poverty. Sharing is the true way to love. Jesus did not disassociate Himself from us, He considered us to be His brothers, and shared with us. And in this way He made us, along with Him, children of God the Father. This is the revelation and the source of true love".

"Does it not seem to you that in our times there is the need for a supplement of fraternal sharing and love?" asked the Pope. "Does it not appear to you that we all need a supplement of charity? Not that which is limited to offering occasional help without involvement, without putting oneself on the line, but rather that charity which implies sharing, taking on the discomfort and suffering of one's brother".

"We pray that the Holy Virgin sustain us by her intercession in our efforts to follow Christ on the way of faith and charity, the path we set out on by virtue of our Baptism".

Following the Angelus, the Holy Father addressed parents who are preparing for the baptism of their children, joining with them in their joy, and inviting them to "rediscover the beauty of faith and return anew to the Sacraments and to the community".

Sacramental Preparation

Third Gathering for First Reconciliation and First Communion will be held on Sunday at 10 AM St. John of Arc Secondary School on January 19, 2014

Celebration of First Reconciliation will be held at Merciful Redeemer on January 28 for St. Edith Stein School (9:30 AM) & St. Bernard School (10:30 AM)

Mass Intention

Saturday (January 18)

5:00 PM _+Proceso & Josefina Pollarco

Sunday (January 19)

7:30 AM +Father Primitivo Maravilla 9:00 AM For the Parish Community 11:00 AM +Richard Valere, +Lina de Montbrun, +Alfie Lambe, +Jesus Manuela Vasquez de Pino 12:30 PM +Lily Fernandes

Monday (January 20)

7:00 PM +Sheldon Gomes, +Teresita Jingco

Tuesday (January 21)

7:30 AM +Ely Singson

Wednesday (January 22)

7:00 PM Quick Recovery of Archie King

Thursday (January 23)

7:30 AM +Jose & Petra Feril

Friday (January 24)

7:00 PM Quick Recovery of Tristan Uy

Saturday (January 25)

9:00 AM +Xavier D'Souza

5:00 PM +George Mistry

If you wish to offer Holy Mass, you can book it with Cecilia at the desk when you come for Holy Mass or do it online on our parish website. You can also call the parish office.

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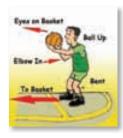
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Total Building Fund Collected \$1,502,584,75

Please remember to pray daily for our church building project

Basketball Free Throw

The Knights of Columbus will be signing up all boys and girls ages 9-14 during the next two weekends for the yearly Basketball Free Throw.



Offertory Collection January 5, 2014	
Offertory	\$2870.90
Building Fund	\$2900.50
St. Peter's Church	\$1113.10
Wednesday Collection	\$108.00
Stipend	\$320.00
Donate Now	\$3260.89
Total	\$10573.39

Joint Meeting of the Finance Committee & Fundraising Committee

The Finance Committee and the Fundraising Committee will have a joint meeting on January 20, 2014 starting at 7:45 PM or after the Mass at St. Peter's Mission Church

Our parish will be selling Samosa on the Third Sunday of each month as part of our Fundraising Activity for our Building Fund.



Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Ecumenical Prayer Service

January 26, 2014 - 3 p.m. St. Paul's Basilica 83 Power St., Toronto

Ecumenical prayer service with His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins, Anglican Archbishop Colin Johnson, Slovak Catholic Bishop John Pazak, Anglican Bishop Mark MacDonald and other local religious leaders. This service is the final event of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, which will take place January 18-25. For more information, contact the Office of Ecumenical and Interfaith Affairs at 416-934-3400, ext. 344. Click here to view poster.

International Language Classes at St. Sebastian Catholic Elementary School

The Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board is committed to creating and promoting Catholic conditions for well-being, culture, care and inclusivity. The International Languages Program, offered through Adult and Continuing Education, affords children the opportunity to gain an appreciation of their own ancestral background, while developing respect and understanding for others. If your children (JK to grade eight) are interested in learning a second language, it is not too late to sign them up for an international language class at St. Sebastian. The site offers both Italian and Croatian classes at the elementary school level. No experience is necessary. Students will be placed in age-appropriate classes where they will learn, not only the language, but the culture, customs, and literature of their chosen language. The program runs from 9:00am to 11:30am every Saturday morning, and the cost is \$25 per child.

If you would like any further information, or are interested in registering your child, please visit or contact the St. Sebastian main office on Saturday mornings at (905)607-0107. St. Sebastian is located at: 3460 Aquinas Avenue, Mississauga.

You may also contact Ms. B. Trinca at 905 891-9263, Adult & Continuing Education, Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board.

Father Ron Rolheiser Retreat

February 7 to 9
Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre
1617 Blythe Road, Mississauga
Theme: "Entering the Soul through Stories"
For more information, contact the centre at 905-278-5229.

Spring Open House at Regis College

March 1 – 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Regis College 100 Wellesley St. W., Toronto

Regis College invites all those interested in faith formation and theological education to its Spring Open House. Learn about credit and non-credit programs, dedicated to serving the world in faith. Mini-lectures offered by Professors Gill Goulding, C.J., Scott Lewis, S.J., Joseph Schner, S.J. and Jack Costello, S.J. For more information and online registration, please visit www.regiscollege.ca/openhouse or call 416-922-5474, ext. 221. Regis College is the Jesuit School of Theology at the University of Toronto.

Mary of Nazareth Film Screening

February 8 –10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Landmark Cinemas Square One 100 City Centre Drive, Mississauga

Branches Catholic Ministries will be hosting the film Mary of Nazareth, a new epic motion picture on the remarkable life of Mary, mother of Christ, from her childhood through to the Resurrection of Jesus. Purchase tickets for \$12 online at www.go2branches.com. Advance purchase suggested. Tickets are not available for purchase at the box office. Free admission for clergy and religious. For more information, please call Branches at 905-685-7000 or email info@go2branches.com.



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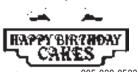
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