

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, Fdccc
Sr. Nedy, Guan, Fdccc
Fatima Chan
Rev. Mr. Michael Ho

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

MINISTRIES

Volunteer Coordinator
Children's Liturgy
Children Religious Education
Eucharistic Ministers
Lectors
Ushers
Altar Servers
Social Concerns
Choirs

Anusha De Silva
Rory Agellon
Chanel D'Mello
Max de la Cruz
Tim Marchand
Miguel Basurto
Joanna Aguilar
Patricia Scire
Jamie Marr
Raul Manzanares
Suzanna Pereira
Ronald Pasajol
Cora and Boyer del Rosario

Church's Environment

PARISH FINANCIAL COUNCIL

Chairperson Tel de la Cruz

PARISH FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

Chairperson Roman Lim

ST. PETER'S MISSION

Chairperson JC Cadieux

Knights of Columbus
Daughters of Isabella
Couples for Christ
Legion of Mary

Tony Ciuffo - Tel. 905-542-9883
Rita Venantius - Tel. 905-824-7223
Toti Quijano - Tel. 905-567-3236
Cristina Manzanares - Tel. (905) 812-0891

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
Tel. (905) 824-5777
St. Simon Stock
Tel. (905) 785-7434
St. Faustina
Tel. (905) 821-2607

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.



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 22 (Saturday)

5:00 PM For Christian Unity

January 23 (Sunday)

7:30 AM For the Parish Community
9:00 AM +Victoria Villanueva, +Piet Van der Vilst
11:00 AM Thanksgiving of Francisima Viray, +Vicky Quiambao
12:30 PM +Antonio Luna, Sr.

January 24 (Monday)

7:00 PM +Xavier D'Souza

January 25 (Tuesday)

7:45 AM Open

January 26 (Wednesday)

7:00 PM Open

January 27 (Thursday)

7:45 AM Open

January 28 (Friday)

7:00 PM +Violeta Visperas,
+Rogelio Cruz

January 29 (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

Deacon Michael Ho was born and raised in Hong Kong, where he married his wife Isabella and where they had two children, Teresa and John Paul. They all attended Catholic schools and Michael's faith has been fostered by the Marist Brothers since his youth. His family emigrated to Canada in 1988. Michael and Isabella have now been married for 35 years and both of their children are now married as well.

Michael's professional background was in finance and banking. He entered the teaching profession in 1998, and at the present time he is working as an ESL instructor for the York Catholic District School Board.

After attending the archdiocesan 'Called by Name' event in 1999, Michael responded to the call to the Deaconate and was accepted to the Formation Program at St. Augustine's Seminary the following year. He was ordained a Permanent Deacon in 2004 for the Archdiocese of Toronto and then carried out his liturgical ministry at Chinese Martyrs Parish in Markham for 6 years.

Deacon Ho also serves as the Associate Chaplain of the Apostleship of the Sea. Working together with the Anglican ministers, he provides ecumenical service for sailors at the Port of Toronto. He completed the Houston Maritime Chaplains' Training Program in 2005. He is currently an accredited Instructor for the Ship Welfare Visitor Course of International Committee on Seafarers' Welfare, U.K.

Week of Christian Unity

January 18-25

The 2011 prayers for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity have been prepared by Christians in Jerusalem, who chose as a theme Acts 2:42, 'They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.' This theme is a call back to the origins of the first church in Jerusalem; it is a call for inspiration and renewal, a return to the essentials of the faith; it is a call to remember the time when the church was still one. Within this theme four elements are presented which were marks of the early Christian community, and which are essential to the life of the Christian Community wherever it exists. Firstly, the Word was passed on by the apostles. Secondly, fellowship (koinonia) was an important mark of the early believers whenever they met together. A third mark of the early Church was the celebration of the Eucharist (the 'breaking of the bread'), remembering the New Covenant which Jesus has enacted in his suffering, death and resurrection. The fourth aspect is the offering of constant prayer. These four elements are the pillars of the life of the church, and of its unity. The Christian Community in the Holy Land wishes to give prominence to these basic essentials as it raises its prayers to God for the unity and vitality of the church throughout the world. The Christians of Jerusalem invite their sisters and brothers around the world to join them in prayer as they struggle for justice, peace and prosperity for all people of the land.

When we read the Bible together in our diversity of language and context, Revealing One who makes us one, make our unity visible and bring healing to the world.

Youth Ministry

To help our Youth Ministry grow and thrive, we need your help in the following areas:

- ❖ Donations of snacks and drinks for our youth ministry meetings
- ❖ Donations of art supplies (pencil crayons, markers, scissors, glue, coloured paper etc.)
- ❖ Young adult volunteers to help at youth ministry meetings

If you can help, please contact Andrea D'Mello at andrea.demello@gmail.com or Nisheeta Menon at nisheeta.menon@hotmail.com

Next Meeting

Our next Youth Ministry Gathering will be on **Sunday, February 20th from 2:30 pm to 4:30 pm**

All youth from Grades 7-12 are welcome!

Please note: Meetings are held on the Third Sunday of every month!

**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.

The Daughters of Isabella

invites all women in our parish to become a member. If you are interested or wish to know more about the Daughters, please contact Rita Venantius

Please mark your calendar!

Bishop John Boissonneau will celebrate the Holy Mass for our parish community on Saturday, February 12, 2011 at 5 PM.

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
\$490,000**

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.



BUILDING COMMITTEE

The Building Committee will meet on Thursday, February 3, 2011, 7:30 PM at the Rectory.

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

The Fundraising Committee will meet on Monday, January 31, 2011, 7:45 PM at St. Peter's Mission Church

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 (Grade 7-12), young adults and adults who are willing to journey with children. If you are interested please contact Sr. Nocy at 289-997-2105 or email: snocy@stjosephinebakhita.org. You don't need to be an expert on the Bible. We will provide the training you need.

New Beginnings

New Beginnings, is a ministry serving the Separated, Divorced or Widowed person. We are having a Support Group meeting Tuesday, January 25, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. The location is St. John of the Cross Church, 6890 Glen Erin Drive, Mississauga, On. All are welcome. Pre registration is not necessary



Karaoke Night

The Knights of Columbus St. Josephine Bakhita Council invites you to a Karaoke Night on January 29, 2011 (Saturday) at St. John of the Cross Parish Hall. The ticket is \$5 per person. Children are free.



Dr. Cecille Rubic-Pangilinan
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