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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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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.

An Invitation to Offer Feedback ^{NEW!}

A MESSAGE FROM THOMAS CARDINAL COLLINS:

Later this year, the Holy Father will be holding an Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops on The vocation and the mission of the family in the Church and in the contemporary world. The synod will take place at the Vatican and will be attended by bishops from around the world.

The Lineamenta is a document which outlines issues that need to be considered in order to help prepare the working document that will be used by the synod. In order to facilitate discussion, a list of questions has been provided with the Lineamenta.

As part of this official consultative process, Catholics are invited to share their reflections on topics highlighted in the Lineamenta. As this is an extensive document that covers diverse subject matter, it is recommended that respondents consider selecting perhaps three areas or specific questions to provide informed commentary or insights. A concise response would be appreciated. A synthesis of responses will be sent to the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops who will then forward the information gathered from across Canada to the Vatican in preparation for the Synod later this year.

All responses to the Lineamenta must be received no later than Monday, February 16, 2015. Responses can be sent either by e-mail to communications@archtoronto.org or by mail to the Office of Public Relations & Communications, 1155 Yonge St., Toronto, ON M4T 1W2.

The Questionnaire can be found online at the Archdiocesan website: www.archtoronto.org

Thank you in advance for your feedback.

COME & SEE WEEKEND

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St. Augustine's Seminary

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vocations@archtoronto.org

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Mass Intention

Saturday (January 24)

5:00 PM +Fermino D'Souza

Sunday (January 25)

7:30 AM For the Parish Community

9:00 AM +Dorvalina Leonardo,

+Antonio Janeiro,

11:00 AM Open

12:30 PM Open

Monday (January 26)

7:00 PM +Marjo Gasser

Tuesday (January 27)

7:30 AM Departed family and friends of Judy Fernandes

Wednesday (January 28)

7:00 PM Open

Thursday (January 29)

7:30 AM +Departed family of Joao & Julieta Rodrigues

Friday (January 30)

7:00 PM Open

Saturday (January 31)

9:00 AM For parish benefactors and their families

5:00 PM +Joseph Gomes

If you wish to offer Holy Mass for yourself or for your loved one, see Cecilia at the desk when you come for Sunday or Mass or use the form on our parish website.

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\$1,594,197

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\$148,929.69

Total Building Fund Collected

\$1,743,126.69

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our church building project*

The Pope recounts his pastoral trip in Asia

Vatican City, 21 January 2015 (VIS) – Before proceeding to the Paul VI Hall for this morning's Wednesday general audience, the Holy Father, following a centuries-long tradition, blessed two lambs in the hall of the Domus Sanctae Marthae, whose wool will be used to weave the pallia imposed on the new archbishops on 29 June, on the solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul.

During today's audience, Pope Francis gave an account of his apostolic trip to Sri Lanka and the Philippines. "I will always keep in my heart the recollection of the joyful welcome I received from the crowds", he confessed. The culmination of his stay in Sri Lanka, he said, was the canonisation of St. Joseph Vaz. "His example of holiness and love for his neighbour continues to inspire the Church in Sri Lanka in her apostolate of charity and education", he said, adding that the new saint represented "a model for all Christians, who are called upon today to offer the salvific truth of the Gospel in a multi-religious context. With regard to the meeting with the governmental authorities, he emphasised the importance of dialogue, respect for human dignity and efforts to involve all in finding suitable solutions for reconciliation and the common good.

He also spoke about his encounter with religious leaders, which confirmed the good relations that exist between the various communities. "In this context, I wanted to encourage the cooperation that has already been initiated between the followers of different religious traditions, also in order to heal with the balsam of forgiveness those who are still afflicted by the sufferings of recent years".

In the Philippines, he noted "the constant fruitfulness of the Gospel and its capacity to inspire a society worthy of mankind, in which there is a place for the dignity of each person and the aspirations of the Filipino population". He explained that the main aim of his visit was to express his closeness to those brothers and sisters who had suffered as a result of the devastation wrought by typhoon Yolanda. "The power of God's love, revealed in the mystery of the Cross, was made evident in the spirit of solidarity shown by the many acts of charity and sacrifice that marked those days of darkness". He also mentioned the young volunteer Kristel, killed following his visit to Tacloban by collapsing scaffolding due to extreme weather conditions.

Francis went on to speak about his encounter with families in Manila. "I have heard it said that families with many children and high birth rates are among the causes of poverty. It seems to me a simplistic opinion. I can say that the main cause of poverty is an economic system that has removed the person from the centre and replaced him with the god of money; an economic system that excludes and creates the throwaway culture in which we live. ... It is necessary to protect families, which face various threats, so that they can bear witness to the beauty of the family in God's plan".

Finally, he spoke about his meeting with the young. "I wanted to offer them my encouragement for their efforts in contributing to the renewal of society, especially through their service to the poor and the protection of the natural environment. Care for the poor is an essential element of our Christian life and witness – because corruption steals from the poor – and requires a culture of honesty", he concluded.

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please ask Cecilia at the desk on Sundays.*

Sunday Collection	
Offertory	\$ 2,599.95
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Total	\$ 6,996.50

Tuesday, January 27, 2015

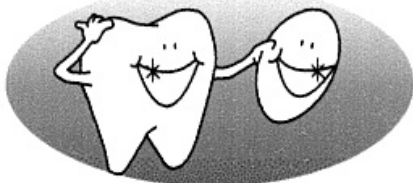
"Journey Through Sorrow to Hope" 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. at The Catholic Pastoral Centre, 1155 Yonge St., Toronto. Inspirational Talk hosted by Catholic Family Services of Toronto - New Beginnings. Speaker: Sally Amaral, MTS. For more information, please contact 416-921-1163 x2235 or email mhenincasa@cfstoronto.com.

Monday, February 9, 2015

"Awakening to the Spirit in Times of Suffering - What to do with my experience?: 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. at The Catholic Pastoral Centre, 1155 Yonge St., Toronto. Inspirational Talk hosted by Catholic Family Services of Toronto - New Beginnings. Speaker: Maureen McDonnell, D.Min. For more information, please contact 416-921-1163 x2235 or email mhenincasa@cfstoronto.com.

Tuesday, February 17, 2015

"Hurting and Grieving? Have You Tried God's Way?": 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. at St. Ignatius of Loyola Church, 2300 Burnhamthorpe Rd. W., Mississauga. Twilight Talk hosted by Catholic Family Services of Toronto - New Beginnings. Speaker: Fr. Fred Scinto, CR. For more information, please contact 416-921-1163 x2235 or email mhenincasa@cfstoronto.com.



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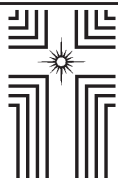
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