



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
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BUILDING BAKHITA AS A FAMILY OF FAITH

**The Building Bakhita Family of Faith Campaign
Committee is BACK!**

Thank you for your support and prayers!

- **Our progress to date - visited 399 families and raised \$1,145,610 (76% of our \$1.5M goal)**
- **Volunteer ambassadors will continue doing visits – please be open to a meeting and welcome them**
- **Reminder: If you already have your package, please submit your pledge form**

We are all excited to build our church.....and we can only do this TOGETHER!

**Marriage Sunday**

The Archdiocese of Toronto will celebrate Marriage Sunday in our parishes the weekend of February 6/7, 2016. On Saturday, February 13, 2016 at 4:30 p.m. couples from across the archdiocese will gather for A Celebration of Marriage with Cardinal Thomas Collins at St. Andrew Kim Parish (849 Don Mills Road, North York). A reception will follow Mass. Reserved seating will be provided for couples celebrating special milestone anniversaries – 25th, 40th or 50+ anytime throughout 2016. Please RSVP by February 1, 2016.

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

Mass Intention**Saturday (January 30)**

5:00 PM +Cyril & Clotilda Mathias,
+Ciriaco Pereira, +George Mistry,
Thanksgiving of RJ D'Souza

Sunday (January 31)

7:30 AM For the Parish Community
9:00 AM +Anita Javier, +Thomas
Fernandes, +Andres Cabelloy,
+Mariano Villa
11:00 +Sheldon Gomes, +Doris
Siwady, +Maria Sabat
12:30 PM +Fidelina Libran,
+Visitacion & Victorio Enad

Monday (February 1)

7:00 PM Thanksgiving of Michael &
Sevisa Rodrigues

Tuesday (February 2)

7:30 AM Thanksgiving of Clariss &
Lewellyn Fernandes

Wednesday (February 3)

7:00 PM Open

Thursday (February 4)

7:30 AM Open

Friday (February 5)

7:00 PM Thanksgiving to our Lady
of Perpetual Help, Merciful
Redeemer and St. Josephine Bakhita

Saturday (February 6)

9:00 AM +Richard Ng

5:00 PM +Vincent D'Souza, +Felix &
Helen Pinto

Thank you for supporting our
Building Fund

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\$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***

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops and The Evangelical Fellowship of Canada – Declaration on Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide

(Excerpt; the full document can be read in the Archdiocese of Toronto website)

The sanctity of human life is a foundational principle of Canadian society. It has both individual and communal import: it undergirds the recognition of the equal dignity of each individual regardless of their abilities or disabilities and shapes and guides our common life together, including our legal, health care and social welfare systems. It engenders the collective promotion of life and the protection of the vulnerable.

While Canadian society continues to affirm the importance of human dignity, there is a worrisome tendency to define this subjectively and emotionally. For us, human dignity is most properly understood as the value of a person's life before her or his Creator and within a social network of familial and societal relationships. We are convinced the only ways to help people live and die with dignity are: to ensure they are supported by love and care; to provide holistic care which includes pain control as well as psychological, spiritual and emotional support; and, to improve and increase resources in support of palliative and home care.

On the basis of our respective traditions and beliefs, we insist that any action intended to end human life is morally and ethically wrong. Together, we are determined to work to alleviate human suffering in every form but never by intentionally eliminating those who suffer.

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The withholding or withdrawal of burdensome treatment must be distinguished from euthanasia and assisted suicide. The intention in such cases is not to cause death but to let it occur naturally. We understand that under certain circumstances it is morally and legally acceptable for someone to refuse or stop treatment. The refusal of medical treatment, including extraordinary measures, is very different from euthanasia or assisted suicide. Euthanasia is the deliberate killing of someone, with or without that person's consent, ostensibly in order to eliminate suffering. Assisted suicide occurs when one person aids, counsels or encourages another person to commit suicide. There is a fundamental difference between killing a person and letting her or him die of natural causes.

Euthanasia and assisted suicide treat the lives of disadvantaged, ill, disabled, or dying persons as less valuable than the lives of others. Such a message does not respect the equal dignity of our vulnerable brothers and sisters.

In light of the recent decision of the Supreme Court of Canada, we urge federal, provincial and territorial legislators to enact and uphold laws that enhance human solidarity by promoting the rights to life and security for all people; to make good-quality home care and palliative care accessible in all jurisdictions; and to implement regulations and policies that ensure respect for the freedom of conscience of all health-care workers and administrators who will not and cannot accept suicide or euthanasia as a medical solution to pain and suffering.

OFFERING	
Offertory	\$ 3,607.90
Building fund	\$ 1,207.00
St. Peter's Church	\$ 185.00
Liturgical Fund	\$ 115.00
Stipend	\$ 310.00
Beads and Things	\$ 100.00
Missals	\$ 9.50
Total Offerings	\$ 5,534.40

Blessing of the Throat

Feast of St. Blaise

February 3, 2016 at the 7 PM Mass

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

CATHOLIC FAMILY SERVICES

Are you experiencing conflict in your relationship?

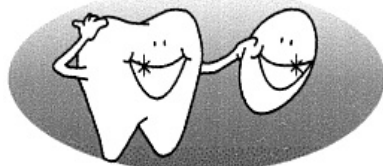
Are your fights getting worse?

Do you want to stay together and work on your relationship?

This service is to help couples build a healthier, more satisfying relationship. It can help couples to deal effectively with conflict and work together to solve problems in their relationship.

To arrange an appointment contact:

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