# 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

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
- 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
- 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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We celebrate Holy Mass at

St. Joan of Arc Secondary School 3801 Thomas Street Mississauga, ON L5M 7G2

#### SUNDAY MASSES

5:00 PM 9:00 AM Sunday 11:00 AM 12:30 PM

#### **WEEKDAY MASSES**

Tuesday, Thursday 7:30 AM 7:00 PM Wednesday, Friday

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

#### SUNDAY MASSES

Sunday

7:30 AM

#### **WEEKDAY MASSES**

7:00 PM Monday Saturday 9:00 AM

#### **DEVOTIONS**

- Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena every Wednesday after the 7 PM Holy
- 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.

Annual Parish Garage Sale August 10, 2013 at St. Peter's Mission Church



#### UPDATE ON THE BUILDING DESIGN

Due to the weather and the loss of power last Monday, the Building Committee has postponed the meeting to Monday,

July 15, starting at 7:45 PM. The meeting will be held at St. Peter's Mission Church. We ask all the members of the Committee to be present. Important matters will be discussed.

> Thank you to all the Volunteers to our Vacation Bible School that was held from July 8 to 12 at St. Simon Stock School. Thank you also to the parents who have registered their children.

#### A Moment of Prayer for the Servant of God, Sr. Carmelina Tarantino, CP

July 12 - 7 to 8 p.m.

1431 Clarence St., Woodbridge

One Friday evening each month, all are welcome to join the Passionist Sisters community for a moment of prayer for Sr. Carmelina, CP at the Convent. For more information, please call 416-242-4207 or 905-552-1432.

#### Queen of Apostles 50th Anniversary

Saturday, August 10 - 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. 1617 Blythe Road, Mississauga

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#### **Employment Opportunity:** Office Administrator Canadian Jesuits International (CJI)

Canadian Jesuits International (CJI) is hiring an Office Administrator. The deadline for applications is July 22. For more information and to see a complete job description please visit the CJI website www.canadianjesuitsinternational.ca.

#### **Parish Secretary** St. Martin of Tours Parish, Mississauga

Reporting to the pastor, the successful candidate will provide secretarial and clerical support as well as a welcoming presence for all those seeking assistance at the parish office. This is a fulltime position consisting of 35 hours per week. Some evenings and weekends may be required. For more information and details on how to apply, visit http://bit.ly/StMartinjob. Deadline is July 15.

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When you offer Holy Mass and require a Mass Card to go with your intention, please do not hesitate to ask the desk. Mass Cards are available.

Thank you for supporting our **Building Fund** 

\$1,347,773.44

Fr. Mark will be away from July 21 to August 13. The Masses will be celebrated by Msgr. Terence D'Souza, Fr. Idara Otu, and Fr. Mel Gosioco and assisted by Deacon Michael Ho and Deacon Gerry Steyn. If you need to contact Fr. Mark,

#### **Mass Intention**

#### Saturday (July 13)

5:00 PM +Cyril Rath, +Leonard Charles Rath

#### Sunday (July 14)

7:30 AM For the whole Parish Community

9:00 AM +Seligario Marquez, +Abbie Buktaw

11:00 AM +Richard Valere, +Lina de Montbrun, Ligoury D'Souza, +Consolacion Sarroca

12:30 PM Open

#### Monday (July 15)

7:00 PM Open

#### Tuesday (July 16)

7:30 AM For all Carmelite friars, nuns, and tertiaries

#### Wednesday (July 17)

7:00 PM Open

#### Thursday (July 18)

7:30 AM Open

#### Friday (July 19)

7:00 PM Open

#### Saturday (July 20)

9:00 AM For Parish Benefactors and their families

5:00 PM +Francisco Nuguid Sr.

#### Sunday (July 21)

7:30 AM For the whole Parish

Community

9:00 AM +Later Peter Carvalho, +Ritta

11:00 AM +Sheldon Gomes, +Winifred Kulasenan

12:30 PM Open

#### Monday (July 22)

7:00 PM Open

#### Tuesday (July 23)

7:30 AM For all parish volunteers

#### Wednesday (July 24)

7:00 PM Open

### Thursday (July 25)

7:30 AM Thanksgiving of Maryjo Alcantara

Friday (July 26)

7:00 PM Open

#### Saturday (July 27)

9:00 AM For all our Parish

Benefactors and friends

5:00 PM Open

please do not hesitate to call him at this number at 647-477-2446 or sent him an

parishoffice@stjosephinebakhita.ca



Vatican City, 5 July 2013 (VIS) – Published below is a broad summary of Pope Francis' first encyclical, "Lumen Fidei", published today, 5 July 2013 and signed on 29 June of the same year.

Lumen fidei – The light of faith (LF) is the first Encyclical signed by Pope Francis. Divided into four chapters, plus an introduction and a conclusion, the Pontiff explains that the Letter supplements Benedict XVI's Encyclicals on charity and hope, and takes up the "fine work" carried out by the Pope Emeritus, who had already "almost completed" the Encyclical on faith. The Holy Father has now added "further contributions" to this existing "first draft".

The introduction (nos. 1-7) of LF illustrates the motivations at the basis of the document: firstly, it reiterates the characteristics of light typical of faith, able to illuminate all man's existence, to assist him in distinguishing good from evil, especially in this modern age in which belief is opposed to searching and faith is regarded as an illusion, a leap into the void that impedes man's freedom. Secondly, LF - precisely in this Year of Faith, 50 years following the Second Vatican Council, a "Council on faith" seeks to reinvigorate the perception of the breadth of the horizons faith opens so that it might be confessed in unity and integrity. Indeed, faith is not a condition to be taken for granted, but rather a gift from God, to be nurtured and reinforced. "Who believes, sees", the Pope writes, since the light of faith comes from God and is able to illuminate all aspects of man's existence: it proceeds from the past, from the memory of Jesus' life, but also comes from the future as it opens up vast horizons.

Chapter One (nos. 8-22): We have believed in love (1 John 4: 16). Referring to the biblical figure of Abraham, in this chapter faith is explained as "listening" to the word of God, the "call" to come out from the isolated self in order to open oneself to a new life and the "promise" of the future, which makes possible the continuity of our path through time, linked so closely to hope. Faith also has a connotation of "paternity", because the God who calls us is not a stranger, but is God the Father, the wellspring of the goodness that is at the origin of and sustains everything. In the history of Israel, faith is opposed to idolatry, which man is broken down in the multiplicity of his desires and "his life story disintegrates into a myriad of unconnected instants", denying him the time to await the fulfilment of the promise. On the contrary, faith is trust in God's merciful love, which always welcomes and forgives, and which straightens "the crooked lines of our history"; it is the willingness to allow oneself to be transformed anew by "God's free gift, which calls for humility and the courage to trust and to entrust; it enables us to see the luminous path leading to the encounter of God and humanity, the history of salvation" (no. 14). And herein lies the "paradox" of faith: constantly turning to the Lord gives humanity stability, liberating us from idols.

LF then turns to the figure of Jesus, the mediator who opens to us to a truth greater than ourselves, the manifestation of God's love that is the foundation of faith: "in contemplating Jesus' death ... faith grows stronger", as in this He reveals His

unshakeable love for mankind. His resurrection renders Christ a "trustworthy witness", "deserving of faith", through Whom God works truly throughout history, determining its final destiny. But there is a "decisive aspect" of faith in Jesus: "participation in His way of seeing". Faith, indeed, looks not only to Jesus but also from Jesus' point of view, with His eyes. The Pope uses an analogy to explain that, just as how in our daily lives we place our trust in "others who know better than we do" the architect, the pharmacist, the lawyer – also for faith we need someone who is reliable and expert "where God is concerned" and Jesus is "the one who makes God known to us". Therefore, we believe Jesus when we accept his Word, and we believe in Jesus when we welcome Him in our life and entrust ourselves to Him. Indeed, his incarnation ensures that faith does not separate us from reality, but rather helps us to grasp its deepest meaning. Thanks to faith, man saves himself, as he opens himself to a Love that precedes and transforms him from within. And this is the true action of the Holy Spirit: "The Christian can see with the eyes of Jesus and share in His mind, His filial disposition, because he or she shares in his love, which is the Spirit" (no.21). Without the presence of the Spirit it is impossible to confess the Lord. Therefore "the life of the believer becomes an ecclesial existence", since faith is confessed within the body of the Church, as the "concrete communion of believers". Christians are "one" without losing their individuality and in the service of others they come into their own. Thus, "faith is not a private matter, a completely individualistic notion or a personal opinion", but rather "it comes from hearing, and is meant to find expression in words and to be proclaimed".

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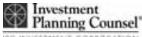
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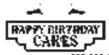




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