# 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

#### **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) 821-3256

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

#### **PASTORAL TEAM**

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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

**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, 10 March 2014 (VIS) – At midday today, the first Sunday of Lent, the Holy Father appeared at the window of his study to pray the Angelus with the faithful gathered in St. Peter's Square. The Bishop of Rome commented that every year the Gospel of the first Sunday of Lent presents Jesus' temptations, and he mentioned that the tempter seeks to divert the Lord from His Father's plan, or rather the way of sacrifice that involves offering Himself in atonement and with love, and attempts to make Him choose the easy path of success and power.

"Indeed, the devil, to divert Jesus from the way of the cross, presents Him with false messianic hopes: economic well-being, as indicated by the possibility of turning stones into bread; a miraculous and spectacular style as seen in the idea of throwing Himself off the highest point of the temple of Jerusalem, to be saved by angels, and finally

a shortcut to power and domination, in exchange for His open worship of Satan".

Jesus, the Pope explained, "firmly rejects all these temptations and reiterates His determination to follow the path set out by the Father, without compromising with sin and with the logic of the world. ... This is why Jesus, instead of entering into a dialogue like Eve, chooses to take refuge in God's Word and responds with the power of this Word. We should remember this when we are tempted ourselves: do not argue with Satan, always defend ourselves with the Word of God. And this will save us".

"In his response to Satan, the Lord reminds us, first, that 'man does not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God', and this gives us strength, supporting us in our battle against the worldly mentality that reduces man to the level of his most basic needs and causing him to lose his hunger for what is true, good and beautiful, the hunger for God and His love. Remember too that it is also written: 'Do not test the Lord your God', because the road of faith also passes through darkness and doubt, and is nourished by patience and perseverance. Finally, remember that it is written: 'The Lord, your God, shall you worship and Him alone shall you serve', that is, we have rid ourselves of idols, of vain things, and build our lives on the essentials".

"Lent is a fitting occasion for all of us to undertake a journey of conversion, giving sincere consideration to this Gospel passage", concluded Pope Francis. "Let us renew the promises of our Baptism: renouncing Satan and all his works and seduction, to walk the path of God to reach Easter in the joy of the Spirit".



Way of the Cross every Friday of Lent after the 7 PM Mass St. Joan of Arc School Chapel

#### **Mass Intention**

#### Saturday (March 15)

5:00 PM +Valerine Castelino

#### Sunday (March 16)

7:30 AM For the Parish Community 9:00 AM +Dorvalina Leonardo, +Antonio Janeiro, +Pereira's Kyei, D'Souza, Fernandes Families 11:00 AM +Richard Valere, +Lina de Montbrun 12:30 PM Open

#### Monday (March 17)

7:00 PM Special intention of Roma Moreno

#### Tuesday (March 18)

7:30 AM Special intention of Roma Moreno

#### Wednesday (March 19)

7:00 PM Open

#### Thursday (March 20)

7:30 AM Special Intention of Roma Moreno

#### Friday (March 21)

7:00 PM +Sheldon Gomes, +Cora Alberto del Rosario

#### Saturday (March 22)

9:00 AM For Parish Benefactors and their families

5:00 PM Open

Mass Offering can be arranged through the Parish Website or by calling the Parish Office.

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#### 10th Annual Mass for Life

March 24 – 6:30 p.m. St. Anne's Parish 115 Vodden St. E., Brampton

Rosary at 6:30 p.m. Mass 7 p.m. with special blessing for unborn babies. Speaker: Jim Hughes, President of Campaign Life Coalition. Reception and baby shower for Birthright to follow Mass. For more information, call 905-453-1303.

#### The Knights of Columbus Membership Drive

will be held on the weekend of March 22 and 23.

The members of the Knight of Columbus are inviting all the men of the parish 18 years and over to consider joining this Fraternal Order.

#### St. Joan of Arc Secondary School Activity

### FishFryday Fundraiser

On Friday, March 21, students from St. Joan of Arc will be hosting a Lenten Fish and Chips Supper from 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm at the school. All proceeds go to their Mission trip to the Yukon Territory through Catholic Missions in Canada. A Silent Auction will also take place. Tickets can be purchased after Masses on March 1-2 and March 8-9 for \$8 or \$10 at the door.

#### **Reception of Confirmation Crosses**

will be held at all Weekend Masses at St. Joan of Arc Secondary School March 15 & 16 for St. Faustina School and St. Simon Stock School, Parish Religion Class

Confirmation Candidates of any school may receive the Confirmation Cross at any of the above dates if the date designated for their school is not feasible.

#### Put on the Armour of God - Understanding & Defending the Faith

April 12 – 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Canada Christian College 50 Gervais Drive, Toronto

Catholic Chapter House is hosting their 5th Catholic event with Steve Ray, Steubenville speaker, author and filmmaker and Allan Smith, Executive Director of the Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen Mission Society of Canada. Topics for the day include Putting on the Armour of God, Peter and the Papacy, What Must I Do to Be Saved? and Swimming Upstream. For more information and registration, visit <a href="http://bit.ly/armourofgod">http://bit.ly/armourofgod</a>.

#### **Lenten Book Discussion**

Reflection on Henri Nouwen's Heart Speaks to Heart and Making All Things New, led by Brynn Lawrence. Online at: http://wp.henrinouwen.org/rgroup\_blog/. For more information, contact Maureen Wright, Nouwen Legacy Manager at mwright@henrinouwen.org or 416-926-2287.

#### The Spirit and Practice of Excellence

Live call-in seminar – access by phone or internet. Hosted by the Henri Nouwen Society and The Upper Room with Kerry Robinson and Nathan Ball. http://bit.ly/Seminars\_Fundraising. Maureen Wright, Nouwen Legacy Manager at mwright@henrinouwen.org or 416-926-2287.

www.HenriNouwen.org

Offertory Collection	
Offertory	\$2472.50
<b>Building Fund</b>	\$3015.50
St. Peter's Church	\$120.00
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Stipend	\$180.00
Youth Ministry	\$20.00
Social Concern	\$5.00
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#### Spiritual Growth in the Second Half of Life

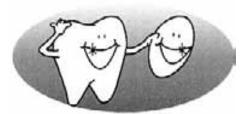
Mondays, March 17 to April 7 – 1 to 2:30 p.m. St. Patrick's Parish, 131 McCaul Street, Toronto

This programme addresses topics related to the faith formation of maturing adults. Session topics will include: spiritual strengths and inner resources, outreach, gratitude and celebration, and forgiveness. Sister Mary Rose Marrin, CSJ, will facilitate the programme. To register, call the Office of Formation for Discipleship at 416-934-3400, ext. 523, visit www.archtoronto.org/discipleship or email formation@archtoronto.org.

#### Working wonders in our livelihoods...

Andrew attended counselling at Catholic Family Services in Simcoe at the suggestion of his employer. He was experiencing a considerable amount of conflict at work which was affecting his job performance. Andrew realized that if he didn't get some help he was at risk of losing his job. Through counselling he learned more positive ways of interacting as well as some healthy stress management skills. Today Andrew has fewer conflicts at work and has learned how to separate his work and home life. He appreciated the help that Catholic Family Services provided to him when he needed it most. Last year, ShareLifesupported Family Service agencies provided family counselling to over 5,100 people in the Greater Toronto Area.

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