# 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**

7:00 p.m. Monday 9:00 a.m. Saturday

#### **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 twentyfirst 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**

Volunteer Coordinator

Fr. Mark Achilles Villanueva Sr. Cristina Ovejera, Fdcc Pastoral Assistant for Adult Formation Sr. Necy, Guan, Fdcc Pastoral Assistant for Children & Youth Fatima Chan Parish Secretary Rev. Mr. Michael Ho Deacon

#### MINISTRIES

Anusha De Silva Children's Liturgy Rory Agellon **Children Relgious Education** Chanel D'Mello **Eucharistic Ministers** Max de la Cruz Lectors Tim Marchand Ushers Miguel Basurto Altar Servers Joanna Aguilar Social Concerns Patricia Scire Choirs 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

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Chairperson JC Cadieux

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#### 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. 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

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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.

PARISH SUNDAY BULLETIN March 20, 2011



#### 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**

#### March 19 (Saturday)

5:00 PM +Joe Furtado, Thanksgiving of Michelle & Joseph Pendon

#### March 20 (Sunday)

7:30 AM For the Parish community 9:00 AM +Francisco Barbosa, +Linda Pacheco

11:00 AM Thanksgiving of Iris Karunaratne, Thanksgiving of of Tadeo Family, +Cecilia Anthony 12:30 PM +Michael Erler

# March 21 (Monday)

7:00 PM Open

#### March 22 (Tuesday)

7:45 AM +Retina D'Souza

#### March 23 (Wednesday)

7:00 PM +Editha Detablan

### March 24 (Thursday)

7:45 AM Open

#### March 25 (Friday)

7:00 PM Open

### March 26 (Saturday)

9:00 AM +Graciano dos Santos Rodrigues

#### **Bukas Palad: Canada Concert Tour**

Bukas Palad Music Ministry will perform at the World Vision Auditorium (1 World Dr, Mississauga) on April 8 & 9, 2011 at 7:30 PM. "Bukas Palad" (a Tagalog figurative for "generous", is a reference to St Ignatius Loyola's prayer for generosity) is a highly acclaimed Christian music group from the Philippines and is behind the well loved songs, "Hindi Kita Malilimutan", "Tanging Yaman", "Sa Iyo Lamang", and "I Will Sing Forever" that have become standards in Filipino worship in the Philippines and abroad. Tickets (\$25) are available at St. Josephine Bakhita Parish

#### A Lenten Prayer

Help us, O God, to fulfill all the duties which life brings to us.

Help us

to honour our families, to be loyal to our friends, to be true to our loved ones.

Help us

to be diligent in our studies, to be conscientious in our work, to be wise in our pleasure.

Help us to be brave in danger, to be strong in temptation,

to be uncomplaining in pain, to be cheerful in disappointment.

Help us to remain humble in prosperity, to remain hopeful in adversity.

Help us at all times to live that our life and conduct may make it plain that we belong to you

Give us the strength to bear lightly our joys and sorrows.

Give us the strength to make our love fruitful in service

Give us the strength never to disown the poor or bend our knees before insolent might

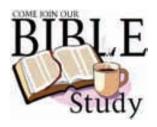
Give us the strength to raise our minds high above daily trifles.

And give us the strength to surrender our strength to your will with love.

Amen.



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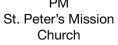
#### **BIBLE STUDY**

The third session of our Bible Study will be held on Monday, March 20 at 7:45 PM to 9:30 PM, St. Peter's Mission Church The topic of the Bible Study is "The Gift of the Psalms".

#### **WOMEN AT THE WELL**

This women's spirituality program in our parish will be held on Saturday, March 26, at 10:00-11:30 AM. The topic for reflection this month is the Book of Esther. Participants come prepared for discussion; bring your Bible and a journal notebook. Please ask Sr. Cristina about the venue.

## Eucharistic Minister's and Lector's Training March 22, 2011 at 7:00 PM





# RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

### **AND CHILDREN (RCIA & RCIC)**

This Sunday marks the Rite of Election or Enrollment for catechumens and candidates preparing to receive the sacraments of Christian Initiation during the Easter Vigil Liturgy. Each of them will sign the parish's Book of the Elect at the 12:30 PM Mass. Then, they will be presented to Bishop John Boissoneau, together with all the catechumens and candidates of the Western Pastoral Region. This will be held this afternoon in St. Marguerite D 'Youville church in Brampton. Please continue to pray for our five brother and sisters as they continue their Journey of Faith towards the Easter sacraments. We thank the RCIA and RCIC teams for their tireless support and generous giving of their time.

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church no. 1457, "...after having attained the age of discretion, each of the faithful is bound by an obligation faithfully to confess serious sins at least once a year." As part of your Lenten observance, Fr. Mark will make himself available to anyone who wish to access the sacrament thirty minutes before any of the Masses we offer at the parish except on Sunday between 11 AM and 12:30 Masses.

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Every donation you make, no matter how small and done regularly, will bring us closer to the \$5 Million target to start the construction of our new church.

#### WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Married couples: You deserve a weekend to celebrate being together; to rediscover each other and focus on ways to make your relationship even better. A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend offers this opportunity. Consider giving each other or another couple that you know the gift of a weekend away from daily pressures; time to be with each other and with God on a Marriage Encounter Weekend. Upcoming Weekend Date: March 25-27, 2011 For further information or registration please contact: Cora & Mike Bryce (905-896-2958) or cora-

Join us for the **Stations of the Cross** every Friday after the 7 PM Holy Mass at St. Joan of Arc School Chapel

mikebryce@sympatico.ca

# WORKING WONDERS FOR THE ELDERLY...

Gerard Brisebois, was in his mid-70's

when he came to Les Centres d'Accueil Heritage. Abandoned by family, he was living in a downtown shelter - frail, friendless and isolated. At Les Centres, Gerard found a wonderful, nurturing home and a warm, supportive family. When he passed away last year, the man who seemed alone and friendless, brought out a tearful crowd to his farewell mass. Nearly 55,000 seniors in the GTA were involved in the programs and services offered by ShareLife agencies in 2009.

1st ShareLife Sunday – April 3, 2011 Together, we can work WONDERS!

#### **LIFT JESUS HIGHER YOUTH RALLY 2011**

Saturday, April 9, 2011 – 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Metro Toronto Convention Centre, North Building, 255 Front Street West, Toronto.

Join thousands of youth across Canada for a high energy day of amazing music by GMA award winning artist Chris Bray, inspiration, fun and what you're really searching for. Tickets - \$9.00. For more information and tickets please contact 416-251-4255, 905-270-2510, pdkromer@rogers.com or www.lift-jesus-higher-rally.org.

# Word of God: Light of Love - A Symposium on "Verbum Domini"

March 31 and April 1, 2011

Regis College and Salt and Light Catholic Media Foundation will co-sponsor Word of God: Light of Love - A Symposium on "Verbum Domini". Presenters will include Cardinal Donald Wuerl, Archbishop Terrence Prendergast, Bishop Ronald Fabbro and Mr. Carl Anderson, Supreme Knight of the Knights of Columbus. Archbishop Thomas Collins will lead a closing "Lectio Divina." Admission is free. Seating is limited. For more information and to pre-register, visit www.RegisCollege.ca/VerbumDomini or call 416-922-5474 ext. 221.



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