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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.org

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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We celebrate Holy Mass at

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3801 Thomas Street
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SUNDAY MASSES

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

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday, Thursday	7:45 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.

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.

ShareLife 2012

Continuing a 36-year tradition of generosity and community involvement, our parish is extending a helping hand to those in need in our community and beyond with the launch of our local ShareLife Campaign.



ShareLife, the annual charitable appeal of the Catholic Archdiocese of Toronto, raises funds to provide outreach and care to those in need through a network of Catholic agencies. Last year, more than 250,000 people received compassionate professional service from ShareLife agencies. Our parish campaign will help ensure those services remain available for everyone in the community, regardless of their background or religious affiliation.

The Archdiocese of Toronto is home to 1.9 million Catholics in 225 parishes, stretching from Toronto to Georgian Bay and from Mississauga to Oshawa. Our goal is to raise \$20,000 to contribute to ShareLife's \$12.3M Parish Campaign.

ShareLife funding ensures that people have ready access to faith-informed counseling services through the network of Catholic Family Services offices. Parishes in our area are involved in sponsoring refugee families with the assistance of the ShareLife-funded Office for Refugees – more than 80 parishes are participating at this time. ShareLife also supports the expansion of the chaplaincy program that enables Catholic chaplains to care for the sick in our hospitals. Funding also provides assistance for essential mission and development projects in the developing countries.

The first of three ShareLife fundraising collection times is scheduled for the weekend of March 25th.

The campaign wraps up on July 31. Donations can be made at the parish or online at www.sharelife.org.

The Regional Mass of Thanksgiving

in celebration of the Archbishop's elevation to the College of Cardinals will be held on March 12, 2012 at St. Francis Xavier Parish, 7:30 PM.

All are welcome

MASS INTENTION**March 3 (Saturday)**

5:00 PM +Olinda Menezes, +Cyril Martin Mathias

March 4 (Sunday)

7:30 AM Thanksgiving of Mr. & Mrs. Trinca
9:00 AM +Julia & Jose Cabral
11:00 AM Special Intention of Nellie Dungo, +Randy Cruz
12:30 PM Thanksgiving of Alex & Arlene Pereira

March 5 (Monday)

7:00 PM +Donato & Faustina Navarro, +Pelagia Grava

March 6 (Tuesday)

7:45 AM Open

March 7 (Wednesday)

7:00 PM Thanksgiving of Cris Sia & Gregorio Galera

March 8 (Thursday)

7:45 AM Open

March 9 (Friday)

7:00 PM +Inocencio Guillermo, +Anna Gonzales

March 10 (Saturday)

9:00 AM Open

5:00 PM Thanksgiving of Johanna Pariasih

Update

Thank you for supporting
our Building Fund

\$988,870.68

Please pray that one day we will have
our own church building.

**The Way of the Cross**

We invite everyone to join us every Friday evening throughout the Lenten Season, after the 7 PM Holy Mass, for a meditation and prayer of the Way of the Cross at St. Joan of Arc Secondary School Chapel.

The Importance and Meaning of the Scrutinies of the Lenten Season

As part of our observance of the Season of Lent, we will accompany our catechumens in the Rite of Scrutiny. It is important that we understand the purpose of these rites. The word itself, "scrutiny," carries all kinds of connotations and meanings. At first hearing our Elect and Candidates might feel frightened and anxious over the impending self-discoveries.

Too often we focus on "sin" and that which needs to be rooted out in our heads and the heart of our culture forgetting that there is another purpose of the Scrutinies. Paragraph 141 of *The Rite of Christian Initiation* reminds us that puts the purpose in plain language: "The Scrutinies are meant to uncover then heal all that is weak...then strengthen all that is upright, strong, and good. The Scrutinies are celebrated in order to deliver the Elect from the power of sin and Satan, to protect them against temptation, and to give them strength in Christ, who is the way, the truth, and the life."

In our preparation for the Scrutinies we must ask our Elect where they are in need of purification but also give them the encouragement of God's enlightenment. We do not wish to just "uncover the weakness" but we must also ensure our Elect that God will change their hearts and bring a new light to shadow places in their lives.

Having looked at the "weaknesses" we also need to give thanks for that which is "upright, good and strong." These personal gifts are given to us and also given to the church. The talents given to each member are meant for the building of the body of Christ and it is now the desire of our Elect to use these talents for the good of the community.

Indeed, the renewal of our Elect affects the life of the whole community. The Scrutinies are never meant to be self-disclosure and judgment. The Scrutinies are a time to "empty ourselves" so that Christ may enter into our hearts and be transformed.

WOMEN'S LENTEN RETREAT WEEKEND at Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre, Mississauga March 23-25, 2012.

Facilitated by the Centre team. God can and does touch and heals hearts through presentations, private reflection and prayer, sharing, reconciliation and Eucharist.

For reservation or further information please call 905-278-5229.



Celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation during Lent

Fr. Mark will make himself available to hear confession from 4 PM to 5 PM every Saturday or by appointment during the weekdays for anyone who wish to make their Confession as part of their Lenten journey.

VATICAN II: WHAT WAS ALL THE FUSS ABOUT?

March 7, 14, 21, 28, 2012 – 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

St. Dominic's Parish, Mississauga.

Dominican Seminars is pleased to present: "The Relevance of Vatican II; Celebrating 50 Years of the Second Vatican Council". Our distinguished guest speaker will be Michael Attridge, Associate Professor of Theology at the Faculty of Theology, University of St. Michael's College, Toronto.

Please join us for the four Wednesdays in March (7, 14, 21, 28) as we celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the Council. Cost is a prepaid registration of \$20.00. The parish is located at 625 Atwater Avenue, Mississauga, Ontario.

Please call the church office 905-278-7762 for a registration form or email dominicanseminars@gmail.com. Cheques to be made payable to The Dominican Institute and dropped off or mailed to Church of St. Dominic office.

WOMEN'S "ACTS" RETREAT May 31-June 3

Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre, Mississauga.

A new and exciting retreat experience helping us to grow in personal relationship with Jesus Christ. Facilitated by women who have made the ACTS retreat. A-Adoration; C-Community; T-Theology; S-Service. For further information or reservation 905-278-5229.

Retrouvaille: Help for Troubled Marriages May 4 - 6, 2012

Retrouvaille is a live-in weekend program followed by a number of post sessions to help married couples through difficult times in their marriage relationships. It will provide the tools necessary to rediscover each other and examine their lives together in a new and positive way. For confidential information or to register for the May 4, 5, 6, 2012 weekend, call 416-281-6007 or visit the web site at: www.torontoretrouvaille.com.



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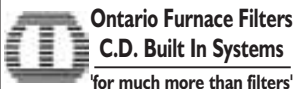
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