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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.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.

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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

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Rev. Mark Achilles Villanueva	Pastor
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Rev. Gerry Steyn	Deacon
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RCIA	Roman Lim	Legion of Mary	Cristina Manzanares
First Reconciliation/Eucharist	Chanel D'Mello		905-812-0891
Confirmation	Clara Fernandes		

We celebrate Holy Mass at

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
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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.

Our Holy Week Schedule

Holy Thursday (April 2)

7 PM Celebration of the Lord's Supper and washing of Feet at St. Joan of Arc School
 9 PM to Midnight Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Peter's Mission Church

Good Friday (April 3)

12:00 PM Celebration of the Lord's Passion at St. Joan of Arc School
 1:30 PM Meditation of the Seven Last Words
 3:00 PM Celebration of the Lord's Passion at St. Joan of Arc School
 7 PM Way of the Cross at St. Joan of Arc School

Holy Saturday

Easter Vigil starts at 7:30 PM St. Joan of Arc School

Easter Sunday

6:30 AM Easter Sunrise Service at St. Peter's Mission Church
 7:30 AM Holy Mass at St. Peter's Mission Church
 Easter Egg Hunting will follow the Mass

9 AM, 11 AM and 12:30 PM Holy Mass at St. Joan of Arc School

Pauper's Meal

Wed April 1 - St. Joan of Arc School Cafeteria
 7 pm
 Cost \$3 per person
 Meal will be a pasta dinner
 Tickets will go on sale after all the weekend Masses



Women's Retreat

Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre
 Saturday April 18, 2015
 Cost is \$35.00 per person

If you wish to join, contact Janette Cutinho - Tel: 289-997-0335
 Registration deadline is March 31, 2015

Catholic Family Services of Toronto New Beginnings invite you to a talk entitled, "The Art of Journalling for Inner Healing".

Martez Schembri-Diskey, author, therapist and instructor, will guide us through a unique journalling approach which employs meditations, affirmations, gratitude, intentions and connections to balancing the spirit, body, mind and emotions for trauma, stress, pain management and self-care. Date and Time: Monday, April 13 at 7 p.m. Location: Catholic Pastoral Centre 1155 Yonge St. 4th Floor. Free underground parking available and adjacent to Summerhill TTC Subway Station.

Mass Intention

Saturday (March 28)

5:00 PM +Cyril & Clotilda Mathias

Sunday (March 29)

7:30 AM For the Parish Community
 9:00 AM +Julia & Jose Cabral, +Inacin & George Pereira, +Nemesia & Saturnino Villa, +Clarita Invierno
 11:00 AM Thanksgiving of Tadeo family, +Ursula Ped
 12:30 PM +Wilfredo Veloso & Leoncia Lukang

Monday (March 30)

7:00 PM +Lorenzo & Felina Moreno, Thanksgiving of Brandon

Tuesday (March 31)

7:30 AM Departed family and friends of Reynaldo & Ronila Gloria

Wednesday (April 1)

7:00 PM Veronica Fernandes

Thursday (April 2)

7:00 PM Celebration of the Lord's Supper and Washing of the Feet

Friday (April 3)

12:00 PM Celebration of the Lord's Passion
 3:00 PM Celebration of the Lord's Passion

Saturday (April 4)

7:30 PM Easter Vigil

To offer a Mass for yourself or your loved one, see Cecilia at the desk or use the form on our parish website.

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\$1,604,957.54

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\$205,081.34

Total Building Fund Collected

\$1,810,038.88

Please remember to pray daily for our church building project

“Only in the Crucified Christ do we find the explanation of the mystery of sickness”

Vatican City, 22 March 2015 (VIS) - “It is not easy to approach a patient. The most beautiful and most miserable things in life are reserved, they conceal themselves. One tries to hide the greatest love, out of modesty; and for modesty we also hide those things that demonstrate our human misery”. With these words the Pope addressed the patients he met in the Basilica of Gesù Nuovo yesterday, explaining that to approach a patient it is necessary to go to him, since the modesty of life leads him to conceal himself. “When there are lifelong illnesses, when we find ourselves faced with maladies that affect an entire life, we prefer to hide them, because going to visit a patient means going and finding our own sickness. It means having the courage to say to oneself: I too have a malady of the heart, of the soul, of the spirit; I too am spiritually afflicted”.

Francis spoke of the mystery of sickness, explaining that although God created us to change the world, to be efficient, to dominate Creation, “when we find ourselves before sickness, we see that the ailment prevents this: that man or that woman who was born this way, or who became this way, seems to say 'no' to the mission of transforming the world. ... We are only able to approach the sick ... if we accustom ourselves to looking at the Crucified Christ, as here is the only explanation for this 'failure', this human failure, this ailment throughout our lives”.

“If you cannot understand the Lord”, he said to the patients present, “I ask the Lord to make you understand in your hearts that you are the flesh of Christ”. Francis thanked the volunteers who spend their time “caressing Christ's flesh, serving the crucified and living Christ”, and the doctors and nurses who have not transformed their profession into a form of trade, as “when medicine turns into trade, into business, it is like the priesthood when it acts in the same way: it loses the kernel of its vocation”. Finally, he urged all Christians not to forget what Jesus asked us, and what we will all be judged upon: “I was sick, and you cared for me”. “The sick suffer: they are a reflection of the suffering Christ”, he concluded. “Do not be afraid to draw close to Christ Who suffers”.

Change on the age or grade level of those who can receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in the Archdiocese of Toronto

The archbishop has decreed that starting on September 8, 2015 in the Archdiocese of Toronto, the Sacrament of Confirmation will henceforth be celebrated in Grade 7. Being a transition year, we will begin our registration in May at our parish.

Sunday Collection

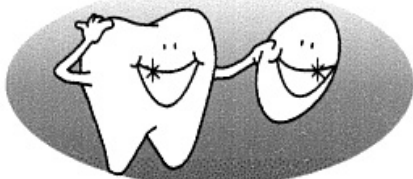
Offertory	\$ 2,806.40
Building Fund	\$ 967.50
St. Peter's	\$ 145.10
Stipend	\$ 120.00
Wednesday	\$ 53.00
ShareLife	\$ 625.00
Total	\$ 4,717.00

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When he was presented with a top youth achievement award at a recent gala at the Carlu, Kiwayne was only a short distance from the streets where he had been homeless, and a world away. In the building's food court a few years ago, he recalls falling asleep at the table – exhausted – trying to avoid having to go back outside. “I was going down the wrong path and didn't know if I'd live to be 21,” he says. But for the past two years since moving into his own place, Kiwayne has been studying construction engineering at George Brown College and working part-time at the Provincial Advocate's Office. Kiwayne grew up in foster care and, at 17, he found himself on the street until a friend told him about Covenant House. “Covenant House gave me stable housing that allowed me to go back to school and learn life skills.” says Kiwayne.

*Next ShareLife Sunday – April 12, 2015
Please give generously. You can work wonders!*

The Philippine Choral Society of Mississauga will be leading us in the Meditation of the Seven Last Words on Good Friday starting at 1:30 PM



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