# 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.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. 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

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

### **PASTORAL TEAM**

Rev. Mark Achilles Villanueva Rev. Michael Ho Rev. Gerry Steyn Sr. Necy Guan, Fdcc Sr. Linda Carandang, Fdcc Mrs. Fatima Chan Pastor Deacon Deacon Pastoral Ass

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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

#### **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.

### 5th Annual Parish Walkathon

Join us for some sun, a little exercise, a bbq lunch, and meet your fellow parishioners! Our 5th Annual Walk of Hope is on Saturday June 8, 2013. Registration opens at 9am and the walk kicks off at 10am. Registration and pledges can be done on our website, or forms are available after masses. Start collecting pledges from co-workers, neighbours, and friends today! All walkers who collect at least \$50 in pledges receive a free t-shirt and goodie bag. Congratulations to our Early Bird winner JANE KHOO! She receives a Kodak Digital Camera (Donation courtesy of Marie Murad). Hope to see everyone there!

### Working wonders for our faith...

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-Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop of Toronto

Third ShareLife collection - May 26, 2013 Please give generously. you can work wonderS!

Our Total collection as of May 26 for Sharelife is \$12,094



May 26, 2013 is our first Parish Youth Day. We invite all young people to participate, make friends, and be inspired.

### Queen of the Apostles' Retreat Centre

Another honeymoon is a perfect way for a couple to celebrate their marriage. Queen of Apostles

Renewal Centre offers married couples the privacy, comfort, hospitality and inspiring program that encourage couples to continue exploring their lives together. The next weekend is June 15-17. For information telephone: 905-278-8879, 905-829-0116, 416-694-1742 or register at Queen of Apostles: 905-278-5229.

### The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

June 2, 2013

Our Parish community will mark the occasion with the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Holy Hour, from 10 AM to 11 AM (in between the 9 AM and 11 AM Sunday Mass)

The Western Pastoral Region will mark the occasion with a Eucharistic Procession beginning at 3 PM at St. Charles Borromeo Parish (Dufferin and Lawrence)

It is now possible to Financially support our Parish by using your preferred Credit Card. Just visit our Parish Website and click on the Archdiocese of Toronto under Donate Now. A form to fill will open, but make sure you choose the right parish in the drop down menu. You can make a one-time donation or setup a recurring gift. Thank you.

### **Mass Intention**

Saturday (May 25) 5:00 PM +Antonio D'Souza

Sunday (May 26)
7:30 AM For the whole Parish
Community
9:00 AM +Alfred Azzopardi
11:00 AM +Expedito Caniedo,
+Solomon Anthicques, +John D'Souza,
+Emerita Tadeo, Thanksgiving of Alice
D'Souza
12:30 PM Thanksgiving of Felipe
Paculaba, Thanksgiving of Emma
Bacani

Monday (May 27) 7:00 AM Open

Tuesday (May 28) 7:30 AM +Elvira Coldrick

Wednesday (May 29) 7:00 PM Open

Thursday (May 30) 7:30 PM Thanksgiving of AJ Alcantara

Friday (May 31) 7:00 +Richard Valere

Saturday (June 1) 9:00 AM For Parish Benefactors 5:00 PM Thanksgiving of Menen Salazar

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Pope Francis dedicated his Wednesday general audience catechesis to the Holy Spirit, without whom, "the Church could not live or carry out the mission that Jesus has entrusted us with, of going out and making disciples of all nations. Evangelisation is

the Church's mission, not just of a few, but my, your, our mission. ... To evangelize, then, it is necessary to open ourselves once again to the action of God's Spirit, without fear of what He might ask us or where He might lead us. Let us entrust ourselves to him. He will enable us to live and to bear witness to our faith. He will illuminate the hearts of those we meet. This was the experience of Pentecost: of the Apostles gathered with Mary in the Upper Room."

"The Holy Spirit, descending upon the Apostles, makes them go out of the room in which they had locked themselves out of fear. He makes them go out of themselves and transforms them into heralds and witnesses ' of the mighty acts of God'. This transformation, wrought by the Holy Spirit, is reflected in the crowd that rushed to the scene, coming 'from every nation under heaven' so that each might hear the Apostles' words as if they were proclaimed in their own language."

"This is the first important effect of the Holy Spirit ... unity, communion." ... At Pentecost, these divisions [the confusion of languages as in the Biblical story of the tower of Babel] are overcome. ... A new language, that of the love that the Holy Spirit 'pours out into our hearts' [is established]. ... We must all ask ourselves: how am I letting myself be guided by the Holy Spirit so that my life and my witness to the faith might be of unity and communion? ... What am I doing with my life?" Pope Francis asked, raising his voice. "Am I creating unity? Or am I dividing, with my gossip, criticism, and jealousies? What am I doing? Let's think about this."

A second effect of the Holy Spirit's action, the pontiff continued, "is the courage to proclaim the newness of the Gospel of Jesus to all, frankly and out loud, in every time and in every place. ... Let us never close ourselves to this action! Let us live the Gospel with humility and courage. ... Evangelising, proclaiming Jesus give us joy."

"I will just mention a third element, which is particularly important, however: a new evangelisation, a Church that evangelises must always begin from prayer, from asking, as did the Apostles in the Upper Room, for the fire of the Holy Spirit. Only a faithful and intense relationship with God allows us to go out of our own closures and announce the Gospel with 'parrhesia' (boldly)."

Before concluding, Pope Francis recalled the words of Benedict XVI: "Today the Church 'feels the wind of the Holy Spirit who helps us, who shows us the right road; and so, we are on our way ... with new enthusiasm' ... Let us renew each day our trust in the Holy Spirit's action. Let us let ourselves be guided by him. Let us be men and women of prayer who witness to the Gospel with courage, becoming instruments of God's unity and communion in our world."

#### **SUNDAY OFFERING**

May 12, 2013

OFFERTORY	\$2,782.20
BUILDING FUND	\$1,678.97
ST. PETER'S CHURCH	\$420.00
WEDNESDAY OFFERING	\$95.00
MASS STIPEND	\$120.00
SHARELIFE	\$495.00
BAPTISM	\$220.00
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL	\$500.00
OFFERTORY (FROM THE BOX)	\$21.33
TOTAL	\$6,332.50

# VBS (Vacation Bible School) is back to Saint Josephine Bakhita Parish in July!

Children from Kindergarten to Grade Four are invited to participate. This is an opportunity for the children to know more about Jesus and the Bible in a fun way. The activities are: Bible Stories, Music, Arts and crafts, Games and Snacks.

Theme: Son West Round-up
Dates: July 8-12, 2013 from 9:00 am - 12:00 noon
Venue: Saint Simon Stock Catholic Elementary School
Donation: \$50.00

Please register, on weekends, by the June 1-2, at all Masses at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Secondary School. For more information, please email to: srnecy@stjosehinebakhita.ca

or call 905-858-9912 or 905-812-2659.

### **Teopoli Summer Experience 2013 Hiring**

Would you enjoy working at a residential camp with children ages 6 to 17? We are looking for young adults willing and able to live and work in the Muskoka area of Ontario for nine consecutive weeks this summer as counsellors, lifeguards and nurses. The Teopoli Summer Experience is hiring mature, well-rounded individuals with skills and experience in the areas or Theology, Arts & Crafts, Sports, Music, Dramatic Arts, and recreational outdoor activities. For more information visit <a href="https://www.teopoli.com">www.teopoli.com</a> and click on "Summer Experience" or contact us at <a href="https://www.teopoli.com">youth@teopoli.com</a> or 416-243-7319.

### Teopoli Summer Experience (TSE) 2013

Summer is just around the corner and the TSE returns at the Teopoli Catholic Spiritual Centre in Muskoka! We would love to invite all children ages 6-17 to participate in this fun, adventurous and prayerful programme. Children are engaged in social, spiritual, and physical activities that involve the excitement of a camp environment while growing in their Catholic faith. There are four terms to choose from that run for 10 days! Give your child the experience of a lifetime at the Teopoli Summer Experience! For more information and registration forms call The United Society 416-243-7319 or visit teopoli.com



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