ST. JOSEPHINE BAKHITA PARISH

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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

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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.

Upcoming Sacramental Celebrations

Sacrament of Confirmation

Merciful Redeemer Church

May 10, 2013 at 7 PM for St. Simon Stock School &
Parish Religious Education Class

Update on our Church Building Design

The preliminary drawing for the structure of our new church is posted on the Bulletin Board. The floor plan is fixed. We are now in the process of designing the wall, windows, and roof of the church. The Building Committee will meet on May 13, 2013 (Monday) at St. Peter's Mission Church Basement starting at 7:45 PM.



5th Annual Parish Walkathon

Our 5th Annual Walk of Hope will be 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 friends, family, co-workers today! Registrations done by May 14 will be eligible for our Early Bird prize. All proceeds go to our building fund. Come on out for a fun morning!

Farewell Potluck Dinner for Sister Necy and Sister Linda

The Canossian Sisters arrived in our parish shortly after we started celebrating Holy Mass at St. Joan of Arc Secondary School. The Sisters are returning to the United States officially at the end of June. As a parish community, we would like to give them a farewell party on Saturday, May 11, 2013 after the 5 PM Vigil Mass. The Daughters of Isabella are organizing the event for us. If you wish to bring food, please see Rita Venantius or

any of the Daughters. Thank you.



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On the weekend of May 11/12, Mother's Day, the parish will be selling flowers, chocolates, baked items for the building of our church.

The young people of St. Joan of Arc Secondary School is also inviting us to bring slightly used clothing, canned goods, and other items that they can send through Dr. Simone for the poor in the developing world. Thank you!

Mass Intention

Saturday (May 4) 5:00 PM +Maria Bui, +Maria Nguyen, +Paul Nguyen, +Thomas Anthicques, +Manuel Medina

Sunday (May 5)
7:30 AM For the whole Parish
Community
9:00 AM Souls in Purgatory
II:00 AM +Patrick Denipitiya, +Cosin
Mary Victoria, +Emerita Tadeo, +Elvira
Geronimo, +Martha Tran, +Viola
Pajatin
I2:30 PM +Manuel Medina

Monday (May 6) 7:00 PM Open

Tuesday (May 7) 7:30 AM Fr. Mark's Intention

Wednesday (May 8) 7:00 PM Thanksgiving of Andrea D'Mello

Thursday (May 9) 7:30 PM Fr. Mark's Intention

Friday (May 10) 7:00 PM +Celia Capillo

Saturday (May 11) 9:00 AM For Parish Benefactors 5:00 PM Thanksgiving for Sister Necy Guan and Sister Linda Carandang

Thank you for supporting our Building Fund \$1,292,774.22

Pilgrimage to Fatima, Lourdes, and Holy Land

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National March for Life

May 8-10, 2013 Ottawa, ON

Pro-life events during the March for Life include: Masses, Prayer Services, Eucharistic Adoration, a rally on Parliament Hill, banquets and a youth conference. On Thursday, May 9 we gather on Parliament Hill at noon, hear speakers and march. Sexselective abortion is being exposed and we ask the federal government to, "End Female Gendercide".

Join thousands at the National March for Life as we express concerns about the tragic impact abortion has on our nation. For more information call Campaign Life Coalition at 1-800-730-5358 or 416-204-9749. Visit www.marchforlife.ca for more details.

Scarboro Missions Short-Term Mission Program

Do you feel called to serve to help make the world a better place? Are you interested in gaining valuable cross-cultural experience that may lead you to exciting employment opportunities later in life? Scarboro Missions has started a short-term Mission program for young adults aged 22-35 years. For more information, call 416-261-7135, ext. 280, email oneyear@scarboromissions.ca, or visit http://www.scarboromissions.ca/.

Project Rachel Retreat May 17-19, 2013

A weekend retreat for women whose hearts have been broken by abortion. Let your cares be held in God's hands. We can help. Project Rachel is private and confidential. For more information, call 416-629-8264, or email info@stmarysrefuge.org.

Living the Spirit: a post-Confirmation Retreat Saturday, May 25 – 1 p.m. - 6 p.m. St. Bonaventure Parish, 1300 Leslie St., Toronto

If you've been confirmed in the past year and are wondering where the Holy Spirit might be leading you, this is the perfect opportunity to explore how God continues to guide us through our faith and the Church. The event will be led by special guest, Friar Eric de la Peña. Begins with a welcome BBQ and ends with the celebration of our Sunday Vigil Mass.

This retreat is free and open to everyone in the region, so bring some friends and continue the search together. Sponsored by the Office of Catholic Youth and the Knights of Columbus as a Year of Faith initiative.

For more information and to register, email jonathan@st-bonaventure.ca or call 416-447-5571, ext. 258.

There will be a Special Parish Youth Gathering on Sunday, May 26, 2013. We invite all young people to participate.

SUNDAY OFFERING

April 28, 2013

OFFERTORY	\$2,975.20
BUILDING FUND	\$2,015.00
ST. PETER'S CHURCH	\$274.25
WEDNESDAY OFFERING	\$210.05
CONFIRMATION	\$1,236.00
MASS STIPEND	\$170.00
FIRST COMMUNION	\$3,516.50
SHARELIFE	\$325.00
RELIC (for the Building Fund)	\$20.00
TOTAL	\$10,742.00



The Pope Speaks...to the Confirmandi

It is an invitation which I make to you, young confirmandi, and to all present. Remain steadfast in the journey of faith, with firm hope in the Lord. This is the secret of our journey! He gives us the courage to swim against the tide. Pay attention, my young friends: to go against the current; this is good for the heart, but we need courage to swim against the tide. Jesus gives us this courage! There are no difficulties, trials or misunderstandings to fear, provided

we remain united to God as branches to the vine, provided we do not lose our friendship with him, provided we make ever more room for him in our lives. This is especially so whenever we feel poor, weak and sinful, because God grants strength to our weakness, riches to our poverty, conversion and forgiveness to our sinfulness. The Lord is so rich in mercy: every time, if we go to him, he forgives us. Let us trust in God's work! With him we can do great things; he will give us the joy of being his disciples, his witnesses. Commit yourselves to great ideals, to the most important things. We Christians were not chosen by the Lord for little things; push onwards toward the highest principles. Stake your lives on noble ideals, my dear young people!

-Pope Francis



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