

# ST. JOSEPHINE BAKHITA PARISH

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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](http://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.

## 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) 821-3256

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

## PASTORAL TEAM

Rev. Mark Achilles Villanueva	Pastor
Rev. Michael Ho	Deacon
Rev. Gerry Steyn	Deacon
Ms. Cecilia Vaz	Administrative Assistant
Mrs. Fatima Chan	Secretary

## MINISTRIES

Volunteer Coordinator	Anusha De Silva	<b>Financial Council</b>	
Children's Liturgy	Wilma Menezes	Chairperson	Tel de la Cruz
Eucharistic Ministers	Max de la Cruz	<b>Fundraising Committee</b>	
Lectors	Conrad Rodrigues	Chairperson	Roman Lim
Ushers	Miguel Basurto	<b>Building Committee</b>	
	Serge Poirier	Chairperson	Rita Borg
Altar Servers	Deacon Gerry Steyn	<b>St. Peter's Mission Church</b>	
Choirs	Jamie Marr	Chairperson	JC Cadieux
	Suzanne Pereira		
	Raul Manzanares	Women at the Well	Anne-Marie Caister
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Youth Ministry	Cora & Boyer del Rosario		
Social Concerns	Elisha Pinto	<b>Knights of Columbus</b>	Tony Ciufu
Sacristans	Patricia Scire		905-542-9883
Home Visitation	James Amores	<b>Daughters of isabella</b>	Rita Venantius
	Rebecca Poirier		905-824-7223
<b>Sacramental Preparation</b>		<b>Couples for Christ</b>	Toti Quijano
RCIC	Liza Capule		905-567-3236
RCIA	Roman Lim	<b>Legion of Mary</b>	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.



Vatican City, 7 May 2014 (VIS) – Counsel, that gift by which the Holy Spirit enables us to make concrete decisions according to the logic of Jesus and the Gospel was the theme of Pope Francis' catechesis during this Wednesday's general audience.

The Holy Spirit “helps us to grow positively both inwardly and in the community, and helps us not to fall prey to selfishness or to our way of seeing things”. “The essential condition for conserving this gift is prayer”, said the Holy Father, explaining that “we can all say the prayers we learnt as children, but we can also approach God in our own words: Lord, help me, advise me. What should I do now? And with prayer, we make space for the Holy Spirit to come and help us in this moment, to advise us on what we should do. We must never forget to pray.

No-one knows if we pray on the bus or walking along the street: we can pray in silence. Let us take advantage of these moments to pray ... so that the Holy Spirit may grant us the gift of counsel”.

In our intimacy with God, and listening His Word, we gradually leave aside our personal logic ... and within us there matures a profound harmony with the Lord which leads us, in turn, to ask ourselves what His will is. It is the Spirit who advises us, but we must make space for this to happen. It is necessary to give space and pray to so that [the Holy Spirit] may always help us”.

And, like the other gifts of the Holy Spirit, counsel is “a treasure for the entire Christian community”, since the Lord does not speak to us only in the intimacy of the heart, but also through the voice and the witness of our brothers ... who help us to shed light on our lives and to recognise the Lord's will”. In this respect, Francis mentioned that once, in the Argentine diocese of Lujan, a young man with “tattoos and earrings and all those things” recounted a very serious situation to him in confession, and said that his mother had advised him to turn to the Virgin Mary. “She was a woman with the gift of counsel. This mother did not know how to solve her son's problem but she indicated a sure path to him. ... And effectively the boy said to me that: 'I looked to Our Lady and I felt that I should do this, this and this...'. And I didn't have to speak”, he recalled, “as the mother and the boy himself had already said everything. This is the gift of counsel. You, mothers who have this gift, ask for it for your children. Being able to give advice to one's children is a gift from God”.

The Holy Father concluded by citing Psalm 16, which says: “I will praise the Lord, who counsels me; even at night my heart instructs me. I keep my eyes always on the Lord. With him at my right hand, I will not be shaken”. “May the Spirit always instil in our hearts that certainty, and in this way fill us with peace, and may we always ask for the gift of counsel!”.

**Heads up!!!**

Parents are advised of our Summer Program for your children

Vacation Bible School  
 St. Edith Stein School  
 July 7 to 11  
 Registration is \$50



**Mass Intention**

**Saturday (May 10)**

5:00 PM Thanksgiving of Julieta & Joaozinho Rodrigues

**Sunday (May 11)**

7:30 AM For the Parish Community  
 9:00 AM +Benjamin Ordonez  
 11:00 AM Thanksgiving of Karl Pereira  
 12:30 PM +Tere Villanueva

**Monday (May 12)**

7:00 PM Thanksgiving of Kelly Villanueva

**Tuesday (May 13)**

7:30 AM For the young people in our parish who are receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation

**Wednesday (May 14)**

7:00 PM Wedding anniversary of Boy and Wai Moreno, Wedding anniversary of Yenny and Lawrence Idris

**Thursday (May 15)**

7:30 AM +Edith Villegas

**Friday (May 16)**

7:00 PM Open

**Saturday (May 17)**

9:00 AM For our Parish benefactors  
  
 5:00 PM Open

To offer a Holy Mass Intention, please see Cecilia or call the parish office. You can also request through parish website

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\$1,505,371.30

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\$72,472.29

**Total Building Fund Collected**

**\$1,577,843.89**

*Please remember to pray daily for our church building project*



**First Communion**

St. Simon Stock School

will be held on Sunday, May 18, 2014 at Merciful Redeemer  
3:00 PM

**"To Jesus Through Mary"**



May is the month of our Blessed Mother. The Legion of Mary invites children and youth to participate in the recitation of the Living Rosary followed by Flower Offering to our Blessed Mother, Mary. This devotion will be conducted on Saturday, May 31, 2014 at 4:00 p.m. at St. Joan of Arc School. About 55 children are needed to form the Living Rosary. For further details and to register your children to this event please contact the following :

Patricia (905) 567-0345, Aurora (905) 814-9627, Ana (905) 821-2343 or Cristina (905) 812-0891.

"Let the children come to Me, and do not hinder them; for to such belongs the Kingdom of God." (Luke 18:15-17)

**St. John Berchmans Circle #5570**



The Columbian Squires of our parish along with their friends are hosting a CAR WASH on the 24 & 25th of May during all masses. All proceeds from this fundraiser will go towards the Church Building Fund. Parishioners are urged to support the Squires for this worthy cause.

When you arrive for mass the Squires will direct you to park in the designated spaces and you can

pick up your cleaned car after mass.

Minimum Donation \$ 5.00

Holy Mass for Seniors and their loved ones every First Thursday of the month at 3 PM  
Viva Retirement Living

Parish Pastoral Council  
May 26, 2014 at St. Peter's Mission Church  
starting at 7:45 PM

**The Sacrament of Confirmation**

For St. Simon Stock School will be held on Friday, May 16, 2014 at Merciful Redeemer

For St. Edith Stein School will be held on Friday, May 23, 2014 at Merciful Redeemer

Offertory Collection	
Offertory	\$2281.82
Building Fund	\$4200.35
St. Peter's Church	\$991.50
Wednesday Collection	\$137.38
First Communion	\$1709.95
Frames	\$85.00
Knights of Columbus	\$500.00
Stipend	\$120.00
ShareLife	\$1195.00
Beads and Things	\$83.00
Baptism	\$285.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$11589.00</b>

*A Mother's Love*

There are times when only a Mother's love

Can understand our tears,

Can soothe our disappoints

And calm all of our fears.

There are times when only a Mother's love

Can share the joy we feel

When something we've dreamed about

Quite suddenly is real.

There are times when only a Mother's faith

Can help us on life's way

And inspire in us the confidence

We need from day to day.

For a Mother's heart and a Mother's faith

And a Mother's steadfast love

Were fashioned by the Angels

And sent from God above.

Author Unknown



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