

# 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
Arts & Environment	Ronald Pasajol	Hospitality	Frank Amegah
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.



**Register your children for  
Vacation Bible School Venue: St. Edith Stein School  
July 6-10**

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend**

May 22–8p.m.to May 24–5p.m.  
Queen of Apostles Retreat Centre  
1617 Blythe Rd., Mississauga

Consider joining a Marriage Enrichment Weekend for married couples focused on improving communication skills, refreshing and renewing your marriage. The weekend is hosted by a team of three married couples and a priest. CONTACT: Gerard and Marge McCauley PHONE: 905-792-1925 EMAIL: [gerard.marge@rogers.com](mailto:gerard.marge@rogers.com)

**May is the month of our Blessed Mother.**

The Legion of Mary invites all 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 held on Saturday, May 30, 2015, 4:00 p.m. at the St. Joan of Arc School. About 55 participants are needed to form the Living Rosary. Your family and friends are most welcome to join. Please bring flowers to offer to our Blessed Mother after the Living Rosary. To register for this event and further details please contact the following : Patricia (905) 567-0345, Aurora (905) 814-9627, Ana (905) 821-2343 or Cristina (905) 812-0891.

**The Knights of Columbus Garage Sale**

Saturday 30th May 7.00am - 3.00pm.  
St. Peters Mission Church 6056 Ninth Line,  
Mississauga

Money raised from this Garage Sale will be donated to St. Josephine Bakhita Church Building Fund. Please bring your donations to St. Peter’s Church on Friday 29th May evening from 6.00pm - 9.00pm or on Saturday morning before 7.00am.

For Volunteering / Inquiries please contact Narciso Rodrigues 416-303-1337



**The Knights of Columbus will be selling raffle tickets in support of The Arthritis Society and the Special Olympics.**

When: After every Mass on May 23 and 24  
Cost: \$5.00

1,000 prizes to be won including 9 cash prizes ranging from 10,000 to \$250,000.00

**Mass Intention**

**Saturday (May 16)**  
5:00 Open

**Sunday (May 17)**  
7:30 AM For the Parish Community  
9:00 AM +Jose Barbosa, +Sr. Euphemia  
11:00 AM +isidro & Maria San Diegp,  
+Richard Valere & Lina de Montbrun  
12:30 PM Thanksgiving of Catherine & Budji Bagui, +Perfecto Meriel, +Germilina Borromeo

**Monday (May 18)**  
7:00 PM +Jose & Petra Feril

**Tuesday (May 19)**  
7:30 AM +John Trescak

**Wednesday (May 20)**  
7:00 PM Open

**Thursday (May 21)**  
7:30 AM +Mary Vasiler

**Friday (May 22)**  
7:00 PM +Jose & Josefina Villanueva

**Saturday (May 23)**  
9:00 AM For Parish Benefactors and Friends  
5:00 PM Open

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

Thank you for supporting our Building Fund  
Invested in the Archdiocese  
\$1,606,304.49  
Architectural & other Fees  
\$253,211.14  
**Total Building Fund Collected**  
**\$1,859,515.63**

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

**Regina Coeli: love is a concrete path**

Vatican City, 10 May 2015 (VIS) – During this Sunday's Regina Coeli, before thousands of faithful gathered in St. Peter's Square, the Pope commented on the day's Gospel reading which "takes us back to the Cenacle, where we hear Jesus' new commandment, 'that you love one another as I have loved you'". He affirmed, "these words, pronounced during the Last Supper, summarise all Jesus' message; or rather, they summarise all He has gone. Jesus gave His life for His friends. Friends who had not understood Him, who had at the crucial moment abandoned, betrayed and denied Him. This shows us that He loves us even though we do not deserve His love: this is how Jesus loves us!".

"In this way, Jesus shows us the road to follow Him, the path of love. His commandment is not a simple precept, ... something abstract and external with regard to life. Christ's commandment is new because He was the first to realise it, He gave flesh to it, and thus the law of love is written once and for all in the heart of man. ... It is a concrete path, a road that leads us out of ourselves to reach out to others. Jesus showed us that God's love is implemented in love for our neighbour. They both go together. The pages of the Gospel are full of this love: adults and children, the cultured and the simple, rich and poor, the righteous and sinners all find welcome in Christ's heart".

"This Word of the Lord calls upon us to love each other, even if we do not always understand each other, even if we do not always agree ... but it is precisely there that we see Christian love. A love that is shown even if there are differences of opinion and character: but love is greater than these differences. And this is the love that Jesus has taught us. ... This love of Christ, that the Holy Spirit pours into our hearts, works wonders every day in the Church and in the world. There are many large and small gestures that obey the Lord's commandment". "Little everyday gestures, gestures of closeness to an elderly person, a child, a sick person, someone who is alone or in difficulty, homeless, jobless, an immigrant, a refugee. ... Thanks to the strength of this Word of Christ, every one of us can be close to the brother and the sister he encounters. Gestures of closeness, of proximity. In these gestures, the love that Christ has taught us is made manifest".

**Reflecting on our Archdiocesan Pastoral Plan**

*What is a Pastoral Plan and why do we need one?*

"A pastoral plan serves as a roadmap for our journey as a Catholic Christian community, identifying key priorities and goals on the path ahead. It is rooted in prayerful reflection upon the Bible and our living tradition of faith. It also involves a thorough, accurate and honest assessment of our current pastoral situation, both the challenges and the opportunities before us...It is always wise to step back and consider what our key priorities as an archdiocese should be at this time, so that we can more effectively work together, and focus our efforts, and have a way of assessing how we are doing. That is what a pastoral plan allows us to do; it also helps us both to discover the tools we need to fulfill our mission, and to use our resources more wisely." – Cardinal Collins

**Sunday Collection**

<b>Offertory</b>	\$ 2,823.95
<b>Building Fund</b>	\$ 2,249.00
<b>St. Peter's</b>	\$ 355.00
<b>Wednesday</b>	\$ 95.20
<b>ShareLife</b>	\$ 815.00
<b>Stipend</b>	\$ 100.00
<b>First Communion</b>	\$ 822.75
<b>Confirmation</b>	\$ 1,009.55
<b>Humanitarian Relief</b>	\$ 965.00
<b>Mothers' Day Roses</b>	\$ 950.00
<b>Total</b>	\$ 10,185.45

**Please support the Pope's Pastoral Work**

May 24, 2015

A disastrous flood or earthquake strikes a nation at the other end of the world. Immediately many countries rush in food, medicine, blankets, money, and trained people. Prominent among such aid is the financial help offered by the Holy Father to people in need. In the name of Catholics everywhere, he displays Christ's love and compassion for those who suffer.

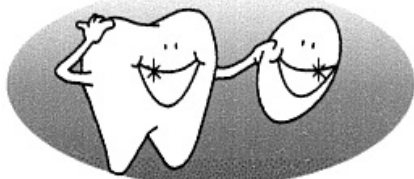
Your gift will make a difference to those stricken by natural disasters around the world.

*Thank you for supporting our Mothers' Day Roses for the Building Fund*

*We have raised \$950.*

*Thank you to the volunteers who made this sale possible.*





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