

# 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.org](http://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.

## SCHOOLS

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St. Edith Stein Tel. (905) 824-5777  
St. Simon Stock Tel. (905) 785-7434  
St. Faustina Tel. (905) 821-2606

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
Sr. Necy Guan, Fdccc	Pastoral Assistant
Sr. Linda Carandang, Fdccc	Pastoral 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>	
Altar Servers	Hartoni Ashali	Chairperson	Rita Borg
Choirs	Jamie Marr	<b>St. Peter's Mission Church</b>	
	Suzanne Pereira	Chairperson	JC Cadieux
	Raul Manzanares		
	Ronald Pasajol	Women at the Well	Anne-Marie Caister
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Social Concerns	Patricia Scire		905-542-9883
Sacristans	James Amores	<b>Daughters of Isabella</b>	Rita Venantius
Home Visitation	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.

**Update on our Church Building Design**



**The Building**

Committee met with the Councilor, Sue McFadden, last Monday to discuss our plans and to seek her advice. We have also arranged a meeting this coming Wednesday with the City Planners. Our architect presented us with this model, which made us all excited. The design phase is going smoothly and according to the schedule. Please continue to pray for guidance. Thank you.

**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!

**Working wonders for our faith...**

Mike was recently released from jail for serving time on drug convictions and needed a helping hand to get started again. He was given an opportunity by Covenant House, a ShareLife-supported agency, to learn the culinary arts. In the longer-term residence, Mike has stable housing for a year and access to all of the support services at Covenant House. His hard work and determination have paid off as he now has full responsibility for his station. An additional 40,000 people were also given food, shelter, guidance, care and education through ShareLife agencies. Please support ShareLife.

Third ShareLife collection – May 26, 2013 Please give generously: you can work wonderS!

**Our Total collection as of May 1 for Sharelife is \$11,599.80**



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

**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.

**Mass Intention**

Saturday (May 18)  
5:00 PM Special Intention of Clotilda Mathias

Sunday (May 19)  
7:30 AM For the whole Parish Community  
9:00 AM +Alfred Azzopardi  
11:00 AM +Expedito Caniedo  
12:30 PM Open

Monday (May 20)  
9:00 AM Quick Recovery of Slavko Skara

Tuesday (May 21)  
7:30 AM +Elvira Coldrick

Wednesday (May 22)  
7:00 PM Open

Thursday (May 23)  
7:30 PM Quick Recovery of Slavko Skara

Friday (May 24)  
7:00 PM Thanksgiving of Fr. Mark

Saturday (May 25)  
9:00 AM For Parish Benefactors  
5:00 PM Open

If you wish to offer Holy Mass for yourself or for your love one, go to our parish website or call the parish office. Thank you.

Thank you for supporting our Building Fund  
\$1,303,072.62

**Pilgrimage to Fatima, Lourdes, and Holy Land**

under the spiritual leadership of Fr. Mark  
September 29 to October 12, 2013  
(14 days)  
\$3,390

Tour Coordinator - Cora Cruz (905) 812-2659  
Travel arrangements by International Heritage Tours (905) 886-0232

**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)



**Come, Holy Spirit...**

“This is a prayer that we need to say every day: 'Holy Spirit, make my heart open to God's Word so that my heart might be open to good, so that my heart might be open to God's beauty every day.' Let me ask

you: how many of you pray to the Holy Spirit every day? It will be few of you, but we must satisfy this desire for Jesus and pray every day to the Holy Spirit that He might open our hearts to Jesus.”

“Embracing the words and the truths of faith so that they might become life takes place and grows with the action of the Holy Spirit. In this sense it is helpful to learn from Mary, to relive her 'yes', her total openness to receiving the Son of God in her life, which was transformed from that moment. Through the Holy Spirit, the Father and the Son come to reside in us: we live in God and of God.”

“We have to let ourselves be flooded by the Holy Spirit's light, because He introduces us to the Truth of God, who is the only Lord of our life. In this Year of Faith, let us ask ourselves if we have concretely taken some steps to know Christ and the truth of faith more. .. At the same time let us also ask what steps we are taking so that faith might guide our entire existence. You cannot be a 'part time' Christian, [a Christian] in some moments, under some circumstances, for certain decisions. You are a Christian in every moment! The truth of Christ, which the Holy Spirit teaches and gives us, involves, for always and entirely, our daily life. Let us call upon him more often. Let me make this proposition to you: let us call upon the Holy Spirit every day so that He will bring us closer to Jesus Christ.”

Pope Francis

Please note that the Holy Mass on Monday, Victoria Day will be held at 9 AM St. Peter's Mission Church

**SUNDAY OFFERING**

May 12, 2013

OFFERTORY	\$3,434.15
BUILDING FUND	\$1,831.05
ST. PETER'S CHURCH	\$567.45
WEDNESDAY OFFERING	\$114.00
BEADS AND THINGS	\$29.00
MASS STIPEND	\$160.00
RELIGIOUS FRAMES	\$75.00
SHARELIFE	\$535.00
MOTHER'S DAY ROSES	\$895.00
CONFIRMATION	\$1,903.87
PAPAL CHARITIES	\$772.80
OFFERTORY (FROM THE BOX)	\$3.68
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$10,321.00</b>

**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: [snecy@stjosephinebakhita.ca](mailto:snecy@stjosephinebakhita.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 of Theology, Arts & Crafts, Sports, Music, Dramatic Arts, and recreational outdoor activities. For more information visit [www.teopoli.com](http://www.teopoli.com) and click on "Summer Experience" or contact us at [youth@teopoli.com](mailto:youth@teopoli.com) or 416-243-7319.





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