

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF ST. JOSEPHINE BAKHITA

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We celebrate Holy Mass at

St. Joan of Arc Catholic Secondary School 3801 Thomas Street Mississauga, ON L5M 7G2

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 5 PM Sunday 9 AM, 11 AM, 12:30 PM

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday, Thursday 7:30 AM Wednesday, Friday 7 PM St. Peter's Mission Church Ninth Line, north of Britannia Rd.

SUNDAY MASS

Sunday 7:30 AM

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday 7 PM Saturday 9 AM

DEVOTIONS

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena every Wednesday following the 7 PM Mass

Chaplet of the Divine Mercy every Friday after the 7 PM Mass

Solemn Vespers and Benediction every First Friday 7:30 PM

Pastoral Team

Rev. Mark Achilles Villanueva Pastor Rev. Michael Ho Deacon Rev. Gerry Steyn Deacon

Cecilia Vaz Administrative Assistant

Fatima Chan Secretary

Office Hours: Tuesday to Friday 9 AM to 6 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 for the Twenty-first Century" (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 man and woman, 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 parishioner are welcome.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturday 4 PM or any time by appointment

Sacrament of Baptism

Parents who wish to have their children baptized must fill out a Baptismal Request Form available in our parish website.

Sacrament of Marriage

Couples planning to be married must contact the pastor one year in advance. A marriage course is required. For additional information, please contact the pastor.

Funerals

Losing someone through death is very difficult for anyone. To help you plan for the funeral, please contact the pastor.

Schools

St. Bernard of Clairvaux

St. Edith Stein

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BUILDING BAKHITA AS A FAMILY OF FAITH

Total Pledges to date: \$562,320 Our heartfelt thanks to the families that have already made a pledge

Will all parishioners be asked to contribute?

All parishioners will be invited to make a proportionate gift (above their weekly offerings) in accordance with their income and as an expression of their faith and commitment to the parish.

Will my donation be kept confidential?

Yes. Only two or three people at the parish will have access to the pledge amounts – the Treasurer and volunteers as needed. The Archdiocese will manage the pledge administration.



Parish Christmas Initiative

It's that time of year again when we must pull together and help those in our community who are less fortunate. As we have done in previous years, we are requesting assistance for those in need in the form of gift cards in varying denominations from different retailers. This method of giving provides realistic and equal assistance to families based on family size and dynamics of which cannot be communicated to the community. Gift cards can be dropped off at all masses in the box that will be provided and located at the entrance to mass starting the weekend of Nov. 21st to Dec. 20th . We are truly blessed to have such a giving community which has made this initiative so successful in the past. Thank you for your continued support this Advent Season.

Congratulations to all the Altar servers who received their award from our Regional Bishop

Mass Intention

Saturday (November 21)

5:00 PM +Avelino & Mercia Vaz, +Nila Quinto

Sunday (November 22)

7:30 AM For the Parish Community 9:00 AM +Vilma Yeung, +Suzette & Luis Lopes, +Teresa & Luis Sousa. 11:00 AM +Sheldon Gomes, +Erlinda Sayarot

12:30 PM +Antonio Menona, +Marcosa Sabarita, Thanksgiving of Cruz and Paculaba Family

Monday (November 23)

7:00 PM +Vilma Yeung, +Mary Kelly

Tuesday (November 24)

7:30 AM +Vilma Yeung

Wednesday (November 25)

7:00 PM +Vilma Yeung, +Virginia Borral

Thursday(November 26)

7:30 AM +Vilma Yeung, +Dolores Godawen

Friday (November 27)

7:00 PM +Vilma Yeung

Saturday (November 28)

9:00 AM +Vilma Yeung, +Cecilia Ho Tran

5:00 PM For all our relatives and friends who have died during the year

Thank you for supporting our Building Fund Invested in the Archdiocese \$1,407,537 Architectural & other Fees

\$537,101 **Total Building Fund Collected**\$1,944,638

Please remember to pray daily for our church building project

Holy Door during the Jubilee Year of Mercy

The Jubilee of Mercy was announced by Pope Francis as a year to be lived intensely in each local Church throughout the world, allowing every person to encounter the mercy of God. The most evident sign of this pastoral care is the chance to open a Door of Mercy in every diocese. These doors, analogous to the Holy Doors of the Papal Basilicas in Rome, will allow people who cannot travel to Rome to make a Jubilee pilgrimage.

After the solemn inauguration of the Holy Year – marked by the opening of the Holy Door of Saint Peter's Basilica on December 8, 2015 – all locally-designated Churches throughout the world will open their own Doors of Mercy in communion with the Church of Rome as part of the Eucharistic celebration of the Third Sunday of Advent or Gaudete Sunday.

The Holy Father has asked that special indulgences be available for the Faithful throughout the Year of Mercy (December 8, 2015 – November 20, 2016).

For those able to make a pilgrimage to one of the Jubilee churches in Rome, that is certainly an option. Otherwise, Cardinal Collins has designated seven churches within the Archdiocese of Toronto as Jubilee Churches, each with a Holy Door of Mercy. Going through one of these Holy Doors is a spiritual journey that shows, as the Holy Father said, "the deep desire for true conversion."

In addition to passing through a Holy Door, each pilgrim is to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation, receive the Holy Eucharist while reflecting on God's great gift of mercy, make a profession of faith (recite either the Apostles' or the Nicene Creed), and pray for the Holy Father and for his intentions (an Our Father and a Hail Mary are recommended).

For those who are elderly, confined and the ill, Pope Francis said that they may obtain the indulgence by "living with faith and joyful hope this moment of trial" and by receiving the Eucharist or by attending Mass and community prayer, "even through the various means of communication" (for instance, a Mass offered on television). For those in prison, they may obtain the indulgence in their prison chapels.

Indulgences may be obtained for the dead by the carrying out of these same acts by the Faithful with the intention of offering the indulgence for someone who is deceased. And finally, for all Catholics, this jubilee indulgence may also be obtained when a member of the Faithful personally performs a spiritual or corporal work of mercy.

The following churches in the Archdiocese have been designated with a Holy Door of Mercy: St. Paul Basilica (Toronto), St. Patrick's Parish (Toronto), Merciful Redeemer (Mississauga), St. Anthony of Padua (Bramalea), St. Patrick's (Brampton), St. Theresa (Scarborough), and the Martyr's Shrine (Midland)

Offertory	\$3694.00
Building Fund	\$3426.64
St. Peter's	\$146.00
Wednesday Offering	\$212.35
Stipend	\$515.00
Shepherds' Trust	\$2292.30
Baptism	\$200.00
Confirmation	\$40.00
All Souls	\$33.00
Food Festival	\$11063.00
From the Box	\$9.30
Total	\$21631.59

Come celebrate Rev. Fr. Mark Villanueva's

Silver Sacerdotal Jubilee

Friday, January 8, 2016

Mass 4:30 pm Saviour of the World Church 30 Bristol Road West, Mississauga

Reception at Capitol Banquet Hall

6435 Dixie Road, Mississauga
Cocktails 6 pm
Dinner 7 pm
Entertainment and dancing to follow

Cost - \$55 per person Dress code - Formal

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