ST. JOSEPHINE BAKHITA PARISH

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OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday to Friday 9 AM to 6:00 PM



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

SCHOOLS

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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.

What is the plan of God for all of us?

In the year 2005, on the vigil of the Solemnity of the Holy Apostles Peter and Paul, Pope Benedict XVI authorized the publication of the Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church. The Compendium, as the Holy describes it, is a faithful and sure synthesis of the Catechism. It contains, in concise form, all the essential and fundamental elements of our Catholic faith.

What is the plan of God for all of us? The Compendium states: God, infinitely perfect and blessed in himself, in a plan of sheer goodness freely created man to make him share in his own blessed life. In the fullness of time, God the Father sent his Son as the Redeemer and Savior of mankind, fallen into sin, thus calling all into his Church and through the work of the Holy Spirit, making them adopted children and heirs of his eternal happiness.

"God, infinitely perfect and blessed in himself" means that God is completely happy with himself. He does not need anyone nor anything to make him happy. Nothing other than his goodness, God created us and destined us to share in his happiness. God has been with us every step of the way, down through the generations, even when humanity have often chosen what is not of God. After all his interventions, God finally decided to send his Son to be our Redeemer and Savior, restoring us to a proper relationship with him, and forming us into a community of adopted brothers and sisters, and heirs of God's eternal happiness. In other words, we are created by God and we are destined for him. This is our only reason for being.

Friends of St. Peter

In the beginning of November of 2008, our parish was able to secure the use of St. Peter's Mission Church on the Ninth Line after almost eight years of closure. Much have transcribed since then. St. Peter's has seen probably more traffic in four years than in the last one hundred and ninety years of existence. In 2010, the City of Mississauga has extended its municipal boundary to 407, which necessitates the redrawing of the western boundary of the Archdiocese of Toronto. St. Peter's Mission Church remains the property of the Diocese of Hamilton. However, the Bishop of the Diocese of Hamilton is willing to negotiate with us the transfer of the said property. The Bishop has not stipulated the conditions of the transfer. After advising our bishop in the Western Pastoral Region, he recommended that we should present to him a master plan, which he would present to the Archdiocesan Episcopal Board for consideration. In it, would be the place of St. Peter's Mission Church vis-a-vis when we have built on own church on Thomas Street.

A meeting is arranged on Tuesday, November 27, starting at 7 PM to discern the future of St. Peter's. We would like to invite any parishioner who wish to participate in this conversation to join us at the meeting. Thank you.

Mass Intention

Saturday (November 24) 5:00 PM +Antonio Menonna, +Magdalene & Solomon Anthicques, Thanksgiving of Margaret Silvery

Sunday (November 18)
7:30 AM For the Parish
Community
9:00 AM +Suzett & Luis Lopes
11:00 AM +Richard Valere, +Lina
de Montbrun, +Antonio D'Souza,
+Helen Fetalino, Special Intention
of Camela DeBattista
12:30 PM +Arnold Pereira, +Eva
Whigan, +Ferdinand Requina

Monday (November 19) 7:00 PM +Antonio D'Souza

Tuesday (November 20) 7:30 AM For our Beloved Dead

Wednesday (November 21) 7:00 PM +Sheldon Gomes

Thursday (November 22) 7:30 For our Beloved dead

Friday (November 23) 7:00 PM For our Beloved Dead

Saturday (November 24) 9:00 AM +Pierre Fernandes

Thank you for supporting our Building Fund \$1,192,206

Our Parish welcomes this weekend our First Reconciliation & First Communion Candidates from St. Faustina and St. Simon Stocks Schools for the presentation of Lambs and reception of Communion Cross. Please pray for our young people as they prepare themselves for the reception of these two Sacraments

On the Way to Bethlehem

Christmas Nativity Pageant
a cooperative project of Milton Area Christian
Churches Working Together
Friday, Saturday, Sunday, & Monday
November 30, December 1, 2, & 3
6:30 PM - 8:30 PM
at Country Heritage Park
8560 Tremaine Road, Milton

"On the Way to Bethlehem" is an outdoor Christmas Nativity Pageant. On arrival, visitors will enter the large reception area (Gabrel Barn), enjoy the music of the massed choir, and when ready, groups will travel the road to Bethlehem with a "guide". On their 30-45 minute journey, visitors will witness King Herod's court, interact with Roman soldiers, shepherds, magi, innkeepers and fellow travelers to reveal the Christmas story. At the end of their journey, visitors will follow a lamplight walkway to the refreshment area, have their passports stamped and be given a wagon ride to the exit. Admission Adults \$5/Children are Free. For more information, visit www.onthewaytobethlehem.ca

ADVENT RETREAT - The Journey of the Clay

Saturday, December 1, 2012 - 1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Studio on the Hill, 967 O'Connor Drive, East York. Faith Connections invites young adults (18-39) to join us at Studio on the Hill with Sr. Helen Kluke, CSJ, for a chance to work with clay as a tool for Advent reflection and prayer. Cost: \$40.00, includes your pottery pieces. Space is limited — registration required by November 21. To register or for more information, please call Héctor Acero Ferrer at 416-467-2645 or visit www.faithconnections.ca - a ministry of Fontbonne Ministries, Sisters of St. Joseph, Toronto.

Retreat: Preparing for Advent

Saturday, December 1, 2012 St. Augustine's Seminary, 2661 Kingston Road, Scarborough.

St. Augustine's Lay Spiritual Formation Program presents...Preparing for Advent. Join us as Dr. Josephine Lombardi leads us through two meditations on the first two joyful mysteries of the Rosary: The Annunciation and the Visitation.Cost is \$40.00, lunch included. Please register by emailing ioftsas@rogers.com or call 416-261-7207, ext. 235.

Total Offerings last weekend

Offertory Collection	\$3,082.35
Building Fund	\$2,095.00
St. Peter's Church	\$225.00
Wednesday Collection	\$247.15
Shepherds' Trust	\$2,494.50
Total	\$8,144

Do you have a family member who is unable to go to church due to old age or sickness and wish to be visited and received Holy Communion?

Please call Fr. Mark or Sister Linda

289-997-2105

Our Parish celebrates Holy Mass for the Senior Residents of Viva Retirement every First Thursday of every month at 3 PM.

Confessions during the Advent Season

will be held on Saturdays at 4 PM or anytime by appointment in the Parish

In other parishes of the area

Monday, December 10 (St. John of the Cross) Tuesday, December 11 (St. Ignatius of Loyola) Thursday, December 13 (St. Francis of Assisi)

> Christmas Novena Mass December 15 to 22 St. Peter's Mission Church 7 PM

The Ninth Day of the Christmas Novena will be held at St. Joan of Arc School Cafeteria at 7 PM followed by a Christmas Party for the whole parish community.



Dr. Cecille Rubic-Pangilinan

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