ST. JOSEPHINE BAKHITA PARISH

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WEBSITE: www.stjosephinebakhita.ca

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.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.

Rev. Mark Achilles Villanueva Rev. Michael Ho Rev. Gerry Stevn Ms. Cecilia Vaz Mrs. Fatima Chan

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

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

MINISTRIES

Pastor Deacon Deacon Administrative Assistant Secretary

Volunteer Coordinator Children's Liturgy Eucharistic Ministers	Anusha De Silva Wilma Menezes Max de la Cruz	Financial Council Chairperson	Tel de la Cruz
Lectors Ushers	Conrad Rodrigues Miguel Basurto Serge Poirier	Fundraising Committee Chairperson Building Committee	Roman Lim
Altar Servers	Deacon Gerry Steyn	Chairperson St. Peter's Mission Church	Rita Borg
Choirs	Jamie Marr Suzanne Pereira	Chairperson	JC Cadieux
	Raul Manzanares Ronald Pasajol	Women at the Well Hospitality	Anne-Marie Caister Frank Amegah
Arts & Environment Youth Ministry Social Concerns	Cora & Boyer del Rosario Elisha Pinto Patricia Scire	Knights of Columbus	Tony Ciufo 905-542-9883
Sacristans Home Visitation	James Amores Rebecca Poirier	Daughters of isabella	Rita Venantius 905-824-7223
Sacramental Preparation	Liza Capule	Couples for Christ	Toti Quijano 905-567-3236
RCIA First Reconciliation/Euch Confirmation	Roman Lim harist Chanel D'Mello Clara Fernandes	Legion of Mary	Cristina Manzanares 905-812-0891

We celebrate Holy Mass at

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

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

7:30 AM

WEEKDAY MASSES 7:00 PM Monday Saturday 9.00 AM

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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 Bantism

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.

PARISH SUNDAY BULLETIN



International Food Festival and Dance

Hosted by the Daughters of Isabella of St. Josephine Bakhita Parish

Friday, November 8, 2013 from 6 pm until 10:30 pm

St. Joan of Arc School, Mississauga Entrance is \$10 with food sold at a nominal rate - Kids 15 and under enter free! Contact: Rita Venantius #905-824-7223

Building Committee Meeting

will be held on November 4, 2013 at the Rectory starting at 7:45 PM

Do you want to make a difference in the lives of others?

Why not join our Social Concerns Ministry Please contact the parish office if you are interested

Theology on Tap West: In Today's World, Why Should I Share My Faith?

November 11 — 7 to 9 p.m. West 50 Pourhouse & Grille 50 Burnhamthorpe Rd. W., Mississauga

The Office of Catholic Youth, Faith Connections, and your local parishes invite young adults (19-39) to join us for an evening of thought-provoking theological discussion in a relaxed setting, with special guest:

Bishop John Boissonneau. Christianity is ultimately a message of good news; how do I talk about my faith in a way that is relevant and insightful for others? His Excellency will share the why in our witnessing. Munchies provided, cash bar, come and bring a friend! RSVP appreciated. For more information, contact us at 416-599-7676, youth@ocytoronto.org or visit www.faithconnections.ca.

The Knights of Columbus

Membership drive will be held on November 9 & 10, 16 & 17 We encourage all the men in our parish to join this fraternal society.

Empty Bottle Drive

We encourage all parishioners to bring their empty bottles of beer, wine & liquor as these will be picked up by Brother Knights after all Masses outside of St. Joan of Arc with all revenues going to Special Olympics of Ontario.

If you are interested to supporting the parish financially either through the Pre-Authorized Giving Method or Credit Card, information is available at the desk. Please ask Cecilia or Fr. Mark for more information.

Thank you to Councillor Sue McFadden and her staff for arranging the Community Consultation last Wednesday for our Church Building Project.

Mass Intention

Saturday (November 2)

5:00 PM For all our beloved dead

Sunday (November 3)

7:30 AM For the whole Parish Community 9:00 AM +Jose & Louis Vieira, +Saturnino & Nemesia Villa 11:00 AM Thanksgiving of Anusha De Silva, Thanksgiving of Jayden D'Souza, +Elvira Geronimo & Emerita Tadeo, +Anton Dinesh 12:30 PM +Petre & Ana Mocanu

Monday (November 4)

7:00 PM For all who are buried at St. Peter's Church

Tuesday (November 5) 7:30 AM +Mr. N.M.George

Wednesday (November 6) 7:00 PM +Paulita Javate

Thursday (November 7) 7:30 AM For our beloved dead

Friday (November 8) 7:00 PM +Theresa DeSouza

Saturday (November 9) 9:00 AM For all our Parish Benefactors and their families

5:00 PM +Alfredo Rego, +Jude Fernandes, +Mrs. Pucheria D'Souza, +Avelina Buktaw

Thank you for supporting our Building Fund

Invested in the Archdiocese \$1,375,601 Architectural Fees \$52,444.68

Total Building Fund Collected

\$1,428,045.68

Please remember to pray daily for our church building project



"First: the family prays. The Gospel passage speaks about two ways of praying: one is false – that of the Pharisee – and the other is authentic – that of the tax collector. The Pharisee embodies an attitude which does not express thanksgiving to God for his blessings and his mercy, but rather self-satisfaction. The Pharisee feels himself justified, he feels his life is in order, he boasts of this, and he judges others from his pedestal. The tax collector, on the other hand, does not multiply words. His prayer is humble, sober, pervaded by a consciousness of his own unworthiness, of his own needs. Here is a man who truly realizes that he needs God's forgiveness and his mercy.

"The prayer of the tax collector is the prayer of the poor man, a prayer pleasing to God. It is a prayer which, as the first reading says, 'will reach to the clouds', unlike the prayer of the Pharisee, which is weighed down by vanity.

"In the light of God's word, I would like to ask you, dear families: Do you pray together from time to time as a family? Some of you do, I know. But so many people say to me: But how can we? As the tax collector does, it is clear: humbly, before God. Each one, with humility, allowing themselves to be gazed upon by the Lord and imploring his goodness, that he may visit us. But in the family how is this done? After all, prayer seems to be something personal, and besides there is never a good time, a moment of peace... Yes, all that is true enough, but it is also a matter of humility, of realising that we need God, like the tax collector! And all families, we need God: all of us! We need his help, his strength, his blessing, his mercy, his forgiveness. And we need simplicity to pray as a family: simplicity is necessary! Praying the Our Father together, around the table, is not something extraordinary: its easy. And praying the Rosary together, as a family, is very beautiful and a source of great strength! And also praying for one another! The husband for his wife, the wife for her husband, both together for their children, the children for their grandparents ... praying for each other. This is what it means to pray in the family and it is what makes the family strong: prayer.

"Dear families, you know very well that the true joy which we experience in the family is not superficial; it does not come from material objects, from the fact that everything seems to be going well ... True joy comes from a profound harmony between persons, something which we all feel in our hearts and which makes us experience the beauty of togetherness, of mutual support along life's journey. But the basis of this feeling of deep joy is the presence of God, the presence of God in the family and his love, which is welcoming, merciful, and respectful towards all. And above all, a love which is patient: patience is a virtue of God and he teaches us how to cultivate it in family life, how to be patient, and lovingly so, with each other. To be patient among ourselves. A patient love. God alone knows how to create harmony from differences. But if God's love is lacking, the family loses its harmony, self-centred individualism prevails and joy fades. But the family which experiences the joy of faith communicates it naturally. That family is the salt of the earth and the light of the world, it is the leaven of society as a whole.

"Dear families, always live in faith and simplicity, like the Holy Family of Nazareth! May the joy and peace of the Lord be always with you!"

St. Edith Stein School

Christmas Bazaar

On Saturday, November 9, 2013, St. Edith Stein Elementary School will be hosting their annual Christmas Bazaar from 10 AM to 4 PM. Admission is a donation to the Eden Community Food Bank. There will be a variety of vendors with crafts, jewelry, toys, clothing and more. There will also be a bake sale, a silent auction, and face painting for the kids! St. Edith Stein School is at 6234 Osprey Blvd. in Mississauga. For more information or to book a table, please contact <u>steinbazaar@hotmail.com</u>

Job Opening

Liturgical Publications, the company that prints our parish bulletin is hiring. The job opening is a 3 day a week position open for a delivery driver and shipper. A car will be provided. You must have a good driving record. Fax resume to 905-624-2394 or email <u>mike@parishbulletins.com</u>

Offertory Collection October 13, 2013		
Offertory	\$2,921.85	
Building Fund	\$1,481.65	
St. Peter's Church	\$356.00	
Wednesday Collection	\$110.00	
Confirmation	\$200.00	
Sunday Missals	\$410.50	
Stipend	\$200.00	
Frames	\$90.00	
Baptism	\$170.00	
Total	\$5,940.00	

Parish Book of Life

One way of remembering our beloved dead is to write their names in the Parish Book of Life. If you lost a loved one recently, we invite you to include their names so they will be prayed for by the community. Liturgical Publications 3171 LENWORTH DR. #12 MISSISSAUGA, ON L4X 2G6 (905) 624-4422

