



# 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

**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  
St. Faustina  
St. Simon Stock  
St. Joan of Arc Catholic  
Secondary School

**Living in the Light Seminar**

Organized by the Light of Jesus Community Canada  
 Canadian Martyrs Elementary School  
 1185 Mississauga Valley Blvd, Mississauga L5A 3R7  
 November 11-12, 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Today, Christians of all denominations are rediscovering the power that Jesus gives His people through the Holy Spirit. People are coming alive to the new life in the Spirit, and they want to discover a new relationship with Jesus. The Holy Spirit fills our whole life and changes us so that we begin to know and experience God's love and the abundant life Jesus spoke of... "I came that they might have life and have it to the full" (1 John 10:10). Join us in these two days, and listen to your brothers and sisters as they share how the power of the Holy Spirit has made such a vital and tangible change in their lives and begin to desire this new life for yourselves.

For details on this event, please contact Bambit Bonoan at (647) 217 0617 or [bambit.bonoan@lojcanada.com](mailto:bambit.bonoan@lojcanada.com). For more information on our community, please visit our website: [www.lojcanada.com](http://www.lojcanada.com).

**The International Food Festival**

When : Friday November 17, 2017, 6 pm onwards  
 Where : St. Joan of Arc Catholic Secondary School  
 Cost : \$5 to enter - Children 12 and under enter free Food will be sold at a nominal rate - Come savour the delicious foods from around the world!  
 All proceeds for our Church Building Fund, God loves the cheerful Giver! Contact: Yasmin Tissa at [sjbd01.1430@gmail.com](mailto:sjbd01.1430@gmail.com) Tickets will be on sale after all the masses.

**FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING SEMINAR**

Saturday, Nov. 18th, 2017 at 2:00 PM

Catholic Cemeteries and the Archdiocese estate planning team will share:-  
 How to protect your loved ones with a proper Will- How to ensure your wishes are legally protected- About Powers of Attorney

- Estate Trustee selection- Finding lawyers and estate planning advisors- Our Catholic traditions around wills, burial and funerals An estate planning kit will be provided at no cost. Refreshments will be provided.

Location: Assumption Cemetery (6933 Tomken Road, Mississauga) RSVP: Frank Jannetta, Catholic Cemeteries 416.733-8544 ext. 2023 or [fjannetta@cc-fs.ca](mailto:fjannetta@cc-fs.ca)

**Mass Intention****Saturday (November 4)**

5:00 PM +Lisa Alice Sargla, +Cecilia Athaide, +Bienvenido Andes

**Sunday (November 5)**

7:30 AM For the Parish Community  
 9:00 AM +Oslina Mascarenhas  
 11:00 AM Deceased members of RJ D'Souza & Family, +Peter Lai Nguyen, +Peter Pham & Maria Vu, Thanksgiving of Nunez-Ferreira Family  
 12:30 PM +Pedro Vespers Sr. +Carmen Bantay

**Monday (November 6)**

7:00 PM Deceased members of the Roque Family

**Tuesday (November 7)**

7:30 AM +Frank Duff

**Wednesday (November 8)**

7:00 PM +Juanito Umali, +Avelyn & Reuel Macalaguim

**Thursday (November 9)**

7:30 AM Deceased members of the Sarniak Family

**Friday (November 10)**

7:00 PM Deceased members of the Acyatan Family

**Saturday (November 11)**

9:00 AM + Joseph D'Souza  
 5:00 PM +Manuel Fonte, Thanksgiving of Avelino Lara

If you want to offer Holy Mass for yourself or your Loved One, you can use the form on our parish website or contact Cecilia at the desk or at the parish office. Our Parish also accepts Mission Masses (also commonly known as unannounced masses). These Masses are offered by priests anywhere in the world. Please inquire at the desk.

**Finance Council Meeting**

on Tuesday, November 7 starting at  
 7:30 PM

Parish Rectory

**Letter of His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins On Cremation**

October 2017

My dear friends,

It is never easy to discuss funeral and burial arrangements with loved ones. Yet as Catholics, it is important that we learn and appreciate how our legacy of faith can be embraced in every moment of our journey, even in death.

Following the most ancient Christian tradition, the Church asks that the faithful, in preparing their funeral and burial arrangements, ensure that the bodies of Catholics are buried in cemeteries or other sacred places.

Many Catholics are unaware that since 1963 the Church has also accepted cremation as an alternative to burial. The Church raises no doctrinal objections to this practice, since cremation of our loved one does not affect his or her soul, nor does it prevent God from raising up the deceased body to new life. Thus, cremation does not deny the Christian doctrine of the soul's immortality nor that of the resurrection of the body. Concern about cremation being chosen as a way of denying these doctrines was the reason the Church formerly opposed it, but in our time this is not an issue, and so cremation is now allowed.

Over the years, the number of people being cremated has increased in many countries for a number of reasons. Unfortunately, with this increase come practices that are not appropriate or acceptable.

When cremation is chosen, this choice must never violate the wishes of the deceased.

According to Church teaching, scattering cremated remains on the sea, in the air, on the ground, or keeping them in the homes of relatives, does not display appropriate reverence.

When, for legitimate reasons, cremation has been chosen, the ashes of the faithful must be laid to rest in a sacred place, that is, in a cemetery or, in certain cases, in a church or an area set aside for this purpose, and so dedicated by the bishop. This shows fitting respect for the one who has died.

There is also a spiritual and emotional benefit when cremated remains are laid to rest in a proper place of burial. It gives the bereaved and the Church community a place to focus remembrance and to pray for the deceased. Such a sacred place will also make it easier to memorialize those that have been called home to God.

Within the Archdiocese of Toronto, Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral Services, as a ministry of the Church, has the responsibility for providing cremation to our Catholic faithful according to the faith tradition of the Church, for those who wish to have this alternative to burial. I encourage you to visit [www.catholic-cemeteries.com](http://www.catholic-cemeteries.com) to learn more about this ministry and to have your questions answered from a Catholic perspective.

Be assured of my ongoing prayers for you and your loved ones.

Yours sincerely in the Lord,

Thomas Collins

Archbishop of Toronto

**Sunday Collection**

Offertory	\$ 2,723.05
Building Fund	\$ 7,306.00
St. Peter's Church	\$ 240.00
Liturgical Fund	\$ 119.00
Stipend	\$ 498.00
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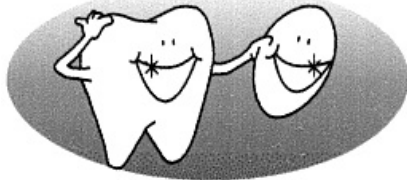
**Discernment Retreat****St. Francis Centre****November 10**

The Office of Vocations is hosting a Discernment Retreat for single Catholic men 17 years and older. This is a good retreat for men who are at crossroads in discerning God's desired Vocation for them; to take quiet time away from the world, in prayer and guided by reflections offered on discernment. Short conferences, time for rest, reflection, Adoration, confession and the assistance of our vocations team. Register online at [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca). For more information please contact us at: 416 968 0997; or email: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org).

**Senior Men's High School Retreat  
(Grades 11 & 12)**

The Office of Vocations is hosting a day retreat for young men in grades 11 & 12 on Saturday, November 25 at Our Lady of the Airways Parish, 7407 Darcel Avenue, Mississauga, ON L4T 2X5, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. The retreat provides time to pray, interact & socialize with other young Catholic men. Seminarians deliver talks on practical aspects of faith. The day includes Holy Mass, Adoration & Confession. Register online at: [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca).

For more information please call the Office of Vocations at: 416-968-0997 or email: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org).



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