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On Thanksgiving,
Give thanks to the Lord
for His many Blessings

BUILDING BAKHITA AS A FAMILY OF FAITH

Our Goal is \$1.5M!

A big thank you to all our volunteers and parishioners! We raised \$42,800 in pledges!

Thank you all for your dedication to our parish and your concern for the spiritual welfare of our future generations.

Reaching our \$1.5M goal is essential to constructing our worship space, hall, and offices in one phase.

"From beginning to end, fund-raising as ministry is grounded in prayer and undertaken in gratitude."

Henri Nouwen

Mark your Calendars!

The Blessing of our Church Land will be held on Sunday, October 25, 2015 3 PM

The Daughters of Isabella present "A Shaped Within Live Motivational Workshop on The Four Leadership Styles - Are you a Learner! A Doer! An Avoider! or A Thinker! on Saturday, October 17th from 10 AM to 1 PM at St. Peter's Church.

Cost: \$5 Seats are limited to a first come first served basis

A Day Trip to Niagara Falls is being organized by the Daughters of Isabella for Saturday, October 24th Any questions, please feel free to call Yasmin at (416) 7561414 or sjbdoi.1430@gmail.com

Mass Intention

Saturday (October 10)

5:00 PM +Annie D'Souza, Deceased members of Arthur D'Souza, +William Murray, Special Intention of Robert Buktaw

Sunday (October 11)

7:30 AM For the Parish Community 9:00 AM +Excelsa Wood, Thanksgiving of Ramil & Monette Pajatin 11:00 AM +Richard Valere, Lina de

Montbrun, +John D'Souza, +Marcela & Nicanor Lipana 12:30 PM +Rogelio Cruz, +Pricilla &

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Monday (October 12)

7:00 PM Open

Tuesday (October 13)

7:30 AM +Octavio & Naty Villanueva

Wednesday (October 14)

7:00 PM +Simeona Azanon

Thursday(October 15)

7:30 AM Special Intention of Heather Dsouza

Friday (October 16)

7:00 PM Open

Saturday (October 17)

9:00 AM +Louis Ngo, Thanksgiving for Miranda & Murray McNaughton

5:00 PM +Susan Poole, +Lorenzo & Felina Moreno

Thank you for supporting our Building Fund Invested in the Archdiocese

\$1,407,537

Architectural & other Fees \$503,860.86

Total Building Fund Collected \$1,911,397.86

Please remember to pray daily for our church building project

Men and women of today are in need of a robust injection of family spirit". "Indeed, the style of relations – civil, economic, legal, professional, and as citizens – would appear very rational, formal and organised, but also very 'dehydrated', arid and anonymous. At times this becomes unbearable. While seeking to be inclusive in its forms, in reality it abandons an ever greater number of people to solitude and exclusion".

The family, however, "opens for the whole of society a far more human prospect: it opens children's eyes onto life ... and introduces them to the need for bonds of fidelity, sincerity, trust, cooperation and respect; it encourages the planning of an inhabitable world and the belief in relationships of trust, even in difficult situations. ... And we are all aware of the indispensable nature of the care of the family for its smallest members, the most vulnerable, the wounded, and even those who have encountered the most disasters in the conduct of their lives".

Nevertheless, the Pope remarked, "the family is not granted due recognition or support in the political and social organisation of contemporary society. I would add: not only does the family not receive adequate recognition, but it no longer generates learning. At times it would seem that, in spite of all its science and technology, modern society is still not able to translate this knowledge into better forms of civil coexistence. ... In this situation, the opposite extremes of this brutalisation of relationships – that is, technocratic obtuseness and amoral familism – come together and feed into one another. It is a paradox".

"The Church perceives today, at this precise point, the historical meaning of her mission with regard to the family and genuine family spirit; starting from a careful revision of life. .. It could be said that the 'family spirit' is a constitutional charter for the Church. This is how Christianity should appear and should be. ... The Church is and must be the family of God".

The Pope recalled that when Jesus invited Peter to follow Him, He said that He would have made him a "fisher of men". "And this called for a new type of net. We could say that today families are one of the most important nets for the mission of Peter and the Church. It is not a net that takes prisoners! On the contrary, it liberates from the treacherous waters of abandonment and indifference, that drown many human beings in a sea of loneliness and indifference. Families are well aware of the dignity of being sons and not slaves or outsiders". "From here, from the family, Jesus begins again his path among human beings to persuade them that God has not forgotten them. From here Peter takes strength for his ministry. From here the Church, in obedience to the Word of the Master, goes out to fish offshore, sure that if it takes place, the catch will be miraculous. May the enthusiasm of the Synod Fathers, inspired by the Holy Spirit, kindle the zeal of a Church that abandons the old nets and goes out to fish again, trusting in the Word of her Lord. Let us pray intensely for this!

Offertory	\$3415.35
Building Fund	\$4062.25
St. Peter's	\$501.15
Wednesday Offering	\$158.25
Stipend	\$200.00
First Communion	\$300.00
Humanitarian	\$270.00
Confirmation	\$2835.00
Total	\$11742.00

Registration for the Sacrament of Confirmation

The Archdiocese of Toronto has changed the age of those who are going to be confirmed beginning this new School year. Grade 7 and 8 students are invited to register for this sacrament.

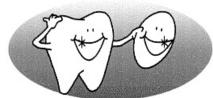
Registration will be held at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Secondary School before or after all the Sunday Masses (Please see the Weekend Schedule of Masses).

October 10/11 St. Faustina School and St. Simon Stock School

October 17/18 For those enrolled in Public/Private Schools and late registration for all those in our Catholic Schools.

Save the Date!
International Food Festival & Dance
Friday, November 13
at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Secondary
School

Entrance Ticket is \$5 Children under the age of 12 are free



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