

# ST. JOSEPHINE BAKHITA PARISH

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OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday to Friday 9 AM to 6:00 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" (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.

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](http://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.

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## PASTORAL TEAM

Rev. Mark Achilles Villanueva	Pastor
Rev. Michael Ho	Deacon
Sr. Necy Guan, Fdccc	Pastoral Assistant
Sr. Linda Carandang, Fdccc	Pastoral Assistant
Mrs. Fatima Chan	Secretary

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First Reconciliation/Eucharist	Chanel D'Mello		
Confirmation	Clara Fernandes		

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	7:45 AM
Wednesday, Friday	7:00 PM

St. Peter's Mission Church  
Ninth Line, north of Britannia Road

## SUNDAY MASSES

Sunday	7:30 AM
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## 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.



Children's Liturgy  
Children from JK to  
Grade 5 are invited to  
participate in the  
Children's Liturgy of  
the Word during our  
Sunday Eucharist.

Saturday Vigil Mass at 5:00 p.m., and  
Sundays at 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m., and  
12:30 p.m.

### MASS INTENTION

#### October 29 (Saturday)

5:00 PM +Raphael, Alice, and John Ng  
Wing Wye, +Philip Liew yee, +Sunaryo  
Dharmadi

#### October 30 (Sunday)

7:30 AM For the Parish Community  
9:00 AM +Marcella Lipana, Len  
Henrichsen, +Robert Buena,  
Thanksgiving of Alex & Pat Prollamante  
11:00 AM +Richard Valere, +Emerita  
Tadeo, Thanksgiving of Victoria  
Paculaba  
12:30 PM +Ana & Peter Mocanu,  
+Josefina Clarito, +Angelito & Leticia  
Saring

#### October 31 (Monday)

7:00 PM +Anthony Victor Lobo,  
Thanksgiving of Josh Rodrigues

#### November 1 (Tuesday)

7:45 AM All Saints' Day

#### November 2 (Wednesday)

8:00 AM For all our Beloved Dead

7:00 PM For all our Beloved Dead

#### November 3 (Thursday)

7:45 AM For the safe journey of Fr.  
Mark and companions to France, Israel,  
and Jordan

#### November 4 (Friday)

7:00 PM +Ruben Esteron, NM George

#### November 5 (Saturday)

9:00 AM +V.J. Fernandes

5:00 PM Thanksgiving to St. Josephine  
Bakhita

### FIRST FRIDAY

November 4, 2011

7:00 PM Holy Mass

7:30 PM Solemn Vespers and Benediction



### From the Pastor's Desk

I will be away from November 7 to the 21st for a pilgrimage and tour to France, Israel, and Jordan with some parishioners. Please include us in your prayers for a safe travel as we will do the same for you in all the churches we will be visiting: to Carmelite Monastery in Lisieux where Therese of the Child Jesus lived and died in the odor of sanctity, then to the Holy Land where our Lord Jesus Christ suffered and died. I invite you to follow us online as we visit the different places in our itinerary. A link will be provided in our parish

website at [www.stjosephinebakhita.org](http://www.stjosephinebakhita.org) and will be updated regularly. Send your prayer request via email as some of you are already doing through the website.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank the Daughters of Isabella for organizing our International Food Festival and Dance last Friday. Thank you also to all who donated food and to all who bought tickets and supported the project. All proceeds of our fun night are intended for the construction of our church. I will update you on how much was raised immediately after all the funds are remitted by the organizing committee.

Before the summer started, a donation of \$260,000 was bestowed upon the parish by two families who wish to remain anonymous. I suggested that the parish match their generosity by helping us reach \$1 Million by the end of the year. Your consistent giving to the Building Fund in the last few months is bringing us closer to our goal. I am projecting that by the start of November, our Building Fund will exceed \$900,000. I appeal to everyone in the parish to be as generous as you possibly can to supporting this cause. Many of you are asking when the church will be built. The answer is when the parish community has raised the money. How much do we need to lay the foundation? We need to raise at least half of the projected cost. Based on the recently built churches in the Archdiocese of Toronto, the cost of construction is from \$7 to 12 Million. As you can see, we have a long way to go. Do not be overwhelmed! If every family in the parish would give at least \$20 to the Building Fund every week, the needed funds will be raised in just a few years. Remember, every dollar counts.

### UPDATE ON OUR BUILDING FUND

Our Total Building Fund is \$888,440.81

Our next Building Fund Collection will be on the first weekend of November.

Thank you for your generosity

### PARISH PHOTO DIRECTORY

Our Parish Photo Directory Committee invites all families in our parish to arrange to have their pictures taken for our first Directory. New schedules are available. The photo session is done by IPC Canada, which has extensive experience working with churches throughout Canada. Please note that all participating families will receive a copy of the Pictorial Directory and an 8X10 picture. They are absolutely free. However, if a family wishes to purchase more copies of their picture, they can do so directly with IPC.

### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

If you or anyone you know are interested to become Catholic, please contact the parish office or contact Sister Linda and Roman Lim.

### Altar Servers

All Altar Servers and new members are invited to attend a meeting on Sunday, October 30th at St. Peter's Church from 4 to 6 PM. We invite boys and girls, who have already received their First Communion to become altar servers.



### From the Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI

The Pope quoted from the reading from the Prophet Zechariah, in which God promises salvation through a king during his General Audience last Wednesday. "But the announcement does not refer to a king with human powers and force of arms", he explained. "It does not refer to a king who dominates with political and military might. This is a gentle king who reigns with humility and gentleness before God and man, a king quite different from the great sovereigns of the earth".

The Apostles recalled the prophet's words particularly "following Christ's passion, death and resurrection when, ... with the eyes of faith, they reconsidered their Master's joyful entry into the Holy City. He rode a donkey which had been lent to Him, ... not a horse as the powerful did. He did not enter Jerusalem accompanied by a mighty army of chariots and horsemen. He is a poor king, the king of the poor of God, ... of those who have inner freedom enabling them to overcome the greed and selfishness of the world, of those who know that God alone is their treasure. ... He is a king who will make the chariots and steeds of battle disappear, who will break the weapons of war, a king who brought peace on the Cross, uniting heaven and earth and building a bridge between all mankind. The Cross is the new arch of peace, the sign and instrument of reconciliation, ... the sign that love is stronger than any form of violence or oppression, stronger than death. Evil is overcome through goodness, through love".

"The kingdom that Christ inaugurates is universal. The horizon of this poor and meek king is not the territorial horizon of a State, it is the confines of the world. He creates communion, He creates unity. And where do we see His announcement take concrete form today? In the great network of Eucharistic communities covering the earth, wherein the prophecy of Zechariah re-emerges in splendour. ... Everywhere, in all cultures, ... He comes and is present; and by entering into communion with Him, mankind is united into a single body, overcoming divisions, rivalry and rancour. The Lord comes in the Eucharist to divest us of our selfishness, our fixations which exclude others, to make us a single body, a single kingdom of peace in a divided world.

**"And yet"**, the Holy Father added, **"how can we build this kingdom of peace in which Christ is king?"** ... Like Jesus, the messengers of peace of His kingdom must begin a journey. ... They must journey, but not with the might of war or the force of power. ... It is not with power, force or violence that Christ's kingdom of peace grows, but with the giving of self, with love carried to its extreme consequences, even towards out enemies. Jesus does not conquer the world by force of arms but by the power of the Cross, which is the true guarantee of victory".

Continuing his homily, Benedict XVI mentioned the statues of Sts. Peter and Paul which stand in front of the Vatican Basilica. St. Peter holds the keys and St. Paul a sword, "the weapon with which he suffered martyrdom, with which his blood was spilt", said the Pope. St. Paul "dedicated his life to transmitting the Gospel's message of reconciliation and peace, using his every energy to ensure it reached the ends of the earth. His strength lay in the fact that he did not seek a quiet

### All Souls' Day November 2, 2011

Our parish will offer two Masses to remember our Beloved Dead

8:00 AM at St. Peter's Mission Church  
7:00 PM at St. Joan of Arc Secondary School  
(We will use the Cafeteria as we often do on Sundays)

The Book of Remembrance will be displayed in all Masses throughout the month of November.

life, ... free from difficulties and setbacks. Rather, he was consumed by the Gospel, he gave all of himself without reserve, and thus became the great messenger of peace and reconciliation in Christ. The sword St. Paul holds in his hand also recalls the power of truth, which can sometimes wound and inflict pain, The Apostle remained faithful to this truth unto the end, ... he gave his life for it. The same logic holds true for us, if we wish to bring the kingdom of peace announced by the Prophet Zechariah and achieved by Christ: we must be ready to pay in person, to suffer ... misunderstanding, rejection and persecution. It is not the sword of the conqueror that builds peace, but the sword of those who suffer and give up their own lives".

The Holy Father concluded: "As Christians, we wish to invoke the gift of peace from God, we wish to pray that He might make us instruments of His peace in a world still torn apart by hatred, division, selfishness and wars, we wish to ask him that tomorrow's meeting in Assisi might favour dialogue between people from different religions, and bring a ray of light to illuminate the minds and hearts of all men and women; that rancour may give way to forgiveness, division to reconciliation, hatred to love, violence to humility, and that peace may reign in the world".

*The Assisi Gathering that the Holy Father was referring to in his Homily is the Day of Reflection, Dialogue and Prayer for Peace and Justice in the World, together with representatives of different religions. This Gathering was held on October 27, 2011 in the city of St. Francis.*

### Rosary Rally

Saturday, November 5, 2011

St. Paschal Baylon Church, Thornhill.

By reciting the Rosary, families "place Jesus at the centre, they share His joys and sorrows, they place their needs and their plans in His hands, they draw from His the hope and the strength to go on."

Blessed Pope John Paul II in RVM n.42.

1:00 p.m. Children's Rosary, dramatized and led by children.

3:00 p.m. Family Rosary, led by families.

5:00 p.m. Sunday vigil Mass celebrated by  
Most Rev. William McGrattan.

7:00 p.m. Youth Rosary Rally, adoration and candle light service led by youth.

Free admission! Free Rosaries and gifts. For more information please contact Sr. Marilina Cinelli, C.P., Spiritual Director of the Rosary

Apostolate, at  
416-701-0678.

*Let us pray for the people of Turkey as they cope with the earthquake that cost so many to lost loved ones and destruction of property.*



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