# 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.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.

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**

Rev. Mark Achilles Villanueva

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#### MINISTRIES

Volunteer Coordinator Children's Liturgy Eucharistic Ministers Lectors

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Cristina Manzanares 905-812-0891 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.

#### **Registration for Sacramental Preparation**

All schools including Public and Private Schools

Confirmation
October 5 & 6



#### **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

#### **Social Concerns Ministry**

Interested in issues of poverty, hunger, homelessness, peace and equality? Do you want to help those who are helpless or be a voice for those who are silenced? Consider joining the Social Concerns Ministry Group. We will be working on projects for charity as well as promoting awareness and action on social justice issues. Come to the first meeting on Sunday, October 20 after the 9 AM Mass. If you have any questions, feel free to email: <a href="mailto:audferrer@yahoo.com">audferrer@yahoo.com</a>

#### **Thanksgiving Food Drive**

On Thanksgiving weekend, at all Masses in the Parish, we will be receiving canned goods for the Food Bank.

# Vocation Retreat for Young Women with the Sisters of Our Lady Immaculate

If you would like to spend 24 hours with the Sisters, getting to know about our vocation to the religious life and meeting other young women discerning their vocation, we encourage you to attend our upcoming Vocation Retreats! The retreats are for those between the ages of 16 and 35. <a href="http://www.solisisters.ca/retreats.html">http://www.solisisters.ca/retreats.html</a>.

Thank you for supporting our Building Fund

Invested in the Archdiocese \$1,368,617.95 Architectural Fees \$34,266.46

Total Building Fund Collected \$1,402,884.41

#### **Mass Intention**

#### Saturday (October 5)

5:00 PM For all missionaries

#### Sunday (October 6)

7:30 AM For the whole Parish Community 9:00 AM +Olympia Marquez, +Alexander Guillermo, +Emerson Marquez 11:00 AM Thanksgiving for LLyn de Leon, Thanksgiving of Ronan D'Souza

12:30 PM +Prescilla & Efren Tarnate

#### Monday (October 7)

7:00 PM

#### **Tuesday (October 8)**

7:30 AM +Feliza Singson

#### Wednesday (October 9)

7:00 PM Open

#### Thursday (October 10)

7:30 AM +Socorro Singson

#### Friday (October 11)

7:00 PM Open

#### Saturday (October 12)

9:00 AM For our parish benefactors and their families

5:00 PM Open

#### **Legion of Mary**

October is the Month of the Holy Rosary. The Legion of Mary invites children and youth to participate in the recitation of the Living Rosary followed by Flower Offering to our Blessed Mother, Mary. This celebration will be conducted on October 12, 2013 at 3:30 p.m. at St. Joan of Arc School. About 55 children are needed to form the Living Rosary. For further details and to register your children to this event please contact the following: Patricia (905) 567-0345, Aurora (905) 814-9627, Ana (905) 821-2343 and Cristy (905) 812-0891.



"But it is not enough to watch, it is necessary to "At times", he observed, "we encounter arrogance in the service of the poor. I am sure you have seen this. ... Some make themselves look good by speaking of the poor; others exploit the poor for their own interests or those of their group. This is a grave sin, as it means using the needy, those who are in need, who are Jesus' flesh, for one's own vanity. I use Jesus for my own vanity, this is a serious sin! It would be better for people like this to stay at home!"

To follow Jesus on the path of charity means "to go with Him to the existential peripheries... For the Good Shepherd, that which is lost and disdained is

in need of greater care. ... In the Church, the first are those who have the greatest human, spiritual and material need".

Following Christ in the path of charity means "to sow hope ... those who hold political and civil responsibilities have a task, which as citizens they must actively undertake. Some members of the Christian community are called to engage in the political sphere, which is a high form of charity, as Paul VI said. But as a Church we all have a strong responsibility, and that is to sow hope through works of solidarity, always seeking to collaborate in the best way with the public institutions, with respect for their various competences. Caritas is an expression of community, and the strength of the Christian community is helping society to grow from within, like leaven. I think of your initiatives with detainees in prisons, I think of the voluntary work of many associations, of solidarity with families who suffer the most from lack of work. In this I say: have courage! Do not allow yourselves to be robbed of hope, and carry on! On the contrary, sow hope".

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#### Jesus the Homeless Transformative Education Series at Regis College.

John Mooney will present Beyond Ministry: Ignatian Spiritual Accompaniment of Homeless Persons in Recovery, which will be a reflection on his experience as a participant in the Ignatian Spirituality Project based in Washington, D.C. Bring a candle to join the Regis College community in a fifteen minute, silent prayer vigil with the "Jesus the Homeless" statue following the presentation. For more information and online registration, please visit www.regiscollege.ca/homelessness or call 416-922-5474, ext. 221.

#### **Knights of Columbus**

St. Josephine Bakhita Council invites you

Fifth Anniversary Dinner, Dance Party with Silent and Living Auction

November 23, 2013
6:30 PM Reception, 7:15 PM
The Elegant Oak Rooms of St. Volodymyr Cultural
Centre, 1289 Dundas Street West, Oakville, Ontario
Tickets available after Mass
\$45 per person till October 15
\$50 there after
\$55 at the door

#### **Project Rachel**

October 18-20

A weekend retreat for women whose hearts have been broken by abortion. Abide in faith and God's power to heal. We can help. Call 416-629-8264. Private and confidential.

Offertory Collection	
September 22, 2013	
Offertory	\$3,018.10
Building Fund	\$1702,95
St. Peter's Church	\$352,85
Wednesday Collection	\$98.65
ShareLife	\$200.00
Confirmation	\$930.00
First Communion	\$80.00
Stipend	\$220.00
Baptism	\$270.75
Bishops' Collection	\$980.70
Total	\$7,854.00

#### The 34th Annual Cardinal's Dinner October 17

To order tickets online, please see <a href="http://bit.ly/CardinalsDinner">http://bit.ly/CardinalsDinner</a> or call 416-934-3400, ext. 567 for further information

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