ST. JOSEPHINE BAKHITA PARISH

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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

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.

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St. Joan of Arc Secondary School Tel. (905) 285-0050

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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

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.

PASTOR'S DESK

School is back, and a new pastoral year has begun. I hope you had a wonderful and restful summer. While the parish was generally quiet throughout the last two months, I could sit down with our potential architect and presented to him some ideas that he can work with to design our church site. The architect has submitted his initial drawings for our consideration, and I hope that you would look at it and send us your feedback so that they can be considered when our Building Committee meets with the architect. I also hope that you would consider becoming part of this committee and if you are interested, please let me know. I would like to devote the next three months to put the design into place so that we can map out more clearly our strategy to having our own worship space. The original inspiration for the design is that of an African flower, which is reflective of the title that was ascribed to our patron saint, Josephine Bakhita. So, the church structure that is being proposed is that of an Octagonal shape, which also evokes the Eight Beatitudes of Jesus that our patron saint lived in an exemplary manner. The church size is approximately 20,000 square feet, for about 750 seats, with a possible accommodation of another 100 or so in case of an overflow. Obviously, these numbers are part of the initial conversations and subject to further deliberation.





Mass Intention

Saturday (September 8) 5:00 PM +Joseph & Theresa Matthew, Thanksgiving to St. Jude

Sunday (September 9)
7:30 AM For the parish
9:00 AM +Florencio Suico,
+Alejandra Deloria
11:00 AM +Eileen Carr, +Richard
Valere, +Lina de Montburn,
+Expedito Caniedo
12:30 PM +Eusebio & Lourdes
Naluz, +Gabriel Noronha, Healing
of Charito Lopez,

Monday (September 10) 7:00 PM Thanksgiving of Ken Villanueva

Tuesday (September 11) 7:30 AM +For all who died on 9/11 and their families

Wednesday (September 12) 7:00 PM +Sophia Leitao

Thursday (September 13) 7:30 AM +Thanksgiving of Lito Capule

Friday (September 14) 7:00 PM +Teresa Fernandes

Saturday (September 15) 9:00 AM +Joaquim Menezes 5:00 PM +Sunaryo Dharmady

Thank you for supporting our Building Fund

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Please take the time to look at the three proposed Site Plan for our church that is posted in our Bulletin Board and online. Do not forget to convey to Fr. Mark and the Building Committee your thoughts through email. Thank you.



Sacramental Preparation Programs

Now that our children are back in school, we can focus on their sacramental preparation for First Reconciliation, First Communion, and Confirmation. Generally, children in Grade Two are invited to receive First Reconciliation and First Communion during the school year and Grade Eight's to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Since the sacraments are essentially paris related events, the children need to be prepared at the parish where they normally worship on Sundays. We invite our families to register their children for these important sacraments of their lives.

For First Reconciliation and First Communion Registration
Before and After all Sunday Masses at St. Joan of Arc
Secondary School on the weekends of September 15/16
and 22/23 for all schools (Catholic, Public, or Private
Schools). You can download the form online and
submit it personally to the desk together with a copy
of their Baptismal Certificate. We will require a \$20
registration fee to cover the materials that will be
incurred during the preparation program.

For the Sacrament of Confirmation

The Registration will be held before and after all Sunday Masses at St. Joan of Arc Secondary School on the weekends of September 29/30 and October 6/7. You can download the form online and submit it personally to the desk together with a copy of their Baptismal Certificate. We will require a \$25 registration fee to cover the materials that will be incurred during the preparation program as well as the red gown that the candidate will wear on Confirmation day.

Please note that there are subtle differences in the drawings and what may look appealing to you aesthetically may not be the most functional. There is always the possibility of doing a composite of two of the alternative designs. That is why, it is important that you participate in the first phase of this conversation. At the moment, we are not talking about the church interior, where; for example, the altar will be located or where the choir will be seated, that will come at the second stage or even the third stage of the discussion. For now, what we are looking at is the bird's eye view of what is possible in our church property.

33rd Annual Cardinal's Dinner

October 11, 2012

The Metro Toronto Convention Centre, Toronto. Join us for the 33rd Annual Cardinal's Dinner on October 11, at The Metro Toronto Convention Centre, North Building. This year's dinner chair is Patrick J. Keenan. Register online at www.archtoronto.org/cdinner.

One Day Retreat with the Xavieres Sisters Saturday, October 27, 2012 - 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

The Xaviere Sisters are hosting a 1-day retreat for women between 20 and 35 who wonder if they are called to religious life and who want to discover more about their own calling. For more information, and/or to register, please contact Sister Laurence at cte.toronto@xavieres.org or call 647-343 3811. The Xavieres, Missionaries of Christ Jesus is a Roman Catholic Institute of Women Religious with communities in Europe, Africa and Canada. For more information visit http://xavierestoronto.org

Holy Rosary Retreat The Legion of Mary, Queen of All Saints Praesidium

at St. Josephine Bakhita Parish invites you to a day of prayer, study and devotion in honor of our Most Blessed Virgin Mary in "Beads of Prayers Holy Rosary Retreat". This will be held at the St. Peter's Mission Church at 6056 Ninth Line, Mississauga, Ontario, Canada on Saturday, October 13, 2012 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. This event is FREE but seats are limited.

To register, please contact:

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