

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF ST. JOSEPHINE BAKHITA

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SUNDAY MASS

Saturday
5 PM
Sunday Mass
7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM, and
12:30 PM

WEEKDAY MASS

Monday, Wednesday, Friday
7:00 PM
Tuesday, Thursday
7:30 AM
Saturday
9:00 AM

DEVOTIONS

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena
Every Wednesday following the 7 PM
Mass

Daily Rosary before every Mass

Chaplet of the Divine Mercy every
Friday after the 7 PM Mass

Solemn Vespers and Benediction
Every First Saturday at 4 PM

Sacrament of Baptism

Parents who wish to have their children
baptized must fill out the online
baptismal request form available in our
parish website

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 4 PM or any time by
appointment

OUR MISSION

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" and "Model of Hope for the Twenty-first century". 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, to equal discipleship.
- 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 is called to be the strand that God will use to weave a tapestry that is intricate and exquisite in this place.

PASTORAL TEAM

Pastor

Rev. Mark Achilles Villanueva

Deacons

Deacon Gerry Steyn
Deacon Michael Ho
Deacon Roman Lim

Administrative Assistant

Cecilia Vaz

Assistants

Daniel Mathew
Clifford Jumapit

Office Hour

Monday 5 PM to 9 PM
Tuesday to Friday at 9 AM to 9 PM
Saturday 9 AM to 7 PM
Sunday 9 AM to 3 PM

Schools

St. Bernard of Clairvaux
St. Faustina
St. Edith Stein
St. Simon Stock
St. Joan of Arc Catholic Secondary
School

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.

Our Sanctuary Light

The Sanctuary Candle is a five-day candle that is lit above the Tabernacle to signify the real presence of Jesus in our midst. It is like the star that appeared and guided the wise men from far away lands to where Jesus was born. If you wish to sponsor a candle, the suggested donation is \$20. We assign the date in the order that the offering is made. Please see the reception desk if you would like to make an offering.

September 8 Rene & Paz de Leon
 September 12 Lewellyn & Clarissa Fernandez
 September 16 Pamella Allen
 September 20 Anonymous donor
 September 24 Edwin & Maria Azanon
 September 28 Inacio & Paulo Lee-len
 October 2 Inacio & Paula Lee-Len
 October 6 Inacio & Paula Lee-Len
 October 10 Pol and Cora Cruz
 October 14 Yannick Villegas
 October 18 Xavier Rodrigues
 October 22 Anastasia and Johan Jackson
 October 26 +Noella D'Souza
 October 30 Celeste White
 November 3 Bernadette & Charles Wong
 November 7 Venantius Family
 November 11 Ronaldo & Charito Sta Mina
 November 15 + Jose and Petra Feril
 November 19 + Socorro & Feliza Singson
 November 23 + Jose & Josefina Villanueva
 November 27 Cecilia Vaz
 December 1 Thanksgiving for Chris D'Costa and family
 December 5 Thanksgiving for Paul and Vicky Holganza
 December 9 +Eduardo Palacio

Our Parish Sacramental Preparation Program

The registration for **First Reconciliation and First Communion** will be held before or after the Sunday Mass in the Parish Hall on the following dates:

- September 8/9 for St. Bernard of Clairvaux School and St. Edith Stein School
- September 15/16 for St. Faustina School and St. Simon Stock School

The registration for the **Sacrament of Confirmation** will be held before or after the Sunday Mass on the following dates:

- September 22/23 for St. Bernard of Clairvaux School and St. Edith Stein School
- September 29/30 for St. Faustina School and St. Simon Stock School

INTERNATIONAL FOOD FESTIVAL

September 14, 2018 in our Church Hall and Grounds

Organized by the Daughters of Isabella

Tickets are \$5 per person. Children 12 years old and under are free.

Food will be sold at minimal prices.

The proceeds will go to support our Building Fund.

Thank you for your support!

Bible Study

“Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible”

An Introductory Course on the Word of God will be offered in our parish for eight consecutive Mondays starting October 29, 2018 following the 7 PM Mass. Registration is required. The cost of materials is \$35. Please register at the parish office if you are interested.

A Walk for Msgr. Terence D'Souza

Msgr. D'Souza enjoyed walking, even when he came to celebrate Masses at our Church. We are organizing a 5 Km Walk to honour his memory on Saturday, October 27. More information will be coming in the next few weeks.

*A Letter from His Eminence on the issue of Clergy Abuse**"If one member suffers, all suffer together with it." (1 Cor 12:26)*

In recent days, there has been much media attention regarding the Pennsylvania grand jury report on clerical abuse in that state. In response to this and other global accounts of abuse within the Church, Pope Francis has issued a letter to the faithful. It is an important communication for all, but most importantly, should be studied by bishops, priests and anyone in a position of leadership in the Church.

We recognize that since the days of Judas, some of those entrusted by Our Lord with the sacred apostolic mission have turned away toward evil. To our shame, some clergy have used the gift of the holy priesthood to betray innocent young lives through abuse and control. We have seen examples of this even among bishops; a sickening display of power, lust and self-centredness.

We must ensure that there is a culture of accountability for all who serve in leadership within the Church. Bishops, both in Canada and throughout the world, must model the behaviour, transparency and accountability we expect of our priests. We must lead by example, through a life centred on Jesus, to serve with integrity as shepherds, pastors and spiritual fathers. We must also regain the trust that has been broken among many who have turned away from the Church on learning of these scandals around the world, and even more among faithful practicing Catholics who are rightly enraged by incidences of abuse and the failure to deal with them.

Since the late 1980s, the church in Canada has worked to provide specific measures to address abuse allegations. In the Archdiocese of Toronto, we have abided by a detailed Safe Environment Policy for almost 30 years. We screen thousands of volunteers to serve in ministry each year, conduct criminal background checks as well as extensive screening and testing for all candidates to the priesthood. We have developed and updated our Policy & Procedures for Cases of Alleged Misconduct and will continue to do so. The procedures outline how we address any allegation of misconduct by clergy or lay employees of the Church. They are available online at www.archtoronto.org/about-us/safe-environment. I encourage any victim of abuse to come forward.

We have focused great care and attention on our vocations program and our Seminary. The program of formation and discernment has been deepened and lengthened so that those who are ordained are prepared well to serve us as happy, healthy and holy priests.

I am grateful for the devoted service of our priests, deacons, religious, lay leaders and parishioners who so truly reflect Christ's love. I encourage those who minister so faithfully in our parishes and beyond to continue their good work and example.

Over the next two weekends, at all Masses in the Archdiocese of Toronto, we will pray for victims of abuse, especially those betrayed by the Church and other institutions.

This is a time for new life and renewal throughout the Church. The scandal is not that evil is revealed, painful as that is; the real scandal is when evil festers in the darkness. Once in the open, evil can be rooted out. That must happen. Then new life can begin, the life of joyful holiness to which Jesus invites us all.

Sincerely in Christ,

Thomas Collins
Archbishop of Toronto

Mass Intentions**Saturday (September 8)**

5:00 PM: +Joseph Mathew, +Anselmo Aguilin, +Olinda Teixeira, +Albert Martin

Sunday (September 9)

7:30 AM: For the parish community

9:00 AM: Thanksgiving for Monica Johnson +Patrick & Hilda Roach, +Remigio Valencia, +Conchita Gonzales, +Angelito Palos

11:00 AM: Thanksgiving for Raul, Cristina and Raymund Manzanarez, Thanksgiving for Jerald Kevin Rovelos, + Tirso Recana Sr.

12:30 PM: Thanksgiving for Al Juras, +Eusebio and Lourdes Naluz, +Maria Ribeiro

Monday (September 10)

7:00 PM: Thanksgiving for Bryan Family

Tuesday (September 11)

7:30 AM: +Irma Song, +Angel Chans, +Lee Wuk Len, +Claudia Lee-Len, +Kenward Rangasawmy

Wednesday (September 12)

7:00 PM: +Olinda Teixeira, +Alfredo Gundayao, +Maria Regina Rivera

Thursday (September 13)

7:30 AM: Thanksgiving for Melvin & Rosemary

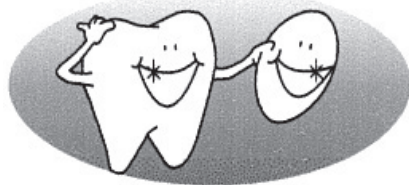
Friday (September 14)

7:00 PM: +J.Napoleon Quimpo

Saturday (September 15)

9:00 AM: +Julia Ison

5:00 PM: +Te Wei, +Harold & Elsie Chew, +Mercia Monteiro, +Nancy James, +Celine Landale



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