



# THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF ST. JOSEPHINE BAKHITA

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## We celebrate Holy Mass at

St. Joan of Arc Catholic  
Secondary School  
3801 Thomas Street  
Mississauga, ON L5M 7G2

## SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 5 PM  
Sunday 9 AM, 11 AM, 12:30 PM

## WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday, Thursday 7:30 AM  
Wednesday, Friday 7 PM  
St. Peter's Mission Church  
Ninth Line, north of Britannia Rd.

## SUNDAY MASS

Sunday 7:30 AM

## WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday 7 PM  
Saturday 9 AM

## DEVOTIONS

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

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

Solemn Vespers and  
Benediction every First Friday  
7:30 PM

## Pastoral Team

Rev. Mark Achilles Villanueva	Pastor
Rev. Michael Ho	Deacon
Rev. Gerry Steyn	Deacon
Cecilia Vaz	Administrative Assistant

**Office Hours:** Tuesday to Friday 9 AM to 6 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 for the Twenty-first Century" (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 man and woman, 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 parishioner are welcome.

## Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturday 4 PM or any time by appointment.

## Sacrament of Baptism

Parents who wish to have their children baptized must fill out a Baptismal Request Form available in our parish website.

## 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.

## Funerals

Losing someone through death is very difficult for anyone. To help you plan for the funeral, please contact the pastor.

## Schools

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

### From the Pastor

By now, most of you have returned from your summer activities and your children are back in school. I am still with my parents in the Philippines as I prepare this Parish Bulletin, but will soon start my return journey. God willing, I will be with you on Monday, September 11. Please pray for my safe travel.

I wish to thank the Very Reverend Msgr. Terence D'Souza and Fr. Idara Otu for looking after the parish during my absence.

### On the Sacraments

With the new school year that has just begun, our parish invites the young people of our parish, in Catholic, Public, or Private Schools, to register for the Sacraments of Reconciliation, First Eucharist, and Confirmation. First Reconciliation and First Eucharist are offered starting in Grade two and Confirmation is in Grade Seven and beyond. A copy of the Baptismal Certificate is required to register. If the child is not baptized, we recommend the Rite of Christian Initiation for Children as the path to follow. Registration for First Reconciliation and First Communion will be held on the weekends at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Secondary School September 30/October 1 and October 7/8. For the Sacrament of Confirmation, the Registration will be on the weekend of October 21/22 and October 28/29. We ask everyone for their cooperation. **Registration must be done in person. We will not accept registrations via Fax or email. Thank you for your cooperation.**

### On the Church Building Project

Church construction continues and the date of occupancy might be postponed for another week. We are hoping for the first Sunday of Advent (December 2/3), but we have been advised that we might only be able to offer Holy Mass in the Building starting on the weekend of December 16/17. I will inform you of any development upon the advise of Melloul-Blamey, the construction firm.

Meanwhile, please continue to support financially our Building project. We encourage those who have pledged via the Family of Faith to fulfill their commitment. For those who wish to make a pledge, we have forms available for you to complete. You can fulfill your pledge via credit card, post-dated cheques, or using your Building Fund Envelope.

### Pews and other Items

We are still accepting donations for the pews and other items that we will need for the new church. We are looking for sponsors for our Eucharistic Table, Ambo, Cantor, Presider's Chair and stools for concelebrants and altar servers, including those that we need for the Chapel of Repose. We will also need Stations of the Cross and Statues. Rome was not built in one day, but through your prayers and generous spirit, we will be able to acquire all these in due time.

### We are always looking for volunteers

Our parish is always looking for volunteers. If you would like to offer your time and talent, please step forward and we can help you discern how best you can serve God through our parish community. No training? Don't worry! We will offer you the training that you need to fulfill your ministry.

### Women of the Word Toronto "Loving" Conference

The Royalton Hospitality Inc.  
8201 Weston Rd., Woodbridge

Starts at 8:30 AM on September 17, 2017

Come nourish your mind, body and soul while sharing in a day of fellowship, good food and amazing speakers, including Dr. Josephine Lombardi and Celeste Giraldo Estrada. Holy Mass will be celebrated by His Eminence Cardinal Thomas Collins. Light breakfast and plated lunch.

**COST: \$50 TICKETS:**

[www.wowblessingstoronto.com](http://www.wowblessingstoronto.com)

*Holy Mass will be offered at Viva Seniors' Residence on Thursday at 3 PM.*

*You are welcome to join us.*

**Archdiocese of Toronto 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – Western Pastoral Region Celebration**

**Tuesday, September 12, 2017 – 7 p.m. – Merciful Redeemer Parish (Mississauga)**

As we celebrate the 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Archdiocese of Toronto, Cardinal Thomas Collins, Archbishop of Toronto, extends an invitation for all to join him for Mass and a reception to commemorate this historic milestone. The Western Pastoral Region celebration will take place at Merciful Redeemer Parish (Mississauga) – 2775 Erin Centre Blvd. (east of Winston Churchill Blvd, west of Erin Mills Pkwy) on Tuesday, September 12, 2017 at 7 p.m.

**SAVE THE DATE**

***The International Food Festival***

*When : Friday November 17, 2017, 6 pm onwards*

*Where : St. Joan of Arc Catholic Secondary School*

*Cost : \$5 to enter - Children 12 and under enter free  
Food will be sold at a nominal rate - Come savour the delicious foods from around the world!*

*WANTED: ENTERTAINMENT VOLUNTEERS : i.e. for magic show, dancing or any other performances*

*Come display your talent, register early as there will be a selection process*

*FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT ANY OF THE DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA OR CALL - Yasmin on 416 756 1414*

**Speak up! Calling all young people**

October 11 at 7 PM

St Christopher’s Parish  
1171 Clarkson Rd. N., Mississauga

As the Synod on Youth, Faith and Vocational Discernment approaches, we want to hear from you! Faith Connections and the Office of Catholic Youth will be hosting Live Listening Sessions with the Toronto Bishops. Young people 16–29 will have the opportunity to respond to Pope Francis’ questions in preparation for the Synod! Your voice is important! Visit [bit.ly/synodspeakup](http://bit.ly/synodspeakup) for more information and to RSVP.

*O that today you would listen to his voice! ‘Harden not your hearts.’*

**Mass Intentions**

Saturday (September 9)

5:00 PM +Manuel Fonte, +Fr. Ronnie Menezes

Sunday (September 10)

7:30 AM For the Parish Community

9:00 AM For the Parish Community

11:30 AM +Tomas Romana & Cristino Ramos

12:30 PM +Helen Tolentino

Monday (September 11)

7:00 PM For all victims of Terrorism and their families

Tuesday (September 12)

7:30 AM Deceased members of the Family of Omar & Aileen Padillo

Wednesday (September 13)

7:00 PM Deceased members of the Family of Francis Andrade

Thursday (September 14)

7:30 AM Deceased members of the Family of Yip Family

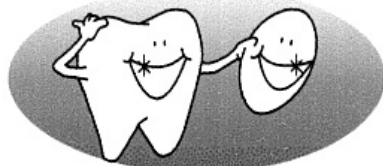
Friday (September 15)

7:00 PM Deceased members of the Family of Zenaida Roveira

Saturday (September 16)

9:00 AM Deceased members of the Family of E. Bautista

5:00 PM +Te Wei, +Harold & Elsie Chow, +Mercia, Nancy, and Celine, Thanksgiving of Clarissa Fernandes



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