

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.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.

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	Pastor
Rev. Michael Ho	Deacon
Rev. Gerry Steyn	Deacon
Ms. Cecilia Vaz	Administrative Assistant
Mrs. Fatima Chan	Secretary

MINISTRIES

Volunteer Coordinator	Anusha De Silva	Financial Council	
Children's Liturgy	Wilma Menezes	Chairperson	Tel de la Cruz
Eucharistic Ministers	Max de la Cruz	Fundraising Committee	
Lectors	Conrad Rodrigues	Chairperson	Roman Lim
Ushers	Miguel Basurto	Building Committee	
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Altar Servers	Deacon Gerry Steyn	St. Peter's Mission Church	
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Social Concerns	Elisha Pinto	Knights of Columbus	Tony Ciufu
Sacristans	Patricia Scire		905-542-9883
Home Visitation	James Amores	Daughters of isabella	Rita Venantius
	Rebecca Poirier		905-824-7223
Sacramental Preparation		Couples for Christ	Toti Quijano
RCIC	Liza Capule		905-567-3236
RCIA	Roman Lim	Legion of Mary	Cristina Manzanares
First Reconciliation/Eucharist	Chanel D'Mello		905-812-0891
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	7:30 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.

I WANT TO BE A CATHOLIC!

Each year we welcomed into the church adults through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.). It is a ministry of people who wish to enquire about becoming full members of our faith community. The orientation night is focused for prospective adults and their sponsors. We will be offering this process again in September. If you would like to know more about the process or know someone who is interested in the Catholic faith, please contact Fr. Mark.



Registration for Sacramental Preparation

All schools including Public and Private Schools

Confirmation
September 28 & September 29
October 5 & 6

Finance Council Meeting

will be held on Tuesday, September 24 starting at 7:30 PM
Rectory



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

The coordinators of the Ministry of Lectors

will have a meeting on Tuesday, September 24 starting at 7:30 PM
St. Peter's Mission Church Basement

Children's Liturgy will start this weekend in all Sunday Masses

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. <http://www.solisisters.ca/retreats.html>.

<p>Thank you for supporting our Building Fund</p> <p>Invested in the Archdiocese \$1,362,915</p> <p>Architectural Fees \$30,876.46</p> <p>Total Building Fund Collected \$1,393,790.46</p>
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Mass Intention

Saturday (September 21)

5:00 PM Thanksgiving of Lina Cabasa

Sunday (September 22)

7:30 AM For the whole Parish Community
9:00 AM +Ester Ordonez
11:00 AM +Victor Emmanuel
12:30 PM +Wilfredo Materno, Thanksgiving of Rose Santos

Monday (September 23)

7:00 PM Open

Tuesday (September 24)

7:30 AM +P.V. Francis

Wednesday (September 25)

7:00 PM Thanksgiving of Maria Cleofe Lara

Thursday (September 26)

7:30 AM For the group that is going on Pilgrimage to Fatima, Lourdes, and the Holy Land

Friday (September 27)

7:00 PM +James DeSouza. +Francis Menezes

Saturday (September 28)


9:00 AM Thanksgiving of Lina Cabasa, +M.A. Michael
5:00 PM Open

Legion of Mary

"The family that prays together stays together!"

Welcome to Our Lady of Fatima Pilgrim Virgin Statue Home Visitation promoted by the Legion of Mary in our parish since 2008.

Pray the Holy Rosary with members of your own family and be blessed. To book your desired schedule, please see any member of the Legion of Mary at the end of each mass this weekend. For further details and to book a visit please contact anyone of the following: Aurora (905 814 9627). Patricia (905 564 0345) or Ana (905 821 2343)



“when a child grows and becomes an adult ... and assumes his responsibilities ... he does what he wants, and at times, he may happen to stray away from the path. ... A mother always, in every situation, has the patience to continue to accompany her children. She is animated by the strength of love ... and even when [her children] make mistakes, she always finds a way of understanding them ... to help them. We say that a mother 'stands up and is counted' for her own children; that is, she always seeks to defend them”.

“The Church is the same: she is a merciful mother who understands, who always tries to help, to give encouragement even when her children have made mistakes or continue to do so. She never closes the doors of her house to them: she does not judge, but rather offers God's forgiveness, she offers her love to invite her children to return to the right path and even when they have fallen into the deepest abyss, the Church is not afraid to enter into their darkest night with them in order to give them hope; the Church is not afraid to enter into our night when our soul and conscience are surrounded by darkness, to give us hope! Because the Church is our mother!”

Finally, “a mother also knows how to ask, to knock on every door for her children, without calculation but with love. And I think of how mothers know, most of all, how to knock on God's door! Mothers pray a lot for their own children, especially for those ... most in need, whose lives have taken dangerous or mistaken paths. ... The Church does likewise: through prayer, she places the lives of all her children in the hands of the Lord. Let us trust in the strength of prayer of the Mother Church: the Lord never remains indifferent. He always knows how to astonish us when we least expect us. The Mother Church knows this!”

4th Annual Mass to End Woman Abuse

Catholic Family Services of Toronto and Our Lady of Sorrows Church will host the 4th Annual Mass to End Woman Abuse on October 22, 2013 at 7 p.m. The Mass will be held at Our Lady of Sorrows Church - 3055 Bloor St. W. (west of Royal York Rd.) in Etobicoke. Light refreshments will follow. Please join us as we gather to pray for all families who are affected by violence. Woman Abuse Hurts Us All.

Join Fr. Mark on a tour of South America

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The 34th Annual Cardinal's Dinner

October 17

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

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 15, 2013	
Offertory	\$3,412.38
Building Fund	\$2,048.00
St. Peter's Church	\$305.00
Wednesday Collection	\$107.25
Stipend	\$400.00
Scarboro Foreign Mission	\$1,371.87
Total	\$7,644.50

HUMANITARIAN RELIEF

An estimated 100,000 people have already lost their lives in the conflict in Syria over the past two years and roughly 2 million people have fled, taking refuge in Lebanon, Turkey, Jordan, Iraq and other countries. The conflict in Syria has unleashed a large-scale humanitarian crisis. Those wishing to help may do so in the following ways: Online through the Archdiocese of Toronto website: www.archtoronto.org/By phone through the Development office - 416-934-3411/Through the parish, making cheques payable to: Name of Parish - Syria - Humanitarian Relief



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