

# 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](http://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.

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## 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	<b>Financial Council</b>	
Children's Liturgy	Wilma Menezes	Chairperson	Tel de la Cruz
Eucharistic Ministers	Max de la Cruz	<b>Fundraising Committee</b>	
Lectors	Conrad Rodrigues	Chairperson	Roman Lim
Ushers	Miguel Basurto	<b>Building Committee</b>	
	Serge Poirier	Chairperson	Rita Borg
Altar Servers	Deacon Gerry Steyn	<b>St. Peter's Mission Church</b>	
Choirs	Jamie Marr	Chairperson	JC Cadieux
	Suzanne Pereira		
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Arts & Environment	Ronald Pasajol	Hospitality	Frank Amegah
Youth Ministry	Cora & Boyer del Rosario		
Social Concerns	Elisha Pinto	<b>Knights of Columbus</b>	Tony Ciufu
Sacristans	Patricia Scire		905-542-9883
Home Visitation	James Amores	<b>Daughters of isabella</b>	Rita Venantius
	Rebecca Poirier		905-824-7223
<b>Sacramental Preparation</b>		<b>Couples for Christ</b>	Toti Quijano
RCIC	Liza Capule		905-567-3236
RCIA	Roman Lim	<b>Legion of Mary</b>	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.

*Welcome back from your summer holidays! Welcome to a new pastoral year!*

### **The Liturgy of the Word for Children**

We invite the children to participate in the Liturgy of the Word geared to their level at the Chapel in all the Sunday Masses that we celebrate at St. Joan of Arc Secondary School. Each Sunday, each child receives a Children's Bulletin to bring home. We encourage the parents to work with their own child at home using this material to further deepen their child's faith life. No registration is required!

### **Sacramental Preparation**

*First Reconciliation & First Communion*

We invite the children from Grade II and above, in Catholic, Public, and Private Schools to register for First Reconciliation and First Communion Preparation and Celebration. Registration will be held before and after all Masses on the weekends of September 13/14, 20/21, and 27/28. A copy of the Baptismal Certificate of the child and a fee of \$25 will be required to register.

### *Sacrament of Confirmation*

We invite the Grade 8 Students and those in Secondary School, in Catholic, Public, and Private Schools, who wish to complete their Christian Initiation to register for the Sacramental Preparation and Celebration on the weekends of September 27/28, October 4/5, and 11/12. A copy of the Baptismal Certificate and a fee of \$35 will be required to register. The fee will cover for the materials including the rental of the gown.

*Please note that the registration will only be held on the weekends before or after all the Masses at St. Joan of Arc Secondary School. We will **NOT** be accepting registrations at the Parish Rectory. Thank you for your cooperation.*

### **The Building Committee**

The Building Committee will resume their conversations with the architect on Monday, September 22, 2014 at the Parish Rectory starting at 7:45 PM

### **The Finance Committee**

The Finance Committee will meet on October 21, 2014 at the Parish Rectory starting at 7:45 PM.

### **The Parish Council**

All heads of ministries and members of the Pastoral Team are invited to attend the Parish Council Meeting on October 27, 2014 at St. Peter's Mission Church starting at 7:45 PM.

*Congratulations to the Daughters of Isabella on the occasion of their fifth anniversary as a charter.*

*We encourage all the women of the parish to consider becoming a member of this awesome organization. Contact Rita Venantius or any of the daughters if you are interested.*

### **Mass Intention**

#### **Saturday (September 6)**

5:00 PM Open

#### **Sunday (September 7)**

7:30 AM For the Parish Community  
9:00 AM +William Isaac Pereira  
11:00 AM +Richard Valere \* Lina de Montbrun, +Tomas & Romana Ramos, +Teofilo, Buenaventura, Thanksgiving of Raul & Cristina Manzanares, Thanksgiving of Marcia Buenaventura  
12:30 PM Special Intention for Roma de Vera, +Conrado Nolasco, +Anastacio Perez Sr., +William Mcaulay

#### **Monday (September 8)**

7:00 PM Thanksgiving of Josie Doronila

#### **Tuesday (September 9)**

7:30 AM Open

#### **Wednesday (September 10)**

7:00 PM +Eusebio & Lourdes Naluz, +Julius Marques

#### **Thursday (September 11)**

7:30 AM For all who died because of violence and terrorism

#### **Friday (September 12)**

7:00 PM Thanksgiving of Ken Villanueva

#### **Saturday (September 13)**

9:00 AM +Lugero Saldanha

5:00 PM +Alvita Furtado, +Jose Lorenzo, Thanksgiving of Rosemalyn Reyes

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Building Fund

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\$1,527,000

Architectural & other Fees

\$108,564.23

**Total Building Fund Collected**

**\$1,635,564.23**

*Please remember to pray daily for  
our church building project*



The Solemnity of the  
Nativity of our Blessed Mother  
September 8

Holy Mass  
at St. Peter's Mission Church  
7 PM

**ANGELUS: THE DANGER OF BECOMING "WATERED-DOWN" CHRISTIANS**

Vatican City, 1 September 2014 (VIS) – At midday the Holy Father appeared at the window of his study to pray the Angelus with the faithful gathered in St. Peter's Square, and commented on the day's Gospel reading in which Jesus, "after having confirmed that Peter and the other eleven believed in Him as the Messiah and the Son of God, began to explain to them that He had to go to Jerusalem where He would suffer greatly, be killed, and rise again on the third day". He remarked, "It is a critical moment in which Jesus' and the disciples' method of thinking emerges".

Jesus reproaches Peter – He puts him "back in line" because he does not think "as God does, but as human beings do", and without realising that he is assuming the role of Satan, the tempter.

The Apostle Paul also insists upon this theme in this Sunday's liturgy in his Letter to the Romans, when he affirms that Christians must not conform to this world without transforming it to discern the will of God.

"In effect", he continued, "we Christians live in the world, fully integrated in the social and cultural reality of our time, and it is right that it is so; however, this carries the risk that we become 'worldly', that the salt loses its flavour, as Jesus would say; that is, that the Christian is 'watered down', losing the inspiration of newness that comes from the Lord and the Holy Spirit. Instead, they should be the opposite: when the strength of the Gospel remains alive in Christians, they can transform "mankind's criteria of judgement, determining values, points of interest, lines of thought, sources of inspiration and models of life", emphasised the Pope, quoting Paul VI.

"It is sad to meet Christians who are watered down, like wine; you cannot tell whether they are Christians or worldly, like watered wine; it is impossible to tell whether it is wine or water. It is sad to meet Christians who are no longer the salt of the earth ... because they have committed themselves to the spirit of this world, that is, they have become worldly. Therefore, it is necessary to renew oneself continuously, to draw lymph from the Gospel ... by reading and meditating the Gospel every day, so the word of Jesus may always be present in our life", emphasised the Pontiff, reminding those present always to carry a copy of the Gospel with their pockets or handbags, and to read a passage every day.

Renewal also comes from participation in Sunday Mass, "where we find the Lord in the community, listening to His Word and receiving the Eucharist which unites us to Him and one another", as well as in days of retreat and spiritual exercises.

He concluded, "Thanks to these gifts from the Lord, we can conform not to the world, but to Christ, and to follow Him on His path, the path of 'losing one's own life' in order to find it. offering it for love and in love – and this involves sacrifice, even unto the cross – to receive it again purified, freed of selfishness and from the debt of death, full of eternity".

Offertory Collection	
Offertory	\$2925.55
Building Fund	\$1314.80
St. Peter's Church	\$371.30
Wednesday Collection	\$120.60
ShareLife	\$220.00
Stipend	\$80.00
Vacation Bible School	\$300.00
Frames	\$65.00
Baptism	\$215.00
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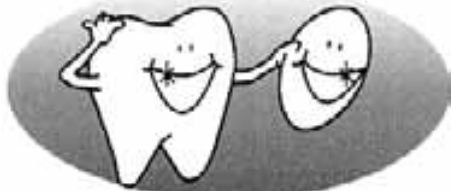
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