### 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**

Rev. Mr. Gerry Steyn Rev. Mr. Michael Ho

#### **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

#### Rectory

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#### **Schools**

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#### **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.

OFFERINGS		
Offertory	\$	4,362,09
Building Fund	\$	682.01
Papal Charitires	\$	16
Liturgical Fund	\$	126
Stipend	\$	330
Baptism	\$	310
Sharelife	\$	530
Candle stand	\$	188.90
Pew	\$	50
Family of Faith	\$	20
Sanctuary candle	\$	80
CBW III	\$	200
Sacred Heart Statue	\$	200
Total	\$	7,095

## Living the Gospel by helping young families succeed

Camila was attending programs at Rose of Sharon Services for Young Mothers when she and her daughter were kicked out of the family home. As counsellors helped her search for an afordable apartment, she became pregnant a second time. Despite these challenges, Camila attended every program available to her at Rose of Sharon. At the end of the year, she walked out a stronger woman with a plan to achieve the life she wants for herself and her daughters. Last year, at ShareLife-funded agencies that assist young mothers, over 1,000 clients like Camila received support for their new families. Today is ShareLife Sunday. Thank you for your generosity

#### Our Sanctuary Light is offered by:

May 27 Elmer & Anne Sol Cruz

May 31 Esteron – Calcetas Family

June 4 Reis Family

June 8 +Ceaser Fernandes

June 12 + Joseph and Veronica Fernandes

June 16 +Guy Koo Mo Shan

June 20 Sarmiento Family

June 24 Woodroffe & Charlotte Pereira

#### A Special Memorial Mass (Month's mind) for Very Rev. Msgr. Terence D'Souza

will be offered in our church on Monday, May 28, 2018 at 7 PM We invite everyone to join us in praying for the repose of his soul.

#### FORTY HOUR DEVOTION

In preparation for the Solemnity of Corpus Christi will be held on Thursday, May 31 from 8 AM to 12 AM Friday, June 1, from 7 AM to 7 PM and again from 8 PM to 12 AM Saturday, June 2, from 9 to 5 PM

## Corpus Christi Procession and Solemn Benediction

will follow around the church immediately following the 12:30 PM Sunday Mass

#### **Appeal for Pledges**

Our parish made a \$6 Million loan to construct the new church. We would like to encourage everyone to consider making a pledge and fulfilling it either by credit card or Pre-Authorized form of giving to reduce this debt. Filling up a pledge form to accompany your donation will help us determine our plan of action. Thank you for your continued support. Pledge forms are available at the desk.

#### **The Parish Pastoral Council**

The Parish Pastoral Council is a consultative body in which the faithful, expressing their baptismal responsibility, can assist the pastor by offering their advice on pastoral matters. All the members of the parish have the right, sometimes even the duty, to make their opinions known on matters concerning the good of the church. The pastoral council can be a most useful aid...providing proposals and suggestions on how we can effectively live out the vision/mission of the parish and that of the archdiocese. For this reason, I call on all the heads of ministries and organizations of our parish to attend the meeting on June 7 starting at 7:30 PM in the parish hall.

#### **Our Parish Parking Lot**

Our parish parking lot will be power washed on Monday and Tuesday, May 28 and 29 to remove the debris during construction. Also, on June 4 to 6, the second paving will be done and repainting. Some parts of the parking lot may not be available during those dates. We ask for your understanding and cooperation. Thank you.

#### Pastor's Desk

On this Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, I would like to draw your attention to the Sign of the Cross that every Catholic, young and old, does. It is a beautiful gesture which reminds us the cross of salvation while invoking the Holy Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. It is a gesture that has been used since the earliest times of the Church to begin and to conclude prayer and the Mass. Tertulian, an early Christian Father, described the commonness of the sign: "In all our travels and movements, in all our coming in and going out, in putting on our shoes, at the bath, at the table, in lighting our candles, in lying down, in sitting down, whatever employment occupies us, we mark our foreheads with the sign of the Cross" (De corona, 30).

Up until the 12<sup>th</sup> century, Christians signed themselves the same way until Pope Innocent III decreed a shift in the Latin Rite practice, which has prevailed to this day. No matter how one makes the sign of the cross, the gesture should be made consciously and devoutly, always mindful of the Holy Trinity, that central teaching that makes us Christians "Christians." It is therefore important for us to teach our children how to make the Sign of the Cross...if only this they can learn from us, we have done a great deed because by this simple yet profound act makes each person mindful of the great love of God, a love that is stronger than death and promises everlasting life.

#### Wish List

Our Complete Parish wish list is posted in our Bulletin Board in the narthex (vestibule). Some of you may be interested to donate a prie-dieu (kneeler). We need about 8 prie-dieu. Each one is priced at \$1,250. Please get a form at the desk if you are interested to sponsor one or several of these. Thank you.

We are also hoping to place two marble statues to occupy the devotional spaces on the front entrance of the church – the statues of the Sacred Heart Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Each of these statues is estimate at \$15,000. To date, we have received \$6,700 for the Statue of the Sacred Heart. Thank you.

#### **Catholic Mom's Group**

We are hoping to establish a Catholic Mom's Group in the parish, but we need volunteers to lead it. A training workshop will be organized in the parish as soon as we have enough interested volunteers. Please approach Agnes, our volunteer coordinator or Fr. Mark to signify your interest in participating. Thank you.

#### MASS INTENTION

#### Saturday (May 26)

5 PM +Olinda Texeira, +Msgr. Terence D'Souza, +Raphael Fernandes

#### Sunday (May 27)

7:30 AM +Josefina Poliaro
9:00 AM +Magdalena & Pedro Antonio,
+Michael & Angeline
11:00 AM +Thanksgiving of A. D'Souza,
Ontedou Jayseelamma, +Jaime & Jose
Maria Prollamante, +Emilia Lobendino,
12:30 PM +Fred Menezes, Thanksgiving
of Roman Lim

#### Monday (May 28)

7:00 PM +Msgr. Terence D'Souza

#### Tuesday (May 29)

7:30 AM +Rodolfo Balanzat

#### Wednesday (May 30)

7:00 PM +Luis Munoz

#### Thursday (May 31)

7:30 AM +Frederick Charles Smith

#### Friday (June 1)

7:00 PM +Benjamin & Mary D'Almeida and all deceased relatives, +Luz Andes, +Jovencio Villacastin

#### Saturday (June 2)

9:00 AM +For the Parish community

5 PM +Muriel Guerra, +Elpidio Lukang, +Aquilino & Filomena Rivera, For the healing of Tran

If you wish to offer a Mass, you can approach the Reception desk, call the parish office, or do it online. Thank you.

The Kingdom of God begins with a smile (Mother Teresa of Calcutta)



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