# 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

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. 116 - 1

## **Our Sanctuary Light**

| February 11 Thanksgiving for Lim Family     |
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| February 15 Victoria Hermes                 |
| February 19 Alex & Patricia Prollamante     |
| February 23 Castelino Percy & Family        |
| February 27 Margaret Silvery & Family       |
| March 3 Cris Sia                            |
| March 7 Thanksgiving for Anastasia & Johan  |
| Jackson                                     |
| March 11 Thanksgiving for Arbie and Caridad |
| March 15 Victoria Hermes                    |
| March 19 Victoria Hermes                    |
| March 23 Clarissa Fernandes                 |
| March 27 Charlie, Mr. & Mrs. Attard         |
| March 31 Thanksgiving for Honorio & Diane   |
| Oliveira                                    |
| March 4 Joseph & Maxima Kattar              |
| March 7 Thanksgiving for D'Souza Family     |
| March 11 Thanksgiving for Pereira Family    |
| March 15 Thanksgiving & Healing for D'Mello |
| Family                                      |
| March 19 + Alarcon & Dela Cruz Family       |
| March 23 Thanksgiving for Prollamante       |
| Family                                      |

| Sunday Offering     |             |
|---------------------|-------------|
| Offertory           | \$ 5,198.30 |
| Building Fund       | \$ 3,795.80 |
| Candle Offering     | \$ 141.90   |
| Liturgical Fund     | \$ 90       |
| Mass Stipend        | \$ 560      |
| Sacred Heart Statue | \$ 100      |
| Blinds              | \$ 100      |
| Family of Faith     | \$ 100      |
| Funeral             | \$ 300      |
| Total               | \$10,386    |

# The Parish Mission

The first Parish Mission was a success. Thank you to Fr. Claudio Piccinini and Andreina Brann for the conducting the Mission. Thank you to Melvin Marques who coordinated the project and all the volunteers.

# Feast of St. Josephine Bakhita

One of the titles that is ascribed to St. Josephine Bakhita and one that you are all familiar with because it is on our parish prayer is "Universal Sister". It is a title that the great St. John Paul II ascribed to her on her beatification. In these words, we find the relevance of Bakhita today described in a nutshell. She has an extraordinary ability to address the people of our times. Her spirituality springs from simple things; her serenity when confronted with death and the pressing problems of life; her unconditional confidence in God and her constant urge to relate to Him; her outstanding goodness that expresses itself in her desire to forgive and that those who enslaved and tortured her may be saved. She is so far from those attitudes that prevail in our society today, and that alienate us from others, such as presumption, intolerance, revenge, the desire to assert oneself, pride, self-righteousness.

# The Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Isaiah, Paul, and Peter had one thing in common. They were all humbled and felt unworthy in the face of God, and yet privileged to be cleansed and called to God's work. Each Sunday, we go through the same process ourselves at Mass. When the priest holds up the Eucharist and say: "Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world. Happy are those who are called to His Supper," your reply is "Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed." Just like Isaiah, Paul, and Peter, we recognize our unworthiness in the face of God, but show faith that God ca heal us and make us better. And like them, we too are called to go out into the world and be ambassadors of reconciliation, living out the Good News and making a difference in the world.

## Video Broadcast

Were you unable to participate in the Parish Mission for one reason or another? We do not want you to miss out on a wonderful grace we have received as a parish community in recent days. You can access to all the Mission talks in our parish website: <u>www.stjosephinebakhita.ca</u>

# **Chocolate Roses for Valentines**

The Squires are once again making and selling Chocolate Roses for Valentines on the weekend of February 9 and 10. Your support will be most appreciated. Thank you.

# Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

There has been an expressed will from some parishioners to have an adoration chapel. We can easily do that if there would be enough people to commit one hour a week to spend time before the Lord. Fr. Mark is looking for someone who would be willing to coordinate it and generate the list of committed adorers. If you are interested, please contact Fr. Mark or Agnes. We are hoping to launch this on Thursday, following Ash Wednesday.



Holy Mass with the Anointing of the Sick February 11, Monday at 7 PM

The Parish, in honour of our Blessed Mother, who appeared to St. Bernadette in Lourdes, will offer a Mass with the Anointing of the Sick for those who wish to receive it. The Church believes and teaches that the sacrament is not a sacrament only for those who are at the point of death but for those among the faithful, including children reaching the age of reason, who "begin to be in danger of death from sickness or old age". (CCC: 1514) It will be helpful if you please notify the parish if you intend to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. Thank you.

# **Donation Tax Receipts**

The Donation Tax Receipts are now ready for pickup this weekend. We ask that you please pickup your Donation Tax Receipts rather than for us to mail them to you, so we don't have to spend more money on postage. Thank you for your continued support of the Parish.

> 2019 Lift Jesus Higher Rally March 2, 2019 starting at 8:00 am Metro Toronto Convention Centre 255 Front St. W., Toronto

The theme of this year's rally is hope in the midst of suffering. ...we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope." Romans 5:3-4. Featuring inspired talks by Ralph Martin, Sr. Ann Shields and keynote guest speaker Fr. Mark Goring, CC; an adult High Mass (with Sunday readings) will be celebrated by His Eminence Cardinal Thomas Collins; a youth Mass (with Sunday readings) will be celebrated by Fr. Mark Goring; a separate youth event (13-18 years) with great music, dynamic talks and inspirational skits.

COST: \$25 for adults, \$15 for youth CONTACT: Catholic Renewal Ministries PHONE: (647) 243-9441 or (905) 270-2510 EMAIL: contact@lift-jesus-higher-rally.ca

## **Mass Intentions**

# Saturday (February 9) 5:00 PM: +Manuel Fonte, +Vincent Dsouza, +Doris Fernandes, +Benadict Venantius

Sunday (February 10) 7:30 AM: For the Parish Community

9:00 AM: +Arturo Dela Cruz, +Thelma Noronha

11:00 AM: +T.T. & Mariyakutty Scaria, +Lucas Miranda Ubaldo, +R.J. D'Souza, +Peter Lai Nguyen, +Silvanus & Maria Regina Angriawan

12:30 PM: Thanksgiving for Francheska & Gabrielle Carolasan, Thanksgiving for Poliarco Family, +Sofronio Carolasan, +Fidelina Libran & Joseling Espina

Monday (February 11) 5:00 PM: +Jose & Josefina Villanueva

**Tuesday (February 12)** 7:30 AM: +Aquileo Villanueva

Wednesday (February 13) 7:00 PM: +Avelino Vaz, +Pilar Furigay

**Thursday (February 14)** 7:30 AM: +Rosario G. Guillermo

Friday (February 15) 7:00 PM: +Jose & Petra Feril

Saturday (February 16) 9:00 AM: +Marjo Gasser

5:00 PM: +Raymond D'Souza

## The Reception of Confirmation Cross

Our candidates for the Sacrament of Confirmation will be receiving their Confirmation Cross in all our Masses this weekend. Please continue to pray for our young people so that the Sacrament they will be receiving at Easter time will give them a deep experience of the Risen Jesus and the fullness of the Holy Spirit.

