## 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**

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
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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.

#### **Our Sanctuary Light**

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

March 27 Thanksgiving for Rajkumar & Family

March 31 Thanksgiving for OJeda-Carvajal Family

April 4 + Mario Carvajal

April 8 Healing of Florentino Peniera

April 12 Thanksgiving for Garcia Family

April 16 Patrick & Eva Mendes

April 20 Thanksgiving for Alincastre &

Gonzaga Family

April 24 Thanksgiving for Kevin &

Choonok White

April 28 Thanksgiving for Kevin &

Choonok White

May 2 Thanksgiving for Celeste White

May 6 + Charles & Adeline Gomes

May 10 Anne, Bernard and Victor

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SUNDAY OFFERING	
Offertory	\$ 4,537.85
Building Fund	\$ 1,922
Rite of Recognition	\$ 500
ShareLife	\$ 10
Mass Intentions	\$ 580
Blinds	\$ 950
Candle Offering	\$ 132.55
Liturgical Fund	\$ 144.60
Total	\$ 8,777

# Bible Study Start Friday, April 26, 2019 7:45 PM "A Biblical Walk through the Mass"



The Parable of the Fig Tree that has not borne fruit in three years teaches us how very patient God is. It is almost mind-boggling to us that the gardener in the story wants to give the fig tree ever more time to possibly flourish. Would we bother? Probably not. The fig tree wouldn't stand a chance in our garden. It is a very good thing that God, not you or me, is the gardener in our lives.

In the gospel, the gardener says that he will cultivate the ground

and fertilize it, and the tree will bear fruit in the future. How does God cultivate us? Look around you. You are surrounded by good soil. Friends family members, your fellow parishioners share your faith and offer spiritual guidance. Talk to them. Ask questions. Lent is a good time to return to the sacrament of reconciliation and find patience and strength there. Talk to your priest. Share the things that make you impatient and ask for help to be more like Jesus. And, of course, the Eucharist that we will receive will nourish us to.



#### How can you "Live the Gospel" when life is so busy?

Many people help those in need by volunteering at a local organization. But if your schedule doesn't allow for it, you can still make a huge impact in your community by supporting ShareLife-funded agencies. Next Sunday is the first ShareLife collection. Over the next week, please reflect on your ability to "Live the Gospel" by making a sacrificial gift to our parish ShareLife campaign.

#### Next Sunday, March 31 is ShareLife Sunday. Please give generously.

Exposition of the Blessed	The Way of the Cross	
Sacrament	Fridays of Lent	
Monday to Friday	Immediately following the 7 PM	
5 PM to 7 PM	Mass	

#### Confessions

April 1 to 5 6 PM to 7 PM

#### **Mass Intentions**

#### Saturday (March 23)

5:00 PM: +Juanito Umali, +Esmeralda Cardozo, +Lugerio Vaz, +Avelino & Mericia Vaz, +Mary Pillai, +Arthur Fisch, +Josephine Anthicques

#### Sunday (March 24)

7:30 AM: +Carolina & Sua Hin Lao, +Cyril & Clotilda Mathias

9:00 AM: +Arturo Dela Cruz, +Aquilano & Filomena Rivera

11:00 AM: +Anunciata Veloso, +Anthony & Cecilia

12:30 PM: +Susana Canonigo, +Nenita Ramos, +Anthony Fulgado

#### Monday (March 25)

5:00 PM: +Noel Khor

#### Tuesday (March 26)

7:30 AM: +Agnes Rodrigues, +Raymond Jacob

D'Souza

#### Wednesday (March 27)

7:00 PM: Open

#### Thursday (March 28)

7:30 AM: +Pastor Piñez, +Nading Piñez, +Nimfa Gamboa

#### Friday (March 29)

7:00 PM: Open

#### Saturday (March 30)

9:00 AM: +Abraham Sarmiento

5:00 PM: +Aleixo Pereira, +Msgr. Terrance D'Souza, +Irwin Coelho

#### **Building Sound Relationships: The Joy of In-Laws**

March 30, 2019 Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre 7020 Stanley Ave., Niagara Falls

In-laws are sometimes reluctant relatives who have traditions and family dynamics which resist change. This workshop can give you insights on how to apply the laws of attraction so that in-laws may learn to admire you and help reduce tension. Ancient principles and values have their wisdom which we sometimes lose sight of. This workshop will not teach you how to fix your in-laws: It may teach you how to adjust yourself. Presenter Vince Dumond is a popular marriage preparation facilitator. He is a retired teacher and school principal and brings high energy and insight to his workshops. With Vince's background in psychotherapy, justice and administration, he brings wisdom and acumen to his workshops. Vince's presentations are participant-friendly and engaging.

REGISTRATION: www.carmelniagara.com/contact

### nights of Columbus

#### 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Dinner and Dance

Saturday, April 27, 2019 at Capitol Banquet Hall, 6435 Dixie Road, Mississauga, ON starting at 6:30 PM

#### Adults: \$50 Children 12 and under \$25

For Tickets, contact J.C. Cadieux (905) 302-0158, Serge Poirier (467) 518-4814 Narciso Rodrigues (416) 303-1337 or Claude Fernandes (647) 230-7594

#### **Retrouvaille Weekend: Help for Troubled Marriages**

April 26 starting at 6:00 pm

At a hotel located in Mississauga, Ontario, close to Highway 401

If you are thinking of separation or divorce or you are already separated, but want to try again then Retrouvaille can help. This program will give you the tools to help get your marriage back on track. It will also give you the opportunity to rediscover one another and examine your lives together in a new and positive way. PHONE: 416-281-6007

"Lent is a fitting time for self-denial; we would do well to ask ourselves what we can give up in order to help and enrich others by our own poverty. Let us not forget that real poverty hurts: no self-denial is real without this dimension of penance. I distrust a charity that costs nothing and does not hurt." — Pope Francis, Lenten Message, 2014

Update on our Parish Bank Loan		
to construct the church		
Opening Balance	\$4,920,000	
Less: Payment	\$ 3,497	
Total Loan to date	\$4,916,503	



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