THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF ST. JOSEPHINE BAKHITA

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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil Mass 5 PM Sunday Mass 7:30 AM, 9 AM, 11 AM and 12:30 PM

WEEKDAY MASS

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 7 PM Tuesday, Thursday 7:30 AM Saturday 9 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

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every First Saturday of the month from 9:30 AM to 12 Noon.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Parents who wish to have their children baptized must fill out the online baptismal request form available on our parish website. The date of the baptism will be arranged during the interview. A Baptism Instruction for parents and sponsor will also be required.

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, 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 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 Clifford Jumapit Benjamin Alcantara Volunteer Asisstants Marina Taguicana Agnes Lim

Office Hours

Tuesday to Friday 9 AM to 9 PM Saturday 9 AM to 7 PM Sunday 9 AM to 3 PM

RECTORY

3600 Forest Bluff Crescent Mississauga, ON L5N 7W2 (289) 997-2105

SCHOOLS

St. Bernard of Clairvaux St. Faustina St. Edith Stein St. Simon Stock St. Joan of Arc Catholic Secondary School

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

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

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 15 5:00 PM: +Virgilio & Francisco Briones, +Dr. Joe D'Souza

Sunday, February 16 7:30 AM: For the Parish community 9:00 AM: Special Intention for Melba & Nick Kasmi, Special Intention for Edwin, +Carlos Coelho, +Aquilino Rivera, +Juan Cabading, +Conchita Gonzales 11:00 AM: +Simeona Azanon, +Catarina Pham Thi Nga, +Catarina Train Thi Tham, +Estrella Latorre, +Jaime Maria Prollamante 12:30 PM: Special Intention for Diana Pineda & Family, +Tomas Rovelo Sr., Pacifico Salamilao, +Richard Valere & Lina de Montbrun, +Roma de Vera, +Filomena Benifacio

Monday, February 17 7:00 PM: +Priscilla Lasala Go, +Silvino Mabatid

Tuesday, February 18 7:30 AM: +Egypt Padilla, +Jose S. Oliveria Jr., +Catarina Pham Thi Nga, +Catarina Train Thi Tham

Wednesday, February 19 7:00 PM: +Emilia & Lauro Lobendino, +Perfecto De La Vega

Thursday, February 20 7:30 AM: +Daniel Marsh

Friday, February 21 7:00 PM: +Zenaida Dy Tan

Saturday, February 22 9:00 AM: +Nenita Talagtag 5:00 PM: +Ashley D'Souza, +Dorris & Xavier Pillay

Sanctuary Candle

The Sanctuary candle is the lighted candle that is hanging above the tabernacle to signify the presence of Jesus in our midst. If you wish to sponsor a candle, please see the Parish Desk for more information.

February 12 Thanksgiving for Paul Family February 16 Thanksgiving for Victoria Hermes February 20 +Margwar Family

Come and Join us every Thursday evening of the Lenten Season to explore the Sacrament of Reconciliation and what that means for our lives today Starting on February 27 at 7:30 PM in the Parish Hall

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Though our community is quite diverse, we are all united in our love for Jesus. As his disciples, we are called to live, not according to the wisdom of this age, but according tonto God's wisdom, revealed to us through the Holy Spirit. It is also the same Holy Spirit, who enables us to live out the instruction of our Lord in our every day lives.

Jesus, in today's Gospel, is calling us, not to a superficial, exteior performance of the commandments, but to a far more profound response - to a deeper interior change.

As His followers, we are called at all times to grow in Charity. Charity will temper our anger. It will make us faithful to our promises. It will make us appreciative of the gifts that God has given us and that of others.

As Christians, we seek reconciliation where there is anger and alienation. We tame our desires despite the license of the world around us. We are faithful to one another and so, when we make promises, we keep them.

In this way, we concretely put into practice what we heard last Sunday - to be salt of the earth, light of the world, and a city built on a hill.

Jesus is our wise teacher. He gave us the Sermon of the Mount to live by. We pray that even if people around us have never heard of the Sermon on the Mount, through our lives,

they should be able to learn its content.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATON

For Confirmation Candidates Third Gathering starts at 2:30 PM Saturday, February 15 Saturday, February 19

Reception of Confirmation Cross February 22/23 February 29, March 1 Saturday Vigil Mass at 5 PM and Sunday Mass at 9 AM, 11 AM, and 12:30 PM

CELEBRATION OF FIRST RECONCILIATION

will be held on February 25-29 starting at 5 PM in the Church

THE COME AND SEE WEEKEND March 13-15, 2020 at St. Augustine's Seminary

Inviting single Catholic men 17 yeas and older, to cultivate a deeper prayer life and relationship with Jesus Christ; leading to a better discernment of God's call for their lives. Time for prayer, reflection and information on the process of become one of Christ's disciples as a Catholic priest. Please register online at www.vocationstoronto.ca or call 416-968-0997



ASH WEDHESDAY February 26, 2020 Mass with the distribution of Ashes 7:30 AM and 7 PM Liturgy of the Word and Distribution of Ashes St. Bernard of Clairvaux School at 9 AM St. Faustina School at 10:30 AM St. Simon Stock School at 1 PM St. Edith Stein School at 2 PM

We are seeking volunteers!

We are hjoping to setup a summer camp for our young people. To make this possible, our parish is looking for volunteers. Would you be able to spare time during the summer to make a difference? Please see Agnes Lim or Liza Capule if you are interested.



LEARN THE KEYS TO AUTHENTIC FREEDOM COME AND STUDY THE BOOK OF EXODUS WITH US every Tuesday, February 25, March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 starting at 7 PM Parish Hall

| Offering of February 2, 2020 | |
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| Offertory | \$ 5,361.55 |
| Building Fund | \$ 1,252.10 |
| Candle Offering | \$ 177.45 |
| Mass Stipend | \$ 380 |
| Liturgical Fund | \$ 191 |
| Sanctuary Candle | \$ 40 |
| Baptism | \$ 193 |
| Faith Formation | \$ 337.16 |
| Total | \$ 7,833.16 |

LECTIO DIVINA

MEDITATION

You are seated comfortably on the grassy slope of the hill. The sun shines brightly onJesus's white robes and you settle in to listen to him talk. Suddenly you hear him say, "Therefore, if you bring your gift to that altar, and there recall that your brother has anything against you, leave your gift there at the altar, go first and be reconciled with your brother, and then come and offer your gift." What goes through your mind when you hear these words? Is there someone with whom you need to reconcile? Is there something you need to do to make amends? Let Jesus bring to mind what it is he would have you do.

RESOLUTION

If a person or situation came to mind as you were praying, decide what you can do this week to be reconciled. List the steps you will need to take to accomplish this.

CONCLUDING PRAYER

Jesus, almighty King of Kings, You who obeyed your Father to the end, Teach me the meaning of obedience. My soul burns to comply to your will, Striving obey to your Law. While my spirit seeks to follow your way, my worldly nature another.

way, my worldly nature another. Bless me with the strength to obey, To always obey you until my last breath. Amen.

16 February 2020

PRESENCE: THE MYSTERY OF THE EUCHARIST

We encourage all the children of the Parish to participate in the Special Liturgy of the Word Celebration on the weekend of February 29 and March 1

> The Children will watch together the short video The Miracle of Every Mass

The Miracle of Every Mass will help children encounter the wonder and mystery of what is taking place on the altar in the Mass. The Eucharist is a priceless and precious gift that Jesus freely gives, even to little children.

Are you expecting a Donation Tax Receipt? Please see the Parish Desk

2020 Lift Jesus Higher Rally March 7, 2020 starting at 9:00 am Metro Toronto Convention Centre 255 Front St. W., Toronto

The theme of this year's rally is "JESUS, LIGHT OF THE WORLD." Featuring inspired talks by: Ralph Martin; Christy Dupuis; Monsignor Gregory N. Smith; and keynote speaker Fr. James Mallon. An adult High Mass (with Sunday readings) will be celebrated by His Eminence Cardinal Thomas Collins; a youth Mass (with Sunday readings); a separate youth event with great music, dynamic talks and inspirational skits (ages 13-18). COST: \$25 for adults, \$15 for youth CONTACT: Catholic Renewal Ministries PHONE: (647) 243-9441

> Calling All Girls March 27, 2020 starting at 7:00 pm Le Treport Banquet Hall, 1075 Queensway East, Mississauga

An evening of short high-powered talks! Meet new people – Learn the truth- Talk about it Discover who you are – Have Fun -Avoid Mistakes – Improve your relationships

Speakers & Topics:

- Dr. Sandra Sagrati – Get Uncomfortable? How to Experience Less Anxiety and Stress - Adeodata Czink – What Makes a Lady a Lady?

Stephanie Benedetti – How to Work with the Holy Spirit to Energize Your Vision
Dorothy Pilarski – The Power of Prayer

Register at http://dynamicwomenfaith.com/ Questions? CONTACT: 416-907-1042 Register early to avoid disappointment

EUCHARISTIC MIRACLES OF THE WORLD EXHIBIT

Saturday, February 29 to Sunday, March 8 - 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. (Church is Closed Monday, March 1) St. Josephine Bakhita Parish 3200 Thomas St., Mississauga

Please join us as we host the Vatican approved "Eucharistic Miracles of the World Exhibit." The exhibit, which was designed and created by Venerable Carlo Acutis, features panels that each tell the story of a Eucharistic miracle and allow you to "virtually visit" the places where the miracles took place.

How often do we go the extra mile in our sharing of our time and talent? How often do we SURPASS OUR COMFORTABLE NOtions of how much we want to LOVE? JESUS IS ASKING ALL OF HIS stewards to give of themselves GENEROUSLY. PERHAPS WE CAN TRY to take a little more time this week for prayer and commit MORE WHOLEHEARTEDLY TO THE ministries we are involved in. Let us always strive to be bet-TER AND REMEMBER THE WORDS OF POPE Emeritus Benedict XVI who said, "You were пот made FOR COMFORT. YOU WERE MADE FOR GREATITESS."

