

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 Asistants

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

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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

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 7
 5:00 PM: Thanksgiving for Nunez Ferreira, +Marjorie Fernandes, +Ronnie Fernandes, +Ronald

Sunday, March 8
 7:30 AM: For the Parish Community
 9:00 AM: +Pedro Amian
 11:00 AM: +Dennis Borja, +Gaetano Elmmacolata Peragine, +Marian Mendoza, +Leonardo Cruz
 12:30 PM: +Jose Doronila, +Anna Gonsalves

Monday, March 9
 7:00 PM: +Bernard D’Mello

Tuesday, March 10
 7:30 AM: +Jose & Josefina Villanueva

Wednesday, March 11
 7:00 PM: +Papa Romy Trinchera

Thursday, March 12
 7:30 AM: Thanksgiving for Caridad Sarmiento, +Antonio Lobo

Friday, March 13
 7:00 PM: +Lourdes Fernandes, +Janina & Wladyslaw Blaszczak

Saturday, March 15
 9:00 AM: +Jose & Petra Feril
 5:00 PM: +Clara Fernandes, +Menino Rodrigues

Second Sunday of Lent

In The Gospel this Sunday we are invited to reflect on the account of the Transfiguration. In this mystery, Jesus goes up the mountain with Peter, James, and John, and is transfigured before them and briefly “discloses His divine glory” (CCC 555). Moreover, “the Transfiguration gives us a foretaste of Christ’s glorious coming, when he will change our lowly body to be like his glorious body” (CCC 556).

The mystery of the Transfiguration alludes to the teaching of the Church called divinization, in which we believe that we humans will be made like God. Not only does Jesus raise us from sin, death and hell, but He even raises us up to divine life. He desires us to be made sharers in His own divine nature and participate in the life of the Trinity. St. Athanasius boldly proclaims that “He was made man that we might be made God.”

We can share in the Trinitarian life by cooperating in the work of God. The USCCB in their Pastoral Letter on Stewardship states that “God wishes human beings to be his collaborators in the work of creation, redemption, and sanctification; and such collaboration involves stewardship in its most profound sense.” To be a steward is to be deified and take part in the life of the Trinity. How often do we appreciate this rich reality of being a steward for Christ? Let us take some time to reflect on our raised identities in Christ and strive to be greater stewards in our parishes.

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

Inviting single Catholic men 17 years 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 becoming one of Christ’s disciples as a Catholic priest. Please register online at www.vocationstoronto.ca or call 416-968-0997

FAITH FORMATION

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 at 7:30 PM in the Parish Hall.



God, in his wisdom and mercy, has given us a beautiful gift in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. In the Rite of Penance, we find both a human experience of sorrow and forgiveness as well as a real divine encounter and the spiritual reality of grace and healing. While the human aspect of it often makes us feel uncomfortable—no one likes to list all of their failures and mistakes for someone else to hear—the priests who share their perspective on the sacrament assure us that it is a joy and a privilege to witness this intimate encounter of forgiveness and healing.

LIVING THE GOSPEL BY SHARING OUR BLESSINGS

ShareLife: It's who we are!

Catholic agencies have been serving those among us who are poor, sick and marginalized since the founding of our diocese 178 years ago – it’s who we are as Catholics in the Archdiocese of Toronto! We continue that legacy through ShareLife, which funds over 40 agencies that provide unconditional care, regardless of religious affiliation.

March 29 is ShareLife Sunday. Please give generously.

SANCTUARY CANDLE

If you wish to sponsor a candle, please see the Parish Desk for more information.

March 7 Thanksgiving for Blonie Deza
 March 11 Special Intention for Ilyn De Leon
 March 15 + Gomes Family



LEARN THE KEYS TO AUTHENTIC FREEDOM
 COME AND STUDY THE BOOK OF EXODUS

WITH US
 every Tuesday, March 10, 17, 24, 31 starting at 7 PM
 Parish Hall

We are seeking volunteers!

We are looking for volunteers for our Vacation Bible School. We encourage our High School and College students to participate in this activity for the children as volunteers.



The Way of the Cross every Friday of Lent following the 7 PM Mass.

Update on our Bank Loan to construct the church	
Opening Balance	\$4,630,325.93
Less Payment	\$ 3,414.70
Total Loan to date	\$4,626,911.23

Offering of March 1, 2020	
Offertory	\$ 5,228
Building Fund	\$ 3,414.70
Candle Offering	\$ 364.45
Mass Stipend	\$ 420
Liturgical Fund	\$ 1,150.85
Family of Faith	\$ 100
Faith Formation	\$ 50
Funeral	\$ 300
Total	\$11,028

LECTIO DIVINA

MEDITATION

Imagine that you are with the disciples when Jesus is transfigured. You see him appear with Moses and Elijah. What goes through your mind as you witness this event? What do you feel? Excitement or fear? How does seeing Jesus in his glory change your idea of who he is? How does it change your life?

RESOLUTION

This week, think about areas in your life that need to be “transfigured” by the power of the Holy Spirit. Choose one, and ask God to help you begin to work on that area for the remaining weeks of Lent.

CONCLUDING PRAYER

Dear Lord,
we come before you today with our needs and desires, hopes and wants, joys and fears. We are aware that it is only through your word, your grace, your love, that we can become the people you have created us to be. Help us become transformed into your image, that we may better love and serve you with our lives. Amen.

CONFESSIONS DURING LENT

Confessions will be held on Fridays at 6:30 PM to 7 PM and also on Saturdays from 4 PM to 5 PM.
You can also come to confession at any other time by appointment.

Update on the Coronavirus
News coverage of the number of coronavirus (COVID-19) cases worldwide has led to some understandable concern among the faithful. The number of cases in the province of Ontario remain low, with 17 confirmed positive cases of the coronavirus as of March 3, 2020.

The Archdiocese of Toronto’s goal is to act responsibly, based on credible information from reliable sources. We have been in regular contact with local health officials and will continue this dialogue. Information from the provincial website (Ontario.ca/COVID-19) provides basic background on the coronavirus and practical advice for all organizations:

Coronaviruses are spread mainly from person to person through close contact, for example, in a household, workplace or health care centre. There are everyday actions that can help prevent the spread of germs that cause respiratory illnesses. Take these everyday steps to reduce exposure to the virus and protect your health:

- wash your hands often with soap and water or alcohol-based hand sanitizer
- sneeze and cough into your sleeve
- avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth
- avoid contact with people who are sick
- stay home if you are sick

Regarding liturgical practices, local health officials have indicated that it is not necessary to alter current practices at this time. Parishes have been asked to ensure that those distributing communion wash their hands or use hand sanitizer before and after the distribution of communion.

Please continue to pray for all those impacted by the coronavirus. Be assured that we will continue to work with local health officials and keep you updated as appropriate.

Can an Eastern Catholic or an Orthodox child receive First Holy Communion?

First Holy Communion is usually the first celebration of the Holy Eucharist. Because baptised children from these ecclesial communities normally received First Communion along with Baptism and Confirmation, these children do not usually celebrate First Holy Communion again. Orthodox children are usually not presented for First Communion even if they are enrolled in Catholic school.

Silent Retreat for Women at Manresa
March 13-15
starting at 7:00 pm
Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre
2325 Liverpool Rd., Pickering

A silent retreat in the Jesuit tradition. Deacon Kevin Kelly, SJ, will facilitate the retreat, “Finding Hope in Confusing and Challenging Times.” COST: Suggested offering \$220 per person. This includes accommodation, meals, program and spiritual direction. PHONE: 905-839-2864 EMAIL: registration@manresa.ca

Silent Retreat for Men at Manresa
March 20-22
starting at 7:00 pm
Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre
2325 Liverpool Rd., Pickering

A silent retreat in the Jesuit tradition. Fr. John Sullivan, SJ, Pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, will facilitate the retreat, “Rooted and Grounded in Love.” COST: Suggested offering \$220 per person. This includes accommodation, meals, program and spiritual direction. PHONE: 905-839-2864 EMAIL: registration@manresa.ca

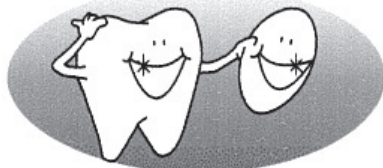
*The Legion of Mary Recollection Day will be held on Saturday, April 4 following the Mass to 12 Noon in the Parish Hall.
Recollection Master: Deacon Michael Ho*

This is the last weekend of the Eucharistic Miracles of the world exhibit. If you have not seen the exhibit yet. We invite you to see it. The exhibit is in the parish Hall.

PERFORM PENANCE DURING LENT THROUGH WORKS OF MERCY

Corporal Works of Mercy
Charitable actions by which we help our neighbours in their bodily needs.

- Feed the Hungry
- Give drink to the thirsty
- Shelter the homeless
- Visit the sick
- Visit the Prisoners
- Bury the dead
- Give alms to the Poor



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