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
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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 (September 11)) 5:00 PM +Te Wei, Harold, Elsie, Merle, Mercia, Nancy, Celine, and all the departed relatives and friends, +Baby Jordan Emmanuel Lindo

Sunday (September 12)
7:30 AM +Kelly Villanueva
9:00 AM Hilda & Patrick Roach,
Lee Wuk Len, +Cecilia Noronha,
+Bartholomew Batu Noronha
11:00 AM +Mildred Beaty and
Family, Jimmy Fernandes, Cecy Pais,
Lusing and Amado King
12:30 PM Thanksgiving of Adrie
and Kathleen Carolasan, +KC Jacob,
+John and Lucy Teixeira

Monday (September 13) 7:00 PM Thanksgiving of Ken Villanueva

Tuesday (September 14) 7:30 AM +Rev. Fr. Albert Macalipay

Wednesday (September 15) 7:00 PM +Florentina Rosales, +Dy Hoan

Thursday (September 16) 7:30 AM +Batu Noronha, +Lusing and Amado King

Friday (September 17) 7:00 PM +Sopio de Leon, +Mary & James Gomez, +Marcelo & Nida Dacalanio

Saturday (September 18) 9:00 AM For the Parish Community



Join us for Holy Hour from 6 PM to 7 PM Monday to Friday

Who do you say I am?

"Who do you say I am?" was asked by Jesus to his disciples to which Peter spoke up and said to him, 'You are the Christ.' That question is also being asked of each one of us today in this Holy Mass. Who is Jesus to me?

I am sure that you have learned about Jesus through the years. Jesus is the Son of God. Jesus is Lord and Saviour. Jesus is the Good Shepherd. But the question is much more personal and our answer is not what we have been told about Him, rather our experience of Him.

On September 14, we will be celebrating the Feast of the Triumph of the Cross. This is an important feast not only for the Universal Church, but also for our parish. This feast is dear to our patron saint, St. Josephine Bakhita and many other saints that have become our friends, St. Magdalen of Canossa and St. Gabriel Possenti.

St. Gabriel was blessed by God with a heart that was easily moved to compassion and empathy, enabling him to deeply love Jesus in His Passion and His Mother in her sorrows. His faith and hope in the providence of God and His goodness filled him with the strength necessary to embrace and love God in all circumstances including times of pain and suffering.

Sunday Offering	
Offertory	\$ 3,088.85
Building Fund	\$ 2,523.00
Liturgical Fund	\$ 155.00
Mass Stipends	\$ 520.00
Camdle Offering	\$ 70.35
Baptism	\$ 160.00
Total	\$ 6,517.90

Thank you!

Dear Parishioners,

To construct our place of worship, we had to borrow money from the bank and from the archdiocese to augment what we have fundraised. To date, we have a standing loan of \$11,108.749. This is a huge burden for all of us to carry for many years to come. With your continued generosity and consistent support towards the Building Fund, we will eventually repay this loan.

In our conversation with the Archdiocese, we have agreed on a plan that can be workable. The Loan will be divided into \$250,000 yearly installments. This \$250,000 will incur an annual interest rate of 2.50%. We will pay \$16,750 a month (which will pay the interest rate and reduce the principal loan). Starting in October, \$531 will be the interest and \$16,219 will be for the principal. In November, we will pay \$480 for the interest and \$16,270 for the principal). After we have paid the \$250,000, then another \$250,000 will be applied until the entire loan is paid for.

This is what I propose that we should do as a parish community. If 700 of us will pledge to throw in \$5 a week into the building fund in addition to our offertory collection, we can easily meet this \$16,750. Whatever excess funds collected for that particular month will also be used to service the loan. If we commit to this religiously, I am quite confident that our parish will meet the challenge head on.

- Fr. Mark

PLEASE PRAY ABOUT IT. THANK YOU.

Church Bulletins

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in October 2021 and supports the Bulletin Service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or services. Call Liturgical Publications at 905-624-4422

LIVING THE GOSPEL BY SUPPORTING RESIDENTS OF LONG-TERM CARE

The Houses of Providence in Scarborough is a ShareLife-funded agency that provides long-term care for seniors.

"It's been hard during COVID-19," says Mary, one of its residents, "but we understand the precautions that staff are taking. Providence staff have been absolutely wonderful and are doing a good job. I thank them every time I see them for their hard work."

Did you know that you can contribute to ShareLife agencies like the Houses of Providence through Pre-Authorized Giving? Please consider making a monthly contribution to ShareLife using PAG.

October 3 is the next ShareLife Sunday. Since this weekend is also intended for our Building Fund Collection, Our parish will gather our ShareLife offering on September 25/26. You can give your donation any time or online. Please give generously during the special collection or anytime at sharelife.org.

CORN ROAST AND BOTTLE DRIVE

The Knights of Columbus will be holding an empty bottle drive and corn roast in our parking lot this weekend. The money raised during the bottle drive will go towards the Special Olympics.

SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR THE NEEDS OF THE CANADIAN CHURCH

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) is involved in national and international areas of pastoral activity, including social justice, ecumenical and interfaith relations, collaboration with Indigenous peoples, life and family issues, liturgy, catechesis, doctrine and relations with Catholic associations and movement.

Each year, the CCCB is asked to speak out, show leadership or provide guidelines for the faithful on a wide variety of topics. In order for our bishops to be able to make proper judgements on modern topics, they must have the benefit of

research, expert advice and capable administration, which is funded by this collection. In addition to contributions, we are also asked to pray for the work of the bishops and to participate in and cooperate with the various projects of the CCCB.

The special collection will be taken up this weekend. Thank you for your generosity.

4TH ANNUAL PARISH MINISTRY CONFERENCE – OCTOBER 26-30, 2021

In the session, Restoring Parish Vitality in a Post-pandemic World, we will discuss our "modern-day road to Emmaus" of self-isolation and separation from the sacraments and one another. We collectively wonder how long it will take for parish life to recover. Join a panel of selected pastors and laity as we tackle this important topic.

Visit www.archtoronto.org/conference to register and learn more about this and other sessions.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION REGISTRATION

The Parish will be open for Sacramental Preparation Registration for First Reconciliation, First Communion, and Confirmation starting on September 15 to 30. Registration will be done online through our parish website and in-person during Office Hours. Baptismal Certificate is required and a Registration Fee.

Children who are not baptized will have to register for the Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA for children).

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

If you or someone you know wish to explore the possibility of becoming a Catholic in a safe and welcoming environment, our parish will once again offer the Rite of Christian Initiation. Please connect with Fr. Mark by email, phone, or in person.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

The 40 Days for Life has designated Thursday, September 30, from 7 AM to 7 PM for our parish community to stand for Life in front of the Abortion Clinic next to the Hospital on Queensway and Confederation. We are calling parishioners to commit 1 hour minimum on that day. Sign-up sheets will be available starting this weeken. Please JC Cadieux for more information.

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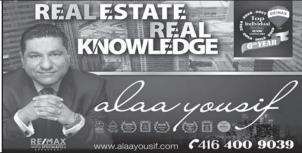
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