

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 Assistants

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

January 29 (Saturday)
 5:00 PM +Michela & Salvatora Guinci,+Lourdes Livioko Pestanio, +Maria Sabdao, Thanksgiving of Aline Liew Yee

January 30 (Sunday)
 7:30 AM +Cecilio, Theodora, Conrado Nicomedez
 9:00 AM Thanksgiving of Anabella Pangan, +Francisco Coronel, +Jose Capellan, +Flrentino Gorospe Sr.
 11:00 AM Thanksgiving of Pol Cruz, Francheska Carolasan and Phoebe Cruz, +Terence Mariano, +Tiwari Maraj
 12:30 PM Thanksgiving of Mr. & Mrs. Garsuta, +Rufino Tejares, +Nelson Jumawan, Tito and Teresita Villosillo, Glen Balolong, +Nestor Reyes

January 31 (Monday)
 7:00 PM Thanksgiving of Aimee Padillo, +Esmey D’Souza, +Hermi Encarnacion

February 1 (Tuesday)
 7:30 AM +Elias Alexander Alvares, +Begonia Desagun

February 2 (Wednesday)
 7:00 PM +Blanca Ligia Sanchez

February 3 (Thursday)
 7:30 AM +Joselito Feril

February 4 (Friday)
 7:00 PM +Lina Ariganello

February 5 (Saturday)
 9:00 AM +Tony Pavao, +Manuel & Teresa Pavao

On Sunday, we will begin our Nine Days (Novena) in preparation to the Feast of our Parish Patron Saint - St. Josephine Bakhita.



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

WINTER SNOW

Snow is the perfect metaphor for sin. When snow first approaches us, it is usually beautiful. It is seductive, especially when there is no wind and the flakes are large and few and fluffy like your first successful lie that extricated you. It felt good, at least at first.

But like sin, what appears pure and lovely the first day, appears quite different a few encounters later. As Canadians we know that hard and dirty snow piles up where you need to drive or would like to walk. Snow makes life difficult, like the consequences of lying. Everything is more difficult. Life can become more complex and frightening because you have to remember your lives. Because snow, you become more careful. You take longer to dress, you worry about the weather more and you don’t plan as many trips. Likewise because of your lies, you have to be more circumspect, more cautious, and reflective before you speak. Spontaneity dies.

We like to talk about the dead of winter. Nothing green grows. Water freezes still and quiet. All motion is inhibited and a cold fear hangs around the edges of whatever is warm. Winter snow is death. But where there is death, grace can bring life. Sometimes we talk about forgiveness, especially the forgiveness of sin, as wiping the slate clean. Snow is a better metaphor. When you wipe a slate clean, you try to restore something to its original state. Sin and grace don’t work that way. Forgiveness doesn’t restore the original relationship. It restores the relationship, but it is not the same. It is usually strengthened and slightly transformed. That’s the way it is with snow. When the snow melts, it is the source of new life. That which once was cold death in winter is now the life-giving water of spring.

When we accept forgiveness, it is like the snowbank that melts, we melt, we are transformed, our fault becomes the energy source for new life.

**Sunday Offering
 January 9**

Offertory (2021)	\$ 2,271.60
Building Fund	\$ 580.00
Liturgical Fund	\$ 82.00
Mass Stipends	\$ 540.00
Candle Offering	\$ 98.50
Equipment Fund	\$ 650.00
Missal	\$ 5.00
Total	\$ 4,227.00

BE SAFE AT ALL TIMES WHILE AT CHURCH

Due to the Covid-19 Pandemic, we ask that those who are feeling unwell should not attend Holy Mass at this time. We are blessed as a parish to be able to broadcast LIVE on our YouTube channel all our Masses. It is not the ideal, but you will still feel connected to the parish from the comfort of your isolation. Please observe social distance of 4 to 6 feet

We also remind everyone for your safety and the safety of your ministers that Holy Communion will be received only on the hand at this time. Pray intensely that this pandemic will soon be over and we can again receive the Eucharist on the tongue or on the hand, whichever way you would like to receive Him.

We also ask that parishioners not congregate in large groups before or after Mass, wherever possible.

The Feast of St. Josephine Bakhita
 February 8, 2021

A Thanksgiving Mass will be offered on Tuesday at 7 PM

Please wear your mask and be safe.

INVITATION TO ALL THOSE WHO REGISTERED FOR THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION.

An Introductory Meeting will be held at the church on Saturday, February 5 at 10 AM

First Reconciliation and First Communion Preparation

Our Grade 2 students and older who have registered for **First Reconciliation and First Communion** are invited to visit the Parish website for instruction on the Preparation requirements. The Dates for the celebration of the Sacraments are also posted.

Celebration of Marriage Mass Sunday, February 13, 2022 at 2:30 PM

The Celebration of Marriage Mass will take place on Sunday, February 13, 2022, at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica, 65 Bond St, Toronto at 2:30 p.m. Bishop Robert Kasun, CSB will preside over this special Mass and all married couples will have an opportunity to renew their vows. Due to social distancing measures, in-person attendance is limited at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica and only couples celebrating their milestone 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, and 60+ wedding anniversaries and one (1) guest per celebrant couple will be able to register to attend (for a total of a group of 3). Other couples, family, and friends are welcome to participate in the celebration via the Livestream. For more information and to register visit www.archtoronto.org/marriage. Registration will close on February 4, 2022, or when we reach maximum capacity at the Cathedral.

VIRTUAL ORDINANDI DINNER Tuesday, March 1, 2022, 7 PM

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Serra Foundation of Canada and the
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in the Archdiocese of Toronto

to be held virtually on
Tuesday, March 1, 2022 @ 7pm
via youtube.com/archtoronto

Please join us as we gather virtually to celebrate new priestly vocations and our seminaries. We hope you will join us as we meet and honour our Ordinandi at St. Augustine's Seminary and Redemptoris Mater Seminary who with God's grace, will be ordained to the priesthood in 2022. Come share with us the unique opportunity to meet these fine men and to hear about the unique faith journey that lead them to this most noble commitment.

There is no cost to view this event.

If you would like to make a donation to help cover the costs and support our two seminaries, the Office of Vocations and Serra House in the work that they do, or obtain further information on this event, please visit: serracanada.com/2022-ordinandi-dinner

GROW IN THE FAITH THROUGH FORMED.ORG

Every parishioner of St. Josephine Bakhita can register for free to access this site. Thanks to your offertory contributions, our parish can subscribe to this wonderful Catholic resource to help us all in our understanding of the Faith.

AUDITIONS IN PROGRESS

St. Michael's Choir School
January 24 to March 13, 2022
66 Bond St. Toronto

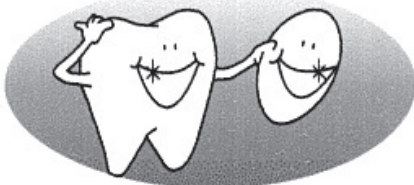
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CONTACT: Sabrina Leva
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Revisiting Creation: Signs of the New Creation in Christ in Images of the Visitation

Tuesday, February 1 at 2 PM

As part of the online lecture series (via Zoom) of the Centre for Marian Studies (St. Mary's University, London, U.K.), Dr. Chloë Reddaway from King's College London and Duke University will speak about the Blessed Virgin Mary in a presentation titled, "Re-Visiting Creation: Signs of the New Creation in Christ in Images of the Visitation." Her work focuses on visual theology and Christian art, with a particular interest in the potential of historic works of art for contemporary theology. The mystery of the visitation in God's plan of salvation can provide insight into an important and necessary step needed in the promotion of Christian Unity. For more information and to register, please visit: <https://bit.ly/MarianLectureFeb1>



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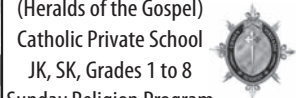


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