

# 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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(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

**Mass Intentions**

February 19 (Saturday)  
 5:00 PM Deceased members of the Mendes Family, Deceased members of Rodrick D’Souza Family, + Julie & Anthony D’Souza, +Louis & Edward Mendes, +Felicitas Arnago

February 20 (Sunday)  
 7:30 AM For the Parish Community  
 9:00 AM +Eric D’Souza, +Juanito & Milagros Umali, +Ricardo Lim, +Aquilino Rivera, +Juan Cabading Jr. +Conchita Gonsales  
 11:00 AM +Jovita Mediavilla, +Nazhat Daiyekh, +Alejandrino Sabbun, +Lauro & Emila Lobendino  
 12:30 PM Thanksgiving of Corazon del Rosario, +Perfercto Meriel, +Nestor Reyes

February 21 (Monday)  
 7:00 PM +Jose & Petra Feril

February 22 (Tuesday)  
 7:30 AM +Jose & Josefina Villanueva

February 23 (Wednesday)  
 7:00 PM +Thanksgiving of Aicee Sarmiento

February 24 (Thursday)  
 7:30 AM +Lucia, Conrado, Cecilio Nicomedez, +Elma Alveres

February 25 (Friday)  
 7:00 PM +Joselito Feril

February 26 (Saturday)  
 9:00 AM Thanksgiving of Alex Buena, Thanksgiving of Edwin Azanon

**ASH WEDNESDAY**

7:30 AM MASS  
 12:00 PM MASS  
 7:00 PM MASS



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

**UNLESS YOU HAVE FAITH**

If read without faith, today’s gospel is a treacherous passage. Read it. Feel the effect of forgiving everyone, even your enemies, of giving more than you are asked, refraining from condemning, pardoning everyone. It is no wonder that Christians are considered wimps. If you know someone like that, you know full well you have here a sheep for the shearing.

Jesus’ position is morally clear. We “owe” forgiveness because we have been forgiven. And furthermore, it is not your job to make it all better. You and I cannot heal your daughter, or the wounds of a mother who has lost a child, a person who has lost a reputation, an innocent person who has lost five years of life behind bars.

But Jesus’ radical position is that God is our vengeance. We trust that God will restore justice at some time in some way.

If we don’t trust that God will deal justly with us and those who offend us, then forgiveness is nonsense. But forgiveness is the greatest act of faith we can make. It is leaving the establishment of justice up to God. We acknowledge our limitations. We are human. We don’t get to play God.

If we have faith, then we don’t have to think ourselves so noble either. It isn’t that I don’t want the other person to suffer. I rather think I’d relish a little richly-deserved pain. The reality, if I believe, is that I don’t feel the need to administer that pain. God will administer just the right amount of pain - enough to make the jerk repent, or, if the person doesn’t repent, then the lesson will have to be learned in another way.

Forgiveness is an act of faith. We let God take care of my enemy and me. And I trust that God will take care of both of us better than I could.

**Please wear your mask and be safe.**

**Sunday Offering**

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| Offertory (2021) | \$ 2,974.00 |
| Building Fund    | \$ 1,521.39 |
| Liturgical Fund  | \$ 104.00   |
| Mass Stipends    | \$ 630.00   |
| Candle Offering  | \$ 105.80   |
| Equipment Fund   | \$ 150.00   |
| Flowers          | \$ 20.00    |
| World Mission    | \$ 100.00   |
| Confirmation     | \$ 70.00    |
| Total            | \$ 5,675.19 |

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK  
IN THE HOSPITAL**

Please connect with the Spiritual Care Department of the hospital if you or your loved one needed a priest to administer the sacrament. Given the current restrictions, many hospitals are not yet allowing the priest chaplains to make non-urgent visits using the list of registered Catholic patients. If a patient desires to see a priest, please speak to the patient’s nurse to make a request.

All hospitals have their own restrictions and their own means of functioning. Some hospitals (as a whole) are only allowing access for sacrament of the sick (sometimes end of life only). Other hospitals allow access for urgent and non-urgent requests. There are even some hospitals where access is decided by each unit individually; as a result, some units require the approval of the unit manager for the priest chaplain to attend while others allow the priest chaplains to access the unit without restriction. Please be patient in navigating through these diverse restrictions.

Please do not wait until the last moment. There are instances when there is much more that is needed to spiritually support the patient.

## St. Augustine's Seminary Lay Formation

### Program:

**Topic: The Light of Newman in the Dark of Winter: Help for Our Lenten Journey**

A Virtual Event  
Saturday, March 12, 2022 starting at  
9:30 AM to 1 PM

Now is the time to start thinking about Lenten retreats. Join us on Saturday, March 12 as Dr. Donald Graham, Assistant Professor at St. Augustine's Seminary, leads us through a day of virtual reflection on "The Light of Newman in the Dark of Winter. Help for Our Lenten Journey." Dr. Graham has published widely on the topic of St. John Henry Newman. Don't miss this opportunity to reflect with fellow pilgrims on the journey. Cost: \$25 Contact: St. Augustine's Seminary at 416-261-7207

## Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience

Friday, March 25, 9 AM to Sunday,  
March 27 at 5 PM

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## Queen of Apostles Retreat Centre

1617 Blyth Road, Mississauga 905-278-5229, or, office@qoa.ca

Lenten Retreat – Saturday March 5, or,  
Tuesday March 15  
Time: 9:00a.m. -3:30p.m.  
Cost: \$40.00 Lunch included

Father Ron Rolheiser Lenten Retreat  
Time: Friday 7:00p.m. – Sunday  
2:00p.m.  
Cost: \$450.00 per person, or, \$700.00  
per cpl

## STEUBENVILLE YOUTH CONFERENCE 2022

Steubenville Toronto is back! This year, Canada's largest annual summer youth conference for high school students will take place on July 15-17, 2022. We are excited to host the conference at a new venue: in the auditorium of Canada Christian College located at 300 Water Street in Whitby, Ontario. This year's theme is: "Fearless (John 16:33)."

Group Registration opens on March 1, 2022 at 10 a.m. A group can be a youth ministry from a parish, a high school chaplaincy group, or even a group of friends with parent chaperones. Due to COVID-19, we will be offering groups the opportunity to choose between attending the conference for the entire weekend or attending the Saturday only.

To view this year's ministry team, theme promo video, photos from previous years, more details and to register, please visit: [www.steubenvilletoronto.com](http://www.steubenvilletoronto.com). EMAIL: [youth@ocytoronto.org](mailto:youth@ocytoronto.org)

AS RESTRICTIONS ARE EASING  
UP, LET US NOT LET OUR GUARD  
DOWN.

Would you like to contribute towards the purchase of the Paschal Candle?

The Paschal Candle, also known as the Easter Candle, is a special candle that we bless and lit at the Easter Vigil. It is lit throughout the Easter Season, and in the celebrations of Baptisms and Funerals throughout the year. In our Parish, we also light it throughout the month of November. The cost of the Paschal Candle is \$550. You can donate the whole amount or several people can contribute towards it. All donations are tax receiptable. Please let Fr. Mark know if you are interested. Thank you.

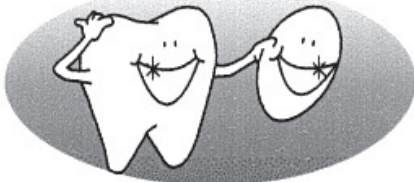
### Altar Serving

We are inviting our young people to consider serving at the altar as soon as most restrictions are lifted. Please give your name and contact information at the desk if you or your child is interested to participate.

Altar serving is not only for young people. Adults can also serve in this capacity especially during the weekday Masses and most especially whenever we have funerals and other celebrations that our young people are not able to serve.

### Social Ministry

Conrad Rodrigues has accepted the role as coordinator of our Social Ministry. The Social Ministry is tasked to assist our parish community to develop a robust outreach to the poor as the gospel mandates us to do.



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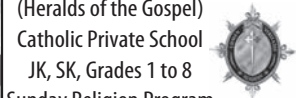


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