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.

PASTORALTEAM

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

March 12 (Saturday) 5:00 PM +Conrado, Alberto, Eduardo Nicomedez, Lucy & John Texeira, +Anne & John Braganza, Departed members of the D'Mello & Fernandes Family

March 13 (Sunday) 7:30 AM +Lourdes Fernandes 9:00 AM Gino and Ada Rispoli 11:00 AM Thanksgiving of Tony & Nellie Dungo, +Jeanie Charbonneau 12:30 PM +Jaime, Maximino & Jose Ma. Prollamante, +Ann Blaise Gonsalves, +Nestor Reyes

March 14 (Monday) 7:00 PM +Janina Wladyslaw Blaszczak

March 15 (Tuesday) 7:30 AM +Fidel & Candelaria Supleo

March 16 (Wednesday) 7:00 PM +Rev. Edwin D'Souza

March 17 (Thursday) 7:30 AM +Milagros & Juanito Umali

March 18 (Friday) 7:00 PM Thanksgiving of Estela, Roberto, Marien de la Torre, +Carlos Lopez Castejon

March 19 (Saturday) 9:00 AM Open

5:00 PM +Conrado, Alberto, Eduardo Nicomedez, +Carmelina Soares, Maria Hodglinson, +Crescencia Moore

Please Wear your Mask!

WAY OF THE CROSS Every Friday of Lent following the 7 PM Holy Mass



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

WHAT IS YOUR VISION OF THE RESURRECTION

How you envision the resurrection will give meaning to your life, especially in the places and times when life seems most senseless, most meaningless.

The story of the Transfiguration of Jesus offers us a way in which it can give purpose and direction to our lives. This Sunday is an ivitation to reflect on that story and how that impacts our life.

Before the Transfiguration took place, Jesus was already talking to his disciples about his suffering and death, and that anyone who would be his follower must take up the cross and do the same. In the Transfiguration, Jesus gives them a glimpse of that glory and He wants them to make this vision their own. For in the midst of suffering and toil, and sickness and pain that we are all too familiar about - transfiguration is the hope which draws us togehter as a people and focuses our life as a Christian community. This is the reason we gather around the Table of the Eucharist.

Spend some time today or this week to reflect on just what this means to you. What do you think will happen when you die? What will heaven be like?

Death is not something we should dread. When sister death comes knocking at the door, we should welcome her with open arms because she is God's gift to us - we are finally going to the home of the Heavenly Father. Scripture is lost for words to describe for us the sheer beauty and gladness that day will bring. In the Old Testament, it was often describe as sharing a great banquet of rich, juicy food and pure, choice wines. In the New Testament, it is about the life of the great city, the new Jerusalem, paved with gold, precious diamonds and pearls. Whatever your vision of the resurrection, imagine it fully and let it enflame your heart.

Sunday Offering	
Offertory (2021)	\$ 4,138.60
Building Fund	\$ 8,000.15
Liturgical Fund	\$ 200.85
Mass Stipends	\$ 615.00
Candle Offering	\$ 147.75
ShareLife	\$ 20.00
Initial Offering	\$ 25.00
Office Equipment	\$ 1,141.16
Humanitarian Relief	\$ 115.00
Flowers	\$ 40.00
Total	\$14,443.51

Fr. Mark will be away for ten days, March 21 to 31. He has asked Fr. Jaison and Fr. Martin to look after the Sacramental needs of the parish. Please note that the Daily Mass (Monday to Friday) will be held in the evening at 7 PM. There will be 7:30 AM Morning Mass on Tuesday and Thursday during his absence. Any other celebrations should be coordinated with Deacon Roman Lim. Otherwise, you can also contact Fr. Mark using the parish email address. Thank you.

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION

The Sacrament of Confession during the Lenten Season are held daily from 5 PM to 6 PM or by appointment to ensure that Fr. Mark or a priest is available before you come.

Sign up for Formed.Org. It is free for all parishioners of St. Josephine Bakhita. You can watch anywhere, anytime on your favourite device.

Are you looking for some resource to help your child learn something about

Lent, go to to Formed.org We suggest Brothe Francis' Storytime "Let's learn about Lent" Come & See - Day Retreat March 19 (9 AM to 3:30 PM) St. Augustine's Seminary

Inviting single Catholic men 18 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. Register online at www.vocationstoronto.ca/ comesee

For more information, please contact (your Parish Priest) or the Office of Vocations via email: vocations@ archtoronto.org.

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS!

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. EMAIL: youth@ocytoronto.org Calling All Girls - A Special Evening for Mothers and Daughters A virtual evnet Friday, March 25, 2022, 7 PM Register: dynamic.womefaith.com

Fr. Ron Rolheiser Lenten Retreat Friday, April 1, 2022, 7 PM to Sunday April 3, 2002, 2 PM Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre 1617 Blythe Rd. Mississauga

Theme: Keeping Christ Incarnate: The Stunning Implications of the Incarnation

contact: 905-278-5229

The Sisters of Life are hosting a Day of Prayer and Healing for women seeking healing after abortion. The day is an opportunity to experience the loving mercy of God and the joy of healing in Christ, in a confidential and sacred space. It will include a witness of mercy, a Scripture reflection, personal prayer, opportunity for Sacramental Confession and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. There is no fee for the day, lunch will be provided. Please contact The Sisters of Life for more information about the location. Saturday, April 2, 2022, 9 AM to 5 PM. Call 416-463-2722 email toronto@ sistersoflife.org

Learn about St. Michael's College School's university preparatory programming for boys in grades 7 through 12. See our school in action! Meet our admissions team and ask your questions during a live Q&A, plus much more. Hope to see you there. Saturday, April 9, 2022 at 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM. Call 416-653-3180 or email celotti@smcsmail.com to register.

PRAYER FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE

Risen Christ, as we remain in silence before you, we let this ardent prayer rise up: may the firing of weapons in the land of Ukraine cease! Welcome into your love those who are dying from violence and war, console the families in mourning, support those who have had to take the road of exodus. Faced with incomprehensible suffering, we still believe that your words of love and peace will never pass. You gave your life on the cross and you opened a future for us, even beyond death. So we implore you: give us your peace. You are our hope.

If you wish to help monetarily the many suffeing and displaced people of Ukraine, please use the envelope earmarked "Humanitarian Relief" available at the door.

Our parish's first **SHARELIFE** collection will be held in two weeks, on the weekend of March 27th.

In today's second reading, St. Paul exhorts us to follow the example of the life of Jesus Christ. Our annual ShareLife campaign calls us as Christians to show our love to our brothers and sisters in this season of almsgiving.

More than 40 Catholic organizations and social service agencies are supported through your generous support. Without our support, the more than 150,000 people who are helped each year would not receive the hope offered through the important works of these agencies.

As we approach Easter, we give thanks to Our Lord for the everlasting love He gave us through his life and resurrection. Thank you for your generous support for ShareLife. Liturgical Publications 3171 LENWORTH DR. #12 MISSISSAUGA, ON L4X 2G6 905-624-4422



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