

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

May 14 (Saturday)
5:00 PM +Baby Verdan Emmanuel Lindo

May 15 (Sunday)
7:30 AM +Aquileo Villanueva
9:00 AM Thanksgiving of Marina & Ramil Pajatin, Thanksgiving of Joy Rego, +Alvito Santiago, +Gerry Coutinho, Christopher Colaco, +Emelia Coelho
11:00 AM+Thanksgiving of Alisa D'Souza, +Julieta & Ted Patricio
12:30 PM +Felimon Taplada, +Helen Tolentino, Cristina Carpio Huab, +Nestor Reyes

May 16 (Monday)
7:00 PM +Batin Noronha

May 17 (Tuesday)
7:30 AM Open

May 18 (Wednesday)
7:00 PM Thanksgiving of Jimarie & Edwin Rovelo, +Marayana Rao

May 19 (Thursday)
7:30 AM open

May 20 (Friday)
7:00 PM +Anna Kalezopolski

May 21 (Saturday)
9:00 AM Open

5:00 PM Thanksgiving of Albert & Victoria de Leon

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) is usually celebrated at 5 PM to 6 PM daily unless Fr. Mark is called somewhere else. It is best to call the parish before you come to make sure that Fr. Mark is around.



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

LOVE IS MORE THAN A FEELING

What is love? Think about it for a moment.

For most people, I suspect, think of love as a feeling. What do you actually mean when you say to someone “I love you”?

In today’s Gospel, when Jesus calls us to love, his primary mandate is not: “I give you a new commandment: Have a warm hug for each other.” No. His primary mandate is, rather: “I give you a new commandment: Decide that you will act for other people’s good; choose to do right by all whom you meet.”

In the first reading, we hear about the heroic love of Paul and Barnabas manifest in the trials of choppy seas and dusty roads, foreign lands and hostile peoples, scoffing Gentiles and self-righteous Jews. These trials are the manifestation of love. Paul and Barnabas decided, chose, to take them on. The love they show is heroic.

All too often, though, our decision to love means returning hospitality and making dinner for friends, emptying our closets of clothes we don’t need anymore. But the Christian call to love is much more than these. It is welcoming the newcomer into the neighbourhood, talking it out with the colleague who is angry. It is saying, “I am sorry” to the person who we may have hurt. Remaining faithful to our commitments, to our spouses even, after long frustration, staying attentive to God even when we are tired and confused.

Our decision to love the way that Jesus commands us to love is what will make all things new. For love is God’s work - not merely our own - and love is how all will know that we are truly His disciples!

The fact that so many are unloved tells us that the commandment is new and not yet realized!

Sunday Offering

Offertory	\$ 4,071.20
Building Fund	\$ 1,947.30
Liturgical Fund	\$ 57.50
Mass Stipends	\$ 470.00
Candle Offering	\$ 100.85
Humanitarian	\$ 20.00
ShareLife	\$ 320.00
Confirmation	\$ 2,718.80
First Holy Communion	\$ 2,210.40
Flowers	\$ 96.00
Total	\$12,012.05

Election Debate from a Catholic Perspective

On Wednesday, May 18 at 7:30 p.m., the Archdiocese of Toronto will host an election debate where representatives from the major political parties will discuss issues that matter to Catholics across Ontario. The debate will be livestreamed on the Archdiocese of Toronto’s YouTube and Facebook accounts (@archtoronto), and it will be broadcasted on Salt+Light TV. This evening will include Cardinal Collins sharing his thoughts on the election. More than 12,000 people viewed the archdiocese’s 2019 federal election debate, so we hope you will join many other Catholics in sharing your thoughts using the hashtag #CatholicVote2022. Please remember to vote in the provincial election on June 2.

The Archdiocese of Toronto has produced a number of resources that provide background on election issues through the lens of Catholic Social Teaching. If they would be useful for your parishioners, you can find them here: www.archtoronto.org/election

The Exercise of your Right to Vote is both a Civic and Christian Duty. Inform yourself and cast your vote on Election Day!

Sacrament of Confirmation

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be conferred on our young people by His Excellency the Most Rev. Ivan Camilleri, D.D., Auxiliary Bishop for the Western Pastoral Region on the following dates:

May 17 St. Faustina, Public & Private Schools

May 19 St. Bernard

The Pope's Pastoral Work Special Collection May 22, 2022

Canadian Catholics are asked to give generously to this papal collection, which is passed on to the Holy Father for his use among those stricken by natural disasters anywhere in the world. Thank you for your generosity!

SHARELIFE

We each have a part to play in supporting those in need in our community. And for that reason, each parish, and the archdiocese as a whole, has a fundraising goal for ShareLife. Reaching this goal means Catholic agencies can continue providing care to those who turn to them for help.

Cardinal Collins is asking each of us to contribute what we can. He says: "Our goal can be met, but only with your help. I invite you to join today's generation of heroes by making a sacrificial gift to ShareLife. As you contemplate the blessings God has entrusted to you, please join me in giving to ShareLife to the best of your ability."

Thus far our parish has raised \$11,477.75 Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org. You can also give during the final ShareLife Sunday collection on June 5. Thank you for living the Gospel!

SOCIAL MINISTRY

Are you passionate about social issues of today? Are you concerned about the plight of the poor or about the environment? Would you like to help to make a difference in the world around us? Would you like to be the conscience arm of the parish on these burning issues? Join the Social Ministry!

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.

WE NEED MORE VOLUNTEERS!

It is our hope that the church will be opened all day starting in June. But in order to do this, we need more volunteers to watch our facility. To date, we have four volunteers who are willing to come from 12 noon to 4 PM. But we need several more to ensure that the church will always be opened in case one volunteer will not be able to come. If you are interested, please see Serge Poirier or Susan Javier or give your name and contact info at the Parish Desk.

We are deeply grateful to the many parishioners who serve in various capacities.

CATHOLIC NURSES CANADA

Virtual meeting, June 2, 2022
starting at 7 PM

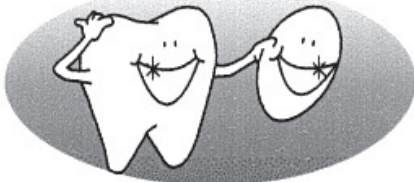
Join NACN-Canada via Zoom for its AGM on Thursday, June 2. Guest speaker, Dr. Linda Dayler, will describe a team of nurses that she developed and integrated with existing parish ministries to visit elderly parishioners of St. Ann's Parish in Ancaster Ontario. Contact us by email for the meeting link. NACN-Canada's goal is to align professional practice with faith through prayer, education, service and participation in public discourse. EMAIL nacncanada.boardcontact@gmail.com WEBSITE: <https://catholicnurses.ca>

ST. AUGUSTINE'S SEMINARY LAY FORMATION PROGRAM

Annual Day of Reflection for Women
Saturday, June 4 starting at 9:30 AM.

IN-PERSON/VIRTUAL EVENT RUN BY ST. AUGUSTINE'S SEMINARY

St. Augustine's Seminary invites all women to an in-person event with the Sisters of Life. On Saturday, June 4, the Sisters of Life will facilitate a day of reflection for women, celebrating what Pope St. John Paul II called the "feminine genius." The Sisters of Life will accompany all participants as they reflect on the gifts of women and their unique call to holiness. Brunch and Mass will be offered. For those preferring a virtual experience, virtual attendance is welcomed. The cost for in-person attendance is \$50. The cost for virtual attendance is \$25. Please visit our website for more information regarding registration: www.staugustines.on.ca. COST: \$25 plus HST CONTACT: St. Augustine's Seminary of Toronto PHONE: 416-261-7207 EMAIL: lay.formation@staugustines.on.ca



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