

# 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**

June 25 (Saturday)  
5:00 PM +Manuel & Teresa, Tony Pavao

June 26 (Sunday)  
7:30 AM Open  
9:00 AM Open  
11:00 AM +Peter Lai Nguyen, +Felix R.P. Jeevarathnam  
12:30 PM +Cristina Carpio Huab

June 27 (Monday)  
7:00 PM Thanksgiving of Julie Bautista, +Abraham Sarmiento, +Lydia Eduardo, Eduardo Roque Querubin

June 28 (Tuesday)  
7:30 AM Open

June 29 (Wednesday)  
7:00 PM Open

June 30 (Thursday)  
7:30 AM +Deborah Cabral

July 1 (Friday)  
7:00 PM +Nicholaus Ho

June 2 (Saturday)  
9:00 AM +Nicholas Correa  
  
5:00 PM +Tony DeSilva, +Napoleon Mendonca, +Primo Martin

We will not be publishing a Parish Bulletin during the summer months of July and August. We will instead update the parish of events during the regular announcements before the Final Blessings of Sunday Mass.



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

The Blessed Sacrament is now exposed in our Church from Tuesday to Friday from 12 noon to 7 PM

**UNBEKNOWN TO MANY OF YOU**

For almost ten (10) years, we operated St. Peter’s Mission Church on the Ninth Line. We returned the small church to the Hamilton Diocese, which in turn handed it to the Oblates of Mary Immaculate for their Global Missionary Outreach. I would have wanted the small church as an extension of the parish, but it was not granted. Man proposes and God disposes. We are consoled in our grief by the gift of the old statue of the Sacred Heart (120 years old) and is now standing next to my pastor’s office.

The Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus is popular to us all...and the month of June is dedicated to the devotion. Even our Archbishop, Thomas Cardinal Collins, have written a pastoral centre, inviting us to discover anew this wonderful devotion. We live in a time when the Eucharist has become a battle ground for so many things - from the way we ought to celebrate the Mass to who should be able to receive Holy Communion. When our Lord appeared to Margaret Mary Alacoque, He opened and offered his heart enflamed with His great love. He was offering his friendship to her and also to us. “I no longer call you servants, but friends,” Jesus tells us in the gospel. This should be where we ought to start. By giving us his heart, he is offering us his friendship. When we come for Holy Mass, this is where that offer friendship is reiterated again and again... The question that we should ask is not whether we are worthy or not worthy rather, whether we accept his offer of friendship or not. This is our starting point. When we recognize his offer of friendship and welcomes it, then our prayer and participation in the Eucharist will be colored by it. Our prayer and participation in the Mass will be like a heart to heart communication between two friends. Jesus is offering His heart to you and me. By giving your heart to Him and accepting his heart in exchange, you will also be enflamed with the same charity - the same love and concern for the needs of the whole world.

**Sunday Offering**

Offertory	\$ 3,741.60
Building Fund	\$ 1,104.00
Liturgical Fund	\$ 53.45
Mass Stipends	\$ 360.00
Candle Offering	\$ 268.75
ShareLife	\$ 330.00
Pope’s Pastoral Works	\$ 100.00
Wedding	\$ 500.00
Flowers	\$ 15.00
Marygrove Camp	\$ 671.70
Total	\$ 7,144.50

When I was a young seminarian, I once asked a holy priest, what the devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary really means. I was expecting him to advice me to say that and this prayer...instead he said, drawing me closer to him, as if he was disclosing to me a venerable secret. He said: “Mark, the beating of the heart of Jesus and that of His Blessed Mother are in sync. Place your heart between their hearts so that the beating of your own heart will sync with theirs.” I have always treasured those words of that holy priest. When we were designing our church, I insisted to have two niches in front - one for the Sacred Heart and another for the Immaculate Heart, so that anyone who enters our church will always pass thru the hearts of Jesus and Mary.

I see so many people come to pray before the statues during the day and even in the night... I always see flowers being offered. People who do not come inside the church for some reason, but would just be contented to stay outside, like the Publican in the Gospels, that felt so unworthy and hitting his breast: “have mercy on me a sinner” - but know and be reassured that Jesus is offering and continues to offer His heart to you and me... will you accept His heart and will you offer your heart to Him too?

I give to you my heart and my liberty... let’s whisper that to Him today.

## LITURGICAL MINISTRIES: RE-ENGAGE, RENEW, RESPOND

The Office of Formation for Discipleship is pleased to offer a morning of re-engagement in liturgical ministries on Saturday, September 17, from 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. All liturgical coordinators, parish liturgy committee members and liturgical ministry volunteers are invited to attend, including lectors, music ministers, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, sacristans, altar servers and ministers of hospitality. As life begins to settle down and take on a new sense of normality, parishes are eager to re-invigorate their ministries by building on the dedication of returning liturgical ministers and by encouraging new volunteers to participate in the liturgical life of the parish. We are planning for this to be a hybrid event. Please save the date and stay tuned for more information.

## ATTENTION GRADE 12 STUDENTS

June brings high school graduation, and many Grade 12 students will soon be making the transition to university and college. Campus ministers in our archdiocese and across Canada want to help these young adults stay connected to and grow in their Catholic faith in their new environment. We've developed an easy online tool, Chaplaincy Connect, that students can use to connect with the campus ministry at their school. Chaplaincy Connect is an initiative of the Archdiocese of Toronto, and it's very effective at fostering a personal connection between students and campus ministers.

[www.chaplaincyconnect.ca](http://www.chaplaincyconnect.ca)

## LOVE IN THE KITCHEN Saturday, July 18 to Sunday July 19 A virtual event

Join Chalice, the Catholic international aid charity, as we connect our souls to our stomachs. In this online conference, 20+ Catholic speakers will give their thoughts on food and baking – and how it all connects to theology. Join us Saturday night for a live cooking session with Fr. Leo Patalinghug of Plating Grace Ministries. Register at: [www.chaliceevents.org!](http://www.chaliceevents.org!)

## LIFETEEN CAMP: PURSUE Monday to Friday, August 8 to August 12 Jackson's Point, Sutton, Ontario

What are you pursuing right now? Who pursues your heart? Are you ready to be pursued by the One that truly loves you? Experience a once in a lifetime opportunity to discover God's loving pursuit in our Lifeteen Camp happening on August 8 to 12 at Jackson's Point, Sutton, Ontario. Save the date and unearth the saving power of God. Camp is open for grade 8 graduates to grade 12 graduates. Registration is now open.

CONTACT: Erica Cinco or Pamela Clerigo PHONE: 416-298-0989 ext. 205 or 905-294-5955

## PROPOSED SIGNAGE FOR OUR CHURCH

Up to this date our church has no signage to indicate the name. There are two proposals that we are considering - but both requires some funding. The cost of a simple signage that will be put on the wall will cost us about \$3000. If you are interested to donate towards this project, please drop your donation in our offertory collection with an envelope indicating where the donation is to be applied. Thank you so much!

## SUNDAY MASS OBLIGATION

On March 13, 2020, Cardinal Collins issued a communication to the faithful of this archdiocese indicating that it was necessary to cancel public celebrations of the Eucharist on the coming Sunday, stating: "For this weekend and any other which may be required, I grant the faithful dispensation from their Sunday obligation."

Given that most of the health and safety restrictions in our parishes are no longer in place and the faithful are able to attend the celebration of the Eucharist once again, the basis for the dispensation from the Sunday obligation has dissipated and is no longer in effect.

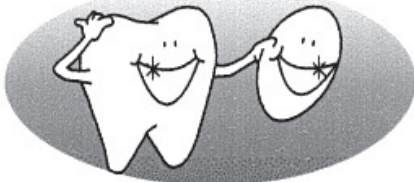
The Church does not obligate people to do the impossible. If individuals, based on their conscience, cannot attend Mass for a grave reason, including a great vulnerability to COVID-19 or because they are self-isolating to limit the spread of illness, then they are excused from their Sunday obligation, as the law of the Church allows.

After two years of COVID-19 restrictions, many have been deprived of the opportunity to attend Mass and to receive the most Holy Eucharist and all of us have missed the opportunity to experience community, including members of our parishes. WE invite and encourage EVERYONE to return to the practice of attending Mass in-person.

## SUMMER IS HERE!

Canadian summer is short and sweet, please enjoy it as much as you can with your family and friends.

Be safe!



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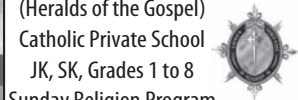
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