## 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 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
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#### 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 INTENTION**

SATURDAY (October 22) 5:00 PM +Anastacio Ocsan, +Marcelian Valencira, +John & Hilda Rodrigues, +Jason Mistry

SUNDAY (October 23)
7:30 AM +Petra and Jose Feril
9:00 AM +Polly Aquino, For all
the souls in Purgatory
11:00 AM Thanksgiving
of Wieslaw & Monica
Baginski,+Vimla Patel, +Sarava
Francis, +Adelina & Teodora
Morta, +Adoracion Perez, +Cora
Aris
12:30 PM +Matthew Bell,
+Eduardo Somera, +Cristina
Carpio Huab, +Nestor & Angelina
Reyes

MONDAY (October 24) 7:00 PM +Gerarda Gani

TUESDAY (October 25) 7:30 AM +Ricarte Tayag, +Lidia Soriano

WEDNESDAY (October 26) 7:00 PM +Josephine Co-De Rodrigues, Demetrius Advincula, +jason Avelino Mistry

THURSDAY (October 27) 7:30 AM Thanksgiving of Vilma Patel

FRIDAY (October 28) 7:00 PM +Henry Valere, +Jason Avelina Mistry

SATURDAY (October 29) 9:00 AM Open 5:00 PM Thanksgiving of Julian Bernard Bautista, +Angelito & Leticia Saring, +Moises Manego, +Evelyn & Ruel Macalaguim, +Milagos & Juanito Umali

#### THE HOME CHURCH

The home is a place where families gather to pray, play, and stay togerther guided by the sharing of the gospel, sharing bread and wine at their own tables, and celebrating feasts and fasts. It is here that the touch of healing is given, the words of forgiveness spoken, and authority respected. It is here that the Christian values are clarified and lived and where sharing and caring for others and being willing to live the gospel call to be countercultural is an experienced reality. Here example is given, and questions about church, religion and faith are not dodged. Here such ultimates as death, life, freedom, justice and responsibility are faced because it is in these events that God is present to us. It is in this domestic church that religion becomes something that members will grow into, not out of. It is a place where prayer happens. Each Sunday these domestic churches come together for common worship where the continuing presence of Jesus is revealed in word and sacrament.

### SCIENCE AND RELIGION ARE NOT DIAMETRICALLY OPPOSED

Science in this age of technology is discovering the world in ways we had never imagined, and also raising profound ethical questions. We keep religion connected to science by encouraging one another and especially our children to ask questions about creation, life, the meaning of life, and our responsibility for it. Children love both science and mystery. As a parish community we should do our best to link scientific curiosity with life's sacramental depth.

FAITH IS A SIGN OF MATURITY

#### SUNDAY OFFERING

Offertory	\$ 3,877.00
Building Fund	\$ 607.00
Liturgical Fund	\$ 127.25
Mass Stipend	\$ 1,080.00
Candle Revenue	\$ 235.00
First Communion	\$ 80.00
Flowers	\$ 50.00
Wedding	\$ 500.00
Indigenous	\$ 35.00
World Mission	\$ 15.00
ShareLife	\$ 20.00
Humanitarian	\$ 190.00
Confirmation	\$ 150.00
Total	\$ 6,966.25

#### RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION

Our parish invites those who wish to explore the Catholic Faith and possibly receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation at Easter. If you or someone you know are interested, please let us know at the parish office and we will connect you to our RCIA Team.

#### SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

Each family knows how it best reaches out to others. Whether we count ourselves among the have or the have-nots, there is much we can do to make the lives of others better. Our young people have much to teach us along these lines. Their social awareness is quite remarkable - we need to recognize this and respond accordingly.

If you want to serve and do not know how or where to begin, please do not hesitate to talk to Fr. Mark and explore possibilities with him.

Our parish is greatly appreciative of our volunteers.

COUNT YOURSELF IN

#### PRAY THE ROSARY, PRAY FOR THE MISSION DURING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER

Do you know that the Blessed Sacrament is exposed in our church for Adoration? Monday 6 PM to 7 PM Tuesday to Friday from 12 noon to 7 PM

Come and spend some quiet moments with the Lord. Jesus is waiting for you.

"Transforming Spirit: A Day of Reflection for the Season of Fall"

October 31 starting at 9 AM

Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre, Pickering

A day of reflection for men and women. As we once again enter the fall we return to our familiar patterns in life. It is sometimes easy for us to become trapped in our daily rhythms and yet the season of Fall is an invitation to each of us to reflect on a call to transformation in our lives. Fall reminds us of the beautiful colours of life even in our ordinary moments; the places where God is active in us in the here and now. As we watch the leaves fall from the trees, we are invited to examine our lives; of what am I called to let go for deeper freedom of spirit and joy? Gift yourself with a day of quietness, peaceful reflection, personal and communal prayer and, if desired, an opportunity for reconciliation. Come away and be still with God! This day will include talks given by Sr. Mary Rowell, CSJ. Reconciliation Service, confessions available and plenty of time for private prayer and to walk our grounds. Included is lunch and break. The day ends with Mass. Suggested Offering \$50 per person. Contact: registration@ manresa.ca, 905-839-2864

#### EUCHARISTIC MIRACLES OF THE WORLD EXHIBIT

St. Martin of Tours Parish, Mississauga December 2 to 4

approved Eucharistic Miracles of the World world. Some examples of projects include: Exhibit. The exhibit, which was designed building churches, pastoral centers, and created by Blessed Carlo Acutis, features cathedrals damaged by tsunamis and panels that each tell the story of a Eucharistic earthquakes, religious houses of formation, miracle and allow you to "virtually visit" the homes for the clergy, formation programs places where the miracles took place. Phone: for lay missionaries, radio and television 905-279-5742

## FRIARS' STUDENT WRITING CONTEST

Open to 13-19 years of age, and currently enrolled in an Ontario Secondary School or equivalent program.

The International theme and resources for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity celebration have been prepared with the assistance of a group of Christians in Minnesota convened by to missions and dioceses. We are called to the Minnesota Council of Churches in share from our abundance with those less the USA.

Focus Question for the Writing Contest (Essay) The message of Isaiah 1:12-18 calls for unity among Christians. How is this vision being lived today? What more needs to be done? Conclude with a short prayer that expresses your hope for the and smartest ways to donate in Canada. common witness of the disciples of Jesus in Canada.

resources for the Writing Contest 2023 @ https://bit.ly/3AgBy5J

The essay must be submitted to https:// www.catholicregister.org/writingaward For further inquiries, call 416-934-3400 (ext. 527)

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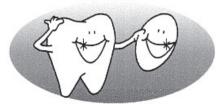
#### WORLD MISSION SUNDAY October 23

Since 1922, the Pontifical Missions Societies through the Society for the Propagation of the Faith has supported the temporal needs of missions as well as created awareness of Please join us as we host the Vatican the work of the missions throughout the production, audio-visual materials for remote mission areas as well as support of pastoral work in various rural dioceses. For more information, please visit the Society for the Propagation of the Faith: www.missionsocieties.ca

> The second collection will be held next Sunday. This is a worldwide collection for the missionary church and it is our opportunity to assist at-need Catholic communities globally. Offerings are combined with offerings from other Catholics around the world and distributed fortunate who lack the basic essentials to know, love and praise God. Thank you for your support of this important work.

#### STOCKS, BONDS, AND MUTUAL **FUNDS AS OFFERING**

A donation of securities is one of the easiest When you donate to the Archdiocese of Toronto, you put stock in knowing that Read Isaiah 1:12-18 and consult you are creating the greatest impact on the church and those we serve. Consider making a gift of securities to your parish or any one of our Archdiocesan charities. With a gift of securities, you can receive an immediate donation receipt for the fair market value of the security. In addition, there is no capital gains tax applied to any benefit received from the sale of these securities. Listed securities include, stocks, information, contact the development office at 416-934-3400 Ext. 561/519 or email at development@archtoronto.org.



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