

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

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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 INTENTION

SATURDAY (November 26)
 5:00 PM +Vara Prasad Rav
 +Richard Thornton, +Maria
 Rolinda Hodgkinson, Deceased
 members of the Pereira &
 Fernandes Family

SUNDAY (November 27)
 7:30 AM +Basilio Borromeo
 9:00 AM +Oscar Invierno Jr.,
 +Clarita Invierno, +Saturnina
 Villa Sr. +Nemesia Villa,
 +Rosemarie Ramboyan, +Lucas
 D’Souza
 11:00 AM Vimla Patel, +Veterans
 of Canada, Solomon & Magdeline
 Anthicques, Departed Souls
 Thanksgiving of Sister Leonilla Ac
 12:30 PM +Dulcie Silva, +Cristina
 Carpio Huab, +Nestor Reyes,
 +Angeline Reyes

MONDAY (November 28)
 7:00 PM +Reynaldo Lesaca, NVM
 Gonsales, +Dominic Naidu,
 +Marreddy Parvatham, +Henry
 Valere

TUESDAY (November 29)
 7:30 AM +Rev. Paul Gaudet

WEDNESDAY (November 30)
 7:00 PM +Jeofrey D’Souza

THURSDAY (December 1)
 7:30 AM +Eduardo Roque
 Querubin Jr. +Eduardo Querubin
 Sr. +Lydia Querubin, +Isagani
 Pantaleon Sr.

FRIDAY (December 2)
 7:00 PM Thanksgiving of Alfred
 Aguilar

SATURDAY (December 3)
 9:00 AM +Tony Pavao, +Manuel
 & Teresa Pavao, +Cora Aris,
 Thanksgiving of Bosco & Family
 5:00 PM +David Youesh

READY OR NOT?

We begin our new liturgical year with the First Sunday of Advent today. The Scriptural readings inquire of each one us: “Are you prepared to meet the Lord who will come among us at a time we least expect?” “Are you prepared to cast of deeds of darkness and live honorably as in the daylight?” “Are you ready to climb the Lord’s mountain, follow God’s instruction and walk in God’s paths?”

In all likelihood we find ourselves unprepared most times. When we are not cognizant of the sufferings of others, we are not prepared. When we do not have regard for our environment, we are not prepared. When we over indulge and eat to excess and then spend thousands of dollars on die-aids, exercise equipment, personal trainers, etc. while people of Sudan and other developing countries are starving, we are not prepared.

When we complain about the failures of our elected officials and yet we do not go out to vote, we are not prepared.

Some of us have already made reservations where we will spend our New Year’s Eve, yet our spiritual affairs are not in order, we are not prepared.

When we decry senseless killings in schools and in streets and we do nothing to stem the tide of senseless violence that permeate our movies, TV programs, electronic games, curb the proliferation of guns and especially among those who are mentally unstable, we are not yet ready.

When we look up to the wrong people for our role models, we are not yet ready.

May this Advent open our eyes and hearts to welcome Christ!

SUNDAY OFFERING

Offertory	\$ 2,935.15
Building Fund	\$ 689.00
Liturgical Fund	\$ 58.20
Mass Stipend	\$ 696.00
Candle Revenue	\$ 115.10
Equipment Fund	\$ 685.24
Flowers	\$ 60.00
Shepherds’ Trust	\$ 230.00
Sunday Missal	\$ 145.00
Altar Servers’ Gown	\$ 300.00
Confirmation	\$ 500.00
Indigenous	\$ 20.00
All Souls	\$ 20.00
Total	\$ 6,489.69

ALTAR SERVERS’ GOWNS

We are deeply grateful to all those who have contributed towards the purchase of new gowns for our altar servers. We are hoping to raise at least \$3000 for this purpose. To date we have raised \$2,350. Each gown cost about \$90. These gowns, if properly taken cared of, will last for at least 10 years. If you wish to contribute towards this project, please drop your donation in the offertory or through online (special projects). Thank you.

WINTER HAS COME UPON US

Snow has arrived. With it will be accumulated snow on the roof, wet pavement, and iced driveway. We ask that you be on the lookout of where you are walking to avoid accidents and slips. Whenever there is a snow build up on the roof, we will close the inner courtyard. We will ask you to pass through the entrance of the parish hall and into the church. Thank you.

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING PLAN

The Archdiocese of Toronto has established a Pre-Authorized Giving Plan (PAG) to assist you in your support of the work of the Parish through your regular parish offerings. To accomplish the mission entrusted to us by Christ, the parishes depend entirely on the generosity of their parishioners. Pre-authorized giving allows you to give to your parish through scheduled monthly transfers from your bank account or credit card. These funds are then deposited directly to the parish account.

There are various benefits of participating in pre-authorized giving, both for you and for your parish.

Advantages for you:

- The convenience of having your offering automatically contributed to the parish.
- Knowing you continue to support the parish even when you are away.
- Continual support of ministries and programs funded through the parish.

Advantages for the Parish:

Regular, dependable contributions to the parish.

- Reduction of cash on hand.
- Reduction of paperwork.

For information on how to enrol, please contact our parish desk or email at development@archtoronto.org.

Breakfast with Santa!

Organized by Daughters of Isabella

Sat Dec 3, from 10 am to 12 noon – For Children 12 and under (Children MUST be accompanied by one or both parents, or by an adult 18 yrs and above) Cost is \$10 per person – Children 1 year and below are free! Tickets will be available starting Sat Nov 12 NO Tickets will be sold at the door

Gifts of Warmth Campaign

The Daughters of Isabella are organizing the Gifts of Warmth Campaign, and are collecting NEW gloves/mittens, hats, scarfs, and socks for kids and adults. A drop-off box is placed in the Narthex. Your gifts will be donated to a charitable organization to ensure someone has a warm and wonderful Christmas. Thank you for your continuous support!

GIFT CARDS TO BRING CHEER TO PEOPLE'S LIVES THIS CHRISTMAS

Every Christmas Season, we are encouraged to bring joy and peace to our brothers and sisters who may be struggling financially to put food on the table. We are once again partnering with St. Vincent de Paul Society at Merciful Redeemer in providing gift cards to those who are in need. Gift cards have been proven to be most effective because they can be used at any time throughout the year. We are hoping to receive Gift cards primarily from Grocery Stores. We will also keep some of these gift cards in our office to assist those who might come asking for help here in our parish itself. Thank you.

2023 SUNDAY MISSALS are available for purchase at the Parish Desk
Cost: \$5 per copy
Grab your copy before they are gone.

Sacrament of Confession During this Advent Season

Fr. Mark will make himself available to anyone who wish to come for the Sacrament of Reconciliation

Monday to Friday 5 PM to 6 PM except December 12 to 14.

Saturday at 4 PM

If you wish to come for the Sacrament outside these hours, please call the parish office to see if Fr. Mark is around and available.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

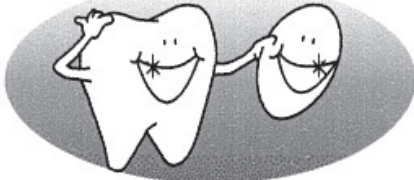
The Knight of Columbus and the Squires are inviting Adult men and Teenagers to participate. Membership Drive will be held this weekend at all the Masses

For your planning

December 15 to 23 at 7 PM
Christmas Novena Mass (Simbang Gabi, Missa de Gallo)

December 24
Christmas Eve Mass
5 PM, 7 PM, 9 PM, and 11 PM

December 25
Christmas Day Mass
7:30 AM, 9 AM, 11 AM. and 12:30 PM



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