

# 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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(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

## MASS INTENTION

SATURDAY (February 4)  
5:00 PM +Moises Mengo, +Jeffery  
D'Souza, +Henry Alvarez

SUNDAY (February 5)  
7:30 AM +Rosita & Tomas Revelo Sr.  
9:00 AM +Daria Macalino, +Vicente  
& Dolores Godawen, +Filomena  
Rivera, +Viola Pajatin, Thanksgiving  
of Ignacia & Paula Lee-lin  
11:00 AM +Maria Plata, +Abelardo  
Borral  
12:30 PM +Maria Apolonia Gomes,  
+Charlaine Pereira, +Peter Lai  
Nguyen

MONDAY (February 6)  
7:00 PM +Nelson Masironi

TUESDAY (February 7)  
7:30 AM +Marjorie Fernandes,  
+Annie Pereira, Special Intention of  
Mike Budhan

WEDNESDAY (February 8)  
7:00 PM +Germana Chua Te

THURSDAY (February 9)  
7:30 AM +Andrea Franco,  
Thanksgiving of Caroline Gorospe

FRIDAY (February 10)  
7:00 PM +Clara Pereira, +Peter Lai  
Ngueyn

SATURDAY (February 11)  
9:00 AM Open

5:00 PM +Avelino Vaz, +Jason  
Avelino Mistry, +Anthony Pinto,  
+Lisa Dias

## PASCHAL CANDLE

Every year, on Easter Night, we bless a new paschal candle. The cost of a paschal candle is about \$600. Would you like to contribute towards this candle? The candle will be lighted throughout the Easter Season, at Baptisms and Funerals.

## AS THE MASTER DESIRES

The feast of our Patron Saint, Josephine Bakhita, is on Wednesday, February 8. From her childhood, Josephine Bakhita had learnt to wonder at the beauties of creation. Even as a slave, she found comfort in admiring the sun, the moon and the stars. She told how, when she had finally, lot hope of ever seeing her family again, she began to appreciate more the beauties of nature. She wondered who could have been their maker and ardently desired to know him so as to be able to thank him and do him homage.

Josephine came to know this maker when she was at the Institute of Catechumens in Venice, Italy. It was in the chapel of the Institute that she was baptized. She could not but be amazed at the knowledge that through Baptism she will become a child of God. "A child of God - I, a poor black girl", she would repeat, filled with amazement. Her Baptism gave her such great joy.

"Here I became a child of God!" she exclaimed with emotio, kneeling at the baptism font when she had the good fortune to visit the chapel where she had been baptized. Baptism shaped her human and Christian future completely, and her whole life was overwhelmed with wonder at the goodness of a Father who orders everything for the good of those whom He has has chosen. This, then, was the source of Bakhita's constant goodness.

**I**f the Lord permits, I will look after everyone from Heaven, I will obtain many graces for the salvation of souls.

-St. Josephine Bakhita

## OFFERTORY

Offertory	\$ 2,753.25
Building Fund	\$ 425.00
Initial Offering	\$ 25.00
Mass Stipend	\$ 410.00
Candle Revenue	\$ 164.00
First Communion	\$ 25.00
Flowers	\$ 30.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3,812.00</b>

## HOLY MASS FOR THE SICK

(Feast of our Lady of Lourdes)

February 11, 2023

9 AM

### About the Anointing of the Sick

In the Church's Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, through the ministry of the priest, it is Jesus who touches the sick to heal them from sin – and sometimes even from physical ailment. His cures were signs of the arrival of the Kingdom of God. The core message of his healing tells us of his plan to conquer sin and death by his dying and rising.

The Rite of Anointing tells us there is no need to wait until a person is at the point of death to receive the Sacrament. A careful judgment about the serious nature of the illness is sufficient.

When the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is given, the hoped-for effect is that, if it be God's will, the person be physically healed of illness. But even if there is no physical healing, the primary effect of the Sacrament is a spiritual healing by which the sick person receives the Holy Spirit's gift of peace and courage to deal with the difficulties that accompany serious illness or the frailty of old age.

May someone receive this Sacrament more than once? Yes, and at the discretion of the priest. (Cf. CCC: 1515) One should ask for a priest to confer the sacrament again in any situation of grave illness, whether the situation is persisting, recurring, worsening, or a newly developed one and so on.

## Help yourself grow in the Faith

Our parish has subscribed to FORMED.ORG to help every member of our parish to grow deeper in their faith at their own time and pace. Visit the website and see for yourself.

## BIBLE FAITH FELLOWSHIP

Thursdays, starting February 23 from 7 PM to 8:15 PM

Topic: The Gospel of Mark in person at the Church Hall or via Zoom

For more info, email sjb.  
biblefellowship@gmail.com

## LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY 2023

Saturday, March 4, starting at 9 AM

For those in our parish who wish to attend, our contact is Suzie Pereira

Ticket cost  
Adults \$25  
Youth \$15

Additional Bus Fee will be made available as soon as we know how many are going.

There will be a sign sheet available in the Narthex for you to sign up. It is important that those interested should do so before February 20.

Your cooperation is greatly appreciated!  
Thank you!

## We should aim for Good palliative care

- Euthanasia is incompatible with the philosophy and goals of palliative care. Patients who enter a hospital expecting compassion as they live their last months, weeks or days should not have to worry about being euthanized based on a doctor's judgment of their quality of life. Care can never be killing.
- Incorporating euthanasia into palliative care confuses the general public about the true role of palliative care, which is to give optimum quality of life to the patient with a progressive incurable illness until natural death occurs.
- Physicians have a right to conscientious objection. If euthanasia is standardized, physicians who object will appear to be abandoning their patients. This becomes even more problematic if euthanasia is seen as a valid component of palliative care.
- In countries where euthanasia and/or assisted suicide are legal, fewer financial resources go towards developing palliative care, which is the truly human answer to end of life challenges.
- The Criminal Code defines euthanasia as a criminal act. If we want our country to stay a secure place for all its citizens, including the most vulnerable (persons with disabilities, the elderly, the very sick, the dying), we cannot give some people the right to kill others, regardless of the circumstances. If death can be used to solve one problem, it can be used to solve many others.

Source: Catholic Organization for Life and the Family ([www.colf.ca](http://www.colf.ca))

## PATIENT ADVOCACY TRAINING

Wednesday, February 8, starting at 7 PM

FREE Online Training – Live on Zoom!

## A VIRTUAL EVENT HOSTED BY COMPASSIONATE COMMUNITY CARE

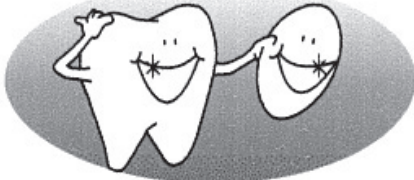
Join Compassionate Community Care for their free online event and training, live on Zoom to gain the confidence to journey with those who are seeking support in attending medical appointments, meetings, and assistance in facilitating their health needs. Gain the skills and confidence to be an advocate in the healthcare system. Empowering you to empower others. Training will feature Alex Schadenberg, Executive Director of Euthanasia Prevention Coalition and Kathy Matusiak Costa, Director of Compassionate Community Care to address this very important issue and how to overcome it with practical volunteer solutions and advocating for those who are most vulnerable. CCC has a dynamic and one-of-a-kind program designed to overcome the issues faced by people who are at greatest risk during these times. This training is free and one day, the session is two hours.

CONTACT: Compassionate Community Care

PHONE: 519-439-6445  
EMAIL: [info@beingwith.org](mailto:info@beingwith.org)  
WEBSITE: [www.beingwith.org](http://www.beingwith.org)

PARISH FINANCIAL COUNCIL MEETING will be held in the Parish Boardroom on Thursday, February 9 starting at 7 PM

Donation Receipts are available for pickup at the parish desk starting this weekend.



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