

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

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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 INTENTION

SATURDAY (April 15)

5:00 PM Thanksgiving of Ronald & Clara & Family, +Dionisio, Tering, Rizaldo Taguicana, +Edwin Dumadapat, +Avelino Balago

SUNDAY (April 16)

7:30 AM +Mila Rivera

9:00 AM +Lesly D'Mello, +Connie Neubert

11:00 AM +Dave Gardiner, +Isodra San Diego, Special intention of Salud Santos

12:30 PM +Felipe Enriquez, +Nelson Jumawen, Eulogia Maglinte, Felicisimo Maglinte, +Manuel Molina, +Celestine Fabico, +Maria Apolonia Gomes,

MONDAY (April 17)

7:00 PM Thanksgiving of Carolinena & Regalado de la Cruz

TUESDAY (April 18)

7:30 AM +Joseph D'Mello, Deceased members of the D'Mello & Braganza Families, + Sister Margaret Teresa Ho

WEDNESDAY (April 19)

7:00 PM Open

THURSDAY (April 20)

7:30 AM +John D'Silva

FRIDAY (April 21)

7:00 PM +Anselma Ramirez Ng

SATURDAY (April 22)

9:00 AM Open

5:00 PM Open

If you want to offer a Mass, please see the Parish Desk or use the form on our parish website. Thank you.

One way of understanding the meaning of the resurrection for our lives is to use an analogy of a black coffee. The resurrection gives everybody black coffee - whether they want it or not. Just as God made the world without our leave and us without our permission, so God raised Jesus from the dead without our consent. We can appreciate what God has done or dismiss it, but our opinion does not alter the fact. Jesus is risen from the dead!

Now if you want cream or sugar, you have to add your own - as little or as much as you like. So is the resurrection. You can, for example, believe that Jesus was risen only and nothing more or you can go further by believing that it can also happen to you and because you believe that there is life after this life, you can then have a goal in life - a purpose and meaning - that all of your days and way are not merely futile striving, finally mocked by death.

You may also add that everybody will rise from the dead, that even history has a meaning - that at the end of time, there will be a curtain call - and we will all gather to appreciate each other, to enjoy the marvelous unfolding of creation, and to be amazed at how God contrived to make such a complicated plot come out all right - and to applaud God.

The resurrection then becomes for us a pattern for everyday life - our ups and downs, our aches and pains are an extension of the death of Jesus. Every happiness is an expression of his resurrection. Every single thing that befalls us is an indispensable line in the script of our salvation.

This is our belief and our hope!

SUNDAY OFFERING

Offertory	\$ 5,920.95
Building Fund	\$ 3,538.50
Liturgical Fund	\$ 131.80
Mass Stipend	\$ 290.00
Candle Revenue	\$ 553.70
Good Friday	\$ 2,667.55
Easter	\$ 9,017.95
Flower Donation	\$ 46.00
ShareLife	\$ 180.00
Funeral	\$ 300.00
Total	\$24,437.05

SHARELIFE

Our second ShareLife Collection will be on April 30.

When you give to ShareLife, you help people with developmental disabilities and their family members through an agency called Mary Centre. Here's how your contribution makes a difference in the lives of those served by this remarkable Catholic agency:

"Thank you to all who donate to ShareLife. With each donation we receive, we are able to attain our goals of assisting people in their efforts in building a good life, and also providing a safe place for people with a developmental disability to stay so that their families/caregivers and themselves can get some needed respite."

Thus far we have raised \$3,941.05 Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

Our Parish Eucharistic Ministers' Meeting will be held at the Parish Hall on Saturday, April 19 at 11 AM.

A BIG THANK YOU!

I, as your pastor, would like to thank everyone for participating in the Holy Week Celebrations. Executing the various celebrations - Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter - cannot be the work of only one man. Without you and without the various volunteers, our parish would not be able to have a wonderful and meaningful commemoration.

Once again, I would like to thank the parish staff - Cliff, Ben, Cecilia, Marina, Deacon Gerry, Deacon Michael, Deacon Roman and their spouses for their continued dedication. They are my closest collaborators in the ministry of shepherding this parish community.

To Frs. Martin, Jaison, and Peter for presiding in our Eucharistic assemblies and for sharing their wisdom. I thank them for their brotherly affection to me. I cannot but be amazed at how the Lord have provided for our parish all through the years. Without an associate and yet the Lord has provided me with more help because of these brother priests and deacons.

I wish to thank all our volunteers - sacristans, altar servers, ushers, Eucharistic ministers, lectors, music ministries, arts and environment, Daughters of Isabella, Knights of Columbus, RCIA and RCIC Teams. Thank you for sharing your time and talent.

To one and all, from the bottom of my heart, thank you.

TORONTO RETROUVAILLE
WEEKEND

Friday to Sunday
April 21 to 23, 2023
Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre
1617 Blythe Road, Mississauga

Retrouvaille is for couples whose marriage needs a tune up or even a major overhaul. It is an effective program that has worked for thousands of couples. It is Catholic in origin and outlook but open to people of all faiths. It begins with a weekend experience and continues with a series of follow up sessions. Tel. 437-234-5610

LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary meets at the church every Tuesday evening at 7 PM at the church. You are all invited to become members of the Legion.

DONATING SECURITIES

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THE BLESSED SACRAMENT IS
EXPOSED IN OUR CHURCH

MONDAY 6 PM TO 7 PM
FROM TUESDAY TO FRIDAY, 12
NOON TO 7 PM

Mass of Celebration to Welcome
Archbishop Francis Leo

Parishioners are invited to attend a regional Mass of Welcome taking place in our Region on - Wednesday, May 3, 2023 - St. Francis Xavier Parish, Mississauga - 7 p.m. A reception will follow Mass in the parish hall. All are welcome. Please continue to keep Archbishop Leo in your prayers as he begins his ministry as our shepherd.

Join Fr. Mark

on a Pilgrimage/Tour to the Holy
Land (Egypt & Israel)
November 6 to 20, 2023

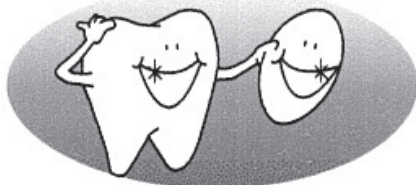
Pick up a copy of the Itinerary, Cost and how to register on the Table in the Narthex for more information.

We, Catholics, should aim at least once in our lifetime to visit the places where our Lord Jesus walked. People who have made this pilgrimage has made the Gospel move alive for them. This may be the opportunity you have been waiting for.

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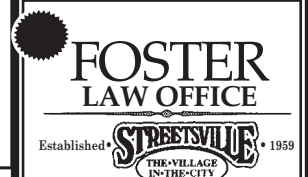
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