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 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

Parish Bulletin

7 May 2023

MASS INTENTION

SATURDAY (May 6) 5:00 PM Thanksgiving of Joanna Aguilar, +Maria, Peter & Paul Nguyen, +Maria Bui, + Maria Elisa Casallas

SUNDAY (May 7)

7:30 AM +Andrea Rodrigues, +Romar & Romeo Melad, +Rosario Lopez 9:00 AM Thanksgiving of Elmer & Anne Sol Cruz, Thanksgiving of D'Mello Family, +Numeriano Gamba, +Marian Tran 11:00 AM +Gerard Jacinto Jr., +Petra Amian, + Romy Caparas, +Paula Natividad, +Jovito Macalino 12:30 PM +Felimon Tablada Sr., +Elvie Singson, Peter Lai Nguyen, Peter Tu Pham, +Maria Thin Vu

MONDAY (May 8) 7:00 PM Thanksgiving of Victoria de Leon, +Tim Martins

TUESDAY (May 9) 7:30 AM Katherina Ksiezopolski, +Jacintha Fernandes

WEDNESDAY (May 10) 7:00 PM +Mike D'Cruz, +Rosalia D'Costa, +Clarina Rodrigues, Thanksgiving of Marise DeSouza

THURSDAY (May 11) 7:30 AM +Frances Gomes

FRIDAY (May 12) 7:00 PM +Lucy & John Texeira, +Evelyn & Ruel Macalaguim, +Juanito & Milagros Umali

SATURDAY (May 13) 9:00 AM +Aplone Correa, +Jacintha Fernandes, +Evelyn & Ruel Macalaguim, +Juanito & Milagros Umali

5:00 PM +Mike Galloro, Jason Avelino Mistry, +Joseph Nguyen, +Katerina Pham, +Mike D'Cruz, +Audrey & Peter Sequeira Our parish remembers today in a special way the fifth year anniversary the Dedication of our church. On May 6 2018, His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins, D.D. came to our church to dedicate it to the worship of God and to the service to God's people in the Archdiocese of Toronto.

s we celebrate our fifth year in this A church and fifteenth year since we began our journey together, St. Peter in our second reading today encourages us to live our faith. He uses the imageries of stones and cornerstones, foundations and buildings in order to concretize our hope and solidify our faith. His colourful metaphors are also intended to impart on us a sense of belonging. As the church, that is, as a spiritual edifice of living stones, and as a chosen race and royal priesthood, as followers of Jesus Christ, we have become the new Israel in this part of the City of Mississauga. We share in the promises of God to Israel by virtue of our baptism and therefore also enjoy the salvation that our spiritual ancestors had so long awaited.

We are members of God's household. We are living stones founded upon God's chosen cornerstone, Jesus Christ. This is a wonderful gift that God has given to each one of us. We do not deserve it, but God is so gracious, He overlooks our unworthiness and freely bestows us this honour. Let our lives, therefore, reflect such marvelous gift.

It is our task as members of God's household to invite, to welcome, and make sure everyone will have a place at the table. All our efforts, no matter how small and insignificant that may be to our estimation, are to be directed to this purpose - the Glory of God and the salvation of souls

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Offertory	\$ 3,251.95
Building Fund	\$ 1,450.00
Liturgical Fund	\$ 65.30
Mass Stipend	\$ 840.00
Candle Revenue	\$ 175.65
Flower Donation	\$ 20.00
ShareLife	\$ 2,731.30
Total	\$ 8,534.20

SUNDAY OFFERING

SHARELIFE

We each have a part to play in supporting those in need in our community. And for that reason, each parish, and the archdiocese as a whole, has a fundraising goal for ShareLife. Reaching this goal means Catholic agencies can continue providing care to those who turn to them for help.

Cardinal Collins is asking each of us to contribute what we can. He says: "Your sacrificial gift will truly make a difference in the life of someone turning to a ShareLife agency in their moment of need."

Thus far we have raised \$12,105.00. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/ donate.

Let us remember to help those who cannot help themselves.

Children's Liturgy of the Word will commence on Pentecost Sunday at 11 AM & 12:30 PM

THE BLESSED SACRAMENT IS EXPOSED IN OUR CHURCH MONDAY 6 PM TO 7 PM FROM TUESDAY TO FRIDAY, 12 NOON TO 7 PM

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MOTHER'S DAY

The Daughters of Isabella are hosting a ladies event to celebrate Mother's Day on Sun May 28 from 3 pm to 6 pm in our Parish Hall. All ladies 13 years and above are welcome to join for a fun filled afternoon of refreshments, games, and dancing! The cost per person is \$15. Tickets will not be sold at the door, so please purchase your tickets soon.

HOLY LAND PRODUCTS

The main income for the Christian community of Bethlehem-The Birth Place of Jesus-is selling their handcrafted olive wood religious items to the pilgrims who visit the area. The past few years have been extremely hard for the community as a result of declining tourism. Some Christians responded by fleeing the Holy Land, and the absence of a living Christian community is very dangerous for the Holy Sites such as the Church of The Nativity.

On May, 20th & 21st, we will be having some of their beautiful art held for sale to strengthen the Christian presence in the Holy Land.

SPECIAL COLLECTION: POPE'S PASTORAL WORKS May 13-14

was established by the bishops of USD per 3-week seminar Canada in 1970. The Papal Charities allow the Pope to contribute to various For particularly toward aiding the victims 3400 ext. 523. of war, famine and natural disasters. By contributing to the Pope's Pastoral Read more about our partnership: information, opens doors to seeking help, Works, the faithful of Canada give a https://bit.ly/DaytonU-OCanada-2023 universal dimension to their charity. Thank you for your generosity!

WE CONGRATULATE HIS EMINENCE THOMAS CARDINAL COLLINS, D.D. ON THE OCCAISON OF HIS 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD THIS WEEKEND.

WE ALSO PRAY FOR KING CHARLES III. WE ASK THAT HE BE GRANTED WISDOM IN THE EXERCISE OF HIS OFFICE AS SOVEREIGN.

Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation: New Course Cycle

Offered in Partnership with the University of Dayton, open to all members of the Archdiocese of Toronto at a discounted cost. Registration is now open for the new cycle of online courses and seminars offered by the Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation at the University of Dayton. Courses and certificate programs are on a variety of topics related to our Catholic faith.

DATES: May 22 – June 25 (Cycle 4) Download a list of courses and seminars On Sunday, May 7, 2023, Catholics in English (https://bit.ly/VLCFF-Cycle4-2023-EN) and Spanish (https://bit.ly/VLCFF-Ciclo4-2023-SPA) in the Faith Communities Awareness

REGISTRATION CLOSES: May 17 The Pope's Pastoral Works collection COST: \$50 USD per 5-week course; \$40 of the importance of mental health, how

more information, contact charitable causes around the world, formation@archtoronto.org or 416-934-

DONATING SECURITIES

One of the most financially sound ways to support the Archdiocese of Toronto is with the gift of securities (stocks, bonds, mutual funds). When you donate securities to a registered charity, you pay no capital gains tax and receive a tax receipt for the full amount of the gift. It means a great tax break for you and an increased support of various archdiocesan charities such as your Parish, ShareLife, St. Augustine's Seminary and many others. For further information, contact the Development Office at 416-934-3400 Ext. 519 or send email to development@archtoronto.org

PRAYER VIGIL Friday, May 12 starting at 5:30 PM St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica

For our soon-to-be priests in the Archdiocese of Toronto.

MENTAL HEALTH IN THE FAITH COMMUNITIES AWARENESS SUNDAY May 7

throughout the Archdiocese are encouraged to participate in Mental Health Sunday. The special focus for this day to raise awareness in our parish communities we need to look after it, and how important it is to get help if we are struggling. In our faith communities, people often report experiencing shame or stigma attached to mental health and mental health illness. Having open conversations about mental health issues, listening, and sharing and healing. So, on Sunday, May 7, 2023, let's talk about mental health and help stop the silence, stigma and shame.

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