

# 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 Assisstants*

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

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 (May 13)

5:00 PM +Mike Galloro, Jason Avelino Mistry, +Joseph Nguyen, +Katerina Pham, +Mike D'Cruz, +Audrey & Peter Sequeira

SUNDAY (May 14)

7:30 AM +Genevieve Sequeira, +Evelyn and Ruel Macalaguim, +Juanito & Milagros Umali  
 9:00 AM Thanksgiving of Imelda Dino, Special Intention of Maria Rufino, +Molina Javorina, Leonardo Domondon, +Maria and Isidro San Diego  
 11:00 AM +Baby Jordan Emmanuel Lindo, +Julieta Patricio, +Maria and Przamek Plata, Andrew Plata, +Martha Tran  
 12:30 PM Thanksgiving of JustinaManalo, Thanksgiving of Sandra Braganza Thanksgiving of Boy & Wai Moreno, +Francisco Cogo Jr., Lolita Cogo, +Concepcion Gabral

MONDAY (May 15)

7:00 PM Open

TUESDAY (May 16)

7:30 AM +Maria Albuquerque

WEDNESDAY (May 17)

7:00 PM +Maria Mascarenhas

THURSDAY (May 18)

7:30 AM Open

FRIDAY (May 19)

7:00 PM Open

SATURDAY (May 20)

9:00 AM Thanksgiving of Wilfred and Marise DeSouza

5:00 PM Thanksgiving of Albert & Victoria de Leon

**W**hat does the Gospel according to St. John tell us about Mother's Day? Mothers often talk to their children about values and both general and specific operating instructions for life among many other things. Mothers often repeat their instructions a million times over. We, their children, call this Lecturing! What we often overlooked and only on hindsight is that what mother has repeatedly said is true all along. We probably will be shocked later down the road, when we become parents ourselves, how we often resemble the way mom has parented us.

**J**esus discourse in the upper room at the Last Supper is about what is most important for the disciples - love and obedience. Jesus also assures them of his continued presence and protection through the Spirit. He seems to want to leave no gaps in the understanding his "children" have of him as they prepare to set off in the world to proclaim the Good News.

**O**ur Lord seem to show us through the gospel stories maternal qualities - instructive, protective, serene, wise, self-assured, and above all loving - one we wish all mothers possessed.

**I**n so many ways, Jesus provides mothers the affirmation and the challenge of their vocation. The washing of the feet that he performed at the Last Supper was a surprising yet clear instruction that if they are to be like him, they must serve each other. When done well, what is mothering, what is parenting, if not the daily practice of humble service to another in love?

**I**f you find Jesus verbose and preachy like your mother does, it is because they are full of love for you.

## SUNDAY OFFERING

Offertory	\$ 3,503.15
Building Fund	\$ 3,246.25
Liturgical Fund	\$ 68.00
Mass Stipend	\$ 500.00
Candle Revenue	\$ 141.55
Flower Donation	\$ 153.00
First Communion	\$ 1,313.45
Rectory Repair	\$ 261.16
Confirmation	\$ 2,874.15
ShareLife	\$ 355/00
Total	\$12,473.16

## SHARELIFE

Our parishioners' support of ShareLife is making a difference in the lives of those in need.

On Mother's Day, all moms deserve to be celebrated and supported. Did you know that our parish's support of ShareLife is helping young women with an unexpected pregnancy? One such mother is Nikki, who was able to continue her education and receive practice assistance through an agency called Rose of Sharon.

She says, "If it wasn't for you and for ShareLife, I don't know where we would be today. We will always and forever be grateful for your support!"

Thus far we have raised \$12,460.00. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at [sharelife.org/](http://sharelife.org/) donate. Let us remember to help those who cannot help themselves.

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

## 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

The Pope's Pastoral Works collection was established by the bishops of Canada in 1970. The Papal Charities allow the Pope to contribute to various charitable causes around the world, particularly toward aiding the victims of war, famine and natural disasters. By contributing to the Pope's Pastoral Works, the faithful of Canada give a universal dimension to their charity. Thank you for your generosity!

## 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 in English (<https://bit.ly/VLCFF-Cycle4-2023-EN>) and Spanish (<https://bit.ly/VLCFF-Ciclo4-2023-SPA>)

REGISTRATION CLOSES: May 17

COST: \$50 USD per 5-week course; \$40 USD per 3-week seminar

For more information, contact [formation@archtoronto.org](mailto:formation@archtoronto.org) or 416-934-3400 ext. 523.

Read more about our partnership: <https://bit.ly/DaytonU-OCanada-2023>

## REGARDING MASS INTENTIONS

It is our practice here in the parish to accept multiple intentions on our regular scheduled Masses. Sometimes, a family may want a special Mass said for an anniversary of a loved one, for example, please see Fr. Mark to discuss this type of request. It is best to touch base with him personally and not through the parish desk. The regular masses may not be the appropriate celebration you are looking for.

## 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](mailto:development@archtoronto.org)

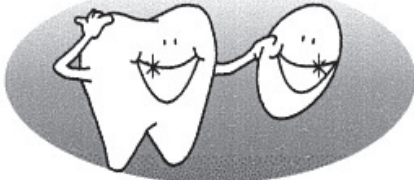
## Seeing With Heart

A Day of Reflection for Parents of  
LGBT Young Adults  
Saturday, June 3, 2023: 9:00am -  
4:00pm

Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre, 2325 Liverpool Rd., Pickering  
This day of reflection will provide parents with an opportunity to share their stories, listen to presentations from an experienced Catholic priest, reflect on the gifts and talents of their children, and participate in group discussions. The day ends with Mass. We hope to provide a relaxed and supportive environment for parents to meet and interact with other parents, reflect and discuss concerns, learn about resources, strengthen their love, and grow closer to God.

Facilitator: Fr. Tom Rosica, CSB. A suggested offering of \$65 per person. Includes lunch.

For more information or to Register:  
Call Mike Hyland - 647-296-2499



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