

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

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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 11)

5:00 PM +Thanksgiving of Charles & Jayden D'Souza, +Diogo Figueria, Departed members of of RJ D'Souza, Pereira & Fernandes families, All Souls

SUNDAY (November 12)

7:30 AM For the Parish

Community

9:00 AM Thanksgiving of D'Mello Family, +Flora Prollamante, Nancy D'Souza, +Sylvie D'Souza, All Souls

11:00 AM Thanksgiving of Erica Tarnate, Amy Yeung Rovelo,

+Peter Lai Nguyen, +Lucy & John Texeira, All Souls

12:30 PM +Tersita Naluz, +Suzie & Roma de Vera

MONDAY (November 13)

7:00 PM Thanksgiving of Ceniza Family, +Flora Prollamante

TUESDAY (November 14)

7:30 AM +Hansel Caballero

WEDNESDAY (November 15)

7:00 PM +Regino Desamito Fronda Sr., +Macaria Ugay Fronda, +Adelaida Peraro Araos, +Marlene Virrey, +Nora Costes Fronda, +Fausto Araos Sr. +Rosalie de Vera

THURSDAY (November 16)

7:30 AM +Teresita Bonoan

FRIDAY (November 17)

7:00 PM +Arecia Paul & all departed souls

SATURDAY (November 18)

9:00 AM +Charles D'Souza

5:00 PM +Avelino & Mericia Vaz, +Inacin & George Pereira, +Jason Almeida, +Annette Andrade, +Gerry Coutinho, +Christopher & Tim Colaco

PUSHING BACK THE DARKNESS

What do you see when you look into the lamp of your life? Is it full of oil, running out, or empty? Is the oil fresh or has it become rancid? Is your lamp burning brightly or is it growing dim?

Light or darkness, full or empty lamps, fresh or rancid oil are not about what is happening around us, the circumstances of our life and world, but about what is happening within us. They are metaphors for our spiritual condition, our inner way of being.

It would be so easy to divide and categorize the ten bridesmaids into two groups – the wise and foolish, the prepared and unprepared, the good and bad, the winners and losers, the welcomed and rejected. More often than not that's what we do to ourselves and each other.

To divide and categorize the ten bridesmaids, however, is to forget, ignore, or misunderstand what today's gospel (Matthew 25:1-13) says. All ten bridesmaids were a part of the kingdom. All ten were invited to the wedding banquet. All ten went to meet the bridegroom. All ten become drowsy and fell asleep. All ten had lamps. All ten were meant, intended, and called to be carriers of the light. The only difference is that some carried light and others did not. And that is true for every one of us.

We also are meant to be carriers of the light. "You are the light of the world," Jesus says earlier in Matthew's account of the gospel (Matthew 5:14). "Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven" (Matthew 5:16). To withhold our light is to add darkness to the world.

SUNDAY OFFERING

Offertory	\$ 4,786.90
Building Fund	\$ 3,529.80
Mass Stipend	\$ 740.00
Liturgical Fund	\$ 184.15
Flower Donation	\$ 190.00
All Souls	\$ 2,089.50
Candle Offering	\$ 271.60
Wedding	\$ 500.00
Missal	\$ 130.00
ShareLife	\$ 50.00
Empanada	\$ 115.00
Rectory	\$ 276.16
IFF	\$ 8,599.00
Confirmation	\$ 250.00
Total	\$ 21,712.11

THANK YOU!

On behalf of the Daughters of Isabella and our Parish, we would like thank everyone for supporting and participating in our Internatioal Food Festival. We raised \$8,599.

THE BIBLE AND THE MOTHER OF GOD

8-week video series to examine what the Old and the New Testaments, the life of Christ and the early Church Fathers reveal about the life and identity of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The video presentation will be followed by short reflection, group discusssion, and fellowship.

Every Thursday from 6:45 PM to 8:15 PM
 Parish Hall
 for more information sjb.
 biblefellowship@gmail.com

Grow in Faith and Love of Christ!

1-911

Archdiocesan Consultation
Underway – your assistance is
requested!

Our archbishop, the Most Rev. Francis Leo, is inviting Catholics throughout the archdiocese to share their key priorities to help inform and guide an updated Pastoral Plan. To participate in the consultation, visit: www.archtoronto.org/consultation to complete a brief survey by December 15, 2023, where you can offer your suggestions and insights.

The process should take just a few minutes and we ask that you complete the short survey as soon as possible. We look forward to hearing from the Catholic community throughout the archdiocese. Thank you in advance for sharing your insights, ideas and discernment.

COME AND SEE

The Office of Vocations will be hosting a Come & See Weekend Discernment Retreat for men 18 years and older, at St. Augustine's Seminary on Friday, November 17 (6:30 p.m.) until Sunday, November 19 (2 p.m.). This retreat offers a way for men to discern a possible call to priesthood at our seminary. Registration must be done online at www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee

PRAY FOR PEACE

We pray for peace in the Middle East especially in Israel and Palestine. For all those who are living through terror, war, anguish and violence.

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FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING WEBINAR

(Virtual via ZOOM)

Saturday, November 18, 2023 at
9:00 a.m.

Learn:

- How to avoid problems: in your Will, in the Powers of Attorney, and through proper Estate Trustee selection
- How to create your own legacy
- About our Catholic traditions around cremation, burials and funerals

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