

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

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SCHOOLS

St. Bernard of Clairvaux

St. Faustina

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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

SUNDAY OFFERING

Offertory	\$ 3,335.05
Building Fund	\$ 1,460.00
Mass Stipend	\$ 770.00
Liturgical Fund	\$ 15.00
Initial Envelope	\$ 185.00
New Year	\$ 70.00
Candle Offering	\$ 146.85
Black Nazarene	\$ 371.25
Rectory	\$ 271.16
Youth Ministry	\$ 20.00
Flower	\$ 17.00
Konkani	\$ 849.45
Offertory 2023	\$ 40.00
Christmas	\$ 160.00
First Communion	\$ 35.00
Total	\$ 7,788.16

Basketball Free Throw for all Girls
and Boysage 9 - 17 Saturday January 27
@ St Faustina School

Registration is required this weekend and next January 13 and 20, please see one of the Knights of Columbus in Narthex

Their is No Fee to participate.

BOTTLE DRIVE

please bring your empty bottles on the weekend of January 20 and 27

All monies raised will be donated to the Special Olympic.

If you any questions, please connect with a member of the Knights of Columbus
Thank you!

SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD

The Third Sunday of Ordinary Time has been designated as the "Sunday of the Word of God"

POPE FRANCIS WRITES: "When Sacred Scripture is read in the light of the same Spirit by whom it was written, it remains ever new. The Old Testament is never old once it is part of the New, since all has been transformed thanks to the one Spirit who inspired it. The sacred text as a whole serves a prophetic function regarding not the future but the present of whoever is nourished by this word. Jesus himself clearly stated this at the beginning of his ministry: "Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing" (Lk 4:21). Those who draw daily nourishment from God's word become, like Jesus, a contemporary of all those whom they encounter: they are not tempted to fall into sterile nostalgia for the past, or to dream of ethereal utopias yet to come.

Sacred Scripture accomplishes its prophetic work above all in those who listen to it. It proves both sweet and bitter. We are reminded of the words of the prophet Ezekiel when, commanded by the Lord to eat the scroll of the book, he tells us: "It was in my mouth as sweet as honey" (3:3). John the Evangelist too, on the island of Patmos, echoes Ezekiel's experience of eating the scroll, but goes on to add: "It was sweet as honey in my mouth, but when I had eaten it my stomach was made bitter" (Rev 10:10).

The sweetness of God's word leads us to share it with all those whom we encounter in this life and to proclaim the sure hope that it contains (cf. 1 Pet 3:15-16). Its bitterness, in turn, often comes from our realization of how difficult it is to live that word consistently, or our personal experience of seeing it rejected as meaningless for life. We should never take God's word for granted, but instead let ourselves be nourished by it, in order to acknowledge and live fully our relationship with him and with our brothers and sisters. (APERUIT ILLIS, 2019)

MASS INTENTION
SATURDAY (January 20)
5:00 PM Thanksgiving of RJ
D'Souza & Family, Thanksgiving
of Carmen & Ismael Arrojas,
+Clifford D'Souza

SUNDAY (January 21)
7:30 AM For the Parish
Community
9:00 AM Open
11:00 AM Thanksgiving to St.
Josephine Bakhita by Amalsad
Family
12:30 PM +Onteddu
Aorgyamma, +Ernesto Aguilar,
+Richard Jinman, +Mark
Friesen

MONDAY (January 22)
7:00 PM +Florence Bengent

TUESDAY (January 23)
7:30 AM +Aquileo Villanueva

WEDNESDAY (January 24)
7:00 PM +Frederick Wakeham,
+Timoteo Nillos

THURSDAY (January 25)
7:30 AM +Milagros Ingco
Pendon

FRIDAY (January 26)
7:00 PM Thanksgiving of
Silvana & Ric Silvano

SATURDAY (January 27)
9:00 AM +Tito Valencia,
Thanksgiving of Jennifer Pinto

5:00 PM +George Mistry

To offer a Holy Mass for
yourself or your loved, please
approach the Parish Desk.

PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

We pray, O gracious Trinity: Father, Son and Holy Spirit, that we all may be one as you are one. In your community of complete unity, we have our beginning and our end. To you we pray, asking for the gift of visible unity among all who believe in your Christ.

As we commemorate this Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, we are reminded by your Word that all human beings are our neighbors and that we are to love them like ourselves and in the same way we love you. Help us to overcome the barriers and divisions we have nurtured against your will.

Grant to us, O Lord, a new Spirit of love and solidarity, that we may proclaim your good news to all of creation. We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ, who with you and the Holy Spirit are one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Please note of the following
upcoming celebrations

FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

February 2, 2024

7 PM Holy Mass

also known as Candle Mass

This is the day you are all encourage to bring candles to be blessed at the Mass

FEAST OF ST. BLAISE

FEBRUARY 3, 2024

9 AM Holy Mass and Blessing of Throats
and other ailments

FEAST OF ST JOSEPHINE BAKHITA
also the anniversary of the soft opening
of our church

FEBRUARY 8, 2024

Special Mass will be celebrated at 7 PM
spearheaded by the Knights of Colum-
bus & Daughters of Isabella

As part of **Marriage Sunday 2024** celebrations, Archbishop Francis Leo will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, with special recognition for those celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th and 60+ wedding anniversaries in 2024. The Mass will take place at 3 p.m. on Sunday, February 11, 2024 at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond Street, Toronto). All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their marriage commitment during the Mass.

All are welcome to attend. Couples celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+ anniversaries in 2024 may register for reserved seating. Reserved seating is limited, so please register early. All other seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Those who are unable to attend at the Cathedral are invited to join the celebration via livestream Mass.

Registration and other important information can be found at www.arch-toronto.org/marriage.

ARE YOU AWARE THAT
THERE ARE EMPLOYMENT
OPPORTUNITIES ACROSS THE
ARCHDIOCESE AND BEYOND?

visit <https://www.archtoronto.org/en/contact-us/employment-opportunities/>

IGNITE YOUR CREATIVITY!

Inviting all young people

Hearts on Fire Logo Contest

Help design our official logo for
our SJB Youth Ministry

www.stjosphinebakhita.ca

15th Annual Dynamic Women of
Faith Conference
Saturday March 23, 2024
9:00am-4pm at the Old Mill (includes
light lunch)

Opening Mass celebrated by His
Eminence Cardinal Collins
Speakers: Kathleen Beckman: A
Family Guide to Spiritual Warfare,
Carissa Douglas: Becoming a Co-
creator with God, Anna Boyagoda:
Creating a Space for Prayer, Special
Guest Speaker: Tammy Peterson
(wife of Dr. Jordan Peterson),
Dorothy Pilarski: Starting a Catholic
Moms Group TO REGISTER VISIT
www.dynamicwomenfaith.com

CALLING MARRIED COUPLES
IN THE PARISH
TO
CONSIDER ASSISTING
ENGAGED COUPLES IN THEIR
WEDDING PREPARATION

If you are interested in this important ministry, please see Fr. Mark. We will arrange for your training. Your ministry commitment will most likely be only once or twice a year. But it will be spiritually rewarding.



The Blessed Sacrament is exposed
Tuesday to Friday from 12 Noon to
7 PM

Join Fr. Mark for a Holy Hour
Monday to Friday
6 PM



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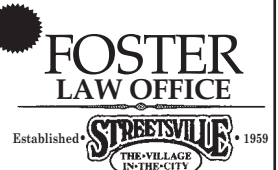


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