

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

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St. Edith Stein

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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 (February 3)

5:00 PM Thanksgiving of Bert & Marina Taguicana, +Vicenta Oh, Henry Oh Hek How, Benito Wee Cho, Teresita Gonzaga, Suzuki Wee, Margaret Mocas, Patricia Castillo, +Michael Fernandes

SUNDAY (February 4)

7:30 AM +Pasquale & Antenisca Fedele, Special intention of Steven Thomas

9:00 AM +Moises Manego

11:00 AM +Maria, Andrew, Przemek Plata

12:30 PM +Consuelo & Pedro Hidalgo, Remigio, Ester Tan, Leonardo Maxion

MONDAY (February 5)

7:00 PM +Abelardo Borral, +Percy Pereira

TUESDAY (February 6)

7:30 AM Open

WEDNESDAY (February 7)

7:00 PM +Ernesto Occhiuto, Rebecca & Larry Hammond, +Cesar, Vivian Rodriguez

THURSDAY (February 8)

7:30 AM +Donald Miranda, Thanksgiving of Patricia Prollamante

FRIDAY (February 9)

7:00 PM +Andres Franco, Thanksgiving of Caroline Gorospe, +Demetrius Advincula, +Rosalinda Redondo

SATURDAY (February 10)

9:00 AM Open

5:00 PM +Peter Lai Nguyen,

+Benedict Venantius. +Silvanus Angriawan, Thanksgiving of Pendon Family, Special Intention of Ngo Family

WHEN OUR PATRON SAINT DIED

That night, February 8, 1947, the news that "Sr. Josephine Bakhita had gone to heaven leaving behind her gentleness and peace", echoed around Italy and the world.

In Schio, the news of her death spread with the speed and surprise of lightning. The people were shocked and taken aback.

In the morning a large crowd pushed at the gates because they all wanted to see their Sister and pay homage to their Protectress.

Was their dealy beloved Mother Moretta really dead? They couldn't believe it!

One could see mothers taking Bakhita's hand and putting it on the heads of their children while they begged her to bless them. Here was a strange phenomenon.

Although Sr. Josephine had died the night before her limbs were still flexible. Her facial expression was still smiling and welcoming as though she were alive. How did this happen? Bakhita herself had said: "When I am dead I won't be a cause of fear, not even to children."

She had assured her sisters who had gathered sadly around her bed: "No, no, don't be sad, I will still be with you. If the Lord allows me to, I will send many graces from heaven for the salvation of souls.

-excerpted from Bakhita: A Song of Freedom, p 64-65

St. Josephine Bakhita, pray for us.

SUNDAY OFFERING

Offertory	\$ 3,861.35
Building Fund	\$ 825.00
Mass Stipend	\$ 720.00
Liturgical Fund	\$ 55.85
Candle Offering	\$ 312.65
Baptism	\$ 145.75
Flower	\$ 25.00
Initial Envelope	\$ 45.00
Total	\$ 5,990.60

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CHOCOLATE ROSE FOR VALENTINES

The Squires will be selling Chocolate Rose on the weekend of February 10/11. The cost is 2 per \$5

ASH WEDNESDAY

February 14, 2024

The Mass Schedule is as follows:

7:30 AM, 12 Noon, and 7 PM

Ash Wednesday is a day of Fasting and Abstinence. For Catholics of the Latin Rite, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal.

The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding from age 14 onwards.

Members of the Eastern Catholic Churches are to observe the particular law of their own Sui Iuris Church.

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 Columbus & Daughters of Isabella

PRAYING WITH THE WISDOM TRADITION OF THE OLD TESTAMENT
 February 2 to 4
 Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre, Pickering

Women Ignatian Silent Retreat - facilitated by Fr. Henk van Meijel, SJ. - "Praying with the Wisdom Tradition of the Old Testament." Although many believers are not attracted to the Old Testament since God often is portrayed as a warrior God; nevertheless, the books of Proverbs, Psalms, Job, Song of Songs, Ecclesiastes, Wisdom of Solomon and Wisdom of Sirach give us much material to pray with and to reflect on to navigate us through the troubles of our contemporary world, in our own family and community. This silent weekend retreat begins on Friday evening and runs to Sunday with lunch. The suggested offering is \$250 per person which includes 2 night's accommodation with meals, spiritual direction and retreat program. REGISTER: Email registration@manresa.ca

Fr. Mark will be away from February 5 to 16 on a pilgrimage.

If you need to get in touch with him during his absence, please use the same parish email parishoffice@stjosephinebakhita.ca

LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY
 Saturday, March 2
 Metro Toronto Convention Centre
 255 Front St. W, Toronto

Theme of Adult Rally is "TAKE HEART: By His Wounds We Are Healed"

Theme of Youth Rally is "TAKE HEART: Don't Lose Hope // Get Up // He's Calling You"

Tickets can be purchased ONLINE at our Website: www.ljhr.ca
 COST: \$30 for Adult and \$15 for Youth

"It is crucial for us to return to the basic tenets of the faith, back to Jesus himself, to his preaching and teaching of the Kingdom, so that acquiring a fresh, new personal knowledge of him, his mystery, and growing in deep love for him as Lord and Saviour, we may more boldly proclaim and witness to the truths of his Gospel."

- Archbishop Francis Leo, SEEKING THE KINGDOM OF GOD ABOVE AND BEYOND ALL THINGS, Page 3

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Day of Prayer & Healing for Women
 February 10, April 20, July 20

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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



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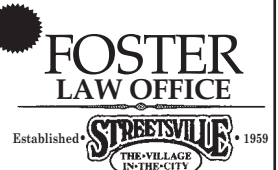


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