

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

RECTORY

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SCHOOLS

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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 18)
 5:00 PM +Mike Galloro, +Jana Janik, +Joseph & Katarina Nguyen

SUNDAY (May 19)
 7:30 AM For Souls in Purgatory
 9:00 AM +Isidro & Maria San Diego, +Peter Seneviratna
 11:00 AM Thanksgiving to St. Jude, +Mary D’Souza, +Lauro & Emilia Lobendino, Thanksgiving of Tony & Nellie Dungo, Thanksgiving of Sirila Josephine & Prakash Reddy Kambam
 12:30 PM +Henryk Wichlacz, +Basia Wozniak, +Alfred Tanti, +Czesia Kaminsk, Healing for Maurizio Rapisardi

MONDAY (May 20)
 7:00 PM Thanksgiving of Wilfred & Marise DeSouza

TUESDAY (May 21)
 7:30 AM Open

WEDNESDAY (May22)
 7:00 PM +Domenico & Giovanna Cassano

THURSDAY (May 23)
 7:30 AM Open

FRIDAY (May 24)
 7:00 PM Thanksgiving of Fr. Mark

SATURDAY (May 25)
 9:00 AM Marianne Mendoza

5:00 PM +Anthony Pinto, Rodolfo Sison, Thanksgiving of Edwin & Maria Azanon



The Holy Spirit is above us, beneath us, around us, and as someone who is baptized. within us. The Holy Spirit is the life-giving and world world-transforming presence of God. He animates, motivates, and shapes the universe. He is the one who points us to Jesus and to help us become like Jesus. None of us can come to Jesus on our own. “No one can come to me unless the Father has enabled them” (Jn 6). We require the Holy Spirit to draw us to God, to Jesus. We are so broken by sin to come to God without the help of God himself...no matter how much we think we can navigate our lives toward God, we just don’t have the power to do it. So God himself gives us His Holy Spirit.

So how does the Holy Spirit do it? The Holy Spirit stirs our hearts to pray. The Holy Spirit makes us hungry for God’s Word. The Holy Spirit reminds us of our sins and draws us to the sacraments. The Holy Spirit provides signs, wonders, and powers in order to confirm to us where He himself is leading us - to God. There are instances in our everyday lives that the Holy Spirit would use, for example, a beautiful flower, to remind us of God. There are things that make our jaws drop or resources we need. If we are attentive to these things, the Holy Spirit is with us.

Let us open our hearts. If we desire Him and we ask Him, He will surely come because God himself has willed it so.

SUNDAY OFFERING

Offertory	\$ 4,934.25
Building Fund	\$ 1,060.00
Mass Stipend	\$ 760.00
Liturgical Fund	\$ 141.10
Pope’s Charities	\$ 1,307.05
Candle Offering	\$ 147.45
ShareLife	\$ 710.00
Flowers	\$ 42.00
Baptism	\$ 255.00
Ceiling Lights	\$ 940.00
Rectory	\$ 266.16
Konkani	\$ 585.10
Wedding	\$ 500.00
Youth Ministry	\$ 30.00
Total	\$ 11,641.56

Thank you to parishioners who have contributed towards the Ceiling lights. If you would like to help also in paying for it, please do by dropping your donation in our regular offertory or via credit card.

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE PARISH

CANDLE LIGHT PROCESSION IN HONOR OF CORPUS CHRISTI

Saturday, June 1, 2024

following the 5 PM Holy Mass

OUR COMMEMORATION OF THE FEAST OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST WILL BE PRECEDED BY A TRIDUUM

WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY

7 PM Holy Mass followed by Solemn Benediction

COME HOLY SPIRIT, FILL THE HEARTS OF YOUR FAITHFUL!

HAVE SOME QUIET TIME WITH THE LORD

Tuesday to Friday 12 noon to 7 PM in
our church

“Gifts of Gratitude”: Family Sharing

In the busyness of life, we can sometimes forget to spend time as a family sharing the gifts God has given each member. Set time aside today to tell other family members the God-given gifts you see in them and how their gifts make your family better. Place the names of each family member in a basket. Select a name from the basket, announce the name, and ask each family member to identify one gift they see in that person. Continue to do this until all members have had a chance to see and hear how God is using each member to draw the whole family closer to Christ and to live out the Gospel more clearly in today's world.

STUDY THEOLOGY

Have you ever thought about studying theology to deepen your faith knowledge or acquire ministerial training? Don't miss the Regis St. Michael's Faculty of Theology Virtual Open House coming up on Wednesday, May 22 at 7 p.m. where you can explore professional programs like our Master of Divinity (MDiv), Master of Theological Studies (MTS) or Master of Religious Education (MRE). Several programs can be taken part-time with certain classes offered online and in the evenings. Also learn about adult continuous learning courses, part-time certificates & diplomas, on-line & in-person courses, experiential learning courses & various graduate degrees. For more information, please contact rsm.dean@utoronto.ca. To register for the open house please visit: <https://tinyurl.com/bdeyp7t7>

THIS SUMMER MAKE IT A POINT TO GO ON A PILGRIMAGE TO THE MARTYRS' SHRINE IN MIDLAND, ONTARIO.

Pilgrimage can be a life-changing and transformative experience. Pilgrims don't simply visit a pilgrimage site as a tourist, they come seeking something, often profound, and somewhere along the journey they're helped to find it. Going on pilgrimage may give the pilgrim a new perspective, the answer to a prayer, deeper insight into themselves and their lives, healing, or renewed faith. Pilgrimage helps to illuminate the journey of life by helping us focus on 'what really matters', grow in a spirit of gratitude, and rediscover the joy of giving for the sake of others.

Martyrs' Shrine, a national pilgrimage site with nearly 400 years of history, welcomes tens of thousands of pilgrims every year from all types of faiths, cultures and beliefs. At Martyrs' Shrine we try to respond to the unique journey of each pilgrim. Choose from one of our self-guided prayer walks, attend our liturgies, have a conversation with one of the Jesuit Fathers, light a candle and offer a prayer intention, explore our gardens, or simply sit in prayer with St. Jean de Brébeuf and his companions asking our Lord Jesus for his healing touch in your life. Also, be sure to check out other daytrip ideas that might be appealing to you.

While visiting the Shrine, visit the statue of our patron saint!

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SECURITIES AS A CHARITABLE GIFT OPTION

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 stocks, mutual funds and other publicly traded 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 more significant support of your Parish and various archdiocesan charities such as ShareLife, St. Augustine's Seminary, The Shepherds' Trust and many others. To donate securities, follow this link: <https://bit.ly/GiftsOfSecurities> where you will find our "How to Gift Securities Info Sheet" and a "Letter of Direction."

For more information, contact our office at development@archtoronto.org

FASTING AND INNER HEALING RETREAT

Saturday, June 8, 2024

Divine Retreat Centre, Toronto

The Fasting and Inner Healing Retreat will be led by Fr. Sam Samuel VC, Fr. Louis Joseph VC and the Divine team on June 8th and 9th from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. (both days are mandatory). The retreat will consist of Holy Mass, Praise and Worship, Confession, Spiritual talks and Eucharistic Adoration. This is a fasting retreat, hence no food will be provided, however feel free to bring your own meal if needed. Prior registration is required with a fee of \$20 (plus service fees) and registration can be done through our website. WEB: <https://divineretreatcentretoronto.org>

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WITHOUT THE HOLY SPIRIT!



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