

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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SCHOOLS

St. Bernard of Clairvaux

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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 (September 7)
5:00 PM Thanksgiving of Jijo & Family, +Benedict Venantius

SUNDAY (September 8)
7:30 AM Open
9:00 AM Thanksgiving of Arbie & Caridad Sarmiento & Family, Thanksgiving of D’Mello Family, Thanksgiving of Monica Johnson, +Conchita Gonzales, +Lee Wuk Len
11:00 AM Open
12:30 PM Thanksgiving of June & Erly Tablada, +Eusebio & Lourdes Naluz, +Helen Tolentino

MONDAY (September 9)
9:00 AM Thanksgiving of Marise DeSouza

TUESDAY (September 10)
7:30 AM +Jeffrey Namblar

WEDNESDAY (September 11)
7:00 PM Open

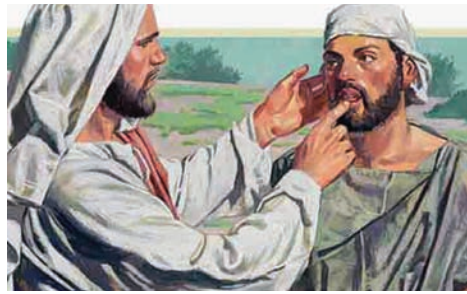
THURSDAY (September 12)
7:30 AM +Lucy & John Texeira

FRIDAY (September 13)
7:00 PM +Jason Avelino Mistry, +Mercia Vazm +Nenita Talagtag

SATURDAY (September 14)
9:00 AM Open

5:00 PM +Tei Wei

If you or someone you know wants to explore the possibility of becoming a Catholic, we have a program for you
Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)
Please connect with Fr. Mark for more information



“Jesus looking up to heaven he sighed,” says Mark in our Gospel reading this Sunday. Jesus sighed. What about you? What is your sigh today?

The sigh of Jesus includes moaning and groaning. It is an expression of something deep within. Jesus meets a deaf man who also had a speech impediment. It must have been quite an ordeal that the people begged Jesus to lay his hands on him.

Jesus took the man “aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, ‘Ephphatha,’ that is, ‘Be Opened.’”

Jesus sighed. What do you make of that? Was Jesus tired? Aren’t there days when you are so tired and much is still required of you to do? Have you ever sighed when your son and daughter was calling you and you wondered, ‘Now what?’ Or your spouse expecting you to do this or that when all you wanted is to have some peace and quiet after a long stressful day at the office.

Jesus sighing was a recognition of the misery that the deaf man has been enduring all this time. Jesus sighing was a cry for help for this man. Jesus sighing is an expression of longing and desire to help. Jesus sighing was an opening to something new, a fresh beginning for this person in need.

What is your sigh today?

The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary is not celebrated today as we customarily do in other years because it falls on a Sunday and Sunday is primarily reserved for the Lord’s Day. Having said that, as children of the Blessed Mother, our affection and devotion compel us to mark her birthday.

The circumstances of the Virgin Mary’s infancy and early life are not directly recorded in the Bible, but other documents and traditions such as the “Protoevangelium of James” - the Protoevangelium is not considered authoritative in the same manner as the Bible, nevertheless it outlines for us some of the Church’s traditional beliefs about Mary’s birth.

Joachim and Anne were the parents of the Virgin. For the longest time, they remained childless, but were firm in their conviction that God is faithful just as God was to Abram and Sarai, who in their last days were given a son Isaac.

God has blessed Joachim and Anne more than they imagined. Their daughter was destined to be honored for all generations. From her the Saviour of the World will come into this world.

St. Augustine described Mary’s birth an event of cosmic and historic significance. “She is the flower of the field from whom bloomed the precious lily of the valley.” Through her, all our hopes and dreams have been fulfilled. We are all changed because of her. Through her birth, the nature inherited from our first parents is changed.”

ARE YOU STRESSED OUT?
DO YOU NEED A TIME TO
BREATHE?

Come and rest with the Lord.
Bask in His presence
Tuesday to Friday 12 noon to 7 PM
in our church

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

You are invited to take part in the International 40 Days for Life Campaign in our community. The peaceful and prayerful vigil will be held outside the Mississauga Women's Clinic at 101 Queensway Blvd. from September 25 to November 3 at 7 AM to 7 PM daily. Please consider joining us in praying for the unborn members of our society whose lives are in danger. For more information or to volunteer, please contact Izabelat at mississauga40days@gmail.com or visit the website www.40daysforlife.com/mississauga/

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS

Our Church Office is now accepting Registrations for those who wish to prepare and receive the Sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Communion, and Confirmation.

First Reconciliation and First Communion starts at Grade 2 and older.

The Sacrament of Confirmation starts at Grade 7 and older.

Children who are not baptized and wish to receive the sacraments must register for the Rite of Christian Initiation for Children (RCIC). Please see Cecilia.

SPIRITUS WEST SOCIAL KICK-OFF

Join us for Spiritus West's Social Kick Off, the perfect opportunity to connect with fellow young adults and kick start our journey together! Come enjoy great food and company! It's a fantastic chance to meet new friends, catch up with old ones and make memories.

All young adults (19-35) welcome! Whether you've been apart of Spiritus West before or just curious about our community, we'd love to have you join us.

Mark your calendars for September 18 and get ready for a fun evening!

Mass will begin at 7 p.m., followed by a dinner and a board game social from 7:30 to 9 p.m. at Sts. Martha and Mary Parish. We can't wait to see you there!

CONTACT: spirituswest@gmail.com

FEAST OF THE CANADIAN MARTYRS'

Celebrate the Feast of the Canadian Martyrs at Martyrs' Shrine on Saturday, September 28, 2024. The observance will begin with Mass at 12 p.m., honouring the legacy and sacrifices of the Canadian Martyrs. Following the Mass, join us for a solemn procession through the Shrine grounds, reflecting on the faith and dedication of these revered saints. All are welcome to participate in this celebration! Free Admission for the day. The shrine will be open 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. For more information, please contact Martyrs' Shrine PHONE: 705-526-3788

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