

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

3600 Forest Bluff Crescent

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SCHOOLS

St. Bernard of Clairvaux

St. Faustina

St. Edith Stein

St. Simon Stock

St. Joan of Arc Catholic Secondary
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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 (December 14)
5:00 PM +Eusebio & Lourdes
Naluz

SUNDAY (December 15)
7:30 AM Thanksgiving of Jincy
Joseph, +Fiel Raymundo, +Evelyn
& Ruel Macalaguim, +Milagros &
Juanito Umali
9:00 AM +Hansel Caballero, +Iris
D'Silva
11:00 AM +Janell Nabham,
+Laurice Nabham
12:30 PM +Eduardo Magahis

MONDAY (December 16)
7:00 PM Open

TUESDAY (December 17)
7:30 AM Open

WEDNESDAY (December 18)
7:00 PM Thanksgiving of Claudette
& Neveille, +Manuel & Evangeline
Reserves, +Lucilia & George
Gouveia

THURSDAY (December 19)
7:30 AM Open

FRIDAY (December 20)
7:00 PM +Francois Xavier Tran,
+Fiel Raymundo, +Milagros &
Juanito Umali, +Evelyn & Ruel
Macalaguim, +Nenita & Jaime
Talagtag, Thanksgiving of Bella
Laurente

SATURDAY (December 21)
9:00 AM Open

5:00 PM Open

To offer a Mass for yourself or your
Loved Ones, please see the Parish
Desk.



John the Baptist believed that the time had come, so he prepared himself by a simple way of life. The question that was asked of John is the same question that we need to ask also today: "What must we do?"

"Be content with your pay." What does that mean today with the high cost of living? It probably does not mean that labor and management should squeeze all they can out of each other, that strikes and layoffs should be arbitrary tactics. It could mean that people are worthy of their hire. It could mean that we should be careful for competitiveness, be wary of ceaseless striving, be aware that we live by more than bread.

"Don't bully" might mean that you and I must not overpower each other physically, emotionally, or spiritually, that we do not violate other persons.

"If you have two coats and some food, share with those who don't" does not mean that we should have the best clothes, the best cars, the best food, the best homes that we can afford. What it means is that we must not define our worth in terms of what we have, or allow ourselves to be valued for what we own.

Following the example of John the Baptist or Jesus does not mean we cannot enjoy the good things of life. The question is: "How much must we share? "How much pleasure are we permitted in the face of another's pain?"

OFFERTORY	
Offertory	\$ 4,975.65
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Liturgical Fund	\$ 50.00
Stipend	\$ 305.00
Candle Revenue	\$ 139.00
Confirmation	\$ 50.00
Sunday Missal	\$ 90.00
Flowers	\$ 160.00
Total	\$ 7,165.55

Thank you for your continued financial support of the parish.



Our Christmas Tree will be raised up in our Narthex on December 13. Help us decorate it.

HOUSEKEEPING

We are about to make available the Box of Donation Envelopes for 2025. Many of you share the same or similar sounding Family Names, please ensure that you pick up your correct envelope box. Thank you for your cooperation.

If you do not find your own box of Envelopes, please do not hesitate to approach the Parish desk.

We encourage those who are giving through PAG or Credit Card to still have their own Box of Donation Envelopes.

If you have changed your information that we have in our database, please inform the parish desk of any changes. In a few weeks, we will be sending your tax receipts thru the mail. Thank you.

OUR CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

Simbang Gabi
All Masses will be in English

We will once again offer the Nine Day Preparation to Christmas (Novena Mass or Simbang Gabi) starting on December 15 to 23. December 15 is a Sunday, a 7 PM Mass will be celebrated. Please note that this is not going to be considered a Sunday Mass. The Novena Masses will follow the Votive Mass of our Blessed Mother for Advent.

Our Parish Christmas Potluck Party It has been decided that we will only have one party rather than nine days of partying as we have done in the past. The Daughters of Isabella are helping to coordinate this Parish Christmas Potluck Party. This will be held on Sunday, December 22 following the 7 PM Mass. Everyone is invited.

December 24
Christmas Eve Masses
5 PM, 7 PM, 9 PM, and 11 PM

December 25
Christmas Day Masses
7:30 AM, 9 AM, 11 AM, and 12:30 PM

December 26
St. Stephen
7:30 AM
The church and Office will be closed following the morning Mass. Regular schedule will resume on December 27

NEW YEAR'S EVE
5:00 PM

NEW YEAR'S DAY
9 AM, 11 AM, and 12:30 PM



BECOME A SPONSOR FOR A RCIA CANDIDATE

We are inviting Parishioners to consider becoming a sponsor to someone who has desired to become a Catholic through the reception of the Easter Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. If you are interested to walk with new Catholics by offering your moral support and prayers, please see Fr. Mark or any of the RCIA Team.

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confessions)

is available here in our parish from Monday to Friday 5 PM to 6 PM and again on Saturday from 4 PM to 5 PM. If these hours do not work with your schedule, please connect with Fr. Mark through the parish desk or by phone. Days of Confession are also available in the surrounding parishes.

WINTER WEATHER

Please be advised that when there is a heavy snow accumulation in our Church sloping roof, we will close the two inner courtyards. We ask that you enter and leave thru our Parish Hall for your safety.

We also ask that you be mindful of wet spots inside the church and hallways. Watch where you are walking. No matter how much we try to keep the place dry, people come in with their wet shoes and leave wet spots around. If you see any wet spots, please inform our ushers or the parish desk. Thank you for your cooperation.

HEALTHY COMMUNICATION, INTIMACY, RELATIONSHIP

Friday, January 17, 2025 - Sunday, January 19, 2025
Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre,
1617 Blythe Rd., Mississauga

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