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EASTER SUNDAY



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, April 5th
9 a.m. –

Tuesday, April 6th
9 a.m. –

Wednesday, April 7th
9 a.m. –

Thursday, April 8th
9 a.m. –

Friday, April 9th
9 a.m. –

Saturday, April 10th
5:30 p.m. –

Sunday, April 11th
9 a.m. –

10:30 a.m. –

12 p.m. – ☩ Lee Leduc requested by Reg & Shirley Digby

WELCOME BACK TO ST JOHN FISHER CHURCH!

Our capacity is 100 people including priest, and
volunteer ministers. First come, first served.

Please remember to follow the now familiar routine: Sanitize your hands, wear a mask, sit on indicated pews, for communion make a single line in the middle of the aisle, follow the instructions of the ushers, spray your seat before you leave, entrance at main doors, exit at two side doors. Thank you!

Cardinal Collins continues to dispense the faithful from their Sunday obligation. If you are symptomatic, have a compromised immune system or have a greater risk of infection, please stay home.

DID YOU KNOW? ♦ *Alleluia! Praise the Lord!* The song of



our rejoicing. It is added to acclamations and antiphons and may be used as a refrain for the responsorial psalm and communion song.

♦ The *Paschal Candle* is the central symbol of the Easter season, sign of the presence of the risen Lord, light of the world. ♦ The *sprinkling rite* (with water blessed at the Easter Vigil) is often used at the beginning of Masses on Sundays. ♦ As far back as the Council of Nicaea (325), the Church reflected Easter joy by prohibiting fasting and kneeling, which are signs of penance, throughout the season. ♦ Confirmation and First Eucharist are (normally) celebrated during the Easter season. ♦ The constant joy of the season continues throughout the fifty days and should be reflected in the festive decoration of the church building. ♦ The *Acts of the Apostles* is read at all celebrations in place of the Old Testament because it presents the life, growth, and witness of the early Church. *Archdiocese of Toronto*



Offertory

March 28th: \$3,972.05

Thank You

for your generosity

YOUR FINANCIAL HELP IS ALWAYS REQUIRED

The Church depends on your generous offerings to continue God's work and to cover some major maintenance issues for our older church building.



We have had to upgrade our Fire Prevention Measures and still need a bit more money to pay off the \$26,766.31 price tag. Due to severe cold weather in February, we had to repair some burst pipes in the hall.

I know that many of you are facing your own financial struggles brought on by the pandemic, but I must ask for your continued financial support so that our precious church is not neglected and further in debt.

For those of you who have a little money to spare, please consider donating any extra amount, no matter how small. The young boy who offered Jesus his five barley loaves and two small fish didn't think his offering was too small.

GOD CAN MAKE SMALL GIFTS DO GREAT THINGS.

Humbly yours, Fr Regs

How to donate:

- ① mail it to our parish office
- ② drop your envelope in our secured, outdoor mailbox or
- ③ drop your envelope in the donation box inside the church
- ④ give online through the Archdiocese of Toronto website (Donate Now)



The glorious Feast of the Resurrection of Christ proclaims, forever, that life is greater than death. Jesus commanded us to preach this good news to all peoples, in all places, at all times. If you feel God is calling you to minister in His Church as a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Vocations Director, ArchToronto 416-968-0997 / vocations@archtoronto.org / www.vocationstoronto.ca



Women of the Word Toronto
Saturday, April 17th 9:30 am-12 pm

I'm not perfect, you're not perfect. But it's ok.

Registration required. Wowblessingstoronto.com.
Speakers: Colleen Carroll Campbell & Dr Josephine Lombardi



OFFICE HOURS Effective Monday, March 15th

Open Mondays 9 am-1 pm & 2-4:30 pm

No visitors on Wednesdays but phone calls and emails will be returned from 9 am-4:30 pm

For any inquiries and concerns through the week, please email:

stjohnfisherparish@gmail.com or leave a message at 905-793-6610.



Reflection from the Archdiocese of Toronto
Office of Formation for Discipleship

RECOGNIZING THE RISEN LORD

Rejoice, the Lord is risen, truly He is risen! Today is the Solemnity of Solemnities, the most holy day in the Church's calendar. Let us take a moment to rejoice in the glory of the resurrection. These past forty days we have been preparing for this great feast where we will be met with the risen Christ. However, let us ask ourselves, how often do we fail to recognize Him in our daily lives?

In the Gospel today, we hear the account of Jesus appearing to Mary Magdalene. Mary is face-to-face with Jesus risen from the dead and yet she didn't recognize Him. She has spent the last couple years of her life following Him and now she cannot even identify Him as the man before her. While we may be quick to judge Mary, we should remember that Christ makes Himself present to us in countless ways that we often don't perceive.

One way that Jesus comes to us is through our neighbour. St. Teresa of Calcutta says, *"I see Jesus in every human being. I say to myself; this is hungry Jesus; I must feed him. This is sick Jesus. This one has leprosy or gangrene; I must wash him and tend to him. I serve because I love Jesus."* This Easter, let us rejoice in Jesus' resurrection and seek to find Him in our neighbours. The same way that we would run to serve Christ, let us serve Christ dwelling in those around us and fully live out our call of stewardship.



SONGS FROM THE SEMINARY: AN EVENING OF MUSIC IN HONOUR OF OUR BLESSED MOTHER

Thursday, April 15th @ 7 pm

A virtual event hosted by St. Augustine's Seminary

The pandemic prevents us from gathering in person, so we will bring this concert to your home. Join us virtually from the seminary for an evening of music in honour of Our Blessed Mother. Join online at: www.youtube.com/archtoronto.

The concert is free. Donations are welcome.

Support the Chapel Restoration with your donation at: <http://bit.ly/SeminaryChapelRestoration> (type "chapel" in the comments box to direct your donation to this specific project).

POSTER: <http://bit.ly/SongsFromTheSeminary>



**MARY DOBELL PRO-LIFE AWARENESS
ESSAY & POETRY CONTEST**

This contest is promoted by the Toronto Archdiocesan Council of the Catholic Women's League of Canada to support and encourage an awareness and positive attitude toward a broad range of pro-life issues. These address all facets and stages of life development from conception, through childhood, adolescence, adulthood, and senior years, to the new life stage after death.

St John Fisher CWL invites students in our parish in grades 7-12 to participate in this contest. Due to the pandemic, all entries must be submitted online and there will be no advancement to the higher levels of the CWL. Small prizes will be awarded by our Council.

Find all the rules/judging criteria on the church CWL page: [https://stjohnfisherbr.archtoronto.org/catholic-womens-league-\(cwl\)/prolife-essay-poetry-contest](https://stjohnfisherbr.archtoronto.org/catholic-womens-league-(cwl)/prolife-essay-poetry-contest)

To submit your essay or poem or if you have any questions, email: stjohnfishercwl@outlook.com. **Deadline to enter is April 11th.**

CWL SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUNG WOMEN
Deadline for submissions: August 31st



The Toronto Diocesan Council of the Catholic Women's League of Canada is offering a scholarship to the University of Toronto St Michael's College. The value of this non-renewable scholarship is \$3,000. This scholarship is open to any young woman who is of the Catholic faith, who is completing her secondary school education, and who has indicated on her application to the University of Toronto that St Michael's College is her first college of choice. The applicant must be entering the Faculty of Arts and Science in one of the following areas of study: Commerce, Computer Science, Humanities and Social Sciences, or Sciences.

You can find all the details and application here:

https://www.cwltoronto.ca/siteimages/ref%20docs/6b_2021%20St.%20Mikes%20Scholarship%20%20Competition.pdf



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