

St. John Fisher Parish



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PASTOR: Fr. Regulo Imperial

IN RESIDENCE: Fr. Rudy Imperial

PARISH HOURS:

Monday, Wednesday & Friday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

SUNDAY MASS:

Saturday: 5:30 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00, 10:30 a.m. & 12 noon

WEEKDAY MASS:

Monday to Friday: 9:00 a.m.

First Fridays: 7:00 p.m.

TUESDAY DEVOTION: Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help & Benediction: 7:00 p.m.

TUESDAY ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: 9:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

PRAYER GROUP:

Thursday's 7:00 p.m. Parish Hall-Upper room

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE:

Saturday: 4:30 to 5:00 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF INITIATION (BAPTISM):

By appointment only. Baptismal instruction required. Contact the Rectory.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Archdiocese policy requires making arrangements one year prior to the date of marriage. Preparatory course is required.

COMMUNION SERVICE:

For the sick. Contact the Rectory.

PARISH SCHOOLS:

St. John Fisher, 330 Balmoral Drive 905-793-8900

St John Henry Newman, 698 Balmoral Drive 905-792-2268

Georges Vanier, 28 Finchgate Boulevard 905-792-2251

Holy Name of Mary, 115 Glenvale Boulevard 905-791-5007

St. Thomas Aquinas, 25 Corporation Drive 905-791-1195

WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS:

New Parishioners are asked to register. Cards are available at the back of the church.

PENTECOST SUNDAY



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, May 24th

9 a.m. – †Lino Pimenta requested by Reg & Shirley Digby

Tuesday, May 25th

9 a.m. – Thanksgiving Mass req by Audrey & Olive de Rozario

Wednesday, May 26th

9 a.m. – Fortunato Crea - May his health improve & may he be able to return home from the hospital to his family. Requested by his Family

Thursday, May 27th

9 a.m. – †Ann Suares requested by Reg & Shirley Digby

Friday, May 28th

9 a.m. – Fortunato Crea - May his health improve & may he be able to return home from the hospital to his family. Requested by his Family

Saturday, May 29th

5:30 p.m. – Fortunato Crea - May his health improve & may he be able to return home from the hospital to his family. Requested by his Family

Sunday, May 30th

9 a.m. –

10:30 a.m. –

12 p.m. –



The St John Fisher Parish Family welcomes:

**Holy
Baptism**

Adrien Leo Cavalheiro Costa

MAY OUR LORD BLESS YOU ALWAYS!

*Communion is food for our soul
and therefore, essential for our faith and well-being.*

Holy Communion available Sundays from 9 - 11:30 am.

▶ Only 9 people are allowed in the church at any time (plus the Celebrant). ▶ The small group in attendance will be asked to stand, appropriately distanced, in front of the sanctuary. ▶ No one may sit or kneel so that cleaning of pews is not required in between these services. ▶ Please follow the instructions from the ushers. They will regulate attendance by allowing for the departure of one group and the entrance of the next one. ▶ Distribution of Communion will start as soon as 9 people are ready for the next service. Each service is about 8 minutes. ▶ First-come, first-served. Please bring your patience with you! If the session you hope to attend is full, we kindly ask you to wait in your cars for the next available service.



Please use this time to pray and meditate on this year's challenges.

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.

**Saturday Confessions are cancelled until further notice.
Confessions are available by appointment.**

OFFICE HOURS Effective Monday, April 19th
The office is closed to in-person appointments. Phone calls and emails will be returned/answered on Mondays & Wednesdays.
Please email: stjohnfisherparish@gmail.com or leave a message at 905-793-6610.

Our church is **OPEN** for private prayer each day from 9:30 am – 12 pm. Attendance inside the church is limited to 10 people, including priest or staff/volunteer to monitor capacity restrictions.

Visit our website regularly to stay up to date.

www.stjohnfisherbr.archtoronto.org

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The confused and fear-filled apostles were totally changed by the outpouring of the Holy Spirit as they became powerful and dynamic proclaimers of their faith in Jesus Christ. In today's Church, God calls priests, religious and deacons to serve Him and to serve others especially by the inspiration of the Holy Spirit.

If you feel God may be calling you to this ministry, contact Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Vocations Director, ArchToronto 416-968-0997 / vocations@archtoronto.org / www.vocationstoronto.ca

Offertory May 9th: \$3,024

Pope's Pastoral Works: \$779



Thank You
for your generosity

May 16th: \$1,607

Building Fund: \$758

YOUR FINANCIAL HELP IS ALWAYS REQUIRED

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



If you are financially able, please continue to drop off your weekly donations to keep our church running. Any amount is appreciated.

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)



Thank you to our parishioners who supported our St John Fisher ShareLife Campaign Fundraiser- Flowers for Mother's Day. We have raised over **\$500!**

St. John Fisher 2021 suggested Campaign Goal: \$24,400
(2020 Campaign Result – \$13,505)

LET US WORK TOGETHER TO ACHIEVE OUR GOAL.

Thank you for your generosity! Fr Regs

FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners: Greetings of Peace!

Today brings us to the end of the 50 days of Easter with the celebration of *Pentecost*.

I'll start with a story. The wise old Mother superior was dying. The nuns gathered around her bed, trying to make her comfortable. They gave her some warm milk to drink, but she refused it. Then one nun took the glass back to the kitchen. Remembering a bottle of whiskey received as a gift the previous Christmas, she opened it and poured a generous amount into the warm milk. Back at Mother Superior's bed, she held the glass to her lips. Mother drank a little, then a little more, then before they knew it, she had drunk the whole glass down to the last drop. "Mother, Mother," the nuns cried, "give us some wisdom before you die!" She raised herself up in bed with a pious look on her face, and pointing out the window, she said, "DON'T SELL THAT COW!"

Let's try to compare the Pentecost event, though secular, to a glass of milk mixed with a generous amount of whiskey. Out of seclusion, the disciples came out of their hiding place, full of energy and enthusiasm ready to start a new chapter of life with the Lord.

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked...(John 20:19). Pentecost is the feast of locked doors, feast of isolation, fear, abandonment, and near despair - that are suddenly blown open!

Pentecost is not just something miraculous and stupendous that happened over 2,000 years ago. It's an event that needs to happen in each of our lives...now!

Sooner, we don't know when, the locked doors of Covid 19 will be blown open. The locked doors have been a depressing and lonely experience. We often hear that to combat the loneliness of quarantine, we should busy ourselves with work, hobbies, and Netflix. But while these distractions have merit, they make it easy to avoid meaningful solitude. The real meaning of solitude is that it "helps us accept the reality that possession of things, wealth and power may make life somewhat easier in some instances, but does not equate to human well-being, life satisfaction or happiness." Fr Innocent Okozi, PhD.

May the post Covid 19 season be the beginning of a new Pentecost for all of us, just like the first Pentecost was the birthday of our church. Jesus sent his Holy Spirit to be our paraclete, teacher, consoler, and guide. May He guide us into a new direction like a compass to a new type of existence.

Let us renew our faith in Jesus Christ who is on a collision course with some of the ideas people tell us to live by nowadays. Either God decides what is good or evil, or we all decide that for ourselves. Either my own will determines what is right, or I need to follow the teaching and example of my Savior. If truth depends on freedom, then whatever I want is right. If freedom depends on God's revealed truth, then I need to pay attention to Jesus. Either Jesus is right, and we should try to enter eternal life by the narrow gate of following Him, or else any path we choose will lead us to our own personal inner truth.

**TO OUR ROMAN CATHOLIC AND APOSTOLIC CHURCH,
HAPPY BIRTHDAY !**

Fr. Regulo Imperial, The Pastor



The First Lady and Her Successors Documentary Film by Dr Josephine Lombardi

Interviews with nine amazing women, connecting their stories to the life of Our Lady, Mary the mother of Jesus. The film follows Biblical accounts

associated with Mary and shows how all women are called to relate to Mary's experiences. Available for free viewing on select Marian feast days.

Free viewing on May 31st beginning at 7 pm and for 24 hours. For more details visit: www.josephinelombardi.com.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 10402 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Men aged 18 and older are invited to consider joining our Council this year. The Knights of Columbus is a family and fraternal benefit organization of Catholic men who are committed to making their community a better place through their charitable works while supporting the church. Being a "knight" is more than camaraderie. Being a "knight" means being involved in the community and growing one's faith and protecting and enhancing family life. The Knights sponsor many different pastoral and social events.

If you join online before June 30th, you will receive 12 months of free online membership. Visit the Supreme website at <https://www.kofc.org/apps/joinus/en/registration/index.html> and enter Promo Code MCGIVNEY2020. Don't forget to indicate our Council number 10402. If you have any questions or would like more info, please contact Membership Director, Eldred Hopkins at (647) 297-3679 or Financial Secretary, Owen Goosney at (416) 471-2743.

FUNDRAISER/FOOD DRIVE MAY 2021

The St John Fisher Knights of Columbus 10402 are encouraging all parishioners to take time to donate directly to the food banks in our area as it is not currently practical to hold a food drive.

Please drop off at:

- The Knights Table: 287 Glidden Road, Unit #4,
- Ste Louise Outreach Centre of Peel: 32 Haggert Ave N
- Society of St. Vincent de Paul at St. John Fisher

If you prefer, you can donate money through the St John Fisher Knights of Columbus 10402 via E-Transfer: knightsofcolumbus10402@gmail.com.

Any money sent to the Knights of Columbus will be donated to the organizations listed above, in your name. Please indicate which organization you would like to support with your donation. Thank you!



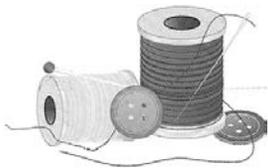
ST AUGUSTINE'S SEMINARY OF TORONTO - WORKSHOPS

► *The Joy & Challenge of Preaching* – Online –
Fri, June 4th - 8 am to 3 pm - Presenter: Fr Joshua J. Whitfield
Cost \$40. Register @ www.staugustines.on.ca/about/events.

► *Where Holiness is Found – Ordinary People called to Extraordinary Lives* – Online –
Sat, June 5th – 9:30 am to 12 pm Presenter: Dr Anne Jamieson
Cost \$25. Register @ www.staugustines.on.ca/about/events.

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