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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 Drive905-793-8900St John Henry Newman, 698 Balmoral Drive905-792-2268Georges Vanier, 28 Finchgate Boulevard905-792-2251Holy Name of Mary, 115 Glenvale Boulevard905-791-5007St. Thomas Aquinas, 25 Corporation Drive905-791-1195

#### WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS:

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

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, May 31<sup>st</sup> 9 a.m. – In Thanksgiving for Chris Romero

Tuesday, June 1<sup>st</sup> 9 a.m. –

Wednesday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> 9 a.m. – ⊕Chad Romero requested by the Romero Family

Thursday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> 9 a.m. –

Friday, June 4<sup>th</sup> 9 a.m. – Souls in Purgatory requested by Silvana Miles

Saturday, June 5<sup>th</sup> 5:30 p.m. – <sup>‡</sup>Ignatius Benedict Martins requested by the Family

Sunday, June 6<sup>th</sup> 9 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m. –

# Thank You

**Offertory** *May 23<sup>rd</sup>*: \$2,502



#### 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 I Love My Church 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:

• mail it to our parish office

drop your envelope in our secured, outdoor mailbox or
drop your envelope in the donation box inside the church
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 sold 233 plants and raised **\$600!** 

*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

Visit our website regularly to stay up to date. www.stjohnfisherbr.archtoronto.org

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

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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 19<sup>th</sup>* 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.

**SACRED HEART NOVENA RETREAT FROM ST AUGUSTINE'S SEMINARY - VIRTUAL** Thursday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> - Friday, June 11<sup>th</sup>



Our online retreat is made up of a series of 30-minute video presentations. Each video is a short retreat conference and will feature a priest from the seminary community. To conclude the retreat, you are invited to join a livestream Mass from St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica presided by Cardinal Thomas Collins, Archbishop of Toronto.

YouTube link: http://bit.ly/StAugustineSeminaryYouTube

God the Father, Creator; God the Son, Redeemer; God the Holy Spirit, Sanctifier. When we go out to "make disciples of all nations" we have a lot to tell! God is present everywhere.

Would you be willing to proclaim the truth of God's love and presence in your life as a priest, religious or deacon? If so, contact Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Vocations Director, ArchToronto 416-968-0997 / **vocations@archtoronto.org** / www.vocationstoronto.ca



#### **Beloved Parishioners:**

Today we celebrate the *Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity*. The celebration of the Trinity has long seemed like a primary idea feast, focusing our attention on the mystery of three persons in one God. It is an idea that boggles the mind and has led to numerous frustrations among theologians and preachers trying to "*explain*" it. We really can't explain such a mystery. What is important is that we realize we are called to enter into the very life of the Trinity, to share the community of persons we call Father, Son and Holy Spirit. We are all created for relationship. We do not stand on our own. We need God and one another in our life.

As Jesus prepares to go away, he promises his disciples his "forever presence" in the person of his own Spirit. Jesus says that everything that the Father has is his and promises that the Spirit will give them what belongs to him. Jesus taught that he and the Father are one, and that everything that the Father has is his. He says that his work will now be carried on through the Spirit, who will share with the disciples what belongs to him - and therefore to the Father.

The Trinity says that God is love and so we love. *This* is what we are celebrating today. The profound feast tells us why we are what we are, why we are who we are, and how we are who we are. The feast today makes ever more real those famous words of St Augustine of Hippo: *"You have made us for yourself, O God, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you."* 

The Trinity is a mystery all right, but it's a mystery about us too: a mystery of love and our quest for it.

## MAY GOD, THE FATHER, THE SON AND THE HOLY SPIRIT COME DOWN ON YOU AND REMAIN WITH YOU FOREVER!

Fr. Regulo Imperial, The Pastor

#### 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 30<sup>th</sup>, 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.

ESTATE PLANNING FROM A CATHOLIC PERSPECTIVE Saturday, June 5<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am Archdiocese Join this FREE webinar and learn about of Toronto the importance of a Will, Powers of Attorney & Estate Planning as well as Catholic teachings and traditions around cremation. The Archdiocese of Toronto estate planning team will share: • How to protect your loved ones with a proper Will • How to ensure that your wishes are legally protected • About Powers of Attorney • Estate Trustee selection • Finding lawyers and estate planning advisors • Our Catholic traditions around wills, cremation, burial and funeral

An estate planning guide will be mailed to all attendees at no cost. To register, email: *development@archtoronto.org*. Please include *'webinar June 5'* in the subject line and provide your name and mailing address in the body of a message (so we can send out your copy of the Estate Planning Guide). To keep statistics, we would be grateful if you would let us know whether you are planning to watch this webinar alone or together with a family member.

You will receive a link to the webinar on *May 31<sup>st</sup>*, and in a couple of reminders closer to the date of the presentation.

A Trinity Joke: About a century or two ago, the Pope decided that all the Jews had to leave the Vatican. Naturally, there was a big uproar from the Jewish community, so the Pope made a deal. He would have a religious debate with a member of the Jewish community. If the Jew won, they could stay. If the Pope won, the Jews would leave. The Jews realized that they had no choice, so they picked a middleaged man named Moishe to represent them. Moishe asked for one addition to the debate. To make it more interesting, neither side would be allowed to talk. The pope agreed.

The day of the great debate came. Moishe and the Pope sat opposite each other for a full minute before the Pope raised his hand and showed three fingers. Moishe looked back at him and raised one finger. The Pope waved his fingers in a circle around his head. Moishe pointed to the ground where he sat. The Pope pulled out a wafer and a glass of wine. Moishe pulled out an apple. The Pope stood up and said, "*I give up. This man is too good. The Jews can stay.*"

An hour later, the cardinals were all around the Pope asking him what happened. The Pope said, "First I held up three fingers to represent the Trinity. He responded by holding up one finger to remind me that there was still one God common to both our religions. Then I waved my finger around me to show him that God was all around us. He responded by pointing to the ground and showing that God was also right here with us. I pulled out the wine and the wafer to show that God absolves us from our sins. He pulled out an apple to remind me of original sin. He had an answer for everything. What could I do?"

Meanwhile, the Jewish community had crowded around Moishe, and asked what happened. "Well," said Moishe, "First he said to me that the Jews had three days to get out of here. I told him that not one of us was leaving. Then he told me that this whole city would be cleared of Jews. I let him know that we were staying right here." "AND THEN?" asked a woman. "I don't know," said Moishe. "He took out his lunch and I took out mine."



