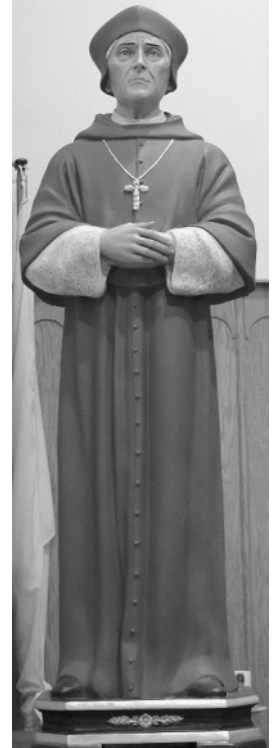


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OFFICE HOURS:

Mondays: 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. / 2 - 4:30 p.m.
Calls, emails, in-person
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Wednesdays: 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.
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Fridays: 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. / 2 - 4:30 p.m.
Calls & emails only

SUNDAY MASS:

Saturday: 5:30 p.m.
Sunday: 9 a.m. / 10:30 a.m. / 12 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASS:

Monday to Friday: 9 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE:

Saturday: 4:30 - 5 p.m.

WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS:

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

SACRAMENT OF INITIATION (BAPTISM):

By appointment only. Baptismal instruction required.

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

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, December 20th

9 a.m. – ✠Rodolfo Abril requested by Antonia Roaring

Tuesday, December 21st

9 a.m. – ✠Winston Albert Craig requested by Yolande Craig & Family

Wednesday, December 22nd

9 a.m. – Special Intentions for Reg & Shirley Digby

Thursday, December 23rd

9 a.m. – In Thanksgiving for Virgen Barangay Feastday requested by Antonia Roaring

Friday, December 24th

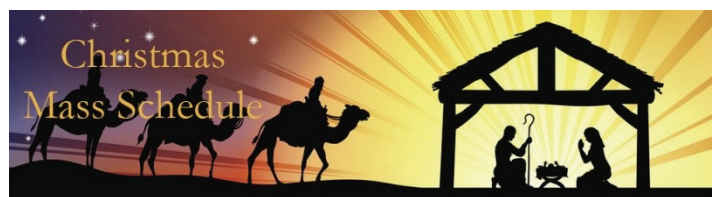
Saturday, December 25th

Sunday, December 26th

9 a.m. – ✠Peter Benvenuto requested by Cesar & Wilma Co

10:30 a.m. – ✠Winston Albert Craig requested by Yolande Craig & Family

12 p.m. – ✠Pauline Kropf requested by Linda Stinson & Josefa Hoefflerie



Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve

Friday, December 24th
5 pm – 7 pm – 9 pm

Christmas Day

Saturday, December 25th
9 am – 10:30 am – 12 pm

Sunday, December 26th – regular Sunday mass schedule

New Year's Eve

Friday, December 31st
7 pm Exposition & Holy Hour
8 pm Mass

New Year's Day

Saturday, January 1st
10:30 am – 12 pm

Sunday, January 2nd – regular Sunday mass schedule



Nope.



Not quite.



Try again.



That's the one!

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 starting from the back pews, follow the instructions of the ushers, spray your seat before you leave, entrance at main doors, exit at two side doors.

If you are unable or unwilling to completely follow the guidelines for masking and sanitizing, remember that 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.

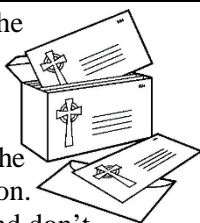
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- ❶ mail it to our parish office
- ❷ drop your envelope in our secured, outdoor mailbox
- ❸ drop your envelope in the donation box inside the church
- ❹ give online through the Archdiocese of Toronto website (Donate Now)



2022 ENVELOPES are ready for pick-up at the main entrance. They are in alphabetical order. Please take your box only. Please do not use these new envelopes until January and complete the outside of the envelope for the first 3 weeks so we can verify the information.

If you would like to start using envelopes and don't yet have them, please contact the church office. Thank you.



Ushers Needed



Ushers needed at all masses. Please contact the office if you can help and for which mass you are available.

Teenagers: you can usher to earn your volunteer hours.

All church volunteers must have received both doses of the Covid-19 vaccine.

SUNDAY MISSALS are available through the office. St Joseph's Workshop also has a supply of missals for \$5 & welcomes our parishioners to visit them at: 259 Traders Blvd E, unit 12, Miss, L4Z 2E5
Wed-Fri 1-6 pm / Sat 1-5 pm / 905-568-8777



CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE MASS-

As part of Marriage Sunday 2022 celebrations, Bishop Robert Kasun, CSB, will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples celebrating milestone anniversaries (25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+) in 2022.

Mass: Sunday, February 13th at 2:30 pm

at St Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond Street, Toronto). Due to social distancing measures, cathedral attendance is limited to pre-registered couples celebrating milestone wedding anniversaries and a maximum of one guest per celebrant couple. Registration is now open. Register early as space is limited. The mass will be livestreamed for those who are not able to register. www.archtoronto.org/marriage



Are you called to follow in the footsteps of Mary as a priest or religious or deacon to carry the Good News of God's great Love? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Vocations Director, ArchToronto 416-968-0997 / vocations@archtoronto.org / www.vocationstoronto.ca



Dear Parishioners:

Today is the last week of preparation - **Fourth Sunday of Advent**. The church gives us the very interesting detail about Mary who set out in haste to visit Elizabeth. This was not an easy journey, a trip estimated to be at least 80 miles long, probably on foot and would have easily taken at least eight days.

God is also working wonders for Elizabeth who is pregnant with a son. Luke tells us that Elizabeth's babe leapt in her womb when she heard Mary's greeting. The child, John, first rejoiced in the Saviour from his mother's womb.

Mary has received the news from the angel that she would be the mother of the Messiah, who is God. Mary with Jesus in the womb, embodies a new beginning while Elizabeth, with John the Baptist in her womb, embodies the former generations.

This final Sunday of the season encourages us to be joyful like Mary and Elizabeth. The world who long to know the peace, hope and joy of Christmas is already here with us. As Mary rushed to share her excitement with Elizabeth, let us as individuals, parish communities, hurry to share Jesus' love with those who are waiting and eager to know him.

"Blessed are you among women and blessed is the fruit of your womb."

HAPPY ADVENT!

God bless, Fr. Regulo Imperial, The Pastor

FRIARS' STUDENT WRITING CONTEST 2022 – Students aged 13-19 are invited to submit a 450-500-word essay for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, celebrated from January 18-25. This year, the theme and the resources for the Week have been prepared by the Middle East Council of Churches based in Beirut, Lebanon. The theme of the contest is: ***"We saw the star in the East, and we came to worship him."*** (Mt.2:2). Deadline: February 14th at 2 pm. More information: <https://bit.ly/FriarStudentWritingContest2022>.

The next **BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY TRAINING** will be offered online on Tuesdays, January 18, 25, February 1, 8, 15, 22, from 7-8:30 pm. This training is designed for new and seasoned parish bereavement ministers and will explore ways to begin a bereavement ministry in your parish or enhance your present bereavement ministry programs. Registrants must participate in all online sessions and complete pre-homework to receive full training. There is no cost to attend but register early as capacity is limited. Register by January 14th: <https://bit.ly/BT-RegisterJanFeb2022>. Questions? Sally Amaral: samaral@archtoronto.org or 416-934-3400 x 518



FIRST COMMUNION CORNER

Parents of Grade 2 students who wish their child to receive the First Holy Communion must celebrate Mass here at St John Fisher regularly. If you live within the boundaries of the parish and are not registered, please do so by completing the yellow Registration forms are in the wall pocket at the back of the church.

Two important events coming:

① ~~Sun Dec 12th:~~ → Registration event

② **Mon Jan 10th at 7 pm:** All parents (only) are invited in the parish hall for an Information Meeting.

Please remember to **always** bring home a copy of the Bulletin to stay up to date with all communications about First Communion for your child.



CONFIRMATION UPDATES for Grade 7 & 8

students who wish to celebrate Confirmation with St John Fisher Church. Families of the candidates must attend Sunday Eucharist regularly. Parents should be registered members of St John Fisher Parish. If you live within the boundaries of the parish and are not registered, please do so by completing the yellow Registration forms are in the wall pocket at the back of the church. Those students who go to another church must celebrate their Confirmation at their own parish church.

Important events:

- **December 18th/19th:** Return completed registration form including copy of Baptismal Certificate and present it to our catechists at the back of the church.

- **January 15th/16th:** Enrolment Ceremony. The family attends their usual mass and will receive the copy of the rite at the entrance. The Confirmation candidate will prepare a hand-written (or typed) letter on a proper piece of paper, addressed to the Pastor, indicating why they want to be Confirmed. During Mass, the priest will call on the candidates to present their letter to him and receive the Blessed Wooden Cross to wear every day.

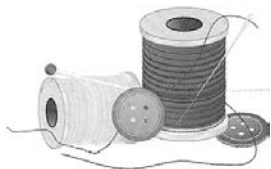
- **Tues Jan 25th at 7 pm:** Mandatory meeting for Parents and Teens in the parish hall.

Confirmation Ceremony Dates to be announced.

CALLING ALL CATHOLIC ADVISORS - Are you a financial or insurance advisor, or a lawyer? If yes, then we want to hear from you! The Archdiocese of Toronto has spent a number of years creating a network of advisors, who understand our faith and who can assist us with our estate and financial affairs. Come and be a part of our network where you have the opportunity to integrate your spiritual and professional lives. For further information, contact the Development Office at: 416-934-3400 ext. 561/519 or development@archtoronto.org.

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