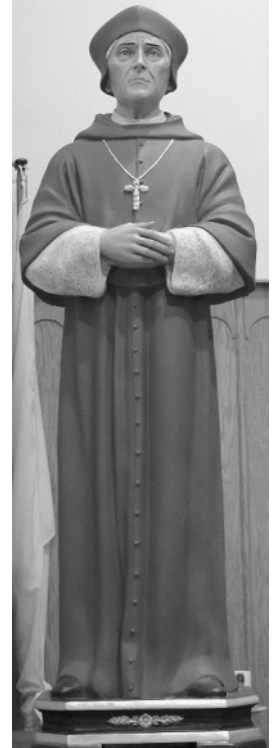


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OFFICE HOURS:

Mondays: 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. / 2 - 4:30 p.m.
Calls, emails, in-person
Wednesdays: 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. / 2 - 3 p.m.
Calls & emails only
Wednesdays: 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.
Calls, emails, in-person
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
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SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, January 17th

9 a.m. – ☩ Hugh Pitcher requested by Carole & Family

Tuesday, January 18th

9 a.m. – 100th Birthday Blessings for Gordon Rapson requested by Audrey & Olive de Rozario

Wednesday, January 19th

9 a.m. – ☩ Stanislaw Kolpak requested by the Wenderski Family

Thursday, January 20th

9 a.m. – ☩ Stanislaw Kolpak requested by the Wenderski Family

Friday, January 21st

9 a.m. – ☩ Idoardo Martins requested by his son, daughter & wife

Saturday, January 22nd

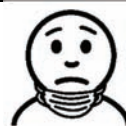
5:30 p.m. – Special Intention for Bill & Jeannette Morgan req by Margaret-Ann Leavitt & Connie Uddenberg

Sunday, January 23rd

9 a.m. – ☩ Daniel Cabral Andrade req by the Andrade Family

10:30 a.m. – ☩ Blossom Hsiung requested by the Hsiung Family

12 p.m. – ☩ Joseph Sgro requested by the Sgro Family



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, entrance at main doors, exit at two side doors.

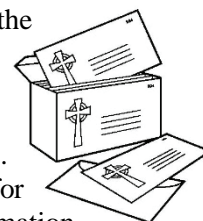
If you are unable or unwilling to completely follow the guidelines for masking and sanitizing, remember that Cardinal Collins continues to dispense the faithful from their Sunday obligation. If you are symptomatic, have a compromised immune system or have a greater risk of infection, please stay home.

2022 ENVELOPES are ready for pick-up at the

main entrance. They are in alphabetical order. Please take your box only. Please begin using these new envelopes now and throw out any envelopes from previous years.

Please 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.



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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)



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Pray to know how God wants to use your talents and abilities. Could it be He is calling you to consider priesthood or religious life? 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

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 SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL NEEDS NEW MEMBERS

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul is a lay Catholic organization whose mission is: to serve Christ in the poor with love, respect, justice, hope and joy, and to help shape a more just and compassionate society. *The SVDP at St John Fisher Church is urgently looking for at least 10 volunteers to help our neighbours in need.* If you have some time to share, and a willingness and desire to help our neighbours in need, please call Francis Fernandes at 416-997-0536, between 6-8 pm. For more information about the Society, visit <https://ssvp.ca/about/>.

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.

FROM THE PASTOR

Dear People of God:

Today we begin **Ordinary Time**. The color is green. But Ordinary Time doesn't mean unimportant. It doesn't mean dullness and boredom. It means discovering God in the everyday-ness of life. The wedding that happened in Cana, is part of our ordinary life event.

Today's Cana story by John the Evangelist is filled with deeper meanings and symbols. It wasn't just the wedding of a man and woman. The wedding at Cana is a symbol of a new marriage between God - Jesus, the bridegroom, and the new people of God. Who are the new people of God? New people of God are all those who believe that Jesus is God and Saviour sent by the Father. They are all Christians: Catholics, Protestants, Anglicans, Presbyterians, United, Baptists, Episcopalian, and other Christian denominations. The problem is they are not united. There are differences in belief. They are not comfortable with one another.

From January 18th - 25th, we celebrate the **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity**. The unity of Christians was the prayer Jesus said at the end of his earthly life: *"I ask not only on behalf of these but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us..."* (Jn 17:20)

The prayer of Jesus is also our prayer, and the will of Jesus is also our will. Prayer for Unity is an essential mission of the Church. It is not an extra activity; it is part of our activity as the church. You are all invited, *"we are witnesses"*. The Eucharist is the Sacrament of Unity. We pray that all Christians will one day share with us the Eucharist at His table. We are all witnesses of what the Eucharist has done and will do for us as new people of God.

LET US PRAY FOR UNITY!

Yours in Christ, Fr. Regulo Imperial, Pastor

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity - January 18-25

**WE SAW THE STAR IN THE EAST,
AND WE CAME TO WORSHIP HIM.** (Mt. 2:2)

Join His Eminence Cardinal Thomas Collins and a wide representation of Christian leaders to pray for the restoration of the full, visible unity willed by Jesus Christ for the Church. The Middle East Council of Churches has provided the theme this year. In this annual celebration, we are reminded that the unity of the Church is both a gift of the Holy Spirit and a task for all Christians.

Sunday, January 23rd at 4 p.m. at Holy Trinity Armenian Apostolic Orthodox Church, 920 Progress Ave, Scarborough. In person or watch the livestream: www.facebook.com/TorontoArmenianChurch

As part of **Marriage Sunday 2022 Celebrations**, Bishop Robert Kasun, CSB, will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples celebrating milestone anniversaries in 2022.

Sunday, February 13th at 2:30 pm at St Michael's Cathedral.

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



FIRST COMMUNION CORNER

Parents of Grade 2 & 3 students who wish their child to receive 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.

Important events:

Please note: REGISTRATION IS NOW CLOSED!

First Class on Sunday, January 16th:

Group 1: 1-2 pm

Group 2: 2:30-3:30 pm

Attendance will be taken. Masks are required.

Please remember to bring home a copy of the Bulletin and visit our website 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:

Please note: REGISTRATION IS NOW CLOSED!

• **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:** The Mandatory meeting for Parents and Teens is on hold. Please check this space for updates.

• **Confirmation Ceremony Dates** to be announced.

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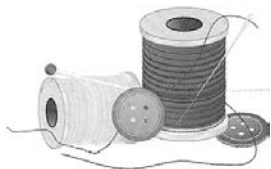
A Joyful 'toon by Mike Waters



May the God who gives endurance & encouragement give you a spirit of unity among yourselves as you follow Christ Jesus. Romans 15:5

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