

# St. John Fisher Parish



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**PASTOR:** Fr. Regulo Imperial  
**IN RESIDENCE:** Fr. Rudy Imperial  
**SECRETARY:** April Mercado-Williams

**OFFICE HOURS:**  
Monday 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. / 1 - 5 p.m.  
Wednesday 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. / 1 - 4 p.m.  
Friday 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. / 1 - 4 p.m.

**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



## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday, February 28<sup>th</sup>**

9 a.m. – ☩ Clemencia Agomaa requested by the Antonia Roaring

**Tuesday, March 1<sup>st</sup>**

9 a.m. – Special Intention for Shirley Digby req by the Miles Family

**Wednesday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> – Ash Wednesday**

9 a.m. – ☩ Veronica Vista Campos req by the Campos Family

7 p.m. –

**Thursday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>**

9 a.m. – Special Intention for Helena Borde req by the Miles Family

**Friday, March 4<sup>th</sup>**

7 p.m. – Special Intention for the Wenderski Family requested by the Miles Family

**Saturday, March 5<sup>th</sup>**

5:30 p.m. – ☩ Ignatius Benedict Martins requested by the Martins Family

**Sunday, March 6<sup>th</sup>**

9 a.m. – ☩ Fred & Colleen Clarke requested by the Clarke Family

10:30 a.m. – Health & Blessing to Maria Wenderski requested by the Wenderski Family

12 p.m. – ☩ Lydia Roaring requested by Antonia Roaring



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.*



“In the Lord your labour is not in vain”.

Is the Lord calling you to work in His vineyard?

Pray to hear God's call.

If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Vocations Director, ArchToronto

416-968-0997 / [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org) / [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca)

Thank You  
FOR  
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GENEROUSLY

**Offertory:**

February 20<sup>th</sup>: \$ 4,723.35



**WAYS TO DONATE TO ST JOHN FISHER CHURCH:**

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



**March 2<sup>nd</sup> – Masses @ 9 am and 7 pm**

We are obliged to observe *Fasting and Abstinence*. According to the teaching of the Catholic Church: ▶ The **law of Abstinence**

forbids the use of meat and prohibits the eating of meat on Fridays throughout the year. ▶ The **law of Fasting** allows only one full meal a day but does not prohibit taking some food in the morning and evening. ▶ *Abstinence and Fasting* are to be observed on **Ash Wednesday** and on the **Friday of the Passion and Death of Our Lord Jesus Christ**.

*Who are obliged to observe these precepts?*

▶ Anyone aged 14 and above are bound by the law of *Abstinence*. ▶ Anyone aged between 18 and 59 are obliged to *Fast and Abstain*. ▶ Nevertheless, Pastors and parents are to see to it that minors who are not bound by the laws of *Fasting and Abstinence* are educated in an authentic sense of penance.

**All Fridays within the Season of Lent, there will be NO Morning Mass. In the evening at 7 pm there will be the WAY OF THE CROSS followed by Mass.**

**ORDINANDI DINNER 2022** - Virtual event  
Tuesday, March 1<sup>st</sup> at 7 pm via [youtube.com/archtoronto](https://youtube.com/archtoronto)

Sponsored by the Serra Foundation of Canada and the 6 Serra Clubs in the Archdiocese of Toronto. Please join us to meet, honour and celebrate the Ordinandi, new priestly vocations and our seminaries (St Augustine's & Redemptoris Mater). With God's grace, these men will be ordained to the priesthood in 2022. Come share the unique opportunity to meet them and to hear about the unique faith journey that led them to this most noble commitment. There is no cost to view this event.

If you would like to donate to help cover the costs and support our two seminaries, the Office of Vocations and Serra House in the work that they do, or obtain further information on this event, please visit: [serracanada.com/2022-ordinandi-dinner](https://serracanada.com/2022-ordinandi-dinner).



**THE SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL  
NEEDS 10 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. 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. For more information about the Society, visit <https://ssvp.ca/about/>.

**MESSAGE FOR DIVORCED CATHOLICS:** In his motu proprio *Mitis Iudex Dominus Iesus*, Pope Francis encouraged dioceses to remove the moral and physical distance which prevents the faithful from accessing the marriage tribunal. Please see the posters attached to the walls at each exit. Examine carefully. You can use the “QR” code which will direct the faithful to the Tribunal's page on the website of our archdiocese.

# FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners:

This Sunday we celebrate the **8<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**. The following Sunday is the beginning of Lent. This last Sunday before Lent offers us a rich array of themes that lead us right into this season of conversion and renewal.

The first reading raises the issue of speech and how what we say reveals our faults. Ben Sira advises us to withhold judgment on people until we hear what they have to say.

The Gospel calls us to self-examination. What kind of fruit are we producing in our lives? What changes are needed? This passage also reminds us not to spend our time judging the faults of others but to remove the beam from our own eyes. That is good advice at any time of the year. *“Can a blind person guide a blind person? Will not both fall into a pit?”* A person who has admitted his/her own sinfulness is the one capable of helping someone to move forward. Only a person who looks on another with clarity of compassion has what is necessary to help the other grow.

The people who admit their limited vision and minuscule understanding of God’s ways are the ones whom we can trust to orient us toward the mysteries God wants to reveal to us.

God bless, Fr. Regulo Imperial, Pastor

## Personal Attendants needed for Senior Parishioner:

*A letter from Shirley Christo to my dear Friends in Faith:* I have been working with the Toronto Archdiocese and Catholic Charities to initiate the CCCB’s Palliative Care Program called *Horizons of Hope*. We have many individuals in our churches who are living on their own in very fragile health and NEED OUR HELP. My vocational call as a Parish Nurse, since 2003, has been to try to assist these individuals and their families to obtain the *Circle of Support* they need.

I urgently need the assistance of two personal attendants to assist an 86-year-old female with her *Activities of Daily Living* for 3-5 hours per day. These individuals must have current CPR and First Aid and at least one must have a current or pending healthcare registration. Salary is to be negotiated. If you or someone you know is able to help, please send me an updated resume: Shirley Christo at [cwllmshirl@gmail.com](mailto:cwllmshirl@gmail.com).

Thank you in advance for helping me to bring HOPE through the caring LIGHT OF CHRIST to this woman.

## Lift Jesus Higher Rally Theme: More Than Conquerors

Saturday, March 5<sup>th</sup> – 9 am-3:30 pm

Registration is required to receive the link to the free livestream of the event from Ann Arbor, Michigan.

<https://www.renewalministries.net/ljhr-registration-virtual/>

See the schedule at [ljhr.ca](http://ljhr.ca).



## COME & SEE DISCERNMENT DAY RETREAT for single men 18+ - March 19<sup>th</sup> 9 am – 3 pm

For more information email: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)

Register at: [www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee)



## FIRST COMMUNION CORNER

Parents of Grade 2 & 3 students registered to receive First Holy Communion: Please bring your child to mass 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.

**Please note: REGISTRATION IS NOW CLOSED!**

**Classes are currently suspended.**

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 and Confirmation classes.

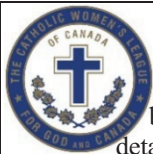


## CONFIRMATION UPDATES for Grade 7 & 8

students registered to celebrate Confirmation: Candidates must attend Sunday Eucharist regularly at St John Fisher. Families should be registered members of the 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.

**Please note: REGISTRATION IS NOW CLOSED!**

- **Classes are currently suspended.**
- **Confirmation Ceremony Dates** to be announced.



## CWL MEMBERS AND ALL WOMEN AGED 16+:

The Membership Drive for the Catholic Women’s League is now on! Membership newsletters have been distributed. The fee is \$30 this year. More details and the instructions for returning your membership fee are in the newsletter. Thank you for your cooperation.



The CWL is preparing for the **Books, Bags, Baubles & Bake Sale** on April 23<sup>rd</sup> and want your *gently used costume jewellery* donations for the Baubles part of the sale.

**Please DO NOT leave any jewellery in the church.**

To arrange a pick-up or drop-off, please email [stjohnfishercwl@outlook.com](mailto:stjohnfishercwl@outlook.com) or call Michelle at 416-828-8071. Jewellery donations can also be left with the church secretary, April, during regular office hours. In March we will be asking for your donations of gently used handbags, and purses. If you are doing some spring cleaning and can hold on to these items until we can handle them, we would be very grateful.

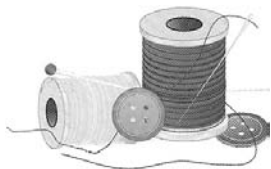
**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER** has been happening in Canada for almost 100 years. The 2022 service was written by the WDP committee of England, Wales & Northern Ireland inspired by the Biblical theme *“I Know the Plans I Have for You” (Jeremiah 29:11)*.



We are encouraged to reflect on the changes and challenges faced by these countries as they have evolved independently and collectively over hundreds of years. The writing team has shared the injustice obstacles that immigrant women to the UK have met, the selfishness of Britain as a conquering nation, and the hopes for the future. The World Day of Prayer 2022 service video, prepared by the Women’s Inter-Church Council of Canada, can be accessed for free by going to: [wicc.org](http://wicc.org). Donations are welcome. Donations received for services support the World Day of Prayer movement and provides generous grants that support social justice projects in Canada and the world.

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