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 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



Monday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>

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9 a.m. – Special Intention for Laura Clutchey requested by Fred & Mary Joe Clutchey

# Tuesday, May 3rd

9 a.m. – <sup>‡</sup>Rudolph Allison requested by the Allison Family

## Wednesday, May 4<sup>th</sup>

9 a.m. – <sup>‡</sup>John Kukkla requested by Fred & Mary Joe Clutchey

# Thursday, May 5<sup>th</sup>

9 a.m. – Special Intention for the Gingerich Family requested by Jennifer Taylor

## Friday, Mav 6<sup>th</sup>

9 a.m. – Special Intention for Anna Zavodni req by Jennifer Taylor

Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup>

5:30 p.m. – <sup>‡</sup>Carmine Chiovitti requested by the Family

#### Sunday, May 8<sup>th</sup>

9 a.m. – <sup>‡</sup>Daniel Cabral Andrade requested by the Andrade Family 10:30 a.m. – Special Intention for Maria Wenderski req by the Family 12 p.m. – Special Intention for Melissa Roach req by the Allison Family



**Offertory:** April 24<sup>th</sup>: \$ 3,600.05



# WAYS TO DONATE TO ST JOHN FISHER CHURCH:

• mail it to our parish office

Odrop your envelope in our secured, outdoor mailbox O drop your envelope in the donation box inside the church give online through the Archdiocese of Toronto website (Donate Now)



## THIS WEEKEND IS SHARELIFE SUNDAY

"ShareLife is the way the rubber hits the road. This is how we validate the legitimacy and integrity of our Christian ShareLife life: not by the words we speak, but by the love we share, in practical ways. That's what we do with ShareLife."

- Cardinal Thomas Collins

So far we have raised \$3,379.05 toward our goal of \$18,000. Thank you for supporting ShareLife! Please give generously during the ShareLife Sunday collection or at sharelife.org.



Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup> @ 8:30 am @ Ching<u>uacousy Park</u> Pick up your pledge forms after all masses this weekend.



## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

Have you ever thought about serving in some way when you come to mass? Most roles don't take up much more Being God's hands and feet time than simply attending mass. The

church is fully open again. Our faith community can grow only if more people pitch in. Training will be provided, and no experience is necessary. Please consider signing up for these ministries at St John Fisher. We need YOU!



**Extraordinary Ministers of Communion** are needed at all Masses. All pre-pandemic duties can return except for wearing a mask which is required. Contact: Fred at fclut@yahoo.ca

Ushers needed at all masses. Please Ushers needed contact the office if you can help and for which mass you are available. Teenagers can usher to earn volunteer hours.



Altar Servers are needed for all masses. Students must be in Grade 3 and older. *Teenagers* can earn volunteer hours. Please contact the office and let us know for which mass you are available.

For more information or to sign-up, please call the office at (905) 793-6610 or email at *stjohnfisherbr@archtoronto.org*.



The Saturday 5:30 pm choir is welcoming new singers of any age. You must be able to come each Saturday at 4:30 pm for a rehearsal before mass. Please contact Michelle at michellefrizza@gmail.com or (416) 828-8071.

Volunteers needed to form our PARISH SCREENING COMMITTEE. This committee is mandated by the Archdiocese of Toronto to ensure that all volunteers who assist in our parishes are eligible to perform their functions. It is a formalized process of screening that puts first the safety and well-being of our vulnerable people and volunteers. A member of the Screening Committee is a person who handles the interviews and/or documentation required to perform this background check. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the church office. Training will be provided.

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An elderly woman had just returned home from an evening church service when she realized there was an intruder in her home. Seeing that he was in the act of robbing her home of its valuables, the lady yelled "Stop! Acts 2:38!"

Hearing her, the burglar stopped dead in his tracks and stood motionless. The woman calmly called the police and explained what was going on.

As the officer cuffed the man to take him in, he asked the burglar, "WHY DID YOU JUST STAND THERE? ALL THE LADY DID WAS YELL A BIBLE VERSE AT YOU."

"BIBLE VERSE?" said the burglar, "SHE SAID SHE HAD AN AX AND TWO 38'S!"

Acts 2:38 - Repent and be baptized, in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven. And you will receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit.



## Dear Parishioners:

Today is the *Third Sunday of Easter*. The Gospel according to John is full of symbolism. The last meal Jesus shared with his disciples was not that supper, but the breakfast he prepared for them on the shore. On the shore, Peter met Jesus who awaited them with bread and fish, the same food they had once shared with a multitude near that very lake when they first traveled with him.

If the food was meant to jog their memory, much more so the charcoal fire where Peter encountered Jesus. The only other time this Gospel mentions a charcoal fire, Peter was warming himself by it while he denied knowing Jesus.

This present scene is a time of peace, reconciliation and transformation. For Jesus there is no time for mentioning Peter's failings, and Peter was not given a chance to apologize or make excuses. For Jesus the past is the past and what matters most is the present. Jesus asked Peter three times, "*Do you love me?*" The first time, Jesus specifically asked if Peter loved him "*more than these*", meaning the primacy Jesus had given him. At this point, Peter would not claim priority. He simply answered, "YOU KNOW THAT I LOVE YOU."

This was Peter's confession. Standing humbled before Jesus, knowing that Jesus was fully aware of who he was and everything he had done, Peter acknowledged this weakness and claimed his source of strength. He needed to say no more than, "YES, LORD, YOU KNOW THAT I LOVE YOU."

Jesus made no mention of the past. Jesus looked to the future and gave his forgiveness and grace by entrusting Peter with his mission. "*Feed and tend my sheep*."

Let us forget whatever negative happened in the past. Our task now is to join our efforts together to build the kingdom of God in our community.

Fr. Regulo Imperial, Pastor





FIRST COMMUNION CORNER Classes resume this weekend for registered

students in Grades 2 & 3. Parents, please bring your child to all classes on the following dates:

Group A: 1-2 pm & Group B: 2:30-3:30 pm March 27, April 3 & 24, May 1 & 8

 First Reconciliation (Confession) is on Saturday, May 21<sup>st</sup> at 11 a.m. in the church. All children preparing for First Communion must attend.
Please bring your child to mass regularly.

•First Communion Ceremony dates will be scheduled soon.

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**

Confirmation

Classes resume this weekend for registered students in Grades 7 & 8. Students must attend all classes on the following dates:

# Class: 9-10:20 am & Mass at 10:30 am March 27, April 3 & 24, May 1 & 8

- •There is a \$20 fee to cover course materials.
- •Bishop Ivan Camilleri will administer the Sacrament of Confirmation this year on:

Sunday, June 19th at 7 pm & Monday, June 20th at 7 pm

## **ARCHDIOCESAN DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS:** $Friday, May 6^{th}$

Cardinal Collins asks all the faithful to pray:

• for an increase of vocations to the priesthood & religious life

**2** for endurance in vocations already committed.

Please also keep Ordinandi in your prayers along with all those who are discerning and who are currently in formation.

# **PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS:**

O God, who wills not the death of a sinner but rather that he be converted and live, grant we beseech you, through the intercession of the Blessed Mary ever Virgin, St Joseph, her spouse, St Junipero Serra, and all the saints, an increase of labourers for your Church, fellow labourers with Christ to spend and consume themselves for souls through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen.

How am I being called to feed the lambs of Jesus? Could it be as an ordained or consecrated person? 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 Liturgical Publications 3171 LENWORTH DR. #12 MISSISSAUGA, ON L4X 2G6 905-624-4422



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