St. John Fisher Parish





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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



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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, September 5th

9 a.m. – ₽Roger Knollmeyer requested by Bonny Loescher

Tuesday, September 6th 9 a.m. – [‡]Helen McDonald requested by Bonny Loescher

Wednesday, September 7th 9 a.m. – ₽Ethel & Joseph de Rozario requested by Audrey & Olive de Rozario

Thursday, September 8th 9 a.m. – ♥Souls in Purgatory requested by the Miles Family

Friday, September 9th 9 a.m. – [‡]Edwin Turner requested by the Turner Family

Saturday, September 10th

5:30 p.m. – ‡Eileen, Earl, Margaret, Jim, Eveline, Dorothy & George requested by Maureen Buck

Sunday, September 11th

9 a.m. – [‡]Adelino Garcia requested by Adelaide Garcia 10:30 a.m. – Dedwin Turner requested by the Turner Family 12 p.m. – Teresita Vista Magallanes req by the Campos Family



Offertory: August 28th: \$ 3.912.70





CWL General Meeting - Tuesday, September 6th at 7 pm in the Church Hall. Women aged 16 and over, please join us!



The St John Fisher Charismatic Prayer Group meets on Thursdays from 7-9 p.m. in the Upper Room of the Church Hall. All are welcome! Please feel free to call Reg & Shirley Digby at (905) 793-0422 for more information.



Beginning Tuesday, September 6th, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be available from 9:30 a.m. until 12 p.m. Please come and spend some time with Jesus.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY begins on Sunday, September 11th at the 10:30 a.m. mass. Children aged 4-7 are welcome. They will be led to the adjacent room at Liturgy of the Word the beginning of mass and will return to mass after the prayer of the faithful.

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Dear Parishioners:

Greetings of Peace! To all our principals, teachers, students and staff: Welcome Back! I am so happy to see you back at school and our parish Church.

Today we celebrate the 23rd Sunday in Ordinary *Time*. What is the cost to us of being a Christian? If being a follower of Jesus costs us nothing, can we even call ourselves followers of Jesus? Is this the kind of religion that you would like for yourself, no demands, no costs, no sacrifices? As the poem conveys:

I would like to buy three dollars' worth of God, please. I would like to buy just little of the Lord.

Discipleship isn't just like building a tower or deploying an army. It is a love story. And all love stories will unfold in stages, involve many layers of self-discovery, be different for each person who attempts it. No one can know in advance what the cost will be or whether failure will be part of the story.

For all of us, today is only the beginning. Some are advanced in their journey of faith and some are on the first chapter in a love story whose twists and turns we cannot know.

Once you learn to love Jesus and his church nothing can stand before you and your love for Jesus, "not even father, mother, wife, children, brothers, sisters, yes and his own life too..." Jesus is again telling us to allow nothing, absolutely nothing, to stand in the way of our Christian discipleship. The Kingdom must come first!

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Regulo Imperial, Pastor

Having a loose grasp on those things that rightly belong to God is required of every follower. The open hands you are left with will be filled by God and overflowing. Can you let go?

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

Rosary Sunday is on September 11th at Martyr's Shrine in Midland, Ontario. St Leonard's has arranged a bus and tickets are still available. Please contact Joe Resendes at (647) 281-9212 (joeresendes19@gmail.com)

https://martyrs-shrine.com/event/rosary-sunday-pilgrimage-2022/

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RETREAT FOR CANCER PATIENTS & THEIR CAREGIVERS *Wednesday, September 28th from 9 am-3 pm*

A relic of St Peregrine will be in our Chapel during the retreat. *Come, let Jesus hold you lovingly in His gentle arms and fill you with strength.*

Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre, Mississauga Cost: \$45 (hot lunch included) / Contact: office@qoa.ca or 905-278-5229

Pilgrimage to the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate (Guelph, ON) October 1st. All devotees of our Blessed Mother, Mary Immaculate are invited to honour her by attending this special Marian Day with Bishop Crosby, OMI.

PROGRAM begins at 9 am with Confessions, Mass, Solemn Crowning of Our Lady & Rosary and The Queen's Tea (lunch provided). Time and weather permitting, we will visit a farm on the way back home to enjoy the Fall colours and harvest.

Cost: \$65/person - Includes transportation by luxury coach, The Queen's Tea Lunch. Payment by cash or email transfer to *nefrep@gmail.com*. Assigned seats on a first-come first-served basis with payment. Minimum of 40 passengers required to guarantee the trip. **Pickup locations:** Shrine of Gratitude, 3100 Weston Rd, North York; St Aloysius Gonzaga High School, 2800 Erin Centre Blvd, Miss; Trafalgar Carpool Lot, 4290 Trafalgar Rd, Milton

Call or text for more info: Enza Fenech (905) 301-3376



SEASON OF CREATION: September 1st-October 4th

The annual event of Season of Creation begins on September 1st, the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, and ends on October 4th,

the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, Patron Saint of Ecology.

This year inspiration is taken from Psalm 19:1-4 that proclaims, *"Listen to the Voice of Creation"*.

For resources and to find out more, visit: https://seasonofcreation.org.

May this Season of Creation renew our Christian unity through our common efforts to respond to the voices on the margins of society and to care for the earth as good stewards in our discipleship.



2022 Life Chain Sunday, October 2nd

Brampton locations: → St Leonard's 1:30-2:30 p.m. → St Marguerite D'Youville – 2-3 p.m. → St Mary's 3-4 p.m.

Get a group together and head to one of the locations. Join your fellow St John Fisher parishioners and stand up against abortion. Signs will be provided.

> God's timing, not mine. God's will, not mine. God's plan, not mine. God's glory, not mine



Reflections from the Office of Formation for Discipleship

GIVING THE GIFT OF OURSELVES

At first glance, Jesus' words in the Gospel this Sunday seem like a cruel and impossible ideal for any Christian to live. Surely, he doesn't mean for us to hate our fathers and mothers and even life itself, right? However, these words all point to the most central mystery of today's gospel, that "whoever of you does not give up all their possessions cannot be my disciple." Now the Lord doesn't mean to suggest that all of us should have no possessions, but rather to live with a lens that gratefully views all our possessions as gifts from God, that are meant to be used for His glory and the good of the Church. This lens is at the very core of what it means to live as a steward.

Cardinal Collins, in his *Pastoral Letter on Stewardship*, states that good stewards are "*meant to use God's gift fruitfully and creatively, so that with true gratitude for what we have received we may return God's gifts to Him with increase*." These gifts do not involve simply financial goods, but the gifts of our time and talents as well.

As the new school year is beginning and many ministries in the parish are gearing up for a new year, we should ask ourselves, how can we lend our time and gifts to serve others? By taking today's Gospel message to heart, we can learn to be even more generous with the gift of our lives, as we boldly and joyfully proclaim our identity as Jesus' disciples.

I have decided to follow Jesus. No turning back. No turning back. The world behind me. The cross before me.

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