

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.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Tuesdays: 9:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP:

Thursdays: 7 - 9 p.m. (Upper Room of the Church Hall)

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, November 28th

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

Tuesday, November 29th

9 a.m. – ✠ Terrence Vincent requested by the Vincent Family

Wednesday, November 30th

9 a.m. – ✠ Celine Mascarenhas requested by the Vincent Family

Thursday, December 1st

9 a.m. – ✠ Jason Unger requested by Shirley & Gary Christo

Friday, December 2nd

9 a.m. – ✠ Bernardino Ras requested by Antonia Roaring

Saturday, December 3rd

5:30 p.m. – ✠ Giuse Le Trung Dung requested by the Lam Family

Sunday, December 4th

9 a.m. – ✠ Jason Unger requested by the Catholic Women's League

10:30 a.m. – Special Intention for Lorreta Anochie

12 p.m. – In Thanksgiving for Lorreta Anochie



Dear Parishioners:

This Sunday is the **FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT – the beginning of the Church Calendar.** In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us to be ready because, at an hour we do not expect, the Son of Man will come. *“But of that day and hour; no one knows, neither the angels of heaven nor the Son, but the Father alone.”*

As one commentary noted, the end of the world is a pretty big deal for God to keep secret from Jesus and the angels. The only definite thing Jesus says about *“that day”* is that the disciples should stay awake and be ready for it. Apparently, the thrust of Jesus' teaching is to say that there's no point in speculating about the end. The only thing for sure is that it will come at an unexpected time and in an unexpected way. It seems that the gist of the message is *“Live as if you were going to die tomorrow and as if you were going to live forever.”* That is the truth.

Advent invites us to stay awake, stay in focus. Enjoy the coming wonderful Christmas Season. Make room for love and forgiveness in your heart. Let us prepare ourselves: *“Make your house fair as you are able, Trim the hearth and set the table...Love, the Guest is on the way.”*

A BLESSED ADVENT FOR ALL!

Yours in Christ, Fr. Regulo Imperial, Pastor



Offertory: November 20th: \$ 3,308.20
Building Fund: \$ 3,736
Shepherd's Trust: \$ 162



The Archdiocese of Toronto has established a **Pre-Authorized Giving Plan (PAG)** to assist you in your support of the work of the Parish through your regular parish offerings. For information on how to enrol, please contact the parish office or email at development@archtoronto.org.



SUNDAY MISSALS are available to purchase for \$7 each.

Each November, the Church asks us to remember in a special way those who have died.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Here is your opportunity to visit this Vatican approved **EUCCHARISTIC MIRACLES OF THE WORLD EXHIBIT** in Peel Region. The exhibit, which was designed and created by Blessed Carlo Acutis, features panels that each tell the story of a Eucharistic miracle and allow you to “virtually visit” the places where the miracles take place.

Fri Dec 2nd 9 am-9 pm | Sat Dec 3rd 9 am-7 pm | Sun Dec 4th 8 am-2 pm
St Martin of Tours Parish – 1290 McBride Ave, Mississauga



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<https://stjohnfisherbr.archtoronto.org/en/contact-us/sign-up/>



“They shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks.”

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



BEREAVEMENT DAY OF RETREAT: *Let the healing hands of Jesus bless you with peace and healing.*

Sat Dec 10th from 9 am to 3 pm
Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre, Mississauga
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SAVE THE DATE!
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9TH – 6-10 PM
St John Fisher Parish Christmas Party
 6 pm – arrival / 6:30 pm opening prayer
 7 pm - International Food Festival &
Christmas Cultural Entertainment

Please plan to join our Parish Family for this FREE event.

- ▶ We want to showcase Christmas music and traditions from around the world. To participate in the entertainment lineup, please contact Michelle at michellefrizza@gmail.com.

Please let Shiro (shirodemelw@gmail.com) **know if you can:**

- ▶ volunteer on December 9th – Teenagers looking for community hours are welcome.
- ▶ provide ethnic food especially dishes that are more common at Christmas

HELP HOMELESS YOUTH THROUGH SHARELIFE
NEW: Your year-end gift will double in value! From now until the end of 2022, your contribution to our parish's ShareLife campaign will be matched by an anonymous donor up to a total of \$1 million.

Covenant House is one of the agencies you support through ShareLife. It's located in Toronto, but its young clients – largely homeless youth – arrive from throughout the archdiocese.

“Your commitment to love and care for the youth experiencing homelessness and trafficking who come to Covenant House truly means so much,” says the agency's director. “Your support gives hope to young people who need hope right now – and you give youth a real chance for a better future.”

Our goal this year is **\$18,000**. To date we have achieved **\$12,432**, that's 69% of our goal!


If you have not yet donated, you can do so using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate. Please give generously. Thank you for supporting ShareLife!

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT ADVENT

While Advent is the start of a new liturgical year, it has evolved to become many different things for different people. We may ask: what is the real meaning of Advent? How can I allow this season to bring me closer to God? Am I doing it right? This is the perfect time to learn, reflect, and prepare our heart and minds for a deeper celebration of Advent.

Join us as the ShareLife Speaker Series returns with “*What you need to know about Advent*” featuring Deacon Michael El-Nachef, Jeremy Zou, and Francesco Rampino, students of St. Augustine's Seminary. This Zoom webinar will take place **Thursday, December 1 at 7 pm**.

You will have an opportunity to ask your own questions during this presentation. Sign up and you will receive a link to the webinar portal prior to the event.
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/sharelifespakerseries>




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 11th:** → Grade 2 students and parents are invited to attend the 10:30 am Mass for a ceremony. Registration follows directly after Mass in the parish hall.
- ② **Mon Jan 16th at 7 pm:** All parents (only) are invited to attend an Information Meeting in the parish hall.

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 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:

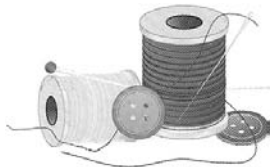
- **December 10th/11th:** Registration Forms will be available at the back of the church. Take one home, fill out the required information and attach a copy of your Baptismal Certificate.
- **December 17th/18th:** Return completed registration form and present it to our catechists at the back of the church.
- **January 14th/15th:** 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 24th at 7 pm:** Mandatory meeting for Parents and Teens in the parish hall.

Confirmation Ceremony Dates to be announced.

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