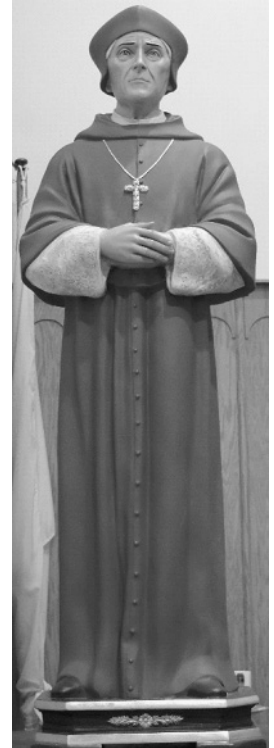


St. John Fisher Parish



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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



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, February 4th

5:30 p.m. - ✠Richard Swadzba requested by Mary & Family

Sunday, February 5th

9 a.m. - ✠Dalmacia Dela Cruz requested by the Dela Cruz Family

10:30 a.m. - In Thanksgiving for & requested by Harrish, Sharon, Mikhail, Shagilton, Stansfield & Juliet

12 p.m. - ✠David Miles requested by the Miles Family

Monday, February 6th

9 a.m. - In Thanksgiving & ✠Souls in Purgatory requested by Mary Jo & Fred Clutchey

Tuesday, February 7th

9 a.m. - In Thanksgiving from the Dacuya Family

Wednesday, February 8th

9 a.m. - ✠Brian Dubier requested by the Catholic Women's League

Thursday, February 9th

9 a.m. - ✠Curtis Bradley Smith requested by Bernadette Smith & his aunts & uncles

Friday, February 10th

9 a.m. - ✠Teresa, Francisco, Teodoro, Escolastica & Alfredo Palma requested by the Palma Family

Saturday, February 11th

5:30 p.m. - ✠Luis Mascarenhas requested by Irwin Mascarenhas

Sunday, February 12th

9 a.m. - ✠Erna Wengler requested by Sophie Hoefflerle

10:30 a.m. - ✠Leonardo, Maria Elena, Avelino, Jaime & Desidario Maranan req by the Maranan Family

12 p.m. - ✠Avita Lawrence requested by her Husband & Children



Dear Parishioners:

Today we celebrate the **5th Sunday in Ordinary Time**. Jesus addresses the statement about salt and light. Salt gave flavour to food and that's what Jesus emphasized. We are to become people who bring a whole new taste to the world in which we live. We are to bring "*the flavour of God*" in all that we do and say. That new taste, the new "*God flavour*" becomes contagious. It spreads. It multiplies.

The second pair of images, the light and shining city on the hilltop, is even more powerful when understood in a biblical context. Light was a common symbol for God's word: "*Your word is a lamp to my feet, a light to my path*" (Ps. 119:105); and even for God: "*The Lord is my light and my salvation*" (Ps 27:1). The city on the hilltop was Jerusalem, the dwelling place of God (Micah 4:1-3). With these images Jesus teaches that the persecuted and blessed disciples are an extension of God's very presence in the world, a presence that can never be hidden or snuffed out.

One catechist often told students he would not tolerate GRAs (Generic Religion Answers): serve others, do good, give to the poor, share things, help those in need, be kind, love people. Students asked, "What's wrong with them? Aren't those the right answers?" "That's the problem," he said. "We say the right answers and think we're done. The right answers mean nothing unless we do them."

ARE YOU THE SALT AND LIGHT OF THE EARTH?

Fr Regulo Imperial, Pastor



"You are the light of the world."

Are you willing to let your light shine as a priest, deacon, brother or sister?

If God is calling you to a church vocation, contact Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Vocations Director, ArchToronto 416-968-0997 / vocations@archtoronto.org / www.vocationstoronto.ca

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January 29th: \$ 2,763.38



The Archdiocese will be mailing out income tax receipts for those parishioners who use envelopes.

You should receive yours by February 6th.





OUR LADY OF THE CAPE is coming to St John Fisher on



February 11th & 12th from her home in Trois Rivieres, Quebec. Look for more details on the posters around the church. Volunteers needed to help unload the transporting crate of Our Holy Mother on February 11th. The crate and statue weigh 100 lbs and is 4 ft long. If you can help, please call Lorraine Carvey at 647-855-8980.

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CWL MEMBERS AND ALL WOMEN AGED 16+:

The Membership Drive for the Catholic Women's League is here. Membership newsletters will be distributed next week. Volunteers will deliver these to your mailbox if you live in a house in the neighbourhood. We will mail the rest. The fee is \$30. More details and the instructions for returning your membership fee are in the newsletter. If you would like to become a member, please email us at stjohnfishercwl@outlook.com!



Sign Up to receive the Weekly Bulletin and other special alerts emailed directly to your inbox.

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



Saturday, February 18th @ 6:30 pm
in the church hall

Come out and have a fun evening of great food, entertainment, door prizes & more. Get your tickets early!

Menu: Penne with meat or vegetarian tomato sauce, bread, butter, salad, fruit, dessert, water, pop, coffee, tea.

Tickets are on sale at the back of the church after all masses.

▶ Adults: \$15 ▶ Children (6-12): \$10 ▶ Ages 5 & under: Free

As part of **Marriage Sunday 2023 Celebrations**, Bishop Vincent Nguyen will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples celebrating milestone anniversaries (25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+) in 2023.


Sunday, February 12th at 2:30 pm at St Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond Street, Toronto).

The mass will be livestreamed starting at 2:15 pm for those who are not able to attend.

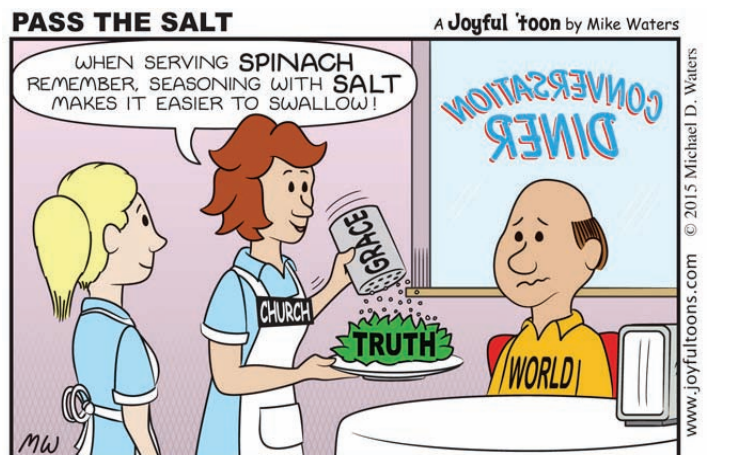
BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY VIRTUAL TRAINING:
Thursdays, Feb 23, Mar 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 from 7-8:30 pm.

This training is designed for new and seasoned parish bereavement ministers. It will explore ways to begin a bereavement ministry in your parish or enhance your present bereavement ministry programs. Registrants are required to participate in all online sessions and complete pre-homework to receive full training. There is no cost to attend but registration is required (space is limited). This program is offered by the Office of Formation for Discipleship & Saint Monica Institute. Register by Feb 21st: <https://bit.ly/BMT-RegisterFebMar2023>

Lift Jesus Higher Rally Theme: *Empowered to Stand*
Saturday, March 4th – 9 am – 5:30 pm
Metro Toronto Convention Centre
Tickets: \$25 adults, youth \$15 www.ljhr.ca
Bus from St John Fisher, leaving at 6:45 am – cost \$10
For tickets & bus reservation, please contact: Reg or Shirley – 905-793-0422



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-Colossians 4:6 NIV




FIRST COMMUNION CORNER: Classes begin this weekend for registered students in Grade 2. They will be held in the parish hall **after** the 12 pm Sunday Mass.

Parents, please bring your child to all FIVE (5) classes based on your assigned Group (A or B).

Group A: 1-2 pm & Group B: 2:30-3:30 pm
February 5, 12, 26, March 5 & 26

- Attendance will be taken. Masks are required.
- Please bring your child to mass regularly.

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: Classes begin this weekend for registered students in Grade 7. They will be held in the parish hall **before** the 10:30 am Sunday Mass.

Students must attend all SIX (6) classes on these dates:

Class: 9-10:25 am & Mass at 10:30 am
February 5, 12, 26, March 5 & 26, April 2


- There is a \$20 fee to cover course materials.
- Attendance will be taken. Masks are required.



SERRA CLUB OF NORTH PEEL: Of course, we all want to receive Jesus in the Eucharist and the other sacraments for our eternal salvation.

We are looking for new members! Please consider joining the Serra Club of North Peel - our members are from the parishes of Brampton, Caledon and Orangeville. Become a promoter of vocations for the priesthood and the religious life, for without priests, we are deprived of God's instruments for saving souls. We meet every 4th Saturday at St Mary's Church, 66A Main St S (Brampton) after the 9 am Mass.

For information, please contact Carlos Abug at carlq7@gmail.com / (416) 409-1384



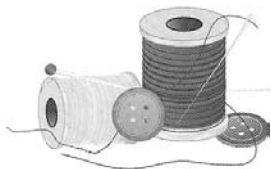
Dynamic Women of Faith - Catholic Women's Conference
Saturday, March 25th: 9 am-4 pm
Cost \$65 (before February 14th)
DynamicWomenFaith.com

His Eminence Cardinal Collins will celebrate the opening mass at 9 am. **Keynote Speaker:** Sister Deirdre Byrne – The Heroes of My Life Lead Me to Our Lady; Dr Josephine Lombardi – Healing and Forgiveness; Diana Filipiak, Kasia Ryba, Sandra Wojcik – Journeying with Mother Mary; Dorothy Pilarski – Why minister to moms? How to start a Catholic Moms Group.

Register at www.dynamicwomenfaith.com.

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