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.

EUCHARISTIC 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, March 4th

5:30 p.m. - PAvita Lawrence req by her Husband & Children

Sunday, March 5th

9 a.m. – †Nicasio Jasmin requested by Angie Balbesino

10:30 a.m. – †Catherine Allison req by Mary Michael Courneyea

12 p.m. – PRozitha D'Souza requested by the Montinaro Family

Monday, March 6th

9 a.m. – Pholy Souls in Purgatory of Family & Friends of the Santos Family

Tuesday, March 7th

9 a.m. – †Editha Dela Cruz requested by the Dela Cruz Family

Wednesday, March 8th

9 a.m. – PArtur Macedo requested by Maria Pryma

Thursday, March 9th

9 a.m. – Patsie, Oswin, Eliza, Lynette, Lavy, Albert requested by Margaret D'Souza

Friday, March 10th

9 a.m. – PBrian Dubier requested by The Rosary Apostolate

Saturday, March 11th

5:30 p.m. - \$Leo & Agnes Walsh requested by Mary Courneyea

Sunday, March 12th

9 a.m. – ♥Wilcom Pereira requested by the Family

10:30 a.m. - Daniel Cabral Andrade req by the Andrade Family

12 p.m. – & Maureen Buck req by the Catholic Women's League

Thank You

Offertory:

GIVING GENEROUSLY February 26th: \$ 5,013.20



Peter, James and John had a mountaintop experience with Jesus by witnessing His transfiguration. We too can have a mountaintop experience when we open our minds and hearts to following God's Will for our life. If God is calling you to serve him as a priest, deacon, brother or sister contact Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Vocations Director, ArchToronto 416-968-0997 / vocations@archtoronto.org / www.vocationstoronto.ca

COME & SEE DISCERNMENT DAY RETREAT

for single men 18+

Fri Mar 16th (6:30 pm) until Sun Mar 19th (2:30 pm)

For more information email: *vocations@archtoronto.org*

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www.stjohnfisherbr.archtoronto.org

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/



Dear Parishioners:

This Sunday is the *2nd Sunday of Lent*. Jesus entered into communion with his Father. He offered himself to and was wholly received by his Father. That experience so filled him that his face took on the look of grace and his entire being glowed. The

Transfiguration of Jesus confirmed to the disciples that Jesus was not just a mortal man. They saw his divinity in the dazzling light. This truth was confirmed by the voice of God which caused the disciples to fall to the ground, overcome with fear.

This is the power of prayer. This is the power of our communion with God. Today's Gospel of Transfiguration reminds us that the covenant means transformation. We are called to grow ever deeper in our relationship with God, being transformed into the image of Christ Jesus. Be perfect as my heavenly Father is perfect.

In Lent, we enter into a journey of conversion. Through prayer, almsgiving, and fasting, we prepare our hearts to encounter the Lord. Through this frequent encounter with God using these Lenten exercises, we will be transformed into a new creation like the resurrected Jesus on Easter Sunday. This is the objective of Lent.

LET US CONTINUE OUR LENTEN JOURNEY WITH JOY! Fr Regulo Imperial, Pastor

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THE RULES FOR FASTING & ABSTINENCE

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.

The Catholic Women's League is selling
Chocolate Easter Eggs (\$10)
and Colomba Cakes (\$20)
after all masses. Get yours today!
Thank you for your support!

Bishop Frank Leo of Montreal will be installed as the next Archbishop of Toronto during a special Mass and ceremony to take place on the Solemnity of the Annunciation, Saturday, March 25th at 10 am at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica in downtown Toronto.

On February 11th, Pope Francis announced the appointment of the archbishop-designate, who will succeed Cardinal Thomas Collins, who has served as Archbishop of Toronto since 2007.

Given capacity restrictions at the cathedral, it is expected that participation will be limited to invited guests only. The ceremony will be live-streamed. Plans are also underway for a series of welcome events in various regions of the Archdiocese of Toronto, allowing the faithful an opportunity to meet the new archbishop.

TURKYIE & SYRIA EARTHQUAKE - HUMANITARIAN

RELIEF - The Archdiocese of Toronto will accept donations and channel funds through Catholic partners (including Caritas Canada, Aid to the Church in Need, CNEWA, and Jesuits International) to support relief efforts underway.

Those wishing to help may do so in the following ways:

- ●Online through the Archdiocese of Toronto website https://www.archtoronto.org/en/contact-us/donations/donate-pages/donate-to-turkiye-and-syria-relief/
- **②**By phone through the Development Office − 416-934-3411
- Through the parish, making cheques payable to:

 Name of Parish Turkey & Syria Earthquake –

 Humanitarian Relief

LIVE THE GOSPEL BY SUPPORTING SHARELIFE
ShareLife Sunday is March 26. Our parish goal for this year's campaign is \$18,000.

More than 40 Catholic organizations and social service agencies are supported through your generosity. Without your contributions, more than 150,000 people would not receive the hope offered through the vital work of these agencies.

Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at *sharelife.org/donate*.

Right to Life Mississauga is hosting three knowledgeable and notable speakers who will educate on the legislative, institutional and personal impacts of what is becoming out-of-control Medical Assistance in Dying legislation (known as MAiD), very thinly veiled as compassionate care. www.righttolifemb.com

The Real Impacts of MAiD (Medical Assisted Suicide) Revealed! Sunday, March 26th - 4-5:30 pm – Church Hall

St Maximilian Kolbe Church, 4260 Cawthra Road Mississauga

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FOOD DRIVE Saturday, April 1st from 1 - 3 pm Church Hall entrance

Drop off your food donation for one of the Knights Table. Volunteers

will be there to help you. Thank you for your support!



FIRST COMMUNION CORNER: Classes have begun 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 have begun 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 \$75 Keynote Speaker: Sister Deirdre Byrne - The Heroes of My Life Lead Me to Our Lady;

Register at www.dynamicwomenfaith.com.

LENT RETREAT: Sat Mar 18th from 9 am to 3 pm
Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre, Mississauga
Cost: \$45.00 (lunch included)
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