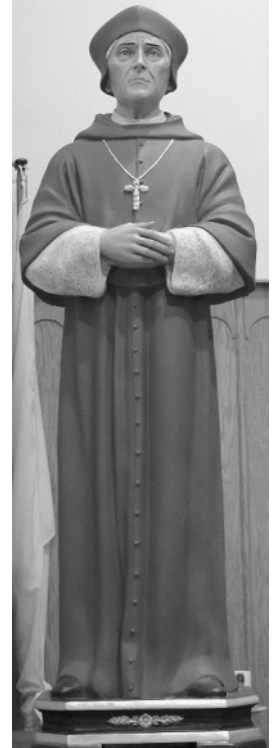


# St. John Fisher Parish



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**PASTOR:** Fr. Regulo Imperial

**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, March 11<sup>th</sup>**

**5:30 p.m.** - ✠Leo & Agnes Walsh requested by Mary Courneyea

**Sunday, March 12<sup>th</sup>**

**9 a.m.** - ✠Wilcom Pereira requested by Lalita Pereira & 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

**Monday, March 13<sup>th</sup>**

**9 a.m.** - Thanksgiving for Abundant Blessings received by the Santos Family

**Tuesday, March 14<sup>th</sup>**

**9 a.m.** - ✠Anselm D'Mello requested by Rosemary D'Mello

**Wednesday, March 15<sup>th</sup>**

**9 a.m.** - ✠Santan Antao requested by the Antao Family

**Thursday, March 16<sup>th</sup>**

**9 a.m.** - ✠Dion Balbesino requested by Angie Balbesino

**Friday, March 17<sup>th</sup>**

**7 p.m.** - ✠David Joshua Nedd requested by the Allison Family

**Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup>**

**5:30 p.m.** - ✠David Miles requested by the Miles Family

**Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup>**

**9 a.m.** - ✠Heather Shepherd requested by Jeannette & Bill Morgan

**10:30 a.m.** - ✠Catherine Allison requested by Michael Courneyea

**12 p.m.** - ✠Joseph Sgro requested by the Sgro Family

**FROM THE  
PASTOR**

Dear Parishioners:

As we enter into the *Third Sunday of Lent*, today's readings focus on water. We have the story in the Gospel in which Jesus first approaches a woman on the level of human need. He asks her for water.

Water is life. We have to have water to live. A person can live up to three weeks without food but only three days without water. A woman encounters Jesus at Jacob's well while drawing water for her household. Their thirst brings them together. They both need water. Jesus' thirst is physical. The woman, too, thirsts. She longs to have the burdensome work of hauling water completed for another day.

During the time of Jesus, women and men that were not related did not talk or have any association with one another in public. Add to this that Jews and Samaritans had been the bitter enemies for centuries.

And yet, the two sit, talk and listen to one another. Through their mutual acceptance of the other, the walls, boundaries, hostilities and hatreds which had long separated Samaritans and Jews, melt away and disappear.

We say that water is very necessary to live, just as communication is vital for good relationships. Prayer, almsgiving and abstinence can help us improve our relationship with God, our neighbour and ourselves - in that order. The key to the effectiveness of these is an openness of heart to listen with love, understanding and forgiveness.

**ALL YOU WHO ARE THIRSTY, COME TO THE WATER...**

Fr Regulo Imperial, Pastor



**Offertory:**

March 5<sup>th</sup>: \$ 4,388.20



"But the one who drinks of the water that I will give will never be thirsty." Do you thirst to know where God is leading you? Could you be thirsty for an understanding of your purpose? 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](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org) / [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca)



Don't forget to **Abstain** from meat on Fridays throughout the year, and especially on the Fridays of Lent. *If you are between 14 and 59 you should be following this law.*

*All Fridays within the Season of Lent, there will be NO Morning Mass.*

*At 7 pm there will be the WAY OF THE CROSS followed by Mass.*

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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!



**PARISH LENTEN CELEBRATION OF  
CONFESSION**

Canon #1457: According to the Church's command, "after having attained the age of discretion each of the faithful is found by an obligation faithfully to confess serious sins at least once a year. Anyone who is aware of having committed a mortal sin must not receive Holy Communion without having first received sacramental absolution. Children must go to the sacrament of Confession before receiving Holy Communion for the first time."

To comply with this sacred obligation, our Parish Day of Confession is: **Thursday, March 30<sup>th</sup>** from 6:30 - 8 pm.

Please arrive at the beginning of the celebration.

Confession is the soul's bath. Even a clean and unoccupied room gathers dust; return after a week and you will see that it needs dusting again! *St Padre Pio*



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FOOD DRIVE**

Saturday, April 1<sup>st</sup> from 1 - 3 pm  
Church Hall entrance



Drop off your food donation for the Knights Table. Volunteers will be there to help you. Thank you for your support!



**The installation of Bishop Francis (Frank) Leo** as

Archbishop of Toronto will take place on Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup> at 10 am. Given capacity restrictions at St Michael's Cathedral Basilica, this will be an invitation-only event. The Mass of Installation

will be livestreamed through [www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live](http://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live) and broadcast on Salt & Light Catholic TV and through their website: [www.slmedia.org](http://www.slmedia.org). Parishioners are invited to attend a regional Mass of Welcome taking place on Wednesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> at St Francis Xavier Parish, Mississauga at 7 pm. A reception will follow Mass in the parish hall. All are welcome. Please continue to keep Archbishop Leo in your prayers as he begins his ministry as our shepherd.

**TURKEY & 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. Three ways to donate:

- ① 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
- ③ Through the parish, making cheques payable to:  
Name of Parish – Turkey & Syria Earthquake – Humanitarian Relief



**LIVE THE GOSPEL BY HELPING OUR VULNERABLE BROTHERS AND SISTERS - ShareLife Sunday** is

March 26 and we once again ask you to give generously to support Catholic agencies, who in turn care for the most vulnerable in our communities.

As a parish, this is our opportunity to live the Gospel!

Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at [sharelife.org/donate](http://sharelife.org/donate).

The **Office for Interreligious Dialogue** invites High School students to participate in the **YOUTH INTERFAITH VIDEO CONTEST** sponsored by the Dominican Friars of Toronto in collaboration with The Catholic Register, and Salt + Light Media. The theme of the contest is, "A Pathway to the Future," taken from the United Nations' International Day of Human Fraternity (February 4).

<https://www.un.org/en/observances/human-fraternity>. This is an opportunity for young learners to explore the theme and appreciate the value of diverse faith traditions. We encourage participants to not only highlight the contest theme but to reach out to collaborate and engage with people of diverse cultural and religious backgrounds. The contest has begun and will close on Monday, April 17<sup>th</sup>.

Video should not be more than 3 minutes.

For complete contest details, please see the poster at: <https://bit.ly/3ZF99kF>.



**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 4<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:carlq7@gmail.com) / (416) 409-1384

**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](http://www.righttolifemb.com)  
The Real Impacts of MAiD (Medical Assisted Suicide) Revealed!  
Sunday, March 26<sup>th</sup> - 4-5:30 pm – Church Hall  
St Maximilian Kolbe Church, 4260 Cawthra Road Mississauga

**Dynamic Women of Faith - Catholic Women's Conference**

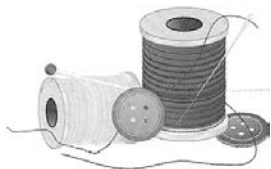
Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup> – 9 am-4 pm – Cost \$75

Keynote Speaker: Sister Deirdre Byrne – The Heroes of My Life Lead Me to Our Lady;

Register at [www.dynamicwomenfaith.com](http://www.dynamicwomenfaith.com).

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