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.

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 Drive905-793-8900St. John Henry Newman, 698 Balmoral Drive905-792-2268Georges Vanier, 28 Finchgate Boulevard905-792-2251



Saturday, April 29th5:30 p.m. - ♥Leo & Agnes Walsh requested by Mary CourneyeaSunday, April 30th9 a.m. - ♥Deborah Anne Van Dyk req by the Catholic Women's League10:30 a.m. - Birthday Blessings for Anamor Sunga req by Andre Guintu12 p.m. - ♥Brian Dubier requested by The Knights of ColumbusMonday, May 1st9 a.m. - ♥Carmine James ChiouittiTuesday, May 2nd9 a.m. - ♥Dominico Nguyen requested by the Tran FamilyWednesday, May 3rd

9 a.m. – [‡]Millie Meader requested by Fred & MaryJo Clutchey Thursday, May 4th

9 a.m. – Healing Intentions for Dory Cruz req by Violeta Loresco

Friday, May 5th

9 a.m. – ⊕Fausta Torres Lim req by the Palma & Lim Families

Saturday, May 6th

5:30 p.m. - ♥Maurice Walsh requested by Mary Courneyea

Sunday, May 7th

9 a.m. – ‡Ignatius R Martins requested by the Martins Family 10:30 a.m. – ‡Romana & Andres Bonifacio Sr,

Diego & Gloria Guintu requested by Andre Guintu 12 p.m. – [‡]Joseph Sgro requested by the Sgro Family



Offertory: April 23rd:



SHARELIFE SUNDAY AND THE

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

\$ 3,532.90

ShareLife When you support ShareLife, you help educate our future priests. This past year, you invested in our Church's future by supporting 58 seminarians at St Augustine's Seminary and Redemptoris Mater Missionary Seminary.

Thus far we have raised \$4,304.25 toward our goal of \$18,000. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at *sharelife.org/donate*. *Thank you for "living the Gospel" through our parish ShareLife campaign*.





Dear Parishioners:

Today is the *Fourth Sunday of Easter* also known as the Good Shepherd Sunday.

The First and Second readings reflect on what it means to belong to Christ's flock, to be his own. Jesus says, "*My sheep hear my voice.*" That is another description of the personal relationship with Christ that Paul proclaimed to the people of Antioch of Pisidia.

Jesus continues: "...*I know them and they follow me*." This type of knowing is incarnate rather than intellectual. The Good Shepherd invites us to know him by walking his path. Belonging to a faith or parish community is a very big help and a sure guide to knowing and walking with Jesus.

The mission of the Church is to proclaim God's love for all people and to foster reconciliation and healing in our world. There is no such thing as "we" and "them". We are all children of God who benefit from the care of the Shepherd.

As we celebrate this *Fourth Sunday of Easter*, we are invited to reflect on the meaning of God's call and to pray for vocations. May 5th is the *Archdiocesan Day of Prayer for Vocations*. Fr Matthew McCarthy, the Vocations Director of the Archdiocese and the first fruit of our parish prayer for vocations, will celebrate Mass with us at 9 am on *Friday, May 5th*. He will offer us his reflection during the Holy Hour. Please join us!

Fr Regulo Imperial, Pastor

FRIDAY MAY 5th – Serra Club of North Peel Archdiocesan day of Prayer for Vocations

9 am Mass / 9:45 am Exposition of Blessed Sacrament 10 am Reflection by Fr Matt McCarthy 10:30 am Rosary for Vocations / 10:45 am Benediction

Prayer Vigil for Vocations: Friday May 12th
5:30-10 pm at St Michael's Cathedral
Priestly Ordinations: Saturday, May 13th
10 am at St Michael's Cathedral

The Good Shepherd calls his own sheep by name and leads them. Is He asking you to help others to find Him? Pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and religious life, especially for our archdiocese, that God will raise up good shepherds in our midst. If God is calling you, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Vocations Director, ArchToronto

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Birthright Brampton Baby Bottle Campaign - It has been 3 years since Birthright Brampton has held its main fundraiser. Their funds are critically low as the number of clients has greatly increased as has the cost of assisting them. Baby bottles are available for you to take home and fill up with loose change, bills or a cheque. Tax receipts will be issued for donations totaling \$20 or more.

Please return the bottles the weekend of June 3&4. Credit card donations can be made through

https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/birthright-brampton. Thank you for your generosity!!!

SAVE THE DATE! SATURDAY, JUNE 10TH Get your cowboy boots ready for our **Country Western** Spring Dinner & Dance.



Menu: Caesar salad, mixed greens w/balsamid vinaigrette, vegetable rice, herb tossed roasted potatoes, mixed seasonal vegetables, roast beef au jus, BBQ chicken in BBQ sauce, vegetarian pasta primavera, casava cake, desserts, samosas, coffee, tea. Tickets are \$40 and will be on sale this weekend after all masses. Ages 19+. Hosted by the K of C & CWL.

Mass of Celebration to Welcome Archbishop Francis Leo: Parishioners are invited to attend a regional Mass of Welcome on Wed May 3rd at St Francis Xavier Parish, Miss 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.

The annual March for Life will be held on *Thurs, May 11th* in Ottawa. There will be Mass at St Leonard's church **MARCH** at 6 am and the bus will leave after Mass and return at **FOR LIFE** about 9:30 pm. This event is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus and St Leonard's Parish. Tickets for the bus are \$40 and can be purchased at the parish office (905-846-5385). For more information, please call at Eric at 416-402-4091 or Joe at 647-281-9212 (joeresendes19@gmail.com).

On Sunday, May 7th, Catholics throughout the Archdiocese are encouraged to participate in MENTAL HEALTH IN THE FAITH COMMUNITIES AWARENESS SUNDAY. The special focus for this day is to raise awareness in our parish communities of the importance of mental health, how we need to look after it, and how important it is to get help if we are struggling. In our faith communities, people often report experiencing shame or stigma attached to mental health and mental health illness. Having open conversations about mental health issues, listening, and sharing information, opens doors to seeking help, and healing. So, on this day, let's talk about mental health and help stop the silence, stigma and shame.

Men 18+ are invited to join the Knights of Columbus, St John Fisher Council 10402. For more information: knightsofcolumbus10402@gmail.com or call Owen at 416-471-2743



FIRST COMMUNION CORNER: Classes are complete for registered students in Grade 2. First Reconciliation for all candidates: Saturday, May 6th at 10:30 am

First Communion Celebrations

St John Fisher School: Saturday, May 13th at 5:30 pm St John Henry Newman School: Saturday, May 20th at 5:30 pm Georges Vanier School: Saturday, May 27th at 5:30 pm Parents: Please bring your child to mass regularly.



CONFIRMATION UPDATES: Classes are complete for registered students in Grade 7. *Confession* for all candidates: Saturday, May 27th at 10:30 am **Confirmation Celebrations**

Group 1: Tuesday, May 30th at 7 pm (rehearsal at 10:30 am - same day) Group 2: Wednesday, May 31st at 7 pm (rehearsal at 10:30 am - same day)

Please contact the office to select your preferred date for the Sacrament. First-come, first-served. Don't forget to come to Mass every Sunday!

The Ontario Provincial Council Catholic Women's League is hosting an online workshop, "HORIZONS OF HOPE OVERVIEW," on *May* 8th from 7-9 pm (EST). presented by Executive Director of Canadian Catholic Bioethics Institute Dr Moira McQueen and CWL Life Member Shirley Christo. This presentation will: • encourage all Catholics to continue promoting access to quality palliative care in the wake of the push of the Canadian Association of MAID Assessors and Providers (CAMAP) /euthanasia movement; **2** offer an overview and rationale behind the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishop's Horizons of Hope: A Toolkit for Catholic Parishes on Palliative Care from the perspective of Catholic teachings; ⁽³⁾ provide examples of strategies to get the truth of palliative care out to Canadian communities. Register by May 7th to Shaila D'Souza shailaflavy@gmail.com. Provide your name, diocese, province. Login details will be provided after you register.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK: APRIL 30-MAY 5

This year's theme is Catholic Education: We are Many, We are One. To see how DPCDSB schools are celebrating follow us on Twitter (@DPCDSBSchools), Facebook (@DPCDSBSchools) and Instagram (@dpcdsb.schools).

His Grace, Francis Leo, Archbishop of Toronto will celebrate the annual Catholic Education Week Provincial Mass on Wednesday, May 3rd at 1:30 p.m. All students, families, staff, trustees, and the broader Catholic community are invited to participate *virtually* in this celebration of the Eucharist by clicking on https://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live at the scheduled time. For more information visit dpcdsb.org.

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