

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)

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 10402

(men 18+):

knightsofcolumbus10402@gmail.com

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

(women 16+): stjohnfishercwl@outlook.com

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, September 9th

5:30 p.m. – ✠Edwin Turner requested by Valerie Turner

Sunday, September 10th

9 a.m. – ✠Maurice Walsh requested by Mary Couerneya

10:30 a.m. – ✠Deceased members of the O’Neill Family

requested by Fred & MaryJo Clutchey

12 p.m. – ✠Cynthia D’couth requested by Stansfield & Juliet

Monday, September 11th

9 a.m. – ✠Gabriel Alphonso requested by the Fernandes Family

Tuesday, September 12th

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

Wednesday, September 13th

9 a.m. – ✠Harris & Bella Gomes requested by the Fernandes Family

Thursday, September 14th

9 a.m. – ✠Athanasius & Clara Gomes req by the Fernandes Family

Friday, September 15th

9 a.m. – ✠Winton & Millie Gomes req by the Fernandes Family

Saturday, September 16th

5:30 p.m. – ✠Patrick Rivers requested by Mary Courneyea

Sunday, September 17th

9 a.m. – ✠Leo & Agnes Walsh requested by Mary Couerneya

10:30 a.m. – ✠Christopher & Leo Dias & the Deceased Members
of the Dias Family requested by the Santos Family

12 p.m. – ✠Maria Milagros Farrington req by the Martins Family



Dear Parishioners:

Today we celebrate the *Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*. Jesus is talking about “*fraternal correction*”. The second reading reminds us that any such correction must be motivated and surrounded by our love for our brother or sister.

This Gospel is likely a challenging one for most of us. It is very hard to confront a family member or friend or co-worker or neighbour and urge them to change their behaviour. It’s hard, first of all, to clearly discern when such intervention is appropriate and necessary. No one wants to become known as pushing himself or herself into other people’s business.

Jesus describes a rudimentary form of due process. If someone appears to be doing wrong, speak to him or her directly. Do not tell other people, as that would be gossip. If that fails, bring a witness. If that does not work, refer the matter to the local church. The Lord is showing us that there is a Christian way of settling problems. If discussion does not help, there are alternatives. Private resolution should always be the first step before we initiate a public process or litigation. Fraternal correction is never easy to give or to receive.

We can only do so much. “...*If the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector.*” Treat those who have sinned the way Jesus has treated the Gentiles and tax collectors - with more kindness and mercy.

WHENEVER CHRISTIANS GATHER TO PRAY, DISCUSS, DISAGREE OR TO CORRECT ONE ANOTHER, THE LORD IS STILL AMONG US.

Yours in Christ, Fr. Regulo Imperial, Pastor



“For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.”

The community that gathers needs leadership; consider the priesthood, diaconate or consecrated life.

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

THE ROSARY APOSTOLATE WELCOMES NEW

VOLUNTEERS: Do you love children and love to pray the Rosary? Join us in the Rosary Apostolate. We visit schools once a month to pray the Rosary with the students. Visits are between 8:30-11 a.m., from October to May. Please consider joining us and help to evangelize the children! *Contacts:*

Loraine Dubier 905-791-2673, Gladys Antao 905-793-8464



CATHOLIC WOMEN’S LEAGUE CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

is on *Saturday, November 18th*. We would appreciate donations of new gift items for the silent auction and twoonie table, and Christmas items. If you have items to donate, please email: stjohnfishercwl@outlook.com or call Rosana at 905-458-5276. You can drop off items on Rosana’s porch at 15 Delemere Rd.



Offertory:

September 3rd: \$ 6,473.40



MISSION WEEKEND: Last weekend, *His Excellency Most Rev. Julito B. Cortes, D.D.*, Bishop of Dumaguete, Negros Oriental, Philippines celebrated our weekend masses and was appealing for funds for his Diocese. His visit was promoted under the Archdiocese of Toronto Mission Cooperative Program. If you haven’t already done so, please contribute and give generously. Thank you!

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

Please donate generously to our *Parish Society of St Vincent de Paul*. Non-perishable food items will be gratefully accepted until October 1st. A box is set up at the main church entrance.



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♥♥♥♥ Love does no wrong to a neighbour; ♥♥♥♥
♥♥♥♥ therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law. ♥♥♥♥



SEASON OF CREATION: *September 1st (World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation) – October 4th (Feast of St Francis of Assisi, Patron of Ecology).* During this time, the Christian family unites worldwide in prayer and action for creation. The 2023 theme is **“Let Justice and Peace Flow”**. Prophet Amos cries out “But let justice roll on like a river, righteousness like a never-failing stream!” (Amos 5: 24) and so we are called to join the river of justice and peace, to take up climate and ecological justice, and to speak out with and for communities most impacted by climate injustice and the loss of biodiversity.

For resources and to find out more, visit: <https://seasonofcreation.org>.

May this Season of Creation renew our Christian unity through our common efforts to respond to the voices on the margins of society and to care for the earth as good stewards in our discipleship.

109TH WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES

(September 23/24): This year’s theme, announced by His Holiness Pope Francis, is *“Free to Choose Whether of Migrate or to Stay.”* In his message, Pope Francis acknowledges that while the decision to migrate should always be free, in many cases it is not. This point was reflected by St John Paul II in his message for the 90th World Day of Migrants & Refugees, in which he wrote, “building conditions of peace means in practice being seriously committed to safeguarding first of all the right not to emigrate, that is, the right to live in peace and dignity in one’s own country.” As he concluded his message, Pope Francis referenced the words of the Lord when He said “...I was a stranger, and you welcomed me” reminding us that the Lord’s words are a “constant admonition to see in the migrant not simply a brother or sister in difficulty, but Christ himself, who knocks at our door.”

The **ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO** celebrates the feast day of our archdiocesan patron, St. Michael, on *Friday,*



September 29th at 5:30 p.m. All are welcome to join in the special event with Mass celebrated by Archbishop Francis Leo at St Michael’s Cathedral. Apostolic Nuncio to Canada, the Most Rev. Ivan Jurkovič will confer the pallium on our archbishop, a symbol of his role.

Seating is first come, first serve. More details available on our church website.

St Marguerite D’Youville Parish invites the men of our parish to participate in the spiritual formation program, **“THAT MAN IS YOU”**. It is an interactive men’s program focused on the development of male leadership in the modern world. It combines the best research from science with the teachings of the Catholic faith and the wisdom of the saints to develop the vision of authentic men capable of transforming themselves, their families and greater society. Each session of 1.5 hours is filled with fellowship hospitality, 30-minute video and small group discussion.



Join them on **Saturdays** at 7:15 a.m. in the Church Hall (of St Marguerite D’Youville).



2023 Life Chain Sunday, October 1st

Brampton locations: ▶ St Leonard’s 1:30-2:30 pm
▶ St Marguerite D’Youville 2-3 pm ▶ St Mary’s 3:30-4:30 pm

Get a group together and head to one of the locations. Join your fellow St John Fisher parishioners and stand up against abortion. Signs will be provided.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE begins on September 28th at 7 am and is an opportunity to pray on-site in silent witness for the voiceless pre-born children whose lives are summarily terminated through the act of abortion. St John Fisher parish has been assigned November 5th to participate in a 1-hour, peaceful, prayerful vigil near Mississauga Women’s Centre @ 101 Queensway Blvd. (at Confederation). Please contact the church office if you are interested in leading this group.

Opening Mass: Sunday, September 24th at 11 am celebrated by Fr. Michael Simoes at St Mary Star of the Sea Church, Mississauga.

CONVERSATIO CHRISTO: GREGORIAN CHANT CONCERT

Experience the power of Gregorian Chant – an ancient form of prayer of the Catholic Church that the Second Vatican Council called a *“treasure of inestimable value”*.

St Dominic’s choir (9 a.m.) wants to spread devotion to the Holy Face, a return to Christ in a spirit of reverence & reparation. Net proceeds will benefit CWL charitable initiatives.

October 1st / 7 p.m. / saintdominic.ca

St Dominic Parish, 2415 Rebecca Street, Oakville.

THE JOURNEY TO PRIESTHOOD – 5 MEN PREPARE FOR ORDINATION TO TRANSITIONAL DIACONATE THIS FALL

Five men currently studying for the priesthood in the Archdiocese of Toronto will be ordained to the transitional diaconate this fall. This is a significant milestone in the ongoing formation process prior to being ordained to the priesthood.

The Archbishop of Toronto, the Most Rev. Francis Leo, who will preside at each of the ordinations, highlights the importance of the community and families in supporting those currently in formation: *“As the diaconate is a divine call to follow Jesus as Servant of his People, this vocation is likewise a gift which the Lord bestows upon the entire Church. We are grateful for the Lord’s generosity in calling so many men to serve the People of God through this ministry. We pray for all young men discerning a call as well as for vibrant parish communities who are capable and willing to welcome and to foster a culture of vocations through their witnessing and commitment to our Catholic faith.”*

Ordination Masses to the transitional diaconate dates & locations:

- ▶ Sat Oct 7th - Ryan Alexander Nigli - Our Lady of Sorrows, Etobicoke - 5:15 pm
- ▶ Sun Oct 8th - Daniel Donghoon Lee – St Lawrence Martyr, Scarborough - 11:30 am
- ▶ Sat Oct 14th - Jeremy Ling Hong Zou - St Agnes Kouying Tsao, Markham - 10 am
- ▶ Sat Oct 14th - Szymon Karol Sorbian - Holy Rosary, Toronto - 2:30 pm
- ▶ Sat Oct 21st - Marko Busic - Croatian Martyrs, Mississauga – 10 am

All are welcome to participate in the ordinations and warmly called upon to offer their prayers for these five men.

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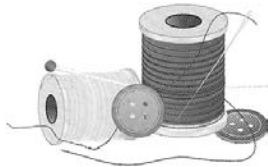
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