

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 23rd

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

Sunday, September 24th

9 a.m. – ☩ Phan Thi Hong Lien requested by the Tran Family

10:30 a.m. – ☩ Lucretia & Jo Sgro requested by the Sgro Family

12 p.m. – ☩ Mitch Chavez requested by the Santos Family

Monday, September 25th

9 a.m. – ☩ Youssef Sawaya requested by the Sawaya Family

Tuesday, September 26th

9 a.m. – ☩ Joseph de Rozario requested by Audrey & Olive

Wednesday, September 27th

9 a.m. – ☩ Wilfred & Eleanor Dias req by the Fernandes Family

Thursday, September 28th

9 a.m. – ☩ Antonio Floriano Fernandes req by the Fernandes Family

Friday, September 29th

9 a.m. – ☩ Maria Joaquina Fernandes req by the Fernandes Family

Saturday, September 30th

5:30 p.m. – ☩ Souls in Purgatory requested by the Fernandes Family

Sunday, October 1st

9 a.m. – ☩ Cletus Mitchell requested by the Mitchell-Smith Family

10:30 a.m. – ☩ Maurice Walsh requested by Mary Courneyea

12 p.m. – ☩ Brian Dubier & In Thanksgiving req by the Menezes Family



Dear Parishioners:

Today is the *Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*. The Archdiocese of Toronto designates this particular Sunday as *Stewardship Sunday*. Today's Gospel gives us the Parable of the Workers in the Vineyard. This parable speaks to us about God's generosity by giving each of us different and abundant gifts. The landowner hires workers to harvest grapes at various times of the day, so that at the end of the day, some have only worked a few hours while others have worked all day long. Then we hear how upset some are, and there's grumbling because each worker received the same salary regardless of how many hours they worked.

We have to understand what the First reading explicitly says: *"For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways"*, says the Lord. God's generosity utterly transcends human generosity. His thoughts are above our thoughts. We are invited to put on a Kingdom mindset since ultimately, God is responsible for all the blessings we possess and enjoy in this life. The incredible gift of life itself was given to us as an undeserved, free gift.

Stewardship Sunday is not just giving some of our money to the church or a worthy cause; it is more than that. It's about sharing our love and kindness, our abilities, our time, our skills, our faith, our experiences, our wisdom, a piece of our heart and then another piece, and another, until we have given it away completely. For it is in giving that we receive as St James tells us that: *"Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights."* (Jas 1:17)

BE THANKFUL FOR ALL OUR BLESSINGS AND BE A CHEERFUL GIVER!

Yours in Christ, Fr. Regulo Imperial, Pastor



Offertory:

September 17th: \$ 3,397.50

Mission: \$ 67.00



This weekend there is a second collection for the **NEEDS OF THE CHURCH IN CANADA**. Your gifts are used by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops to represent Canadian Catholics in national and international pastoral activity. Thank you for your support of this important work.



CHILDREN'S
Liturgy of the Word

CHILDREN'S LITURGY is available on Sundays at the 10:30 am mass. Children aged 4-7 are welcome. They will be led to the adjacent room at the beginning of mass and will return to mass after the prayer of the faithful.



Do you have gifts and talents that you can share with our parish? Join a parish ministry today! Volunteer what you can, when you can and as often as you can. No contribution is too small. Training and support will be provided. *"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace."* 1 Peter 4:10. **Call or email the office to sign up!**



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/>



"Seek the Lord while he may be found..."

While searching, listen; could it be that you are being called to serve as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? If God is calling you, 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 am, from Oct to May. Please consider joining us and help to evangelize the children! *Lorraine Dubier 905-791-2673 / Gladys Antao 905-793-8464*

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

is on *Saturday, November 25th*. 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.

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.





CANADA NEEDS OUR LADY
A special campaign of the Canadian Society for the Defence of Christian Civilization

PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY CRUSADE
Canada needs public prayer, repentance, and conversion. We ask God to save Canada through the Rosary of His Most Holy Mother. Pray the Rosary for peace in the world.

Please join us in praying for our nation on **Saturday, October 14th at 12 pm. @ 2 locations:**
 ① Gage Park (Main & Queen) *Julie Montinaro (905-791-1465)*
 ② Corner of Queen & Dixie *Lorraine Carvey (647-855-8980)*



ONLINE DROP-IN SUPPORT SESSIONS THROUGH CATHOLIC FAMILY SERVICES - Share discussions with others in a safe, welcoming and non-judgmental online forum.

Topic: *Autumn Grief: Change and Continuity*
Moderator: Arcangelo Limanni, MRE
Bereavement Support Session: Wed Sept 27th @ 7 pm
 register at: <https://bd0923.eventbrite.ca>
Separated/Divorced Support Session: Thurs Sept 28th @ 7 pm
 register at: <https://sdd0923.eventbrite.ca>
 For info: Arcangelo Limanni / alimanni@cfstoronto.com or 647-215-3978

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

INDIGENOUS HEALING & RECONCILIATION FUND
Second Collection on Sept 30th & October 1st

Funds will support culture & language revitalization, education & community building, healing & reconciliation for communities & families and dialogue involving Indigenous elders, spiritual leaders and youth with a focus on Indigenous spirituality and culture. Thank you for your generosity!
www.archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation

NATIONAL DAY FOR TRUTH & RECONCILIATION - Sept 30th
 At St Ann's parish in Toronto, home to the Native People's Mission, a special Mass will be held on October 1st at 12:30 pm. All are welcome to attend.



PREPARING YOUR CHILD WITH DIFFERING ABILITIES FOR THE SACRAMENTS / Thurs Oct 5th @ 6:30-8 pm / Catholic Education Centre, Room 301, 40 Matheson Blvd., Mississauga. Please RSVP by Sept 30th on reg'n form: <https://forms.office.com/r/MrWM4JL2n7>
 Questions? FaraMirandaFernandes@dpcdsb.org

This year's **44TH ANNUAL CARDINAL'S DINNER** brings together business leaders and the Catholic community. To date, it has raised over \$6 million for the Archbishop's personal charities for the less fortunate in our community. His Grace, Archbishop Francis Leo will be attending. **Tues Nov 14th** / cocktails 6 pm, dinner 7 pm / Metro Toronto Convention Centre, North Building
 For tickets & info: www.archtoronto.org/cardinalsdinner

Campaign Life Coalition 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 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.

OCY RENEW TORONTO: YOUNG ADULT CONFERENCE 2023
 This conference is for all young adults aged 19-39 with keynotes, workshops, worship music, Confessions, Mass, Eucharistic Adoration & fellowship. It will offer unique opportunities for students, young adult professionals, and young couples.
 Renew your heart. Renew your call. Renew our community.
Saturday, November 4th - 10 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.
 Canada Christian College (300 Water St, Whitby, ON)
 Early bird pricing until September 29th. www.renewtoronto.org

MERRYMAKERS: Dynamic children's program (ages 3-5)
 at Mary, Mother of God School (1515A Queen St W, Toronto) on Wednesdays from 1-3:30 pm. For info 416-531-7897.

COMBATING HUNGER THROUGH YOUR COMPASSION
 Many of our brothers and sisters grapple with the daily challenge of putting food on the table. In response to their urgent need, ShareLife has launched the Food Security Grants - dedicating over half a million dollars to combat hunger. Your compassionate support of our parish's ShareLife Campaign will make possible this bold action. We have currently raised **\$16,572.70** towards our suggested goal of **\$21,000**. Please support our fight against hunger at sharelife.org/donate or by giving at the parish with a ShareLife envelope. Thank you for heeding the Lord's call to feed the hungry in our community and beyond.

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 Anne's Church, 115 Vodden St E (Brampton) after the 9:15 am Mass. For information, please contact Carlos Abug at carlq7@gmail.com / (416) 409-1384

COME & SEE DISCERNMENT WEEKEND RETREAT
 Nov 17 @ 6:30 pm - Nov 19 @ 2 pm / St Augustine's Seminary
 Men aged 18+ / www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee

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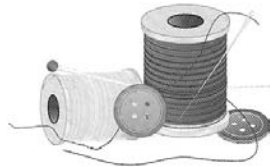
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