

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 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

Monday, October 2nd

9 a.m. – ☩ Robert (Bob) John Sherwood req by Fred & MaryJo Clutchey

Tuesday, October 3rd

9 a.m. – ☩ Souls in Purgatory requested by the Miles Family

Wednesday, October 4th

9 a.m. – ☩ Nicholas & Philomena Fernandes req by the Fernandes Family

Thursday, October 5th

9 a.m. – ☩ Fortunato Fernandes requested by the Fernandes Family

Friday, October 6th

9 a.m. – ☩ Fr John Mizzi, Fr Philip Kennedy, Fr McGough
requested by the Santos Family
– Special Intentions for The Rosary Apostolate

Saturday, October 7th

5:30 p.m. – ☩ Mary Leonel Sinnarthram req by the Eruthayathas Family

Sunday, October 8th

9 a.m. – ☩ Jack Ruddell requested by Anne Marie Ruddell

10:30 a.m. – ☩ Aynette Fernandes requested by the Santos,
D'Souza & Norohna Families

12 p.m. – In Thanksgiving requested by the Carvey Family



Dear Parishioners:

Today we celebrate the *Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time*. A priest who teaches at a secular university was once asked by one of his students: “*Father, have you met Jesus Christ?*” “YES,” he replied, “I HAVE MET JESUS CHRIST, AND IT MESSED UP MY WHOLE LIFE! THERE WERE DAYS WHEN I WISH I HADN’T MET HIM.” The priest’s answer correctly points out that meeting Jesus implies a lot more than a private, romantic, affective and safe encounter with Him.

The gospel today is telling us that if you want to meet Jesus, he will ask you to work in his Father’s vineyard. One son refused but later changed his mind and did his father’s will. The other promised but failed to keep his word. Neither of his sons was perfect; both sons, like all humankind, were flawed by sin.

Both images of these two sons in the parable can be found present in us. Sometimes we say “Yes” to God but do the opposite. Most of the time we say “No”. Childlike, we may say, “*Certainly I will go and work in your vineyard, Lord. I will live my life as a real Christian.*” What happens? As an adult, we forget what it means to be a Christian. Adults often affirm, “*I went to a Catholic school*” or “*I was an altar server when I was a kid.*” In adulthood, their lives are often empty of a real sense of Christian living, and they don’t even realize it. For such people, faith is primarily intellectual. Their life is empty of any sense of Christian commitment. They are not doing their Father’s will.

God does not ask for our commitment and to decide immediately. He gives us time to discern. We pray to give us enough time to make proper decisions for our life and vocation. God appreciates those who spend time thinking deeply about God’s invitation.


Yours in Christ, Fr. Regulo Imperial, Pastor

The invitation to serve often comes more than once; are you prepared with your answer? Consider ministry as a priest, deacon or in consecrated life. Are you being invited? contact Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Vocations Director, ArchToronto 416-968-0997 / vocations@archtoronto.org / www.vocationstoronto.ca


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


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.

God doesn’t have a smartphone, but He is my favourite contact.
God doesn’t have Facebook, but He is my best friend.
God doesn’t have Twitter, but I follow Him.
God doesn’t have internet, but I am connected to Him.
God is great!

Thank You **FOR OFFERTORY:** 
GIVING September 24th: \$ 2,946.25
GENEROUSLY Needs of the Canadian Church: \$ 1,436.25

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. 

 **CWL General Meeting - Tues, Oct 3rd** at 7 pm in the Church Hall. Women aged 16+, please join us!

 **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/>


Campaign Life  **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

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

40 DAYS FOR LIFE. This 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 participating.


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

 **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)*





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.
Sat Nov 4th – 10 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. / www.renewtoronto.org
Canada Christian College (300 Water St, Whitby, ON)

Join the **Knights of Columbus, St John Fisher Council** on Saturday, October 14th after the 5:30 p.m. mass for the **INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS**. All Knights are welcome to come out and support our Council.

 **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.

 **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FOOD DRIVE**
Sat, Oct 14th from 1 - 4 pm
Sun, Oct 15th from 1- 4 pm
Church Hall entrance

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


 **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 info, please contact Carlos Abug at carlq7@gmail.com / (416) 409-1384.

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Being God's hands and feet

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!**



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.



My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. John 10:27

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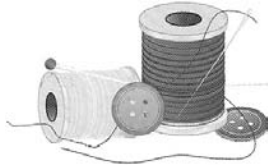
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