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)

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 St. John Henry Newman, 698 Balmoral Drive 905-792-2268 Georges Vanier, 28 Finchgate Boulevard

905-793-8900 905-792-2251

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

5:30 p.m. – [‡]Cecilia Vezina requested by the Allison Family Sunday, November 26th 9 a.m. – Catherine Mitchell req by the Mitchell-Smith Family 10:30 a.m. – [‡]Stephen Demanuele requested by Mary Demanuele **12 p.m.** – In Thanksgiving for Anson & Harish D'couth requested by Shagilton Mikhael

Monday, November 27th

Saturday, November 25th

9 a.m. – [‡]Freeda, Bai & Deceased Members of the President Family requested by the Santos Family

Tuesday, November 28th

9 a.m. – Thomas, Ermelin, Louis, Seraphine, Richie, Philo & Lawrence requested by the Santos Family

Wednesday, November 29th

9 a.m. – †Mataji & Deceased Members of the MGT family requested by the Santos Family

Thursday, November 30th

9 a.m. – [‡]Barry Watson requested by the Watson Family

Friday, December 1st

9 a.m. – Carmelo, Saveria, Twanny, Mary, Aldo, Jason, & Lino requested by the Montinaro & Bonello Families

Saturday, December 2nd

5:30 p.m. – [‡]Joseph LeTrung Dong requested by the Lam Family

Sunday, December 3rd

9 a.m. – Catherine Mitchell req by the Mitchell-Smith Family 10:30 a.m. – [‡]Domitila Del Rio requested by the Family 12 p.m. – [‡]Bernard Raymond D'couth req by Stansfield & Juliet

Thank You GIVING GENEROUSLY

Offertory: November 19th: \$4,044.45 Shepherd's Trust: \$3,015.20



Please include: **①**Name(s) Mailing Address SEmail Address @ Telephone Number

We are expanding our database to be able to communicate with parishioners more easily. Parishioners are asked to email their contact information to stjohnfisherbr@archtoronto.org. Thank you for your cooperation!

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA is back this year! Tickets are now on sale for this popular parish event. \$5 each ages 4+.Children ages 3 and under are free. Saturday, December 16th 9 am to 12 pm



SUNDAY MISSALS are available to purchase for \$10 each.



Dear Parishioners:

This Sunday is the FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING. Pilate asked Jesus: "Are you the King of the Jews?"

Pope Pius XI established the feast of Christ the King in 1925. He wanted to combat secularism and remind the nations of Europe that even after losing its secular power, the Catholic Church remained more important than political realms.

Jesus didn't answer, at least not directly. Instead, Jesus didn't claim either title. Much to Pilate's confusion, Jesus admitted to being king, but not in a realm that Pilate could comprehend. Jesus had no need to cling to status. He knew why he was born and sent into the world. He claims that his only purpose in life was to testify to the truth.

If being a king means that nothing and no one can constrain you, then Jesus is the King of Kings because he knows what he is about and no one can take that away. He is not just king over other lesser kings and presidents: he is king of the universe.

Ultimately, that is the point of this feast. Those who choose Christ as their king buy into his preaching about the reign of God. As king, Jesus defined his realm as one in which the greatest is the one who serves the most.

Jesus loves us. Jesus freed us. Jesus made us to be a kingdom. Will we participate? Will we do our part to be part of the Kingdom?

MAY CHRIST THE KING BLESS US!

Yours in Christ, Fr. Regulo Imperial, Pastor

"Lord, when was it that we saw you...?" Have you heard the Lord as well?

If God is calling you to serve as a priest, deacon, brother or sister, Contact Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Vocations Director, ArchToronto 416-968-0997 / vocations@archtoronto.org / www.vocationstoronto.ca

Each November, the Church asks us to remember in a special way those who have died. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



FIRST COMMUNION (GRADE 2) AND CONFIRMATION

(GRADE 7) REGISTRATION FORMS are now available at the entrance of the church (on the counter). Please take one home,



complete it and return it with a copy of your child's Baptism Certificate. These will be collected by the Catechists next weekend (December 2/3).

Please note: These sacraments are parish-based and families of these students must be registered parishioners and celebrate



mass with us regularly at St John Fisher. If you live within the boundaries of the parish and are not registered, please do so by completing the yellow Parish Registration forms found at the church entrance.

HELP HOMELESS YOUTH THROUGH SHARELIFE:

Your year-end gift will double in value! From now until December 31, your contribution to our parish's ShareLife campaign will be matched up to \$500,000.

While Covenant House is located in Toronto, the homeless youth served by this agency arrive from throughout our archdiocese, including our own community. Your support makes its lifesaving programs like transitional housing possible.

"Your commitment to love and care for youth experiencing homelessness and trafficking truly means so much," says the agency's

director. "You give youth a real chance for a better future."

Our parish has currently raised \$16,572.70 towards our suggested goal of \$21,000.

Double the impact of your kindness by giving at the parish with a ShareLife envelope or anytime at sharelife.org/donate.



ARCHDIOCESAN CONSULTATION UNDERWAY Your assistance is requested! Our archbishop, the Most Rev. Francis Leo, is inviting Catholics throughout the archdiocese to share their key priorities to help inform and guide an updated Pastoral Plan.

To participate in the consultation, visit: www.archtoronto.org/consultation

to complete a brief survey by *December 15th*, where you can offer your suggestions and insights. The process should take just a few minutes and we ask that you complete the short survey as soon as possible. We look Archdiocese forward to hearing from the Catholic community throughout the archdiocese. Thank you in advance for sharing your insights, ideas and discernment.

DID YOU KNOW that you can donate to our local Society of St Vincent de Paul all year long in 3 ways: • Drop loose money in the blue SSVP donation boxes located at each church exit. No tax receipt will be issued. **2**Use the green SSVP envelopes and drop it in the box at our church. Tax receipts will be issued in February. Opate online at www.ssvp.ca, direct it to St John Fisher Conference, Brampton. Tax receipt will be issued directly from SSVP. Thank you for generosity towards our neighbours in need!

When Holy Cows Are Sent Out To "Pastor"





A warm welcome to Bishop Ivan Camilleri who is responsible for the Western Region, which includes 72 parishes in the western part of the City of Toronto and the Regional Municipality of Peel-Dufferin.

Bishop Ivan is with us next weekend for a three-day Episcopal visit from *Friday*, *December* 1st to Sunday, December 3^{rd} . He will be visiting parish schools, meeting parish groups and celebrating the Saturday 5:30 p.m. Mass. Let us welcome Bishop Ivan and show him what a vibrant and diverse community we are!

BEREAVEMENT RETREAT: Come and let the healing hands of Divine Compassion gently hold you & bless you with peace & comfort. Sat Dec 16th 9 am to 3 pm / Cost: \$45.00 (lunch included) Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre, Mississauga Contact Jean at 905-278-5229 or office@goa.ca

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

Topic: November Grief: Remember and Reorder

Bereavement Support Session: Wed Nov 29th @ 7 pm register at: https//bd1123.eventbrite.ca

Separated/Divorced Support Session: Thurs Nov 30th @ 7 pm register at: https://sdd1123.eventbrite.ca

For info: Arcangelo Limanni / alimanni@cfstoronto.com or 647-215-3978

Christmastime can be a bittersweet season. This season can be particularly challenging for those in situations where holidays resonate with a different tune. For many among us who bear the weight of silent struggles, this can be a difficult period marked by quiet grief, lingering sadness, and a profound sense of loneliness. We want you to know that you are not alone.

Join us on Wednesday, December 6^{th} at 7 pm for our ShareLife Speaker Series event "Coping with Grief during Christmastime" with Amanda Wendelgass of CFS Counselling + Wellbeing. This is more than just a virtual gathering – it will be a shared space where we'll explore practical coping skills, extending a hand of support to make Christmastime a bit more manageable for those who need compassion most.

Free Registration: *bit.ly/coping-with-grief-at-christmastime*

Do you have gifts and talents that you can W share with our parish? Join a parish ministry today! Volunteer what you can, BPV when you can and as often as you can. Being Gods hands and feet No contribution is too small. Training and support will be provided. We especially need: Communion Ministers, Lectors & Ushers. *Call or email the office to sign up!*

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