

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.

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, March 23rd

5:30 p.m. – ☩Phanxico Nguyen Thanh Tam req by Phi Lam

Sunday, March 24th

9 a.m. – ☩All Souls in Purgatory requested by Audrey & Olive

10:30 a.m. – ☩Deceased Members of the Castellino & Pinto Families requested by Mignonne & Wavell Pinto

12 p.m. – ☩Brian Dubier requested by the Dubier Family

Monday, March 25th

9 a.m. – ☩Deceased members of the extended Christo Family requested by Shirley Christo

Tuesday, March 26th

9 a.m. – ☩Luigi Zanatta

Wednesday, March 27th

9 a.m. – In Thanksgiving for answered prayers requested by Emanuel Savona

Thursday, March 28th – Holy Thursday

7 p.m. – No intentions

Friday, March 29th – Good Friday

3 p.m. – No Intentions

Saturday, March 30th – Easter Vigil

8 p.m. – No Intentions

Sunday, March 31st – Easter

9 a.m. – No Intentions

10:30 a.m. – No Intentions

12 p.m. – No Intentions

**FROM THE
PASTOR**

Beloved Parishioners:

This Sunday is called *Palm Sunday*, the beginning of the Holy Week. The story starts with Jesus entering the Holy City. We watch the crowds who were part of the story of Jesus’ passion. The first crowd was jubilant and praised Jesus as he entered Jerusalem. The second crowd was tumultuous crowd and joined the religious leaders in demanding Jesus’ crucifixion three times. The third crowd would be the mourning crowd of women who lamented his fate as he walked the way of the cross.

During the entrance rite, Jesus has reached his destination - Jerusalem, *my destiny*, according to the church hymn. Just as he entered the city of Jerusalem, he is here with us today in the New Jerusalem, the church. We celebrate his presence with us and we wave our palms and praise him as king!

How quickly things can change. What began as a time of praise and joyful celebration in the morning has now become a time of unimaginable suffering and death.

If we wonder with which crowd we might be identified, we have to look at our own lives. We shout Praise the Lord, when everything is going our way, and seemingly moments later, we crucify Jesus with our complaints when the going gets tough.

Today, and every time we gather to celebrate Mass, we join our suffering with Jesus. We bring our own crosses to the crucified Jesus. And in doing so, we are confident that just as resurrection comes in Jesus, resurrection will come for us.

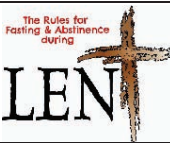
We can arise again with Jesus over our trials in life.

Fr Regulo Imperial, Pastor



Blessed are those who come in the Name of the Lord!
Blessed are they who live their lives in the Name of the Lord! If you feel God is giving you the blessing of a call to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon,

Contact Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Vocations Director, ArchToronto
416-968-0997 / [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto: vocations@archtoronto.org) / www.vocationstoronto.ca



Don't forget to **Abstain** from meat on Fridays throughout the year, and especially on Good Friday. *If you are between 14 and 59 you should be following this law.*

GOOD FRIDAY SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR THE NEEDS OF THE HOLY LAND – Our collection on Good Friday is a Pontifical request for the Holy Land in support of Christian communities, the works of the Holy Land and the upkeep of Holy Sites. Let us give generously to respond to the needs of the Church in the land of Jesus.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FOOD DRIVE
Sat Apr 13th / Sun Apr 14th / 1 - 4 pm
Church Hall entrance
Drop off your food donation for the Knights Table. Volunteers will be there to help you. Thank you for your support!



Offertory:
March 17th: \$ 5,191.70
ShareLife: \$ 4,573.20
Building Fund: \$ 625.00



WELCOME JESUS INTO YOUR HEARTS BY SHARING YOUR BLESSINGS TODAY: Today is Palm Sunday, a time in our Lenten journey when we are reminded of the importance of welcoming Jesus in our hearts. In the spirit of His teachings and example, let us extend our hands to those who need our help the most.
Thank you for living the Gospel by opening your hearts and sharing your blessings. We thank you for your kindness and generosity.

Thus far, we have raised \$5,240.20 toward our parish goal of \$35,000. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

Update your Information



Please include: ①Name(s)
②Mailing Address ③Email Address
④Telephone 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!

MARCH 24, 2024

HOLY WEEK TRIDUUM SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday Mass: March 28 @ 7 p.m.

- Please bring non-perishable food for charity
- No washing of feet
- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until midnight

Good Friday: March 29 @ 3 p.m.

- Reading of the Passion of Our Lord
- Collection for the Holy Land
- Adoration of the Cross (NO touching/kissing of the cross)
- Communion
- Public adoration of the cross will take place after the service (NO touching/kissing of the cross)

Stations of the Cross: March 29 @ 7 p.m.

Easter Vigil / Holy Saturday: March 30 @ 8 p.m.

- Blessing of Fire • Exultet
- Reading of the History of Salvation
- Glory to God, Jesus Christ is risen, Alleluia! Alleluia!
- Renewal of Baptismal Vows • End of Triduum

Easter Sunday:

March 31 @ 9 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY - April 7th at 2 PM

Holy Hour & Singing of the Divine Mercy Chaplet

Bring your Divine Mercy images to our celebration.
Fr Reg will bless them on this day!

CORE PRO-LIFE RESPONSE



Sat Apr 13th / 10 am – 2:30 pm

St Mary's Church (Parish Hall)

Learn the pro-life position on important life issues from a scientific and human rights perspective, and be inspired by powerful testimonies from women who have overcome difficult situations. Free event. Lunch provided. All are welcome.

For information & registration: trl.ca/youth-conference
Organized by Mississauga-Brampton Right to Life & Toronto Right to Life

The 27th National March for Life will be held on **Thursday, May 9th** in Ottawa. The day will begin with Mass at St Leonard's church at 5:45 am. The bus will leave right after Mass and return at about 9:30 pm. This event is organized by the Knights of Columbus and sponsored by St Leonard's Parish. Tickets for the bus are \$40 (non-refundable) and can be purchased at the parish office (905-846-5385). Please call ahead to make sure tickets are available. For more information, please call Joe at 647-281-9212 (joeresendes19@gmail.com).

Knights of Columbus, St John Fisher Council
MEMBERSHIP DRIVE May 4th & 5th at all weekend masses. Knights will be at the entrance of the Church to speak with you and answer your questions. Men 18+ are welcome!
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FIRST COMMUNION CORNER: Classes have begun in the parish hall for First Communion candidates. Students in Group A attend from 1-2 pm and Group B attends from 2:30-3:30 pm. Please attend your Group. Attendance is mandatory for all classes. There will be no make-up classes.

Group A: 1-2 pm & Group B: 2:30-3:30 pm

March 3, 24, April 7, 21, 28

Please bring the \$15 fee (per candidate) to the first session.

Important Dates:

First Reconciliation: Saturday May 18th at 10 am

First Communion Mass Celebrations:

- ▶ St John Fisher School: Sat May 25th at 5:30 pm
- ▶ St John Henry Newman School: Sat June 1st at 5:30 pm
- ▶ Georges Vanier School: Sat June 8th at 5:30 pm



CONFIRMATION UPDATES - Classes have begun in the parish hall for Confirmation candidates. Classes run from 9-10:25 am & then the class attends Mass together at 10:30 am.

March 3, 24, April 7, 21, 28, May 5

An important consideration: In order to be confirmed, candidates must complete all 6 sessions. By not doing so, we presume that the candidate is not fully ready for the reception of the Sacrament and perhaps, receiving this sacrament in the future is a better option.

Please bring the \$20 fee (per candidate) to the first session. Students will need a pen/pencil/eraser each week. The textbook will be provided.

Important Dates:

- ▶ **Mandatory Confession:** Saturday May 18th at 11 am
- ▶ **Confirmation Celebration:** Wednesday May 22nd at 7 pm
- ▶ Rehearsal at 10:30 am on the same day



The **CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP** meets on the 2nd week of the month on Thursday mornings from 10-11:30 am in the church hall (after the 9 am mass). Our next meeting is April 11th!



THE ROSARY APOSTOLATE in schools needs volunteers! Do you love Jesus and Mary? Do you love children? Can you spare 2 hours a month per school, to pray the Rosary with the students.

Please contact: *Lorraine Dubier* 905-791-2673

Ilham Yaqoob 416-420 9484

CATHOLIC CHARITIES AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS application period is now open for a full array of Scholarships and nominations for Community Service Awards. Each scholarship will be granted in an amount of up to \$5,000 and is open to applicants living, studying or working within the Archdiocese of Toronto. Each Community Service Award will recognize achievement in the human services sector and meaningful service to a local community within the Archdiocese of Toronto, with a \$1,000 award. For all details go to: <https://ccat.ca/scholarships-and-awards/>. Deadline for all scholarships and awards is April 30, 2024.

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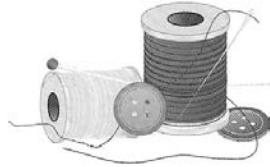
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