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**MASS INTENTIONS
FOR THE WEEK**

Saturday, April 20th

5:30 p.m. – †Idoardo & Martins / †Manuel Mendes
requested by the Martins Family

Sunday, April 21st

9 a.m. – †Daniel Cabral Andrade
10:30 a.m. – †Deborah Saraceno requested by the Poirier Family
12 p.m. – †Daniel Rozario requested by the Rozario Family

Monday, April 22nd

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

Tuesday, April 23rd

9 a.m. – †Frank Coltsman requested by Jackie Carey

Wednesday, April 24th

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

Thursday, April 25th

9 a.m. – †Mimi Borromeo requested by Charity

Friday, April 26th

9 a.m. – †Mimi Borromeo requested by Violeta Loresco

Saturday, April 27th

5:30 p.m. – †Jim & Maura Shaw requested by
Irene Byrne & Family and Julie & Tom Shaw

Sunday, April 28th

9 a.m. – †Helmtrud Krampert req by Barbara-Anne Krampert
10:30 a.m. – †Conceicao “Connie” Melo req by Alfred Melo
12 p.m. – In Thanksgiving for Blessings / †Souls in Purgatory /
World Peace requested by the Menezes Family



Beloved Parishioners:

Today is the **4th Sunday of Easter**. This specific Sunday always celebrates Christ as the Good Shepherd. Jesus is talking about his flock. We may assume that the flock of Jesus is bigger than any one nation or group. Human beings seem to have an innate tendency to separate into groups and to favour their group over everyone else. Then, they assume that God is on their side, so he/she must be against those other groups too. There is no such thing as *we* and *them*. We are all children of God who benefit from the care of the Shepherd.

Jesus says, “*My sheep hear my voice.*” That is another description of the personal relationship with Christ that Paul proclaimed to the people of Antioch of Pisidia.

Jesus continues: “*...I know them and they follow me.*” The Good Shepherd invites us to know him by walking his path. Belonging to a faith or parish community is a very big help and a sure guide to know and walk with Jesus. A member of Jesus’ flock needs to build an ongoing intimate relationship with the Good Shepherd.

On this Sunday we also celebrate the *World Day of Prayer for Vocations*. We are invited to reflect on the meaning of God’s call and to pray for vocations. Priestly, diaconal, and religious vocations should be a constant concern in the hearts of God’s people.

Fr Regulo Imperial, Pastor



This is *World Day of Prayer for Vocations*. The world needs leaders with courage and integrity. The Church needs good leaders as well, leaders who will unselfishly care for the needs of God’s people and minister to them. If you feel God is calling you to priesthood, religious life or deaconate,

Contact Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Vocations Director, ArchToronto
416-968-0997 / vocations@archtoronto.org / www.vocationstoronto.ca

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Vocations to the Priesthood: God our Father, From eternity You appointed Your only begotten Son to be the High Priest of the human race. Pour forth, we beseech You, Your Holy Spirit upon our families, that vocations to the priesthood may be multiplied. Lord Jesus, give us holy priests: To offer up the sacrifice of the Mass; To lead the little ones to You; To strengthen the faith of believers; To preach the Gospel to all peoples; To bring forgiveness to sinners; To feed souls the Bread of Life; To comfort the suffering & dying, and To spread Your Kingdom in our midst. Mary, Mother of our High Priest, pray for us and obtain for us an increase of holy priests. Amen.

<https://worlddayofprayerforvocations.com/prayers/>



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 May 9th!

Thank You

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April 14th: \$ 4,393.60
Building fund: \$ 2,176.00 ShareLife: \$380



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St. Augustine’s Seminary, along with the Office of Vocations and Redemptoris Mater Missionary Seminary, to provide an excellent formation for our seminarians as they pursue a life of service. This past year, you invested in our Church’s future by supporting 58 seminarians at St. Augustine’s Seminary and Redemptoris Mater Missionary Seminary. This Sunday, we celebrate the 61st *World Day of Prayer for Vocations*.

There has never been a better time to support and pray for our seminarians, wherever they may be on their journey.

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 \$6,194.20 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.

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All are welcome to contribute. Click the link or type it into your browser and create a post. You can download images, personal photos and messages!



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 27th National March for Life will be held on **Thursday, ay 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).



TREATS & TREASURES SALE

Sunday, June 2nd/8:30 am-2 pm in the Church Hall
The Catholic Women's League would appreciate your donations of:

- ▶ Beautiful, gently-used costume jewellery
- ▶ Handbags, purses & make up bags
- ▶ Household items, new or slightly used. **No books!**
- ▶ Drop off your donations on Rosana's porch (15 Delemere Rd)
- ▶ Delicious treats! If you would like to prepare something for our Bake Sale, please email stjohnfishercwl@outlook.com and we can provide plastic clamshell containers to package your goodies.

Catholic-Women's-League WALK-A-THON
Saturday, May 4th - 8:30 am

at Chinguacousy Park (Rain date: May 11th)

CWL Members are handing out pledge forms and accepting pledges after all masses.

BIRTHRIGHT BRAMPTON ANNUAL BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN



On May 4th/5th, baby bottles will be available for you to take home and fill with loose change, bills or a cheque. Tax receipts will be issued for donations totaling \$20 or more.

Credit card donations can be made through:

<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/birthright-brampton>.

Please help save the lives of babies.

Please return Baby bottles on June 1st/2nd.

CHALICE will be at St. John Fisher Parish this weekend!



Canada's largest Catholic Child Sponsorship organization will provide you the opportunity to begin a relationship with a child in the developing world through the benefits of Child Sponsorship. It is a powerful way to reveal God's love for those most in need. Please visit chalice.ca for more information about Chalice and its mission.



Please include: ① Name(s)

② Mailing Address ③ Email Address

④ 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!

Armenian Vespers in Honour of St. Gregory of Narek as Abbot and Doctor of the Catholic Church - St Gregory of Narek, a revered saint in the Oriental Orthodox Church, has recently come into our Roman Catholic liturgical calendar. Join Archbishop Francis Leo and Bishop Abgar Hovakimyan (Primate of the Armenian Diocese of Canada) who will co-preside at a jointly prepared Armenian Vespers to celebrate this remarkable event on **Saturday, April 27th at 6 pm**, hosted at Holy Trinity Armenian Apostolic Orthodox Church on 920 Progress Ave., Scarborough, M1G 3T5. A wide representation of church leaders in the Greater Toronto Area is expected at this event.

International Eucharistic Congress – September 8-15, 2024

Join the Archdiocese of Toronto Delegation! Traditionally every four years, the Holy Father invites pilgrims from around the world to join in an International Eucharistic Congress. This year's event will take place in Quito, Ecuador. Limited spaces are available for pilgrims from the Archdiocese of Toronto to join with other Canadian delegates to travel to Ecuador. To learn more about the pilgrimage, visit www.archtoronto.org/iec. Registration deadline is June 6th with early bird pricing available until May 6th.

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!



knightsofcolumbus10402@gmail.com



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