

# 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](mailto:knightsofcolumbus10402@gmail.com)

## CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

(women 16+): [stjohnfishercwl@outlook.com](mailto: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, April 27<sup>th</sup>**

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

**Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup>**

**9 a.m.** – ✠ Helmut 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

**Monday, April 29<sup>th</sup>**

**9 a.m.** – In Thanksgiving to God for answered prayers

**Tuesday, April 30<sup>th</sup>**

**9 a.m.** – ✠ Brigada & Santiago Mendoza req by Imelda Gray

**Wednesday, May 1<sup>st</sup>**

**9 a.m.** – ✠ Dominico Nguyen Tran requested by the Tran Family

**Thursday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**9 a.m.** – ✠ Remedios Bulaong

**Friday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**9 a.m.** – ✠ Deceased members of the extended McCracken Families requested by Shirley Christo

**Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup>**

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

**Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup>**

**9 a.m.** – ✠ Souls in Purgatory

**10:30 a.m.** – ✠ Conceicao “Connie” Melo req by Alfred Melo

**12 p.m.** – ✠ Fausta Torres Lim requested by the Lim Family



Beloved Parishioners:

Think about this: If you have one hundred concert pianos and you tune the second piano to the first, and then the third to the second, and the fourth piano to the third, and continue until you have tuned all 100 pianos, you will still have discord and disharmony. But if you tuned each piano to the same tuning fork, you would have unity and harmony. Jesus said: *“I am the vine, and you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in them bears much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing.”* Jesus uses that of the many branches attached, attuned and reliant for life on the one vine. So, too, in the body of Christ. When we each tune ourselves and our life to Christ’s, we will have unity.

Every member of this parish has his/her own unique pattern of behaviour that is largely instinctive, physiological and natural. Some of us are extroverted, controlling, introverted and accepting. Though it cannot be changed, our behaviour can be influenced by values developed through our belief in Christ.

If all these members who have different personalities will abide in Christ - meaning we are all connected to the same vine we can achieve the sense of community.

Fr Regulo Imperial, Pastor



Our second Scripture reading reminds us that we are to love, not in word and speech only, but in truth and action. If God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, Call Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Vocations Director, ArchToronto 416-968-0997 / [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org) / [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca)



**Offertory:**

April 21<sup>st</sup>: \$ 3,243.55



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Thank you for living the Gospel!

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](http://sharelife.org/donate).

**Digital/Online Card** in honour of **FR REG’S 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION & RETIREMENT**

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**BIRTHRIGHT BRAMPTON BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN**



Next weekend, 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 by supporting this main fundraiser for Birthright Brampton.

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

On January 21<sup>st</sup>, Pope Francis inaugurated a **YEAR OF PRAYER** ahead of the 2025 Jubilee, calling on the faithful *“to pray more fervently to prepare ourselves to live properly this grace-filled event and to experience the power of hope in God.”*

The Year of Prayer, the Holy Father explained, is dedicated *“to rediscovering the great value and absolute need for prayer, prayer in personal life, in the life of the Church, prayer in the world.”*

Find more information: <https://www.iubilaeum2025.va/en/html>



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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 18<sup>th</sup> at 10 am

**First Communion Mass Celebrations:**

- ▶ St John Fisher School: Sat May 25<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm
- ▶ St John Henry Newman School: Sat June 1<sup>st</sup> at 5:30 pm
- ▶ Georges Vanier School: Sat June 8<sup>th</sup> 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 18<sup>th</sup> at 11 am
- ▶ **Confirmation Celebration:** Wednesday May 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7 pm
- ▶ Rehearsal at 10:30 am on the same day



The 27<sup>th</sup> National March for Life will be held on **Thursday, May 9<sup>th</sup>** 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](mailto:joeresendes19@gmail.com)).

**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](http://www.archtoronto.org/iec). Registration deadline is June 6<sup>th</sup> with early bird pricing available until May 6<sup>th</sup>.



**Update your Information**



- 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](mailto:stjohnfisherbr@archtoronto.org). Thank you for your cooperation!

**Catholic-Women's-League WALK-A-THON**  
 Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup> - 8:30 am   
 at Chinguacousy Park (Rain date: May 11<sup>th</sup>)  
 CWL Members are handing out pledge forms and accepting pledges after all masses.

**Knights of Columbus, St John Fisher Council**  
**MEMBERSHIP DRIVE** May 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> 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!  
  
[knightsforcolumbus10402@gmail.com](mailto:knightsforcolumbus10402@gmail.com)

**TREATS & TREASURES SALE**  
**Sunday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>**/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](mailto:stjohnfishercwl@outlook.com) and we can provide plastic clamshell containers to package your goodies.

The **CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP** meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 9<sup>th</sup>!

**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: *Loraine Dubier* 905-791-2673  
*Ilham Yaqoob* 416-420 9484

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.  
*Being God's hands and feet* No contribution is too small. Training and support will be provided. We especially need:  
**Communion Ministers, Lectors, Ushers, & Sacristans.**  
*Call or email the office to sign up!*

**SACRAMENT OF HOLY ORDERS**  
 Deacon Marko Bušić / Deacon Daniel Lee / Deacon Ryan Nigli  
 Deacon Szymon Sorbian / Deacon Jeremy Zou  
 Please pray for these five men (transitional deacons at present) preparing for Ordination to the Priesthood on May 11<sup>th</sup> at St Michael's. They will serve the faithful of the Archdiocese of Toronto. Let us also continue to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Watch the mass live at 10 am on May 11<sup>th</sup>: <https://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live/>



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