

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 - 5 p.m. Friday 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. / 1 - 5 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: 9:30-11:30 a.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

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 24th - 5:30 p.m. – Jim & Maura Shaw †

Sunday, August 25th

9 a.m. - Maria Salome de Guzman & Preciosissimo de Guzman (SI)

10:30 a.m. - Deceased Members of the Landskroener Family †

12 p.m. - Tilly Kiesel †

Monday, August 26th - 9 a.m. - Souls in Purgatory †

Tuesday, August 27th - 9 a.m. - Lorenzo Sumabat †

Wednesday, August 28th - 9 a.m.

Thursday, August 29th - 9 a.m.

Friday, August 30th - 9 a.m.

Saturday, August 31st - 5:30 p.m.

Sunday, September 1st - 9 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.

MANDATORY INFORMATION MEETING REGARDING THE SACRAMENTS OF FIRST RECONCILIATION/FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION:

For those families with children wanting to receive the sacraments of *First Reconciliation/First Communion* (usually grade 2 or 3) and *Confirmation* (usually grade 7 or 8) this year, you are asked to attend a mandatory Information Meeting. We will lay out our Sacramental program and will speak about the expectations that are required of families.

Two dates are available. Please attend the date and time that works best for your family.



Wednesday, September 25th @ 7 pm

or

Saturday, September 28th @ 11 am



REMINDER THAT OUR MASS INTENTIONS PROCEDURES HAVE CHANGED

Please remember to contact the office if you have booked Mass intentions for either our Saturday evening or Sunday Masses. These need to be changed to another day. You can reach our secretary, Rose, at the parish office by email or telephone. She will be happy to help you reschedule your Saturday/Sunday Mass intention to a weekday Mass.

If we do not hear from those who have Weekend Mass intentions beyond September, we will automatically move these Mass intentions to other available dates.

Our hope is that in September and moving forward, our Weekend Masses will be for all of you and your intentions.

Suggested offering: \$20 Announced / \$10 Unannounced

Guidelines for Mass Intentions:

Mass on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays:

Only one Announced Intention per Mass and we will limit this to deceased souls only and no other special intentions.

Mass on Wednesdays:

Multiple Intention Mass where numerous intentions can be offered for deceased souls, for a thanksgiving, an anniversary, a birthday, or other special intentions.

Saturday Vigil and Sunday Masses:

On Sundays, we will not have any Mass intentions.

Fr. Liborio will celebrate these Masses for all the intentions of the parishioners of St. John Fisher.



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 September 12th!



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.

We especially need: **Lectors, Ushers, & Sacristans.**

Call or email the office to sign up!



Offertory:

August 18th: \$ 5,094.60

Building Fund/Maintenance: \$ 435.00



REMINDER: The office will be closed Monday, September 2nd for Labour Day and will reopen on Wednesday September 4th at 9 am.



Starting Saturday, September 7th, we will be celebrating a Saturday morning Mass at 9 am. This will enable parishioners to attend mass every day if they wish.

UPDATE YOUR INFORMATION! We continue to expand our database to be able to communicate with parishioners more easily. Parishioners are asked to email their contact information to stjohnfisherbr@archtoronto.org. Please include: ①Name(s) ②Mailing Address ③Email Address ④Phone Number
Thank you for your cooperation!

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,
Last weekend, *Fr Anthony Kamalathasan* spoke to us (at all masses) about his Religious Congregation, *the Rosarians*, which were founded in Sri Lanka, and the financial needs that exist for them. Fr Anthony asked for our financial support and prayers. I hope that you have discerned, through prayer, how you might be of help to Fr Anthony, either financially or by prayers and acts of charity.

There are many demands on our **Time, Talents** and **Treasures** and sometimes, we can feel overwhelmed with what people are asking from us.

Time is very precious and seems to pass so quickly as we get older. Our *"to do"* lists continue to grow and the *Time* to do them seems to diminish. We should ask God to prioritize our *Time* so that we can accomplish what first *"must be done"* and then what *"can be done"*. God can show us the way to manage our *Time* so that it does not become a burden but rather life-giving.

The **Talents** we have also can cause us to be stretched to the limit when others need us to share our talents. In the past, families with numerous children were complete in regard to talents: one became a priest, another a mechanic, another worked in construction, and another a lawyer. A family with these gifts and *Talents* could rely on each other for most of the issues we need to deal with in life. Again, it is important to discern, with God's help, when and how we share our *Talents* so that we do not burn out.

Finally, there are great demands on our **Treasure**. Every day, people invite us to share our *Treasures* with them. And while most of these are for good causes, we have to ask God in discernment how we are to give from the abundance of our *Treasure*. God does not demand of us to go without, but calls us out of love to trust Him and to share what we have with those in need.

Time, Talents and **Treasures** applies to our parish community here at St John Fisher. I ask you to discern wisely how you can share these with our fellow parishioners. ***Don't be afraid to hear God tell you how to share your gifts with others. He will only ask you to do something He knows you are capable of doing!***

BLESSINGS, Fr. Liborio

BACK TO SCHOOL: This is the final week of summer school holidays for many of our young people. We encourage our youth to not waste their time on TV, computers or cell phones – you will be able to get back to these when you go back to school...HA! May Families have an opportunity to share time together and enjoy being part of a family.



MARTYRS' SHRINE FALL GALA 2024: Sat Sept 21st 5-10 pm
Brooklea Golf & Country Club, 8567 Hwy. 93, Midland
This gala will kick off the Shrine's revitalization campaign as it approaches its 100th anniversary. For more information and to purchase tickets, visit <https://martyrs-shrine.com/fall-gala/>.
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Jesus has given us His Body to eat and His Blood to drink so as to nourish us on our journey towards the Kingdom. May we be faithful to Him on our journey as married, single, ordained or consecrated persons. If God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon,
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416-968-0997 / vocations@archtoronto.org / www.vocationstoronto.ca

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Or email: development@archtoronto.org.



A BEQUEST IN YOUR WILL TO OUR CHURCH is an acknowledgment of your returning to God a portion of the gifts He has bestowed on you during your lifetime. Charitable bequests can have a favourable impact on your overall estate plan. Bequests are NOT just for the wealthy! Consider including your parish or any of the archdiocesan charities or departments in your Will. Let your Will reflect your Catholic values. We have a free estate planning guide to help you make your plan. The Archdiocese of Toronto also maintains a list of advisors across the GTA who are available to assist in your estate planning and the preparation of a Will. Please contact us at Development@archtoronto.org for a list of Catholic estate advisors in your area. Remember about the importance of using the correct legal names when arranging bequests or other planned gifts.

EWTN, the world's largest Catholic TV Network, invites everyone to the **EWTN FAMILY CELEBRATION** on *Sat Sept 7th* at the Delta Hotels Toronto Airport & Conference Centre (655 Dixon Rd). **Admission is FREE!** This year's theme is *"Stand Firm in the Faith!"*



Register NOW at www.ewtn.com/familycelebration or marketingreply@ewtn.com or (437) 986-3986.



Season of Creation: This annual event begins on September 1 (the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation) and ends on October 4 (the Feast of St Francis of Assisi, patron saint of ecology). This year's theme is *"To hope and act with Creation"* and the symbol is *"The first fruits of hope"* inspired by Romans 8:19-25. Seasonofcreation.org



The children were lined up in the cafeteria of a Catholic elementary school for lunch. At the head of the table was a large pile of apples. The nun made a note, and posted on the apple tray: *"Take only ONE. God is watching."*

Moving further along the lunch line, at the other end of the table was a large pile of chocolate chip cookies. A child had written a note, *"Take all you want. God is watching the apples."*

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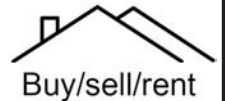


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