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OFFICE HOURS:

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays
9 a.m. - 12 p.m. and 1 - 5 p.m.

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday: 5 p.m.
Sunday: 9 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. & 12 p.m.

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday: 4 - 4:45 p.m.

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE:

Monday to Saturday: 9 a.m.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Tuesday: 9:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP:

2nd Thursday of the month: 9:30 - 11:30
a.m. in the upper room of the church hall

TORONTO VOCATIONS OFFICE

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

WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS!

New Parishioners are asked to register.
Cards are available at the back of the church.

BAPTISM:

By appointment only.
Baptismal instruction required.

MARRIAGE:

Archdiocesan policy requires making
arrangements one year prior to the date of
marriage. Preparatory course is required.

COMMUNION SERVICE:

For the sick. Contact the Rectory.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 10402:

Men 18+ /
knightsforcolumbus10402@gmail.com

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE:

Women 16+ / stjohnfishercwl@outlook.com

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL:

905-790-2479 / stjohnfisherssvp@gmail.com

OUR PARISH SCHOOLS:

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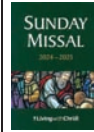
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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE



MASS INTENTIONS

- Monday, November 25th - 9 a.m. – Susan Balabuck ☩
- Tuesday, November 26th - 9 a.m.
– Ernest & Ezeogou & Fr Joseph Spigolon ☩
- Wednesday, November 27th - 9 a.m. – Edith Clutchey ☩
– Alice Normandeau ☩
– The Courneyea Family (SI)
- Thursday, November 28th - 9 a.m.
– Elaine Meadon & Michael Maingot ☩
- Friday, November 29th - 9 a.m. – Fr Phil Jones & Fr Harry Hall ☩
- Saturday, November 30th - 9 a.m. – Gord Courneyea
– Cletus Mitchell (SI)
– Giuse Le Trung Dung (SI)



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



The winner of \$1,250 in the
CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE 50/50 RAFFLE
is Simranpreet Kaur (ticket #2177).
Congratulations!



THANK YOU to all the volunteers and shoppers
who supported the **CATHOLIC WOMEN'S
LEAGUE CHRISTMAS BAZAAR!**

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:
❶ Name(s) ❷ Mailing Address ❸ Email Address ❹ Phone Number
Thank you for your cooperation!



Offertory:
November 17th: \$ 5,196.95
Shepherds' Trust: \$ 5,007.40



IMPORTANT REMINDER

We thank all of you who
regularly give your weekly
offering using envelopes.

*Please remember to write your name on the outside of the
envelope every week, and especially if you are a new registrant to
our parish or just new to using envelopes.* We want to make sure
that the envelope number matches the name so we can allocate the
donation to the correct person. Thank you for your cooperation!

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!



LIVE THE GOSPEL! We have raised \$26,739.73 towards
our parish campaign goal of \$35,000.
Please share your blessing by making a contribution at
sharelife.org/donate or by giving at our parish using a
ShareLife envelope. Thank you for living the Gospel.

OUR PARISH PICTORIAL BOOKS HAVE ARRIVED!

Please visit the parish office during regular
hours to pick up your copy.



Visit our website regularly to stay up to date.
www.stjohnfisherbr.archtoronto.org StJohnFisherBrampton



POPE FRANCIS SAYS: "We are called in every
circumstance to be friends of the poor, following in
the footsteps of Jesus who always began by showing
solidarity when dealing with the least among us."

Living as friends of the poor is what our parish conference of
the **Society of St Vincent de Paul** is trying to do for our most
vulnerable neighbours. If you want to learn more and join our
mission, send us an email at *stjohnfisherssvp@gmail.com*. Or
learn more about the work we do and how you can help at
www.SSVPToronto.ca.

DID YOU KNOW that you can donate to our local
Society of St Vincent de Paul all year long in 3 ways:

- ❶ Drop loose money in the blue SSVP donation boxes
located at each church exit. No tax receipt will be issued.
- ❷ Use the green SSVP envelopes and drop it in the box at
our church. Tax receipts will be issued in February.
- ❸ Donate 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!



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.**



Tickets are sold out for
BREAKFAST WITH SANTA
Saturday, December 7th / 9:30 am to 12 pm
Thank you for your support and see you there!
Hosted by the Knights of Columbus
with help from the CWL.



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alerts emailed directly to your inbox.

<https://stjohnfisherbr.archtoronto.org/en/contact-us/sign-up/>



Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ,
 Next Sunday we begin the *Season of Advent*. As you know, the Church has 5 Seasons throughout the Liturgical Year.

① *Advent* is the first Season and begins our Liturgical Year. The priest wears purple vestments and it is four weeks long. The fourth week of Advent is often not a full seven days long because Christmas day rarely lands on a Sunday. ② Following the season of Advent, we have the Season of *Christmas* and the priest wears white vestments. The length of the Christmas season varies from two to three weeks and ends with the feast of the Baptism of the Lord. ③ The third Season is *Lent* and the priest wears purple vestments. It lasts for is 40 days; remember that Sundays are not considered Lenten days. ④ Following Lent we have the Season of *Easter*. The priest wears white vestments, and it lasts about 50 days. ⑤ The final Season is called *Ordinary Time* and it is the longest season. The priest wears green vestments. It first appears following the Christmas season for a number of weeks; it pauses for the Seasons of Lent and Easter and then continues again until the end of the Liturgical Year which concludes with this weekend's *Feast of Christ the King*.

In the Feast of Christ the King, we remember that Christ is our Lord and Sovereign. We owe Him our allegiance and our very lives. As our King, Christ should be the first person we think of when we wake up in the morning and the last person we remember before we lay our heads on the pillow at night. Let us never forget that it is this King that we serve in this life, and who will be the first person we will see when we close our eyes in death. Christ Jesus will be the one who will judge us on how we have been living our lives with Him as King. If we have been faithful and loyal to Him as King, He will lead us to the Heavenly Kingdom where we will experience total Joy, Peace, Happiness and Love in the presence of the throne of God, our Lord and King.

BLESSINGS, Fr. Liborio

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.

SECURITIES AS A CHARITABLE GIFT OPTION: One of the most financially sound ways to support the Archdiocese of Toronto is a gift of securities (stocks, bonds, mutual funds). When you donate these and other publicly traded securities to a registered charity, you pay no capital gains tax and receive a tax receipt for the full amount of the gift. It means a great tax break for you and more significant support of your Parish and various archdiocesan charities such as ShareLife, St Augustine's Seminary, The Shepherd's Trust and many others.
<https://www.archtoronto.org/en/offices-and-ministries/social-justice--outreach/development-and-sharelife/home/gifts-of-securities/>
 Or email: development@archtoronto.org



FRIARS' STUDENT WRITING CONTEST 2025

Theme: "Do you believe this?" (John 11:26)

Please read John 11:17-43 for full understanding. Write an essay and win great prizes! Deadline to enter is January 13th. High school students (ages 13-19 years) are invited to participate in this annual event that commemorates the global Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. Write a 500-word essay that explores the 2025 theme. More details at: <https://www.catholicregister.org/writingaward>



Advent Retreat: HERE I AM, LORD - LIVING THE UNCONDITIONAL YES OF MARY & JOSEPH
 The Institute of Theology at St. Augustine's Seminary presents this retreat as part of its Spirit & Life Series for the 2024-2025 Academic Year.
 Led by Rev Edwin Gonsalves

Sat Dec 14th from 9 am-4 pm / In-Person only at St Augustine's Seminary, 2661 Kingston Rd, Scar
 Cost: \$45 - Includes warm croissants, pastries, coffee and tea on arrival, as well as lunch. Mass, Confession, & Adoration.
 Capacity is limited. Registration mandatory.

<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/spirit-life-series-advent-retreat-tickets-1056644906359?aff=oddtcreator>

As we enter the Advent season, this retreat will allow us to strengthen our own many "yeses" to God, with the model and help of Mary and Joseph.



Today we hail Christ as our King. He is the Victor over the power of death Who loves us and freed us from our sins by His own blood, and Who by Baptism has made us a royal nation of priests in the service of His Father and our God. He Who is King continues to choose men and women to serve as priests, sisters, brothers or deacons, so that the faithful may know Him, love Him and serve Him as well. If you feel God is calling you to a Church vocation, then Call Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Vocations Director, ArchToronto 416-968-0997/ vocations@archtoronto.org / www.vocationstoronto.ca

I went to a **KING** and asked him: Who is Jesus?

He replied: Jesus is the KING of KINGS.

I went to an **Electrician** and asked him: Who is Jesus? He replied: *Jesus is the Light of the World.*

I went to a **Hunter** and asked him: Who is Jesus?

He replied: He's the Lion of Judah. **King of Glory**



I went to a **Baker** and asked him:

Who is Jesus? He replied:

Jesus is the **BREAD of LIFE.**

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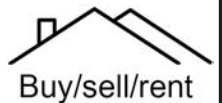


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