



Defender of the Faith

ST. JOHN FISHER

CATHOLIC CHURCH



300 Balmoral Drive, Brampton, Ontario, L6T 1V6

February 16, 2025

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS! ST. JOHN FISHER IS A PARISH COMMUNITY THAT BELIEVES IN THE GOOD NEWS THAT JESUS CHRIST IS ALIVE AND IN OUR MIDST. WE INVITE YOU TO CONSIDER BEING PART OF OUR PARISH COMMUNITY. TO REGISTER, PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH DURING OFFICE HOURS.

Parish Staff

Pastor: Rev. Liborio Amaral

Deacon: Dcn. John Coletti

Secretary: Rose Jose

Bookkeeper: Josephine Balbidades

Custodian: Lourdes (Lulu) Pasion

Office Hours:

Mondays, Tuesdays, 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.

Daily Mass Schedule:

Monday to Saturday: 9 a.m.

Confessions:

Saturday: 4 – 4:45 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration:

Tuesday: 9:30 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Baptism:

Please call the parish office to inquire about baptisms.

Baptismal instruction required.

Marriage:

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

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults):

Those interested in joining our Catholic Faith are asked to reach out to the pastor via the Parish Office.

Knights of Columbus Council 10402:

Men 18+ / knightsofcolumbus10402@gmail.com

Catholic Women's League:

Women 16+ / stjohfishercwl@outlook.com

Society of St. Vincent de Paul:

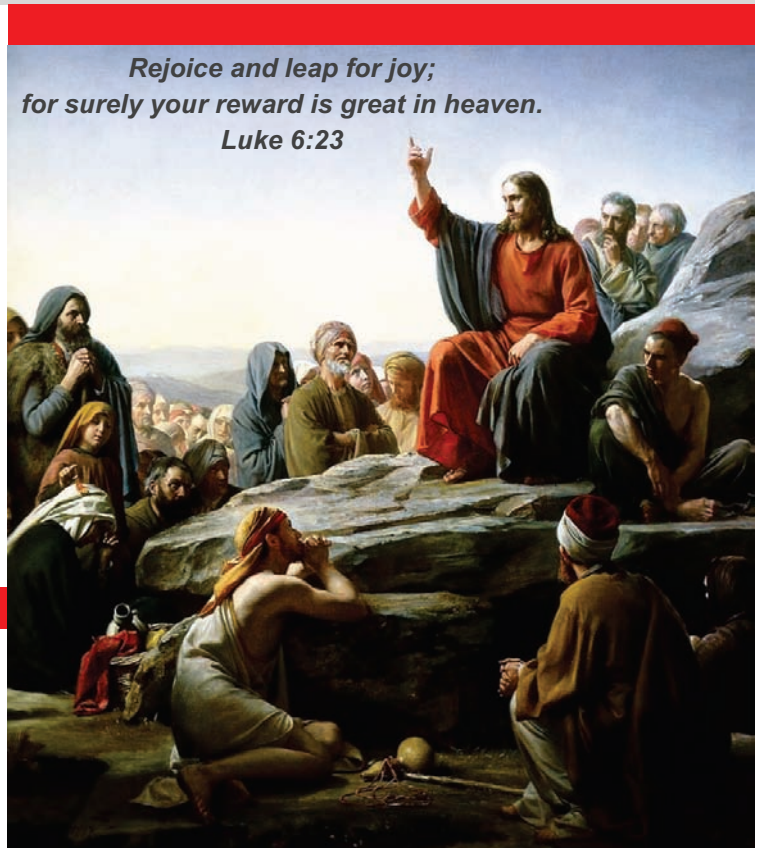
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Toronto Vocations Office

Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Vocations Director,

416-968-0997/ vocations@archtoronto.org /

www.vocationstoronto.ca



*Rejoice and leap for joy;
for surely your reward is great in heaven.*

Luke 6:23

Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
Blessed are the meek: for they shall possess the land.
Blessed are they who mourn: for they shall be comforted.
Blessed are they that hunger & thirst after justice: for they shall have their fill.
Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy.
Blessed are the clean of heart: for they shall see God.
Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God.
Blessed are they that suffer persecution for justice' sake,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Our Parish Schools:

St. John Fisher / 330 Balmoral Dr / 905-793-8900

St. John Henry Newman / 698 Balmoral Dr / 905-792-2268

Georges Vanier / 28 Finchgate Blvd / 905-792-2251

Parish Telephone: 905-793-6610 / Fax: 905-793-7721 Parish Email: stjohfisherbr@archtoronto.org

Parish Website: www.stjohfisherbr.archtoronto.org Parish Instagram: StJohnFisherBrampton



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, February 17th - 9 a.m. – Carole Mary Pitcher ☩

Tuesday, February 18th - 9 a.m. – Abandoned Souls ☩

Wednesday, February 19th - 9 a.m.

Thursday, February 20th - 9 a.m. – Savina Zanatta (SI)

Friday, February 21st - 9 a.m. – Souls in Purgatory ☩

Saturday, February 22nd - 9 a.m. – Amirthanathan Ponnaiya ☩

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Offertory:



February 9th: \$ 4,762.85
Building Fund: \$ 570.00

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!

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2025 ENVELOPES are available for pick-up. Boxes are not attached to any name. When you begin using these new envelopes, please write your name & address on the outside of the envelopes for a few weeks as we register the box to you and allocate your donation for your income tax receipt.



A reminder that on **Monday, February 17th** our parish office will be closed for Family Day. We pray that this day may provide families with the opportunity to celebrate together in whatever way helps them recognize the gift of being part of a **Family**.



The **Knights of Columbus, St John Fisher Council** will be holding its **MEMBERSHIP DRIVE** at all weekend masses on **March 1st & 2nd**. Knights will be at the entrance of the Church to answer your questions. Men 18+ are welcome! We look forward to speaking with you!



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

Visit our website regularly to stay up to date.
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The Catholic Women's League has a volunteer opportunity for teens in Grades 8 and up. At our events, we need help setting up tables, chairs, bringing items up and down the stairs, and other jobs. Students will receive a letter confirming their volunteer service. If you are interested in signing up to be on our list of volunteers, please email us at stjohnfishercwl@outlook.com. When we need help, we will email our roster and ask who is available.



Saturday, February 22nd @ 6 pm (church hall)
Come out and have a fun evening of great food, entertainment, door prizes & more.

Menu: Penne with meat or vegetarian tomato sauce, bread, butter, salad, dessert, water, pop, coffee, tea.

Tickets are on sale at the back of the church after all masses.

► Adults: \$15 ► Children (6-12): \$10 ► Ages 5 & under: Free

Lift Jesus Higher Rally - Power from On High

Sat Mar 29th: 9 am-5:30 pm / Tix: \$49 adults, youth \$25

Metro Toronto Convention Centre (north building) www.ljhr.ca

Bus from St John Fisher, boarding at 6:30 a.m. – cost \$15

For tickets & bus reservation, please contact:

Mary Reghelini 416-882-7330 or Lorraine Carvey 647-855-8980



Happy are those who know they need God. Happy too those who live faithfully the vocation of the life-commitment God calls them to, be it married, single, religious or priesthood.

If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon

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

COME & SEE WEEKEND DISCERNMENT RETREAT

hosted by the Office of Vocations for men aged 18+ at St Augustine's Seminary.

Friday, March 14 at 6:30 pm until Sunday, March 16 at 2 pm

This Retreat offers a way for men to discern a possible call to priesthood at our seminary. Register online at www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee.

For more info, contact: vocations@archtoronto.org

DOMINICAN FRIARS YOUTH INTERFAITH VIDEO CONTEST

Theme: Faith as a Pathway from Division to Unity

From February 5-April 15, high school students (aged 13 to 19 years) in the Catholic School Boards within the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to participate in this annual celebration of the United Nations International Human Fraternity Day (February 4th). Students are encouraged to create a three-minute video that captures this year's theme. For details/info: <https://bit.ly/DFVCPPoster/> / interreligious@archtoronto.org / 416-934-3400 ext. 527



Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

This weekend we are presenting to you our Annual Financial Report for this past year (2024). I would like to thank each and every one of you for sharing your gifts, talents and treasures with your parish of St John Fisher.

I will soon be meeting with our new Finance Council and I ask for your prayers that we will be able to judge wisely how to administer the finances of our parish.

Finally, as we enter a time of uncertainty in our economy and our relationship with our trading partners, I ask that, if you can, please continue to support your parish here at St John Fisher.

BLESSINGS, Fr. Liborio

**Annual Report to the Faithful: 2024
St. John Fisher Parish, Bramalea**

Receipts	
General Receipts	
Offertory	\$290,411.08
Other Parish Collections	\$6,421.10
Christmas and Easter	\$15,250.85
Baptisms/Funerals/Marriages	\$5,475.00
Mass Offerings / Intentions	\$7,886.00
Bequests & Legacies	\$0.00
Other Donations	\$0.00
Rental and Interest Revenue	\$2,359.46
Parish Programs (charity, faith formation, sacramental prep, youth)	\$23,857.35
Sundry (admin, subsidy, articles, candles, restricted funds, socials)	\$126,359.66
Special Diocesan Collections	
Canadian Missions	\$2,019.05
Evangelization of Nations (World Missions)	\$2,229.00
Humanitarian Relief	\$0.00
Marygrove Camp	\$1,603.90
Mission Co-Op	\$5,906.00
Needs of Canadian Church (Bishops' Collection)	\$2,130.50
Needs of Church in Holy Land (Good Friday)	\$2,904.15
Pope's Pastoral Works	\$1,605.00
ShareLife	\$26,410.35
Shepherds' Trust	\$5,637.00
Other	\$2,213.05
Other Receipts	
New loans	\$0.00
Investments withdrawn	\$0.00
Sale of parish assets	\$0.00

Total Receipts for the Period	\$530,678.50
Opening cash balance	\$179,460.09
Transfers in from other parish bank accounts	\$0.00

Total \$710,138.59

Supplemental Information

Account	Balance, Jan 1, 2024	Additions	Less: Repayments/Withdrawals	Balance, Dec 31, 2024
Loan from Bank				
Loan from Chancery				
Loan from Family of Faith				
Investments at Chancery				
Family of Faith Investments	\$6,818.43	\$102.84		\$6,921.27

Payments	
General Payments	
Clergy Salaries & Stipends	\$60,105.00
Lay / Musicians Salaries	\$93,011.68
Lay / Musician Company Services	\$0.00
Payroll Remittances	\$19,734.40
Office Services / Supplies	\$5,040.93
Mass Facility Rental	\$2,400.88
Property Insurance	\$8,907.68
Utilities - Church	\$25,973.95
Repairs & Maintenance	\$34,897.98
Grounds Maintenance/Landscaping	\$512.72
Traffic Control / Security Service	\$134.66
Choir / Music Payments	\$737.13
Liturgy / Mass Payments	\$9,649.78
Other Church Payments	\$7,368.60
Hall Expenses	\$1,239.61
Rectory Payments	\$18,396.44
Assessments: clergy health & retirement, diocesan, chaplaincy	\$51,829.00
Parish Programs (charity, faith formation, sacramental prep, volunteering, youth)	\$24,879.91
Sundry (admin, articles/candles, professional fees, rental, restricted, socials, staff training)	\$25,933.53
Special Diocesan Collections Disbursed	\$52,388.00

Other Payments	
Principal loan repayments	\$70,438.91
Interest Payments on Loans	\$1,920.52
New Investments Purchased	\$203.06
Property Additions / Restorations	\$59,974.04
Furnishings / Equipment	\$2,884.79

Total Payments for the Period	\$578,563.20
Ending cash balance	\$131,575.39
Transfers Out to other parish bank accounts	\$0.00

Total \$710,138.59

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