



Defender of the Faith
ST. JOHN FISHER
CATHOLIC CHURCH



300 Balmoral Drive, Brampton, Ontario, L6T 1V6

June 1, 2025

Ascension of the Lord

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:

905-790-2479 / stjohfisherssvp@gmail.com



**Men of Galilee,
why gaze in wonder at the heavens?
This Jesus whom you saw ascending
into heaven will return as you saw him go,
Alleluia. Acts 1:11**

Toronto Vocations Office

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

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

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, June 2nd - 9 a.m. – All Souls in Purgatory ☩

Tuesday, June 3rd - 9 a.m.

Wednesday, June 4th - 9 a.m. – Luigia Palermo ☩

Thursday, June 5th - 9 a.m. – David Amaral ☩

Friday, June 6th - 9 a.m. – Jack Meader & Charlie Clutchey ☩

Saturday, June 7th - 9 a.m. – Lilia Lacquian ☩
– June Allison & Family (SI)

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Offertory:



May 25th: \$ 5,891.05
First Communion Offering: \$ 790.00
Pope's Pastoral Works: \$ 2,535.00

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!

ATTENTION! If you are using Envelope Boxes 52, 83, 260, 292, 360, 463, 613, 796, 863, 871 please contact the office. We need your information (name, address, telephone, email) for our records.


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!

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!*



The 5 pm Saturday Choir welcomes new singers. We practice at 4:15 pm before the mass. And, if you are an advanced piano player (Grade 6 piano or higher) and are interested in learning what's needed to play for mass, we welcome you also! Please contact Michelle: 416-828-8071 (call/text).

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



Sign Up to receive the Weekly Bulletin and other special alerts emailed directly to your inbox.

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

THE 50S & 60S DINNER & DANCE *has been cancelled.*

After much thought and reflection, we regret to inform you that we have made the difficult decision to cancel the Spring Dance (on June 21st). ***If you bought tickets, you will receive a Refund.*** Please bring your tickets to Rose in the Church Office during regular office hours. She will take your contact information and process the refund. When the funds are ready, you will be contacted to pick up your refund.



Thank you for your support!
CWL & Knights of Columbus
knightsforcolumbus10402@gmail.com.



Fr Liborio Away will be away from the parish on his annual private silent retreat from Tues June 10th to Thurs June 19th. He will be going to the Manresa retreat house in Bloomfield Hills, Michigan (about a halfhour north of Detroit). Please keep Fr Liborio in your prayers and he promises to keep all parishioners in his prayers during his days of retreat.



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

- ① Drop loose money in the blue SSVP donation boxes located at each church exit. No tax receipt will be issued.
- ② Use the green SSVP envelopes and drop it in the box at our church. Tax receipts will be issued in February.
- ③ 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 your generosity towards our neighbours in need!

Our Society of St Vincent de Paul needs new members to help them continue their good work. Please consider joining them. stjohnfisherssvp@gmail.com

BIRTHRIGHT BRAMPTON BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

Birthingright Brampton treats each woman as an individual who deserves love and respect, as well as personal attention to her unique situation. We offer information on community resources to help clients meet their housing, educational and material needs, to only name a few. Tax receipts will be issued for donations totaling \$30 or more.

Credit card donations can be made at:
<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/birthingright-brampton>.

Please help save the lives of babies by supporting this main fundraiser for Birthingright Brampton. Please return Baby bottles on June 14th/15th.



YOU'RE CREATING AN ACCESSIBLE FUTURE FOR ALL:

Through your support of ShareLife, Silent Voice breaks barriers for families in a welcoming American Sign Language (ASL) environment. Despite the stigma that people with disabilities face, Silent Voice offers a haven of acceptance for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing community and their families. Here, their dignity and worth are affirmed, providing them with the confidence to thrive. And it's all possible because of understanding supporters like you.

Thus far we have raised \$23,492.20 toward our goal of \$33,000.

Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.



Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ,
"CHRIST IS RISEN! TRULY HE IS RISEN!"
 This weekend we celebrate the
Feast of the Ascension of Our Lord. We

remember that after 40 days of being with his Apostles and close disciples, Jesus Ascended into Heaven to once again take His seat at the right hand of the Father.

In the Rosary, we contemplate this mystery when we pray the Glorious Mysteries – it is the third Glorious Mystery. I encourage you to pray the rosary and in a special way to meditate on the Glorious Mysteries. And when you are meditating on the third mystery, the Ascension of Our Lord, I encourage you to spend a few minutes in silent meditation on this wonderful mystery of Christ's return to the Father.

The Ascension completes the Paschal Mystery of Jesus Christ's life – the Paschal Mystery encompasses the Passion (His suffering and crucifixion), death, Resurrection and Ascension. This is the core of our Catholic FAITH. Through the Paschal Mystery, we understand the events that led to our Salvation, and it all concludes with the Ascension.

On another note: Please keep in your prayers our young brothers and sisters who will be celebrating their Confirmation this coming Saturday June 7th at 11 am. Our Regional Bishop, Ivan Camilleri, will celebrate the Mass and confirm our candidates for Confirmation. This is another opportunity for our parish to celebrate with joy this next step of faith in the lives of our young brothers and sisters. Let us give thanks to the Lord and keep our soon to be confirmed brothers and sisters in our prayers.

One final note – next week we celebrate Pentecost, and this will bring our Easter Season to a close. But until then we can still announce the Easter proclamation that:

"CHRIST IS RISEN! TRULY HE IS RISEN!"

BLESSINGS, Fr. Liborio

The Lord said, "...you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."



Pray for an increase of vocations to the ordained and consecrated life.

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



MESSAGE FOR ALL FIRST COMMUNION CHILDREN:

We are inviting all First Communion children to come to church wearing their Communion outfits once again for the weekend of June 21 & 22. On this weekend, we will celebrate the Feast of **"Corpus Christi"** (the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Christ in the Eucharist). We will have a short procession with the Blessed Sacrament at all our Sunday Masses and invite all our First Communion children to come in their special outfits so that they can also join in the procession.

FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING WEBINAR Sat, June 7th at 9 am / Learn:

- ▶ How to avoid problems: in your Will, in the Powers of Attorney, and through proper Estate Trustee selection
- ▶ How to create your own legacy ▶ About our Catholic traditions around cremation, burials and funerals

3 WAYS TO REGISTER: ① scan this QR code

② follow this QR link: qrco.de/WebJune7

③ send an email to: Development@ArchToronto.org and write "webinar June 7" in the title line + your name(s) in the body of the message.



WebJune7

Women of the Word Toronto presents **WOUNDED HEALER II**
 Join Deacon Chris Elliott and Deacon Michael Carrera along with Unbound Music Ministry and the WOW-T Team for an inspiring day. Deacon Chris and Deacon Michael will dive deeper into the theme Wounded Healer, further exploring the topic of pain and suffering, that can be redeemed and transformed through Christ, making it both fruitful for oneself and others and leading to true freedom.

Sat June 14th / 9 am-5:30 pm / \$70

St Francis Centre, 208501 ON-9, Caledon

<https://www.wowblessingstoronto.com/event-details/2025-retreat-wounded-healer-ii>

TOTUS TUUS (TOTALLY YOURS) is a parish-based Catholic summer camp program for Grades 1-12, in the Archdiocese of Toronto, dedicated to evangelization, faith formation, and leadership development. It is also a missionary program where young adult missionaries are formed and sent to parishes, immersing themselves in parish life and fostering faith renewal. St Leonard's parish invites families from St John Fisher to participate.



St. Leonard's Parish Totus Tuus Camp

July 20- 25 / 187 Conestoga Drive

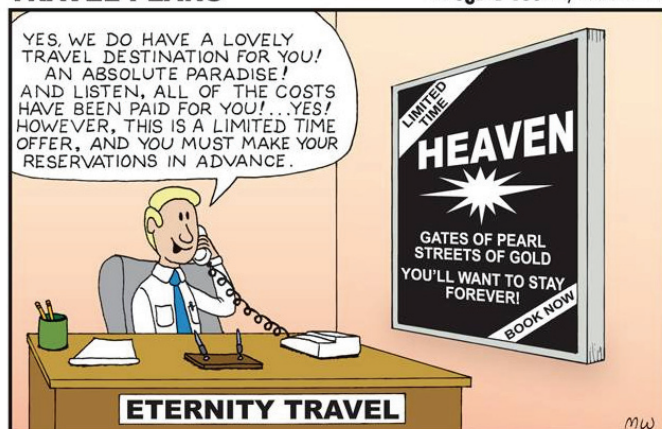
If interested, contact Parish Coordinator: Ivana Zuvic

stleonardyouth@hotmail.com / (647) 803 -1803

Day camp (grades 1-6) \$65 / Evening camp (grades 7-12) \$35

TRAVEL PLANS

A Joyful 'toon by Mike Waters



I tell you, now is the time of God's favor, now is the day of salvation.
 - 2 CORINTHIANS 6:2 NIV

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