



Defender of the Faith

ST. JOHN FISHER

CATHOLIC CHURCH



300 Balmoral Drive, Brampton, Ontario, L6T 1V6

October 5, 2025

27th 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

Custodian: Lourdes (Lulu) Pasion

Office Hours:

Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays:

9:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. and 2 - 5:30 p.m.

Wednesdays:

12 - 4 p.m. and 5 - 8 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+ / stjohnfisherawl@outlook.com

Society of St. Vincent de Paul:

905-790-2479 / stjohnfisherssvp@gmail.com

Toronto Vocations Office

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

YOUR FAITH:

Even if it's the size of a mustard seed,
is enough for God to step in
and move, on your behalf.



The Lord is good to those who hope
in him, to the soul that seeks him.

Lamentations 3:25

Our Parish Schools:

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

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

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

Parish Website: www.stjohnfisherbr.archtoronto.org

Parish Instagram: StJohnFisherBrampton



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, October 6th - 9 a.m. – Monica Craig ☩

Tuesday, October 7th - 9 a.m. – Jose Amaral ☩

Wednesday, October 8th - 9 a.m. – Ruby & Richard Goosney ☩
– Benedict & Melissa Cimara and Nicholas Milojevic ☩

Thursday, October 9th - 9 a.m. – Elizabeth Watson ☩

Friday, October 10th - 9 a.m. – Lucrezia & Joseph Sgro ☩

Saturday, October 11th - 9 a.m. – Watton Elbert Allard ☩
– Adelino Garcia ☩
– Leo & Theresa Kavanaugh (SI)
– Maurice Walsh ☩

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GENEROUSLY

Offertory:



September 28th: \$ 5,937.70
Needs of the Canadian Church: \$ 2,423.90

INDIGENOUS HEALING & RECONCILIATION FUND is this weekend. Funds will support culture & language revitalization, education & community building, healing & reconciliation for communities & families and dialogue involving Indigenous elders, spiritual leaders, and youth with a focus on Indigenous spirituality and culture. Thank you for your generosity!
www.archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation

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, 442, 463, 613, 796, 797, 863, 900, 919 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:
❶ Name(s) ❷ Mailing Address ❸ Email Address ❹ Phone Number
Thank you for your cooperation!

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/>



NEW PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday
from 9:30 am-1 pm & 2-5:30 pm
Wednesday from 12-4 pm & 5-8 pm



Next weekend (Oct 11/12) we will be celebrating **Thanksgiving**. We wish all our parishioners a joyful long weekend and hope that all will have the time to reflect on the gifts that God has given to you and to be thankful to Him and Him alone.



REMINDER: The office will be closed Monday, October 13th for Thanksgiving and will reopen on Tuesday October 14th at 9:30 am.



FOOD DRIVE – THIS WEEKEND!

Our St Vincent de Paul Society is asking for your support and help with their upcoming **Thanksgiving Food Drive**. We invite parishioners to bring in non-perishable food items on the weekend of October 4/5 and drop them off in the designated area in the church sanctuary. We thank you in advance for helping our brothers and sisters in need!



The **Knights of Columbus, St John Fisher Council** will be holding its **MEMBERSHIP DRIVE** this weekend at all masses.



Knights will be at the entrance of the Church to answer your questions. Men 18+ are welcome! We look forward to speaking with you!

The Knights of Columbus raise money for local charities and assist in the Church. Please consider joining us!

JOIN THE ROSARY APOSTOLATE IN THE SCHOOLS:

For Mother Mary, and for your love of children, can you devote 3 of your mornings, each month, to visit the classrooms and pray the Rosary with the students?

Training and materials will be provided.

Please contact: Loraine Dubier 905-791-2673 or Gladys Antao 905-793-8464



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!



Of course, we all want to receive Jesus in the Eucharist and the other sacraments for our eternal salvation. If you are one of those people who love the Eucharist and want others to have the same love for Jesus in the Eucharist for their eternal salvation, we invite you to join the **SERRA CLUB OF NORTH PEEL**. Become a promoter of vocations for the priesthood and the religious life, for without priests we are deprived of God's instruments for saving souls. Serra International is a global institution aggregated to the Pontifical Work for Priestly Vocations of the Holy See. Our Patron Saint is St. Junipero Serra. **We meet every 4th Saturday at St Anne's Church, Brampton, after the 9:15 am Mass. Need more information?**

Carlos Abug, carlq7@gmail.com / 416-409-1384

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





Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,
On Wednesday, October 8th one of the most important women in my life, whom I have come to love deeply, will be celebrating her birthday. Who is this woman that I fell in love with over 62 and a half years ago? You probably have guessed it – it's my mom.

I consider myself blessed to have been given by God such a loving mom. Maria da Gloria Tavares Amaral, my 'MOM' was the first person I felt gazed by love. She was the one I depended on for my sustenance and she was the one who comforted me when I was sick or afraid. After so many years now, she continues to be the woman I love.

Now, I don't want to make my mom out to be a saint, because she wasn't and is not yet one. She had and still has her mean streak that shows itself when I do something bad – and at times I rile her up to get her going...HA! Yes, your pastor is also not a saint – both my mom and I are hopefully on the path of trying to become saints. I think my mom will get there quicker than me.

My mother has been and continues to be one of my foundational pillars that I look to in life. She is now much older and now needs her children's help to remind her of things past and present. She needs us children to comfort her when she is sick or afraid. But even though she is weak and vulnerable, she still remains my mom and the joy of my life and love. I am sure that my two sisters feel the same way.

I will conclude this pastor's corner with the knowledge that these words become my gift to my mom on her birthday. As for my sisters, Fatima and Angie, they still need to get her a gift! ☺

May God bless all our moms, living or deceased.

BLESSINGS,

Fr Liborio (Proud son of Maria da Gloria Tavares Amaral)



"Increase our faith." Listen for the voice of God.

Are you being called to be a priest, deacon or religious brother or sister? If God is calling you

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

COME & SEE DISCERNMENT WEEKEND RETREAT

Fri Oct 31 @ 6:30 pm – Sun Nov 2 @ 2 pm / St Augustine's
This retreat offers a way for men to discern a possible call to priesthood at our seminary.

Men aged 18+ / www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee



"You also are my witnesses, because you have been with me." John 15:27



November 21-23: RENEW Toronto conference for young adults ages 18-39.

Come be inspired by our keynotes, workshops, Catholic vendors and organizations to live out this message in your everyday life.

The lineup includes Heather Khym (Keynote Speaker), Fr Larry Richards (Priest Lead), Joe Zambon (Worship Team). Don't miss out! Save your spot today. Early bird registration ends September 30. For more information and to register, visit: www.renewtoronto.org.



2025 National Life Chain Sunday, October 5th

St John Fisher 1:30-2:30 pm

LIFE CHAIN, a one-hour prayer vigil and witnessing event for the pre-born and vulnerable, is scheduled across Canada on Respect Life Sunday, October 5th. We will gather at the front of the church from 1:30-2:30 pm with placards in our hands to show our support for life, from the moment of conception until natural death. We invite you to join us. Our Pastor, Fr Liborio will be joining us. For more information, please refer to the bulletin board at the entrance of the church or call Lorraine Carvey at 647-855-8980.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

You are invited to take part in the international, **40 DAYS FOR LIFE** campaign in our community. This peaceful and prayerful vigil will be held outside the Mississauga Women's Clinic at 101 Queensway Blvd from Sept 24th - Nov 2nd (7 am-7 pm daily). **Our parish is scheduled for Sun Oct 26th and Sun Nov 2nd.** Please consider joining us to pray for the unborn members of our society whose lives are in danger. Detailed information and sign-up sheets are available at the entrance of the church.

40daysforlife.com/Mississauga



CANADA NEEDS OUR LADY

A special campaign of the Canadian Society for the Defence of Christian Civilization

PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY CRUSADE

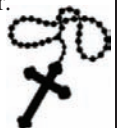
Please join the Public Square Rosary Crusade. Our nation is in great need of public prayer, repentance and conversion. We ask God to save Canada through the Rosary of His Most Holy Mother.

Please join us in praying for our nation on:

Saturday, October 11th / 12 pm @ 2 locations:

① Gage Park: Julie Montinaro (905-791-1465)

② Corner of Queen & Dixie Lorraine Carvey (647-855-8980)



REVITALIZATION OF OUR FAITH SPEAKER SERIES

Dr Michael Higgins, past president of St Jerome's University at the University of Waterloo, will be presenting his talk, **Thomas Merton and Pope Francis:**

Commonalities & Convergences at

St Anne's Church in Brampton on Tues Nov 4th @ 7 pm.

There is no charge, and all are welcome to attend.

For more information contact Michael Petric at 289-937-9989.

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council 14749.

This weekend marks the 111th WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES.



The theme announced by His Holiness is *"Migrants, Missionaries of Hope"*. In his message, Pope Leo highlights the resilience of migrants and refugees who give witness to hope amidst very difficult circumstances. He reminds us that those who welcome migrants and refugees can also reflect this same hope. His message ends with a call to entrust all those who journey, and all those who accompany them to the protection of the Virgin Mary, comfort of migrants.

<https://www.vatican.va/content/leo-xiv/en/messages/migration/documents/20250725-world-migrants-day-2025.html>

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