



Defender of the Faith

ST. JOHN FISHER

CATHOLIC CHURCH



300 Balmoral Drive, Brampton, Ontario, L6T 1V6

October 26, 2025

30th 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.



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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+ / knightsokcolumbus10402@gmail.com

Catholic Women's League:

Women 16+ / stjohnfishercwl@outlook.com

Society of St. Vincent de Paul:

905-790-2479 / stjohnfisherssvp@gmail.com

For whoever exalts himself
will be humbled,
but whoever humbles himself
will be exalted.

Luke 18:14

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

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Parish Website: www.stjohnfisherbr.archtoronto.org

Parish Instagram: [StJohnFisherBrampton](https://www.instagram.com/StJohnFisherBrampton)



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, October 27th - 9 a.m.

Tuesday, October 28th - 9 a.m.

Wednesday, October 29th - 9 a.m. – Rudolph Allison ☩
– Mass for Prayers Requested (SI)
– Toronto Diocesan Catholic Women's League Members (SI)

Thursday, October 30th - 9 a.m.

Friday, October 31st - 9 a.m. – Larry MacIntyre ☩

Saturday, November 1st - 9 a.m. – All Saints Day

Thank You
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Offertory:



October 19 th :	\$ 6,713.85
Building Fund:	\$ 875.00
World Mission Sunday:	\$ 2,261.00

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.*

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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:

① Name(s) ② Mailing Address ③ Email Address ④ Phone Number

Thank you for your cooperation!



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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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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



The Lord is close to the brokenhearted;
and those who are crushed in spirit he saves.
The Lord redeems the lives of his servants;
no one incurs guilt who takes refuge in him.

Psalm 34:19,23

FIRST RECONCILIATION & FIRST COMMUNION ENROLMENT THIS WEEKEND



Reminder: For those children who are registered for our First Reconciliation & First Communion program this year, please bring your Enrolment Forms to church this weekend.

CONFIRMATION ENROLMENT WEEKEND – NOVEMBER 1 & 2

Reminder: For those children who are registered for our Confirmation program this year, please bring your Enrolment Forms to church on the weekend of November 1/2.



ALL SAINTS DAY - November 1st - Mass 9 am

On November 1st, the Solemnity of All Saints, at our regular 9 am Mass, Fr Liborio will celebrate the Mass for all our brothers and sisters who are already living in the light of God's glory in Heaven. We encourage you to come to this morning mass and celebrate this Joyful moment when we recognize all the Saints in heaven.



ALL SOULS DAY – Sunday, November 2nd



At all the Sunday Masses, Fr Liborio will remember all our deceased loved ones at each of the Masses, especially those who have passed way this year.



DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ends on
Sunday, November 2nd.

Set your clocks back 1 hour
before you go to sleep on
Saturday, November 1st.



The **Knights of Columbus, St John Fisher Council** welcomes men 18+ to join them. The Knights raise money for local charities and assist in the Church. Please consider becoming a member!

knightsofcolumbus10402@gmail.com

The **BRAMPTON SANTA CLAUS PARADE** is coming to our neighbourhood on November 15th. Bramalea Road north of Queen to Bovaird and Central Park Drive (west of Bramalea Road) will be closed from 3:30 pm. Keep these closures in mind as you plan your day. The Parade will start at the intersection of Bramalea Road and Central Park Drive at 5 pm. The Parade will head north on Bramalea Road towards North Park Drive. It will then head east on North Park Drive and end at the intersection of North Park Drive & Jordan Blvd.

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES & FUNERAL SERVICES in the

Archdiocese of Toronto wishes to invite all families to participate in the **All Souls' Day Mass on Sat Nov 8th at 2 pm.**

All Masses will be indoors at these cemetery locations:

- ▶ Assumption, Miss, Our Lady of Fatima Mausoleum;
- ▶ Christ the King, Markham, Reception Centre;
- ▶ Holy Cross, Thornhill, Holy Family Mausoleum;
- ▶ Queen of Heaven, Woodbridge, St Anthony's Mausoleum (It & Eng);
- ▶ Resurrection, Whitby, Our Lady of the Assumption Mausoleum





Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

At the end of this week, we will see children excited to participate in the joys of Halloween. Last year, around this time, I wrote my pastor's corner about the same topic and I feel that I would like to share what I wrote with you again, because some of you might not have read it. Here it is:

Children and candy seem to go together, don't they?

I know that there are those who believe Halloween is something we should shun as followers of Christ. And yes, sometimes children dress up in inappropriate costumes – but this is not their fault, but rather their parents who should know better. But overall, I prefer to see this societal celebration as a time for children to learn and enjoy the spirit of “*gift giving*” – even if that simply means treats of various kinds. So, for those who are not in favour of Halloween, then for your sake, maybe skip over my Pastor's corner for this weekend and just get yourself a candy to enjoy.

I remember as a young immigrant from Azores, first hearing about Halloween, and thinking what joy this would bring us – that my siblings and I would be able to go door to door and people would gladly give us sweet treats of various kinds. For us this was like heaven. All we needed to do to get these treats was dress up and say the magic words “*Trick or Treat*” and out would come treats for a tummy's delight. Like many immigrant families we did not have much spare money to be used on treats. So, this was an opportunity for my siblings and I to stock up for the winter months to come. We would be trick or treating for as long as we possibly could - it was a mission for us. We would return at the end of the evening and place our goodies on our kitchen table. At that moment my mother would take over. She would give us our few treats for that evening (just enough not to have our tummies hurting during the night) and would pack up the rest for the days to come. I don't know how my mom did it, but we seemed to have treats for many weeks to follow.

What a joy it was to see people open their doors and have smiles on their faces as they placed treats in our pillowcases. We would make sure that my younger sister would be the first to be seen – she was young and with her beautiful smile and innocence, we would hope for an extra treat from the homeowners. This technique came in handy when my older sister and I started to get over the age one would expect children to still go out for Halloween. I stopped going out when I was 26 years old - do you think that was too old to still go out? Don't send nasty emails to me, because I am just joking – I stopped when I was 24 years old. HA! ☺

It's not just children who enjoy Halloween now-a-days - older people also enjoy the celebration. In my drives and walks around the neighbourhood I see the time and effort people put into decorating their homes for Halloween. All of this just adds to the joy and celebration of the night.

I wish all our children a joyful Halloween and will be saying a prayer that the weather will be clear and warm so that our little ones can enjoy displaying their costumes and experience the smiles and kindness of people who will be giving out treats.

Oh, and by the way, if you see an “older child” that looks a lot like your pastor, then be kind to him and give him an extra treat in his pillowcase. ☺

BLESSINGS, Fr Liborio



WANTED: Humble sinners who know the forgiveness of God. These make good servants of the Gospel. They can be priests, deacons, brothers or sisters. If God is calling you Contact Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Vocations Director, ArchToronto 416-968-0997/ vocations@archtoronto.org / www.vocationstoronto.ca



“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. For more information and to register, visit: www.renewtoronto.org.

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 & 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.

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

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!



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