



Defender of the Faith

ST. JOHN FISHER

CATHOLIC CHURCH



300 Balmoral Drive, Brampton, Ontario, L6T 1V6

December 21, 2025

Fourth Sunday of Advent

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



Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins. (Matthew 1:20-21)

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:** stjohnfisherbr@archtoronto.org

Parish Website: www.stjohnfisherbr.archtoronto.org **Parish Instagram:** StJohnFisherBrampton

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 22nd - 9 a.m. – Cassara & Arena Families

Saturday, December 27th - 9 a.m. – David Amaral ☩
– Carmen Francisco & Camilo Rasos ☩

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Offertory:

December 14th: \$ 6,253.70
ShareLife: \$ 500.00

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, 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!

2026 ENVELOPES are now available for pick-up at the entrances of the church. Please pick up any box and follow the instructions that are provided. Boxes are not attached to any name.

The benefit of using parish envelopes is to receive a tax receipt at the end of the year. You might want to consider giving through Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG).



PAG allows you to set up a recurring payment to our church directly from your bank account. You may also set up a regular donation using your credit card. Please reach out to the parish office and we can guide you as to how you can be signed up for PAG.

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/>

Visit our website regularly to stay up to date.

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Week of Prayer for Christian Unity – January 18-25

THERE IS ONE BODY AND ONE SPIRIT, JUST AS YOU WERE CALLED TO THE HOPE OF YOUR CALLING (Ephesians 4:4)

Join Bishop John A. Boissonneau and a wide representation of Christian leaders to pray for the restoration of full visible unity willed by Jesus Christ for the Church. **Sunday, January 18th at 4 p.m.**

Runnymede United Church, 432 Runnymede Rd, Toronto

This event is jointly organized by the Office for Ecumenical & Interfaith Relations and the GTA Council of Christian Churches.

Society of St Vincent de Paul



The Society of St Vincent Paul thanks you for your generous participation in our **Special Christmas Collection** for the needy in our community.



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.

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

CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATIONS: We invite parishioners to bring flowers to help decorate our sanctuary for Christmas. You can dedicate your flower to a loved one who has passed away by adding a small note with their names and attaching it to the flowers. Please bring your flowers into the church from Dec 17th - 24th. We thank you in advance for helping us decorate our church for Christmas!



“Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife...When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him.”

Are you willing to respond as Joseph did?

If God is calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister, Contact Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Vocations Director, ArchToronto 416-968-0997/ vocations@archtoronto.org / www.vocationstoronto.ca



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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.

FRIARS' STUDENT WRITING CONTEST 2026:

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. More details at: <https://www.catholicregister.org/writingaward>

CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE MASS: Couples celebrating a milestone anniversary (25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, 60+) in 2026 may register for reserved seating. Reserved seating is limited. Register early. Click the register button at: <https://www.archtoronto.org/marriage>

Sunday, February 8th at 2:30 pm at St Michael's Cathedral

Watch the Mass via livestream: <https://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live/>



St. John Fisher's Christmas Schedule 2025-2026

Date	Feast	Time
Wednesday, December 24th <i>Office Closed</i>	Christmas Eve	5:00 pm, 7:00 pm, and 9:00 pm Please note: There is NO Midnight Mass
Thursday, December 25th <i>Office Closed</i>	Christmas Day	9:00 am, 10:30 am, and 12:00 pm
Friday, December 26th <i>Office Closed</i>	Octave of Christmas	9:00 am Morning Mass
Saturday, December 27th <i>Office Closed</i>	Octave of Christmas <u>Vigil</u> : Feast of the Holy Family	9:00 am Morning Mass 5 pm Vigil Mass
Sunday, December 28th <i>Office Closed</i>	Feast of the Holy Family	9:00 am, 10:30 am, and 12:00 pm
Monday, December 29th <i>Office Open</i>	Octave of Christmas	9:00 am Morning Mass
Tuesday, December 30th <i>Office Open</i>	Octave of Christmas	9:00 am Morning Mass
Wednesday, December 31st <i>Office Closed</i>	Octave of Christmas <u>Vigil</u> : Mary, the Mother of God	9:00 am Morning Mass Vigil Mass 5:00 pm
Thursday, January 1st <i>Office Closed</i>	Mary, the Mother of God	9:00 am, 10:30 am, and 12:00 pm
Friday, January 2nd <i>Office Closed</i>	Christmas Weekday	9:00 am Morning Mass
Saturday, January 3rd <i>Office Closed</i>	Christmas Weekday <u>Vigil</u> : Epiphany of the Lord	9:00 am Morning Mass 5 pm Vigil Mass
Sunday, January 4th <i>Office Closed</i>	Epiphany of the Lord	9:00 am, 10:30 am, and 12:00 pm
Monday, January 5th <i>Back to Regular office hours</i>	Christmas Weekday	9:00 am Morning Mass

The Christmas season ends with the feast of the Baptism of the Lord on January 11th.

We hope you are able to fill your heart with Hope, Love, Joy and Peace;
gifts which only the King of Kings can give.

Remember it is not only during this time we can encounter Jesus;
we may do so daily in the Blessed Sacrament present always in the tabernacle.

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