



Defender of the Faith

ST. JOHN FISHER

CATHOLIC CHURCH



300 Balmoral Drive, Brampton, Ontario, L6T 1V6

December 28, 2025

Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

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.

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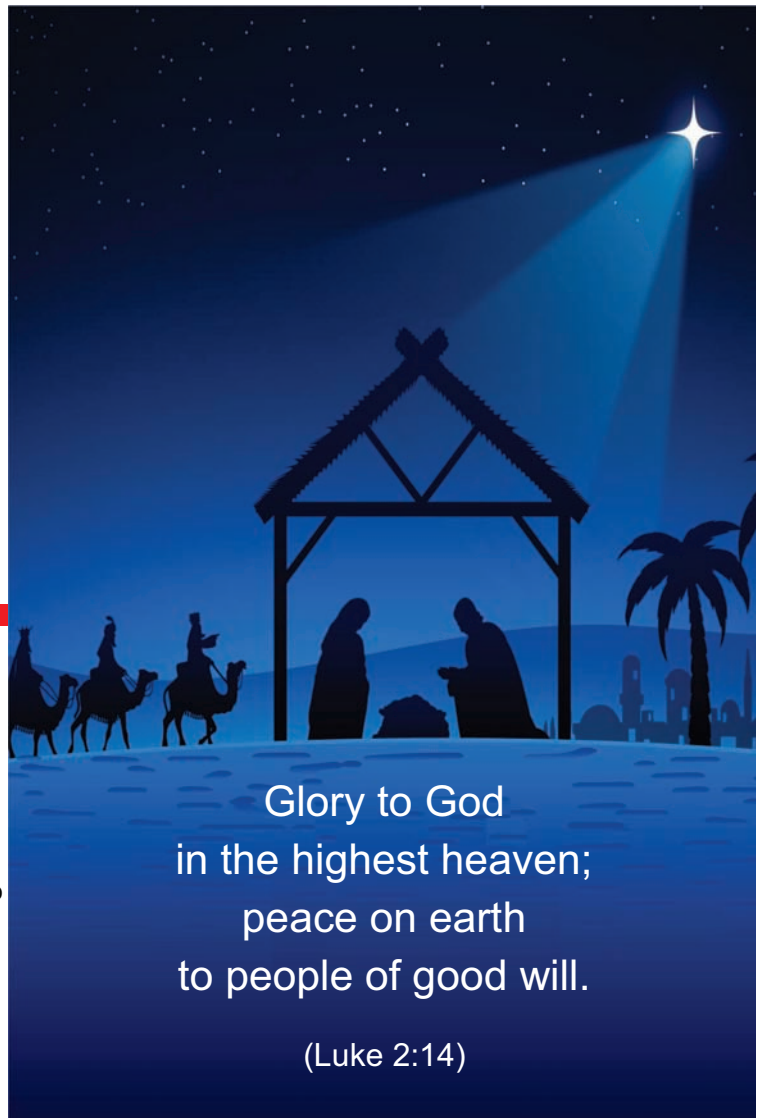
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Society of St. Vincent de Paul:

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Glory to God
in the highest heaven;
peace on earth
to people of good will.

(Luke 2:14)

Toronto Vocations Office

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

Our Parish Schools:

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THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 29th - 9 a.m. – Rita D'Souza ☩

Saturday, January 3rd - 9 a.m. – In Thanksgiving
– Richard Swadzba ☩



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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:

❶Name(s) ❷Mailing Address ❸Email Address ❹Phone 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.



Thank you for helping us decorate our church sanctuary for Christmas with your flower donations!



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

❶Drop loose money in the blue SSVP donation boxes located at each church exit. No tax receipt will be issued.

❷Use the green SSVP envelopes and drop it in the box at our church. Tax receipts will be issued in February.

❸Donate 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



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

As we come to the end of this Jubilee Year where we have been called to be

Pilgrims of Hope, let us recall the many graces the Lord has blessed us with. I invite you to take some time this week to review your life this past year. Recall the good that has been given to you by God, for all good things come from God. And in the struggles of this past year, place these not-so-good moments into the loving arms of God and ask Him to help you overcome them with His Grace and Love.

But we do not only look at the past, of course - it is normal for us humans to look forward to the new year to come, and the hopes we have for it.

Every new year starts with hope. But where does this hope come from? If we do not believe in God, then this hope comes from our own energies and initiatives – without God, all hope is ultimately random, and we can only put our hands up in the air and accept things as they are. But with God, hope stems from a belief that our God walks with us and is active and concerned about our life and what happens in it. We are not alone. God is with us. This hope is one that brings peace and balance into our lives. The more we believe in God as the active agent in our life, the more our hope strengthens.

As we begin this new year, let us put our hope in the Lord and allow Him to grace us with His presence and love.

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL!!!!

Fr. Liborio



We celebrate the birth of our Lord into our world; however, many have not received the birth of our Lord into their hearts. If Christ lives in your heart and you would like to help others discover the Lord, you may be called to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister. If God is calling you, Contact Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Vocations Director, ArchToronto 416-968-0997/ vocations@archtoronto.org / www.vocationstoronto.ca

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.



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**Jesus is the reason
for the season.**



FRIARS' STUDENT WRITING CONTEST 2026:

Theme: "The gifts he gave were for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ." (Eph 4:13)

High school students (ages 13-19 years) are invited to participate in this annual essay contest that commemorates the global Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. Deadline: Jan 12th 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
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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