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NOVEMBER 8, 2026 — 32ND 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

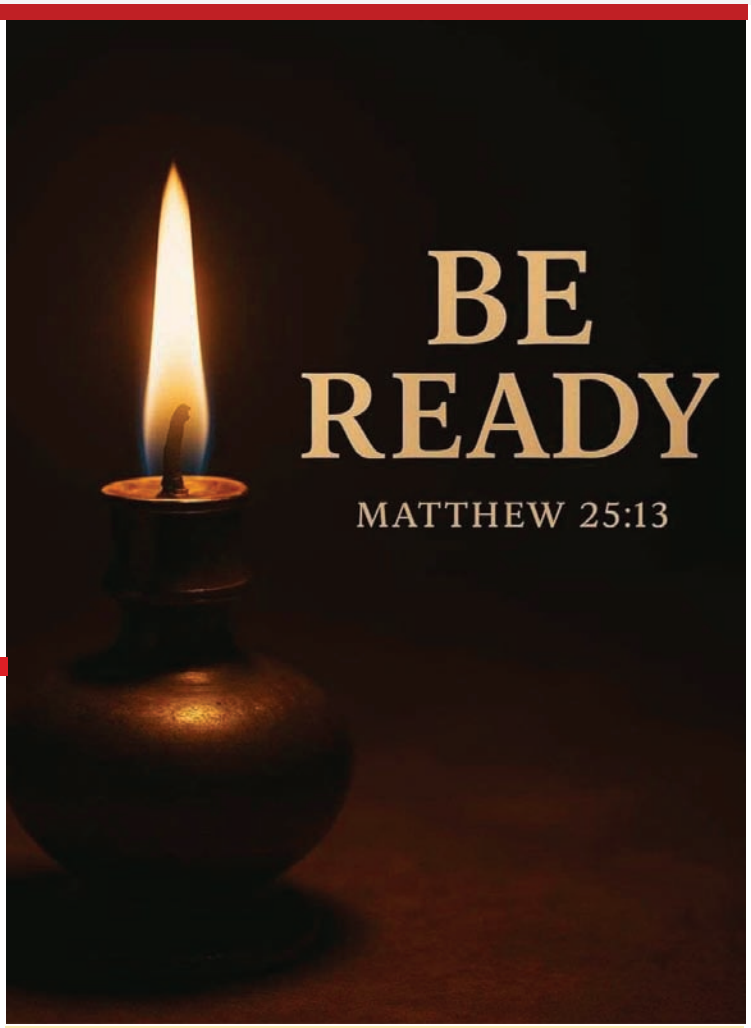
Office Hours:
Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays:
9:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. and 2 - 5:30 p.m.
Wednesdays:
12 - 4 p.m. and 5 - 8 p.m.

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.



Wisdom is found by those who seek her.
Wisdom 6: 12-16

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+ / *stjohnfishercwl2026@gmail.com*

Society of St. Vincent de Paul:
905-790-2479 / *stjohnfisherssvp@gmail.com*

Toronto Vocations Office
Fr. David Twaddle, Vocations Director,
416-968-0997/ *vocations@archtoronto.org* /
www.vocationstoronto.ca

Our Parish Schools:
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St. John Henry Newman / 698 Balmoral Dr / 905-792-2268
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Parish Website: *www.stjohnfisherbr.archtoronto.org*
Parish Email: *stjohnfisherbr@archtoronto.org*
Parish Instagram: StJohnFisherBrampton

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, November 9th - 9 a.m.
– Souls of the Benello & Montinaro Families ✞

Tuesday, November 10th - 9 a.m.
– For the deceased souls of our parish community ✞

Wednesday, November 11th - 9 a.m. – Adelino Garcia ✞
– Lilly Antony ✞
– Ludwina & Heinrich Borst ✞
– Antonietta Lisozzi & Shirley Digby ✞

Thursday, November 12th - 9 a.m.
– For the deceased souls of our parish community ✞

Friday, November 13th - 9 a.m. – Wilcom Pereira ✞

Saturday, November 14th - 9 a.m. – In Thanksgiving (SI)
– James VP ✞
– Jose & Catalino Palad ✞
– Lorraine Carvey ✞

Thank You for GIVING GENEROUSLY

Offertory:

November 1st:	$ 8,035.55
All Souls Day:	$ 4,808.00
October Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG):	$ 1,787.76
October Donate Now Online (Sept 16-Oct 15):	$ 2,583.88

thank you

Thank you to our Knights of Columbus for their generous donation of $9,500.

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! Please contact the office if you are using Envelope Boxes 75, 443, 616, 620, 636
We need your information for our records: name, address, telephone, email.

There will be a second collection for the ***SHEPHERDS' TRUST*** *on* ***November 14 & 15.*** Its mission is to help ensure that elderly and disabled priests are provided with sufficient financial resources to lead a dignified life after many years of ministry. Your generous gift will help our priests to maintain a modest but active and independent lifestyle in their retirement years. For priests who are ill or otherwise infirm, the Trust ensures they have access to nursing home facilities and medical care. Thank you for your support of this important work.

Each November, the Church asks us to remember in a special way those who have died.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May the souls of the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God,
rest in peace. Amen.



BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Saturday, December 12th / 9:30 am to 12 pm

Cost: $5 ages 4-99 / Free ages 0-3
Tickets will be on sale next weekend.
Don't hesitate! Tickets sell out very quickly.
Hosted by the Knights of Columbus Council 10402.

SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL MEMBERSHIP DRIVE – NOVEMBER 21 & 22

Our Society of St Vincent de Paul needs new members to help them continue their good work. Members will be available to speak with parishioners after all weekend masses on November 21 & 22. Please consider joining them. You can reach them before the Membership Drive Weekend at: *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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FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING WEBINAR

Saturday, November 14th at 9 am / *Learn:*

- How to avoid problems: in your Will, with 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: ❶ scan this QR code ❷ follow this QR link: qrco.de/WebNov14 ❸ send an email to: *Development@ArchToronto.org* and write *"webinar Nov 14"* in the title line + your name(s) in the body of the message.

SHINE A LIGHT FOR PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS ON RED WEDNESDAY – NOVEMBER 18

Join Red Wednesday, an initiative of Aid to the Church in Need (ACN). Red Wednesday began officially with ACN UK in 2016, and has grown into a global movement with events in over 20 countries raising awareness of Christian persecution. This year's theme asks: *"Who stands with persecuted Christians?"* In Toronto, where Red Wednesday has been commemorated since 2018, a Mass will be held at 5:30 pm at St Michael's Cathedral Basilica with Bishop Vincent Nguyen, Auxiliary Bishop of Toronto presiding. As in previous years, the Cathedral's facade will be illuminated in red. Participate by attending the Mass, wearing red, or organizing local activities. More info: *acn-canada.org/red-wednesday* or contact Evellyne Lemos at *el@acn-canada.org*.

Aid to the Church in Need ACN CANADA

"Keep awake, therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour." Listen with your heart as well as with your ears for then you may accept the call to serve in the priesthood, diaconate or consecrated life.
If God is calling you,
Contact Fr. David Twaddle, Vocations Director, ArchToronto
416-968-0997/ **vocations@archtoronto.org** / *www.vocationstoronto.ca*

Pastors' CORNER

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

With your permission and patience, I would like to continue my 10-week series on Pope Leo XIV's encyclical ***Magnifica Humanitas (On Safeguarding the Human Person in the time of Artificial Intelligence)***. This series has been generated by AI itself (like AI Coles Notes) and these are not my words. Here is the 7th in the series of 10 short synopses of the encyclical.

BLESSINGS. Fr Liborio

MAGNIFICA HUMANITAS: PART 7: HUMAN FREEDOM MUST REMAIN CENTRAL

One of Pope Leo XIV's strongest messages is that human beings must never surrender moral responsibility to machines.

Artificial intelligence can assist decision-making by analyzing vast quantities of information, but it cannot replace conscience. Moral judgment requires wisdom, compassion, accountability, and freedom.

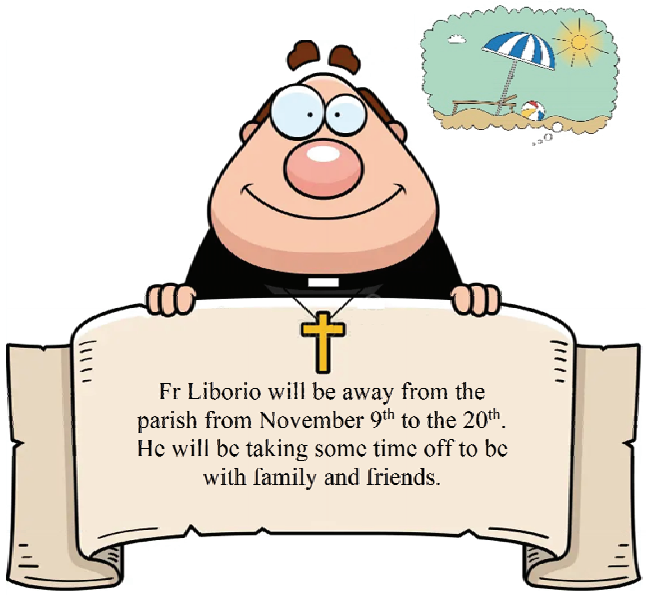
No computer can forgive, love, sacrifice, or bear responsibility for ethical choices.

The Pope is especially concerned whenever automated systems make decisions that significantly affect people's lives without meaningful human oversight. Human dignity requires transparency, accountability, and respect for justice.

Every Christian is called to form a well-informed conscience through prayer, Scripture, the sacraments, and the teachings of the Church.

Technology may offer advice, but only persons created in God's image can make truly moral decisions.

As disciples of Christ, we are called to exercise our freedom responsibly, always choosing what leads to authentic love of God and neighbour.



FRIARS' STUDENT WRITING CONTEST 2027

Theme: "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the Kingdom" (Luke 12:32)

Please read Luke 12:22-34 for full understanding. Write an essay and win great prizes! Deadline to enter is January 11th. 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. Write a 500-word essay that explores the 2027 theme. All details at: *https://www.catholicregister.org/writingaward*

MAKE YOUR GIFT TO SHARELIFE & DOUBLE YOUR IMPACT!

From now until year end, your contribution to our parish's ShareLife campaign will be matched by an anonymous donor up to a total of $500,000. That means your gift can go twice as far in helping ShareLife-funded agencies care for our brothers and sisters in need. This year, ShareLife and Catholic Charities have committed $850,000 through Food Security Grants to help agencies respond to growing needs. Your year-end gift can help sustain this work and so much more. 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.

RENEW TORONTO

"Take courage! I have overcome the world." *John 16:33*

November 20-21: RENEW Toronto conference for young adults ages 18-39. Come be inspired by our keynote speakers, workshops, Catholic vendors and organizations to live out this message in your everyday life.

More information: *www.renewtoronto.org*

ARCHDIOCESAN WORLD YOUTH DAY MASS

with His Eminence, Frank Cardinal Leo

Sat Nov 21 @ 7 pm for young adults ages 19-39

St Thomas More Parish, 2234 Ellesmere Rd. Scarborough

CHRIST THE KING CONFERENCE – NOVEMBER 21 & 22

Theme: *"Let Him Reign in Our Hearts"* (1 Cor 15:25)

Location: Bishop Allen @ Don Bosco (2 St Andrews Blvd, Etob)

All are welcome.

- Adult Conference - Speakers: Bishop Robert Kasun, Peter Herbeck, Fr Mark Goring, Fr Joël Okojie, & Hazel D'Souza.
- Youth Conference – Featuring a special youth segment with Fr Mark Goring!
- Children's Conference – Bringing our little ones closer to the love of Jesus!

For details regarding event times, ticket pricing, schedule: *www.ccrctoronto.ca*

CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE MASS

Bishop Robert Kasun will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, with special recognition for those celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, 60+ wedding anniversaries in 2027. All married couples will have the opportunity to renew their marriage commitment during the Mass.

https://www.archtoronto.org/marriage

Sunday, February 7th at 2:15 pm at St Michael's Cathedral

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

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!

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

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