



St. Leo The Great

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Office Hours

Monday- 9:00 am -12:00 pm

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday- 9:00 am -7:00 pm

Friday- 9:00 am - 4:30 pm

Saturday- 9:00 am- 3:00 pm

Daily Mass Schedule

Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday: 8:30 am

Wednesday: 7:00 pm

First Saturday: 8:30 am

Church Doors During the Day Open

Check our parish website or parish doors for the schedule.

Benediction and Adoration of the Eucharist

Friday: 9:00 am to 10:00 am

Sunday Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:30 pm - Youth mass

Sunday: 9:00 am and 11:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:30 pm to 4:00 pm or by appointment

Sacrament of Baptism

Please download the Baptism Information form from parish website and follow the instructions.

Sacrament of Marriage

The Archdiocese of Toronto requires that you contact your parish priest at least one year in advance. Please call the Parish Office.

Parish Registration

All families attending St. Leo's are requested to register with the parish. Registration forms are available in the vestibule of the church.

Altar Servers' Ministry

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Knights of Columbus

Grand Knight: Larry Hallihan

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Catholic Women's League (CWL)

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Catholic Moms Group

Leaders: Anna-Lisa, Lindsay & Shannon

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Federation of North American Explorers (FNE)

Founder: Paul Ritchi

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Prayer Group: Divine Mercy Lectio Divina

Wednesdays at 7:30 pm in the lounge.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

Please contact the parish office to register for 2022/2023. The program runs from September to April on a weekly basis.

Local Hospitals & Emergency Pastoral Visits

There is a full-time Catholic priest assigned to these three hospitals at various times of the week: Oshawa, Whitby and Port Perry. Simply ask hospital staff to inquire as to whether Hospital Chaplain is present in the hospital or when he will be. If there is an emergency, please call St. Leo the Great Parish at 905-655-3286, ext.8


MASS INTENTIONS
 OF THE WEEK

Saturday, January 28th

4:30 p.m. † Myrna Murao Perpose
Mr. & Mrs. Med Reyes

Sunday, January 29th

9:00 a.m. † Domenico & † Rocchina De Giorgio
11:00 a.m. Pro populo

Tuesday, January 31st

8:30 a.m. † Innocenzo & † Vincenzina
Mammone
† Attilio and † Maria Tuzi

Wednesday, February 1st

7:00 p.m. † John Todd
† Vera Creron
† Romeo & † Marjorie Asselin

Thursday, February 2nd

8:30 a.m. † Thomas Passafiume

Friday, February 3rd

8:30 a.m. Special Intention
† Anna Camarata

Saturday, February 4th

8:30 a.m. † Matilda Ritlop
4:30 p.m. Pro populo

Sunday, February 5th

9:00 a.m. † Isabel Jardim
11:00 a.m. † Maria and † Attilio Bianco

Children Liturgy

We are offering Children's liturgy in our church at both 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sunday masses. Please utilize this for your kid's faith formation.

1st Holy Communion Sacrament 2023



Two dates for this Celebration to choose from:
1st Group (A): Sunday April 23, at 2 p.m.
2nd Group (B): Sunday April 30, at 2 p.m.

The Sacrament of Confirmation 2023



Two Masses offered on the same day for our celebrations to choose from.
1st Group (A) : Sunday May 7, at 1:00 p.m.
2nd Group (B) : Sunday May 7, at 4:00 p.m.

The details and registration forms for both Sacraments and the details is uploaded in the church website stleothegreat.ca (under Sacraments). Please do not call the office or email or drop your completed form. Bring your registration form to the first session of the set date of your sacrament. You may send an email in exceptional situation for your child or youngster regarding their sacrament to the parish office at this email: mail to: stleosacraments@gmail.com
Most Reverend Bishop Vincent Nguyen will be celebrating Confirmation on both days.
Also, we are looking for volunteers who can assist in sacramental preparations. If you are interested, please contact the church office.

On this week @ St. Leo The Great...

- Children's liturgy
- 1st Holy Communion Sacrament 2023
- The Sacrament of Confirmation 2023
- Tax receipts
- Knights of Columbus
- Ignatian women weekend retreat
- Singing in the Rain—the Art of Positive Thinking
- Movie Nights
- The Catechism in a Year
- Saint Rose of Lima

Tax receipts

You are expected to receive your tax receipts for 2022 on or before February 20th. If you do not receive it by that time, please contact the office.



Knights of Columbus

Knight's like to thank everyone who contributed to Cornerstone collection, very much appreciated, Thanks.

The Knight's Valentine Dance is on Saturday Feb. 18, 2023 in the church hall. Tickets will be on sale this weekend.

Ignatian women weekend retreat

Date: February 3-February 5

Venue: Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre

Speaker: Fr. James Kelly, SJ

As faithful, we are aware of the universal call to holiness. All Christians in any state or walk of life, are called to holiness. On this retreat we consider our own wholeness as we approach this call. Am I complete and harmonious within myself? Or am I somehow divided or lacking or even broken? Through praying with scripture and through entering silence we begin to see the person whom God sees, and the person God desires us to be- the person God calls to holiness.

Singing in the Rain—the Art of Positive Thinking

Date: Feb 3-5, 2023

Offered by Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre, Niagara Falls, ON

Led by: Anna Racine

The storms of life are constant. We all face adversity in our lives. How we react to it will determine our joy and happiness. Positive thinking doesn't mean that you ignore life's stressors. Positive thinking means that you approach difficulties in a more optimistic and productive way. Thinking often starts with self-talk. Self-talk can be positive or negative. Instead of getting swept up in negative thoughts, find ways to refocus your energy to develop positive thinking. Learn how to make your thinking constructive rather than destructive. We live in a world of thoughts. It is the quality of our thoughts that creates the quality of our life. "You are what you think."

For more information, visit

<https://www.carmelniagara.com/programs>

Movie Nights

We are conducting 'Movie Nights' on every 1st Thursday of the month starting from Feb 2, 2023 at 7 p.m. in the parish hall. Drinks and snacks will be provided. This month's movie is 'Faustina Kowalska'. No registration and no fee. Just show up.

The Catechism in a Year

Ascension has launched 'The Catechism in a Year' (with Fr. Mike Schmitz) on January 1, 2023!

With this podcast, Catholics will:

- Read the entire Catechism of the Catholic Church in 365 days

- Understand the essentials of the Catholic Faith and why they matter
- See how Church teaching is rooted in Sacred Scripture
- Absorb over 2,000 years of Sacred Tradition
- Encounter God's plan of sheer goodness
- Transform their relationship with the Church that Christ founded

Watch it online

<https://www.youtube.com/@TheCatechismInAYear>

Saint who teach us to pray with the scriptures: Saint Rose of Lima

The fig tree is forming its first figs and the blossoming vines give out their fragrance. Come then, my love, my lovely one, come. My dove, hiding in the clefts of the rock. Show me your face, let me hear your voice; for your voice is sweet and your face is beautiful (Sg 2:13-14). Isabel Flores de Olivia came to be called Rose in infancy. She promised her life to God as a child and maintained her commitment as she matured. Refusing to marry, she remained at home, praying, serving the poor, and growing flowers to support her family.

Rose loved the Dominicans and joined the Third Order, wanting to imitate Saint Catherine of Siena, whom she much admired. Athirst for souls, Rose spent hours in prayer and penance in her family's garden, eventually building a tiny cell where she lived until her superior ordered her to move in with friends for the sake of her health.

In the intimacy of prayer, Rose had many mystical experiences. It is said that as she prayed before an image of Mother and Child, the statue came to life and the child Jesus spoke to her; "Rose of my heart, be my spouse. "She asked her brother to find her a ring she might wear. He suggested an inscription, unwittingly proposing the very words she had received in the vision.

Beloved God, as we pray the Song of Songs, may we, like Saint Rose, find ourselves in the embrace of the bridegroom of our souls.


*Article taken from the book Magnificat







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