



St. Leo The Great

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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OFFICE HOURS:

Tuesday & Thursday 8 am to 12 noon and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Monday, Wednesday & Friday by appointment only.

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE:

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday at 8:30 a.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament – Friday 7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. (followed by 8:30 a.m. Mass)

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday 4:30 p.m. Youth Mass

Sunday 9:00 a.m. (with Children's Liturgy JK, SK, Grade 1 & 2) & 11:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturdays 3:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. or anytime by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Please download the Baptism Information Kit and Registration Form from the parish website, www.stleothegreat.ca

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

The Archdiocese of Toronto requires that you contact your parish priest at least one year in advance of the planned date of your wedding and that you participate in a marriage preparation course. 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.

LOCAL HOSPITALS AND EMERGENCY PASTORAL VISITATION

If you or someone in your family is in the Oshawa, Whitby or Port Perry Hospitals and would like to have a priest (for serious reasons) visit the person who is sick for Anointing of the Sick, Last Rites, Confession or Communion, please note that there is a full-time Catholic Priest assigned to these three hospitals at various times of the week. Simply ask hospital staff to inquire as to whether *Hospital Chaplain* is present in the hospital (or when he will be). If the Hospital Chaplain is not available and there is an emergency requiring a Catholic priest, please call St. Leo the Great Parish at 905-655-3286 and when prompted, press "8" and leave your message. Fr. Mounir will receive your message (if he is available) and return your call. If there is no emergency but you would like to speak to Fr. Mounir, please call the parish office and leave a message with the parish secretary at 905-655-3286 ext. 1001.

Mass Intentions
FOR THE WEEK



Saturday, November 20th

4:30 p.m. Intentions of Veronica Tuzi

Sunday, November 21st

9:00 a.m. † Filomena Scasserra

11:00 a.m. † Adriana Sgroi

Tuesday, November 23rd

8:30 a.m. † Norman Gay

Wednesday, November 24th

8:30 a.m. † Dorothy Barker

Thursday, November 25th

8:30 a.m. † Innocenzo Mammone

Friday, November 26th

8:30 a.m. † Joyce Gay

† Stanley McDonnell

† Miroslav Horazak

Saturday, November 27th

4:30 p.m. † Antero "Ted" & Rosalia Reyes

Sunday, November 28th

9:00 a.m. † Teresa & Frank Novielli

11:00 a.m. † Luis Tolentino



All youth are welcome to attend a "Watch Party" featuring the Chosen series. The first night will be on **November the 23 at 7**

pm in the church hall, Carson Street entrance. Please join us and bring a friend! (and your mask)

**Employment Opportunity
at St. John the Evangelist Whitby**

We are seeking a full-time custodian at St. John's for general cleaning and maintenance for the church, parish centre, parish office and grounds. You must be physically fit and able to lift 50 pounds. Please submit your resume by email to stjohntheevangelistwh@archtoronto.org. No telephone calls please. Only those selected applicants considered for the position will be notified for an interview.

Virtual Rosary Prayer Group:

Wednesday 4:30 pm (30 minutes)

Meeting Link: <https://meet.google.com/efc-tvjz-ctv>

Leader: Marianne Amodeo

Divine Mercy Lectio Divina Prayer Group:

Thursday 4:30 pm (1 hr)

Meeting Link: <https://meet.google.com/efc-tvjz-ctv>

Leader: Marianne Amodeo

Saints Series with Chris Woodward (M.A., M.Div)

Fridays 7:30 pm (1 hr)

Meeting link: <https://meet.google.com/jyi-pkge-ghu>

Join Chris for a virtual seminar on the life and times of a particular Catholic saint, exploring the history and spirituality of these heroic men and women.



This year, St. Leo's St. Vincent de Paul conference will be handing out specially marked envelopes for

their **Christmas Assistance program**. Please pick up an envelope **starting the weekend of November 20th, and return by December 5th**. Envelopes can be dropped off in the main collection box or in the St. Vincent de Paul poor box. If you prefer to donate via e-transfer, please send your contribution to svdpbrooklin@outlook.com and make the password StleoSSVP (please also include your name, address, and that the money is for our Christmas assistance program in the notes section). Donations over \$20 will receive a tax receipt. Thank you for helping give our neighbours in need a good Christmas.

**December 11- Bereavement Retreat
Journey with Others Who Share
your Experience**

Time: 9:00a.m. -3:30 p.m.

Cost: \$40.00 per person

Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre,
1617 Blythe Road

905-278-5229 or office@qoa.ca

December 4- Advent Retreat

A journey with Mary

Time: 9:00a.m. -3:30 p.m.

Cost: \$40.00 per person

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CALLING ALL CATHOLIC MOMS!

Join our Mother's Ministry! We meet once a month to explore topics in our faith and virtually pray Rosary weekly via Zoom. Meet other like minded Catholic women, pray together and for each other and learn how to grow your own faith and your families'.

Join our email list by contacting Anna-Lisa or Shannon: annalisa@catholicmomsgroup.com
shannon@catholicmomsgroup.com

KofC Recruiting Drive

The Knight's of Columbus will be having a Recruiting Drive on Saturday and Sunday Nov. 20th & 21st at each mass.

We will be inviting you and your family to see a short video in the church hall.

If you require more details contact,

Jamie Rogers- 905-620-1416

John Gallop - 905-442-7242

Larry Hallihan-905-620-0351

The Story of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Today we celebrate the memorial of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Church tradition holds that at a young age, Mary was presented to the Lord in the temple by her parents Joachim and Anna. It was there, in the temple, that Mary was dedicated to the Lord and made her vow of chastity. She lived and grew up in the temple until she was betrothed to Joseph. What does the Feast of the Presentation mean for the Church? What does it mean to us? We all are presented to the Lord in Baptism. Mary entered the temple with her parents and was offered to the Lord. We are not only offered to the Lord at Baptism, we become the temple of the living God through Baptism.

Mary shows us what it means to be a temple of the Lord through her pregnancy. Just as, literally, Jesus was within her, so, literally, the Holy Trinity is in us through Baptism. Do you respect yourself and others as temples of the living God?

As Mary was conceived without any stain of sin, and she remained so all of her life, we, ourselves, are cleansed of all sin at Baptism, but we fall and sin. Do not be discouraged, though. Mary bears the title "the Refuge of Sinners." In your weakness, in your failings, go to your Mother.

The Founder of the Marian Fathers of the Immaculate Conception, St. Stanislaus Papczynski, wrote a reflection about today's feast day:

As for you, therefore, approach Him today with confidence, hoping that the forgiveness of your deficiencies will be granted to you. If you despair of being successful in your cause, assume as your Patroness the Refuge of sinners... You — burdened with evil deeds — do not despise the remedy of penance, considering God as an excessive severe Judge, while He mercifully calls everyone to Himself; He does not want to be the cause of condemnation for anyone, He desires that everyone be saved; He helps those who strive after perfection to strive after it, and becomes more merciful to those who return to their reason. You should beseech and seek God's blessing through nobody else, [except] through the Rebecca of the New Testament, [that is] God's Mother, the most holy Virgin. ... Congratulate the most blessed Virgin on this privilege, namely that she became the Mother of God, the Savior, with the flower of her virginity not at all spoiled. Commit to her all your needs with a perfect disposition of submission and trust, not doubting that they will turn out in the best way. Learn also to take refuge in her in the case of your doubts, anxieties and difficulties, and to give continuous thanks to the Lord, that He chose her and made [her] a Mother for Himself and an advocate for us.

But desire this, as a most important thing: that you may avail yourself to the full of her power and most effective aid in that difficult, dangerous and last struggle, in which you are going to migrate from this life.


O Mary, conceived without Original Sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee.




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