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OFFICE HOURS:

Monday to Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Closed for Lunch from 12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m. Friday Office Closed.

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE:

Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 8:30 a.m. Wednesday 6:00 p.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - Mass: 7:00 p.m. Rosary prayed 20 minutes before weekday masses.

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday 5:00 p.m. Sunday 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturdays 4:00 p.m. to 4:30 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 (Welcome Cards) are available in the vestibule of the church.

LOCAL HOSPITALS AND EMERGENCY PASTORAL VISITATION

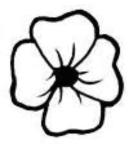
If you or someone in your family is in the Oshawa, Whitby or Port Perry Hospitals and would like to have a priest (for serious reasons) visit the person who is sick for Anointing of the Sick, Last Rites, Confession or Communion, please note that there is a full-time Catholic Priest assigned to these three hospitals at various times of the week. Simply ask hospital staff to inquire as to whether *Father Manuel Duterte* is present in the hospital (or when he will be). If Father Manuel 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. Charles 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. Charles, please call the parish office and leave a message with the parish secretary at 905-655-3286 x 101.

THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILLCA

IN FLANDERS FIELDS

by Canadian Lieutenant Colonel John McCrae

In Flanders fields
the poppies blow
Between the crosses,
row on row,
That mark our place:
and in the sky
The larks
still bravely singing fly
Scarce heard
amid the guns below.



We are the dead:
Short days ago,
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved: and now we lie
In Flanders fields!

Take up our quarrel with the foe
To you, from failing hands, we throw
The torch: be yours to hold it high
If ye break faith with us who die,
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields

Composed at the battlefront on May 3, 1915 during the second battle of Ypres, Belgium

A YOUTH MASS FOR OUR PARISH and A GREAT APPRECIATION

Our parish is relatively young with many young families, children, teenagers and young adults. At the same time almost all of our ministries, outside of Altar Servers, caters to and is populated by older to middle-age parishioners. Our music ministries spread over three Masses also reflect an older style with the 5 pm. and 9 am. Masses featuring more of a Folk Mass feel. (Folk Masses feature mainly guitar(s) and voices and were a product of a musical style that followed the Second Vatican Council in North America. They had a more 'folksy' sound and the songs were arranged in a more contemporary style as opposed to the traditional organ and choir.) The 11:00 am. which offers a more traditional form of music with organ and choir is also largely not a youth-oriented venue for music. Though all of these different music ministries provide good, solid and dedicated service to the accompaniment of the Sunday liturgy, there hasn't been a Mass that would be seen as meeting the needs or attracting our young people.

I approached John Von Zuben of our parish who has been involved in the leadership of music at the 5 pm. Mass at St. Leo the Great for 18 years now, asking him if he would be willing to step aside to allow the 5 pm. Mass to become our Youth Mass. John answered with a question and a statement which were most commendable; "Do you think it will work?" was the question followed by, "If it's for the good of the parish, then I am for it". I had also approached parishioner Dennis Wardle, who

has past experience leading young people in youth music ministry, to consider whether he would be interested and willing to take on the leadership of a Youth Mass band/choir and he said yes. The 5 pm. is an ideal time for a Youth Mass because the 9 and 11 am. Sunday Mass time slots wouldn't be a time traditionally inviting to young people. The 5 pm., however, would be a late Saturday afternoon Mass for our young people while remaining one of the current three Mass times offered at St. Leo the Great. However, in my past experience with Youth Masses, many parishioners appreciate the sound, the easy but meaningful lyrics and the beautiful and moving way contemporary Catholic music leads to enhanced worship.

This weekend is the last 5 pm. Mass for the choir that has accompanied this Mass time for many years. In this group are those parishioners who have been here each Saturday afternoon and given of their time and talent to lead all of us in the worthy worship and praise of our God who comes to us in Word and Sacrament.

The 5 pm. Mass Choir consists of:

John Von Zuben
Mary Jo Von Zuben,
Maureen Kerr
Margaret McIntyre
Candida Angelo
Tami Hartford
Jeffrey Jaya
Mike Lomagno
Brian McCormack

On behalf of all in the parish I wish to heartily thank all the members of the 5 pm. Mass for their music. We will host a reception following the 5 pm. Mass this weekend to allow an opportunity for our parishioners to express their own gratitude for their musical service. I'm sure this change will make many sad to see and hear the music that has become so familiar end. John Von Zuben himself has said, "This is an exciting time for St. Leo's, and I pray that the Youth Mass will take flight!"

CHALLENGES OF OUR YOUTH MASS

The new Youth Mass will begin next Sunday November 15th at the 5 pm. Mass and it won't be without its challenges. The acoustics in our church don't lend well to the spoken word let alone to percussion, guitar, drums and keyboard. In an empty church the practicing youth sounds somewhat spacial as the different sounds are bouncing all over the place as it does with the spoken word added to the echo. It should sound better once there is a crowd in the church and we're hoping it will. At some point in the history of St. Leo the Great we are going to have to seriously address our acoustic problems and basically do in the church what we've successfully done in the hall with well designed acoustic panels which won't look like panels at all.

Please do all you can to support this new and hopefully ongoing and lasting venture and we will need your patience as we work out the kinks and problems. This youth band/choir will grow as more and more interested youth who would like to be a part of the band sing and play before the Lord. May this music enhance our worship life and include our young people who are a vital part of the whole that is St. Leo the Great Parish. (Fr. Charles)

Keep Holy The Sabbath – Reclaiming Sunday

Every Monday morning I ask my students "Did you celebrate Mass on Saturday or Sunday?" What I usually get are 2 or 3 hands raised, but mostly blank stares, sheepish smiles and a plethora of reasons why they did not. "Well, I had (insert sport here) practice." "My parents were busy, so I didn't go." "We were away on the weekend." "My parents were working." "We went shopping." Sadly, The Lord's Day has become like all the others...busy. Busy with work, busy "keeping connected" via email, texting, and social media, busy with errands, frantically rushing around trying to fulfill our desires and needs.

Keep Holy The Sabbath - Reclaiming Sunday by Dr. Timothy Gray, explores how our "weekends" have become an extension of our work week. Weekends have taken away our rest and disconnected us from our relationships with God, family, and friends. By staying busy, we unknowingly disconnect ourselves from truth, goodness, and beauty. Dr. Gray unpacks several chapters of Exodus, and the Gospels, to explain the historical significance of the Sabbath, and the "New Sabbath" (Sunday). I truly enjoyed this CD because Dr. Gray challenges you to evaluate how you are living your life. I recommend that after listening to this CD, ask yourself these questions: Am I keeping out the profane, and protecting the sacred? Am I resting from work, and resting in God (i.e. The Eucharist, Listening to the Word, Worship and Praise, Contemplation)? Am I helping to form a culture that guards The Lord's Day from the work of the world? Am I able to let go of technology so that I can be free to connect with God. Francesco Bianco

FEAST OF ST. LEO THE GREAT THIS MONDAY NOVEMBER 10 – MASS 7:00 PM

Come to celebrate our parish patron's feast day with Mass at 7:00 pm. We ask all parishioners attending to meet in the parish hall before the Mass and then we will process to the church at 7:00 pm. for mass. After mass there will be a reception in the parish hall.

WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 19 – HOLY HOUR and the 7:00 PM EVENING MASS IS CANCELLED. MASS WILL BE AT 8:30 AM FOR THIS WEEK ONLY.

MASS INTENTIONS- Week of Nov. 10-16

Mon. Nov. 10 – 7:00 pm - St. Leo the Great Feast Day Mass & Reception in Hall

Tues. Nov. 11 – 8:30 am – For Souls in Purgatory

Wed. Nov. 12-7:00 pm - Anthony Wadden+ Req. by Isabelle Long

Thurs. Nov. 13 – 8:30 am – Tom Gorman+ M. Holly

Fri. Nov. 14 – 8:30 am – Michael MacIntosh+ Req. by

Lori MacIntosh

Sat. Nov. 15 - 5:00pm – Earl McDermid+ Req. Richard & Marianne Blight

Sun. Nov. 16 – 9:00 am – Barbara Munroe+ Req. by The Corcoran Family

Sun. Nov. 16 – 11:00 am – Brenda Johnstone+ Req. by Audrey & Urban Wassell

2015 SUNDAY MISSALS ARE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE IN THE VESTIBULE. COST IS \$5.00.

IN LOVING REMEMBRANCE

The Book of Remembrance, in which parishioners can record the names of their deceased family members, is on the lectern (on the right-side of the altar) in front of the statue of Mary. You may enter the names of those you wish remembered. During the month of November all the Holy Souls will be remembered at all the masses.

CHILDREN'S FIRST RECONCILIATION WILL BE ON TUESDAY DECEMBER 2 AT 7:00 PM PARISH ADVENT RECONCILIATION WILL BE ON TUESDAY DECEMBER 9 AT 7:00 PM

CWL HOMEMADE GOODIES

With Christmas coming, why not save yourself some time and have a meal ready to cook. The CWL will be taking orders for Pies and Soup. Please read the bulletin insert and complete the order form and enclose your cheque and return it via the collection basket to the attention of the CWL. Additional order forms and envelopes will be available in the Quiet Room.

Also, Christmas Cookies will be available to purchase after all the masses on December 13/14 in the vestibule of the church.

The Rosary Apostolate in the Schools

Through the Rosary Apostolate, children are experiencing the power of the Rosary! Dedicate your time to praying the Rosary with children once a month in our Catholic Elementary schools. The Rosary Apostolate is welcoming new members. Please call Judy Delaney at (905) 655-0227.

SHEPHERDS' TRUST SPECIAL COLLECTION - Nov 15 & 16

The Shepherds' Trust has a mission to provide comfort and care for those who have steadfastly cared for us – our retired priests. As parishioners, we have our own memories of a Catholic priest who made a positive, meaningful and lasting impact in our lives. The collection will take place in all parishes in the Archdiocese. We want our priests to retire safely and with dignity. The Shepherds' Trust allows us to help achieve this goal. Your generosity is deeply appreciated. Envelopes will be available for your convenience this weekend Nov 8 & 9, 2014.

Holy Land Wood Art, HLWA Inc. – Nov 15 & 16

The main income for the Christian community of Bethlehem – The Birth Place of Jesus – are selling their handcrafted olive wood religious items to the pilgrims who visit the area. The past few years have been extremely hard for the community as a result of declining tourism. Some Christians responded by fleeing the Holy Land and the absence of a living Christian community is very dangerous for the Holy Sites such as the Church of the Nativity. On Nov. 15 & 16, we will be having some of their beautiful art held for sale at St. Leo the Great Parish.



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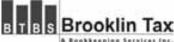
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