

St. Leo The Great

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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OFFICE HOURS:

Monday to Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 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 7:00 p.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 *Father Pius Alejo* is present in the hospital (or when he will be). If *Father Pius Alejo* 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.

Progress on our Crucifix

We received our 12-foot high corpus, created by the same artist who made the statue of *The Triumph* we have now moved to the parish hall, Timothy Schmalz, and it was quite a feat to get it out of the truck when it was delivered due to the size of the wooden crate it came in which was approximately 11 feet wide, 13 feet long and 7 feet high. We ended up having to dismantle the crate and then disassembling the welded structure and bars holding it in place. Finally we were able to remove the large corpus by arm and muscle and placed it in the parish hall.

All who have viewed the corpus so far have been moved not only by its considerable size but also the countenance of the face of Jesus depicted. It is not often that one would look upon an image cast to depict someone who is dead, but that is what the crucifix is and means. The death of Jesus, the Saviour, the Son of God, who died in our place, forgiving our sins and reconciling the world to himself. I am most pleased with the corpus which is entitled by Timothy Schmalz as *The Body of Christ* and I know it will be most appropriate for the large bare west wall of the sanctuary, above the Tabernacle.

Currently, we are working with a construction expert and an engineer in the fabrication of special mounting hardware to be attached to the poured concrete wall behind the drywall which will be attached to the corpus and cross securing it to the wall. It's a work in progress and the time of the erection of the crucifix will be dependent on when the attaching hardware is available and the affixing of the crucifix to the wall is planned out. Stay tuned. (Fr. Charles)

What is Adoration?



When I was a boy I never heard of such a thing as Adoration. I don't ever remember seeing a monstrance or a priest processing with the Blessed Sacrament except on Holy Thursday. Perhaps the Catholic moving-away from a just devotion and respect for the Eucharist was already in the making as many have claimed a de-eucharistization has been taking place in the Church over the past 60 years where the faithful have moved away from spending time with

Jesus in this personal and visible way.

It seems to have coincided with the sexual revolution of the 60's when divorce, abortion and sexual infidelity took root in much of society. God was being crowded out even by those who were raised in the faith.

Yet more and more people are coming back to Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. So, perhaps this is a good place to start in looking at Eucharistic Adoration.

It might be a surprise to some that our parish has had weekly Adoration for the past eight years. The numbers attending these weekly Holy Hour's have not been large but many of those who have attended regularly have been quite devout in their adoration of the Lord Jesus.

What is a LUNA?

A larger host is consecrated at Mass (*in our parish equal in size to the one the priest holds at Mass*) and is placed in a glass and precious metal container called a *luna* (it is round like the moon) so that it can be seen and viewed. After consecration of the host contained at Mass it is placed and kept in the Tabernacle because it is the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus. It is Jesus! Think for a moment of those Eucharistic miracles of history and even more recent history where the sacred consecrated Host has turned to real flesh. These manifestations are God's lifting of the veil every now and then so that we might see what we are prone to ignore and even take for granted each Sunday when we go to Mass and hold out our hand or open our mouths to receive, not a piece of bread or even holy bread, but truly Jesus!

What is a MONSTRANCE?

A monstrance is a large and often ornately decorated receptacle for the Luna to be placed in by the priest for Adoration. It holds the consecrated Host aloft so that it can be seen by the congregation who have come to adore Our Eucharistic Lord.

What is a HOLY HOUR?

A Holy Hour is when the priest, vested with alb, stole and a cope (a long cape fastened at the front) goes to the Tabernacle, genuflects, and removes the Luna containing the consecrated Host for Adoration. The priest then places the luna in the monstrance at the altar, surrounded by candles, and turns the monstrance so that it faces the people. The priest kneels and incenses the Blessed Sacrament which is accompanied or followed by the singing of the words written by St. Thomas Aquinas in the 13th century, *Tantum Ergo*. This entire action is called the *Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament*.

After under an hour of silent adoration by the people where we look at Jesus and He at us, the priest incenses the Sacred Host once again followed by a prayer. Then the priest puts over his shoulders a Humeral Veil by which, without touching his hands to the monstrance, he lifts the monstrance above the altar and makes the sign of the Cross over the people with the monstrance. This is equal to Jesus Himself standing before us making the sign of the Cross over us because, once again, it is Jesus!

Then the priest, kneeling, says another prayer followed by *The Divine Praises* recited by the priest and repeated by the people. The Holy Hour is concluded by the priest removing the Luna from the Monstrance and placing it in the Tabernacle once again while the hymn, *Holy God We Praise Thy Name* is sung by all.

We have a Holy Hour every Friday morning from 7:30-8:30 am. followed by Mass at 8:30 and our NET team will be providing music for a monthly adoration to be announced.

REMINDER ALL YOUTH

Edge Nights (Grades 6 – 8) will begin on **Thursday, October 18 at 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.** in the Parish Hall. No pre-registration is required.

Highschool Youth Nights begin on **Tuesday, October 23rd at 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.** No pre-registration is required.

MASS INTENTIONS

Friday, October 19th

8:30 a.m. Intentions of Diane Christey
Private Intention

Saturday, October 20th

4:30 p.m. † Mercedes Slaney

Sunday, October 21st

9:00 a.m. Intentions of Rosemary White

11:00 a.m. Ints of Veronica Tuzi & Christopher Duarte

KofC BREAKFAST

St. Leo Knights of Columbus will serve Breakfast on October 14th. following the 9:00 and 11:00 A.M. Masses. Everyone is welcome to enjoy a full Breakfast of eggs, sausages, baked beans, pancakes, biscuits, coffee, tea and juice in the Church hall. Adults - \$5.00, Children ages 4 - 12 - \$3.00 and Children under 4 - free. Hope to see you there.

KofC Annual Spaghetti Dinner

St Leo Knights of Columbus is inviting everyone to its Annual Spaghetti Dinner, complete with meat balls, salad, dessert, tea, coffee and soft drinks with beer and wine cash bar in the Church hall.

Date: Saturday, October 27, 2018 @ 6:30 P.M.

Tickets sold after each Mass

Adults - \$15.00

Youth 4 - 12 - \$10.00

Children under 4 – Free

St. John the Evangelist Parish

903 Giffard Street, Whitby

Marriage Preparation Program

Tuesday Evenings, in the St. Joseph Room

from October 23 – November 27, 2018

7pm to 9pm, in the St. Joseph's Room

Cost: \$150 per couple

To register, contact Vicki at the parish office
(905) 668-3676

I Imagine

by Theresa Maria Medina

I sometimes imagine you with the
bluest eyes of a clear sky,
or eyes as that of the dark night.

I sometimes imagine you smiling
for the first time.

I sometimes imagine hearing you laugh.

I sometimes imagine you calling
me mommy.

I sometimes imagine your first
kiss on my cheek.

I sometimes imagine you
reaching out for me.

and I embracing you with all the love a
mother could ever have for her child.

I sometimes imagine.

October 15th is Pregnancy & Infant Loss Remembrance Day!

Our Lady of Guadalupe & the Theology of the Body

Presenter: Sr. Helena Burns, fsp,

Renown speaker in both Canada and the USA

Saturday, October 27, 2018 - 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

St. Bernadette's Parish

21 Bayly St. East Ajax.

What is it about Our Lady of Guadalupe and her message that has pierced so many hearts over the centuries? Come and listen to this extraordinary talk. Refreshments. Bring a friend.

Contact Susan Kennedy 905-427-6137 or

susangkennedy@gmail.com

TREE LIGHTS BAZAAR

St. Mary of the People Catholic Women's League will be hosting their annual "Tree Lights Bazaar" on Saturday, Nov. 10 from 9:30 a.m. till 2:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall at 532 Stevenson Rd. N., Oshawa. Events will include Baking, Penny Sale, Flea Market, Tea Room & Raffle.

VOCATION SEEDS

If we really believe in something, it does not seem to be a sacrifice to give up everything else to pursue that new dream. Jesus asks the same as any great leader...total dedication; but He promises rewards no one else can promise. "You will have treasure in Heaven, then come, follow Me." Come, follow the call of Christ as a priest, sister, brother or deacon. If you think God is calling you to one of these, call Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, **Archdiocese of Toronto 416-968-0997**, vocations@archtoronto.org, www.vocationstoronto.ca




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