

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

"...beginning to see the light!"

(The light fixture pictured below is the design of the lighting we will have installed in our parish church.)



Last week I had a meeting with the church light manufacturer as well as the electrician who will be installing the lights and we were accompanied by parishioner Kevin Coughlin, a member of our Finance Council who a wealth of construction has experience behind him. We discussed the scope of our new lighting installation church and booked the dates for the work to take place. The lighting project will span a two-week period from Monday's to Friday's, with the first week (Oct. 16 - 20) dealing with the electrical work and the second week (Oct. 23 - 27)

realizing the hanging of the 26 church fixtures, track lighting fixtures, 4 vestibule fixtures and 2 sacristy lights.

All of the lighting will be long-life, cost saving LED with most of the fixtures featuring a two-stage design of light: a lower light appearance when only the side lights of the fixture are turned on and a full light appearance when both the side and the lower floor-focused lighting is turned on. Adding a dimming feature would have added significant cost to our project not to mention the tearing out of ceiling drywall along the roofline to route wires and run a third wire from each fixture to the main switches.

Weekday Mass & Mass Location (during light installation)

In the first week when the electrical wiring is being done I will also be away at the annual Priests' Seminar and, therefore, there will be no weekday Masses, except on Fri. Oct. 20 at 8:30 am. The Mass will be held either in the Quiet Room off of the vestibule or in Boardroom 1. The location will depend on what work is being done on the church. We will hold the weekday Masses Tuesday – Friday in whatever location was used for the previous Friday and signage will direct parishioners to the appropriate entrance.

Our parishioners who, through their great generosity, continue to contribute to the *Family of Faith* campaign are the ones who have made this lighting replacement project possible and I wish to, on behalf of all our parishioners, thank them for the great good in which they have invested their generosity.

Youth Ministry Subsidy

Outside of our parish's returned portion of FofF money raised, which assists in supporting our Youth Ministry, our parish has also benefitted from the Family of Faith campaign through the subsidy we were granted from the Archdiocese of Toronto which covers \$25,000. each year toward the salary of Dennis Wardle, our fulltime Youth Director. This subsidy is granted for two years and after review may even be extended for up to five-years.

Mortgage

Half of all of the money returned to our parish from the Family of Faith campaign goes to our outstanding mortgage. Every little bit helps and it is good to know that our three key projects are helping to achieve our goals. *(Fr. Charles)*

YOUTH MINISTRY UPDATE

We're getting closer to the dates for our two Youth Ministry programs to begin. In order to attend our first social events we will need to have all young people and teens registered over the next two weeks. Hurry, you won't want to miss the opening night fun!

Edge Nights each Thursday evening

for grades 6, 7 & 8

begins Thursday September 28th,
6:30 - 7:45pm.

Lifeteen Nights -

- each Saturday evening for students grade 9 - 12
 - begins Saturday September 23rd

6:15 - 7:30pm. (following 5 pm. Mass)

The nominal annual registration fee for both programs is \$40 per youth. Registration forms are available in the vestibule or can be picked up at the parish office during business hours. We are hoping to have our on-line registration on the parish website stleothegreat.ca. up and running soon! You can drop off the registration form with the fee at the parish office. If the office is closed, simply leave it in the outside office mailbox. Once again members from our Core team and I will be available after all the Masses this weekend and next to answer any questions you have and to assist with registrations.

This past week I was excited to have been invited to all three of our Catholic elementary schools in Brooklin to present the EDGE program to all of the grade 6, 7 & 8 students. The teens were very welcoming, receptive and upbeat - you guys rock! Thank you to all three of our supportive school principals: Jerry Huxter from St. Bridgets, David Malleau from St Leo's and Stephanie Richard from St. John Paul II as well as the rest of the teachers who were present. I am truly grateful for all of your assistance and support. The first EDGE and LIFETEEN planning meetings with our new Core team members were held this week. Every week we will plan and work to transform the parish hall to model the various themes that take place throughout the semesters of Lifeteen. For example, our first Edge semester wll take on a royal environment complete with a throne, golden staff and a red carpet. This should set the mood for "Kingdom Come" which powerfully reflects on the life of Jesus. Our opening LifeTeen night will feature an obstacle course, colour-run and will take place outside on the field behind St. Leo's school, weather permitting. We encourage the teens to wear white if possible, parents being warned that their clothes might get messy and hopefully the weather will cooperate. After the anouncements last weeked many of our parishioners came forward to offer their services and to donate to our ministry and we now have a photographer and a manager for our social media. Thank you to all! For all Youth ministry inquiries please contact me, Dennis Wardle, personally at the church by calling (905) 655-3286 ext. 103 or email me at youth@stleothegreat.ca.

A heart-felt thank you to all who are praying for me, our youth ministry and asking God to bless our every endeavor to bring our youth, the Church of the present and future, closer to Our Blessed Lord. (Dennis Wardle, Youth Director)



Tue, Sept 19	8:30 a.m.	Thanksgiving for blessing received
Wed, Sept 20	7:00 p.m.	
Thur, Sept 21	8:30 a.m.	No Mass
Fri, Sept 22	8:30 a.m.	
Sat, Sept 23	5:00 p.m.	Eleanor Tomas +
Sun, Sept 24	9:00 a.m.	Johannes & Carolina DeWit +
	11:00 a.m.	Tony Vonk +

CATHOLIC MOMS GROUP

Come join us for some faith and friendship! St. Leo the Great's Catholic Moms Group is meeting <u>every</u> <u>second Thursday</u> of each month at 8 pm in Boardroom 1.

Next meeting on Oct 12

All those called to Mothering are Welcome! To be added to our email list contact: annalisa@catholicmomsgroup.com Check out: www.catholicmomsgroup.com

CWL NEWS

All parishioners interested in planning for our parish bazaar are welcome to attend the meeting on Sept. 19 in the boardroom at 7:30 p.m.

CWL members are reminded that the **Regional CWL meeting** takes place on Thursday, Sept. 28 at 7:00 at St. John the Evangelist parish in Whitby. Open to all CWL members. Call 905-620-0724 if you need a ride.

Next regular meeting of St. Leo's CWL is on Wed. Oct. 4 at 7:30.

Soup and pie orders (see insert) can be placed in an envelope and dropped in the collection basket next weekend or call 905-579-6118 to order by phone.

Baby bottles for Rose of Durham should be returned to the box in the narthex by Oct.8.

WOMEN AT THE HEART OF PEACE

Did you know that peace agreements are 35% more likely to hold for at least 15 years when women help draft them? Come to this FREE workshop and learn about the new Development and Peace campaign: *Women at the Heart of Peace* Sept. 30th 9am-12:00pm (Followed by soup lunch), St. John the Evangelist Parish 903 Giffard St., Whitby In a world increasingly threatened by war, it is time to find new ways of creating peace. Women are a key part of the solution and so are YOU! RSVP: Estela Rios, 905-430-7753, emr0001@hotmail.com

ROSARY APOSTOLATE

The Rosary Apostolate in the Schools is seeking volunteers (male or female) who have devotion to the Mother of God and who are willing to visit our elementary schools to pray the Rosary with the children once a month. Training will be provided. If you are interested please contact Judy at 905 655 0227.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

Celebrate your love and take a fresh look at your marriage! Spend a very special weekend together. A Weekend of discovery...a lifetime of love! Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a weekend getaway that helps married couples rediscover themselves as individuals and as a couple. The Weekend format helps couples communicate openly and honestly without group sharing, therapy or marriage counselling.

Upcoming Weekend: **October 20-22, 2017** (Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre, Mississauga) For more information and application, please go to <u>www.wwme.org</u> or contact: Gerard & Marge McCauley at <u>gerard.marge@rogers.com</u> or (905) 792-1925.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL IS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS

Ever wonder what St. Vincent de Paul is all about? The St. Leo the Great Conference of St. Vincent de Paul has been working to help the needy for many years. They are a group of volunteers who gather each month to pray, plan their charity work for the upcoming month and to report on the previous month's activities. From the generous dontations they receive, they are able to assist numerous families year around. If you would like to get involved please call Peggy Primeau 905-655-9692.

LIFE CHAIN SUNDAY

This year Life Chain Sunday is October 1 from 2:00 p.m.to 3:00 p.m. at the intersection of Dundas St. E. and Thickson Rd. Please join us to witness for the millions of unborn lost through abortion in Canada and to silently and prayerfully intercede to the Lord to end abortion and heal our nation. We meet at the south-east corner at 1:45 p.m.

VOCATION SEEDS

For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them." The community that gathers needs leadership; consider the priesthood, diaconate or consecrated life. Contact Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997. email vocations@archtoronto.org www.vocationstoronto.ca Liturgical Publications 3171 LENWORTH DR. #12 MISSISSAUGA, ON L4X 2G6 1-800-268-2637



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