

St. Leo The Great

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Office Hours

Monday: closed

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Saturday: closed Sunday: closed

Lunch break: 12 noon- 1:00 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

9:00 am to 10:00 am Friday:

Sunday Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:30 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am and 11:00 am - with Children's Liturgy

Sacrament of Reconciliation

9:15 am - 9:45 am Friday: Saturday: 9:00 am - 9:30 am

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

Altar Server practice and social every last Saturday of the

month from 5:30 - 6:30pm.

Altar Servers/ children serve the mass they attend. Arrive 15 minutes before your mass if possible. Please register children for this ministry at the Welcome Centre.

Knights of Columbus

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President: Donna Shaddick dmshaddick@gmail.com

Catholic Moms Group

Leaders: Lindsay & Shannon stleosmg@catholicmomsgroup.com

Federation of North American Explorers (FNE)

Founder: Paul Ritchi paul.ritchi@gmail.com 416-435-6593

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 2023/2024. 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



Saturday, August 10th 4:30 p.m. Pro populo

Sunday, August 11th

11:00 a.m. Mass Tuesday, Aug 13th

8:30 a.m. For persecuted Christians

Wednesday, Aug 14th

7:00 p.m. Mass at Resurrection Cemetery

Thursday, August 15th

8:30 a.m. \$\display\$ Innocenzo & \$\display\$ Vincenzina (Mammone)

and & Attilio & & Maria (Tuzi)

Friday, August 16th

8:30 a.m. All souls in purgatory

Saturday, August 17th

Sunday, August 18th

11:00 a.m. pro populo

Tuesday, August 20th

8:30 a.m. All souls in purgatory

Wednesday, August 21st

7:00 p.m. Mass

Thursday, August 22nd

8:30 a.m. Living intention for Anna Maria &

Benedetto (Tuzi) and Veronica &

Christopher (Duarte)

Friday, August 23rd

8:30 a.m. To end abortion

Saturday, August 24th

4:30 p.m. 🕆 Frank Ferkul

Sunday, August 25th

9:00 a.m.

† Vince Corvinelli

11:00 a.m. ♥ Sienna Grace Millete Toader

For: Sanctuary Light Request.

For: Vigil Light for Mary.

For: Visiting Statue of Blessed Virgin Mary.

For a visit by the parish priest.

Make your request at the office

Link to our archdiocesan church second website: https://stleothegreatbr.archtoronto.org

On this week @ St. Leo's Bulletin

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Franciscan Works and Liberian Mission

Franciscan Works is a Chicago-based Catholic nonprofit that provides financial and operation support to Liberia Mission, a community of love, learning, and prayer for poor and orphaned children in Liberia, West Africa. Liberia Mission provides a quality Catholic education for over 470 students, a loving home on the Mission for 30 residential children, and job-skills training opportunities.

We will have a second collection after communion for the Franciscan Works on the weekend of August 10th and 11th.

Mass Wed Aug 14th change of venue

The Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed will be celebrated at Resurrection Cemetery on Wednesday August 14th at 7:00 pm. The celebrant will be Most Rev. Vincent Nguyen. There will be **no** mass at St. Leo that day,

St. Clare of Assisi

Feastday: August 11

As a young girl, Clare dedicated herself to prayer. At 18-years-old, she heard St. Francis of Assisi preach during a Lenten service in the church of San Giorgio and asked him to help her live according to the Gospel. On Palm Sunday in 1212, Clare left her father's home and went to the chapel of the Porziuncula to meet with Francis. While there, Clare's hair was cut off and she was given a plain robe and veil in exchange for her rich gown.

Clare joined the convent of the Benedictine nuns of San Paulo, near Bastia, under Francis' orders. When her father found her and attempted to force her back into his home, she refused. Francis sent Clare to Sant' Angelo in Panzo. Clare's sister Catarina joined her at this monastery. The two remained there until a separate dwelling was built for them next to the church of San Damiano.

They all lived a simple life of austerity, seclusion from the world, and poverty. Their lives consisted of manual labor and prayer. Yet, they were very happy, because Our Lord was close to them all the time.

For a brief period of time, the order was directed by St. Francis himself and by 1216, Clare became the abbess of San Damiano. then known as the "Order of Poor Ladies of San Damiano". Ten years after Clare's death, the order became known as the Order of Saint Clare.

In 1224, an army of rough soldiers from Frederick II came to attack Assisi. She had the Blessed Sacrament placed at the wall where the enemies could see it. Then on her knees, she begged God to save the Sisters.

"O Lord, protect these Sisters whom I cannot protect now," she prayed. A voice seemed to answer: "I will keep them always in My care." In that moment, a sudden fright struck the attackers, and they fled as fast as they could without harming anyone in Assisi.

St. Clare became sick and suffered great pains for many years, but she expressed that no pain could trouble her. So great was her joy in serving the Lord that she once exclaimed: "They say that we are too poor, but can a heart which possesses the infinite God be truly called poor?"

On August 11, 1253, Clare died at 59-years-old. At Pope Innocent's request, the canonization process for Clare began immediately, and two years later in 1255, Pope Alexander IV canonized Clare as Saint Clare of Assisi.

The Order of Poor Ladies was officially changed to the Order of Saint Clare in 1263 by Pope Urban IV.

St. Clare was designated as the patron saint of television in 1958 by Pope Pius XII, because when St. Clare was very ill, she could not attend mass and was reportedly able to see and hear it on the wall in her room.

She is also the patroness of eye disease, goldsmiths, and laundry.

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https://www.catholic.org/saints/saint.php?saint_id=215

Father Mounir's 15th anniversary

On August 15th, Father Mounir will celebrate his 15th ordination anniversary. He is thankful to all the people in this congregation and in the Archdiocese who supported him during these years. He also wants to share with you his gratitude to God Almighty for allowing him to follow this path in life.

Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary

On August 15, the Feast of the Assumption (or simply, "The Assumption)" is widely celebrated all over Christendom.

The Virgin Mary, with her Magnificat, teaches us how to praise and glorify God. It is an invitation through which the Virgin Mary, today contemplated in glory, invites us to go beyond our usual mode of magnifying problems and difficulties. Mary is able, and today she teaches this to us, to look on life through another lens: our hearts are greater than our sins.

And even if our hearts condemn us, God is greater than our hearts! (cf. 1 Jn 3:20) This is not, therefore, illusory, as if to say there are no problems in life.

It is about appreciating what is beautiful and good in life and knowing how to thank God for it! This way, even problems are seen in their proper light.

Prayers for persecuted Christians

God of love, look with compassion on all who suffer persecution hatred, violence and discrimination exists on account of their faith: that they may carry their cross with patience and fidelity.

Email scam alert

It has come to our notice that parishioners are receiving emails sent out by scammers seemingly originating from priests, asking for gifts cards or electronic payments. Please exercise caution and contact the office to validate the authenticity of these emails before acting on these requests.



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