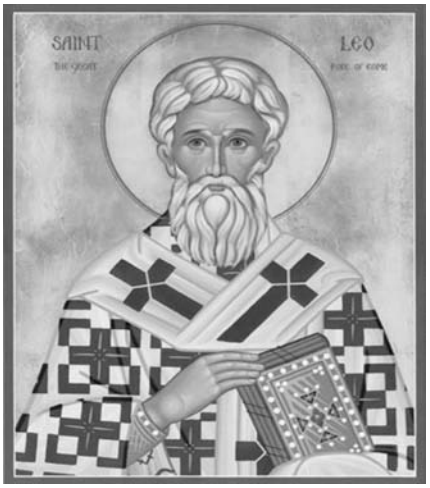


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Office Hours
Tuesday - Friday: 8:00 am - 12:00 pm, 12:30 pm - 4:30 pm

Church Hours
Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 8:00 am - 4:30 pm
Wednesday 8:00 am - 7:30 pm
Saturday 9:00 am - 5:30 pm, Sunday - opens 8:00 am

Daily Mass Schedule
Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday: 8:30 am
Wednesday: 7:00 pm
First Saturday: 8:30 am

Benediction and Adoration
Friday: 9:00 am to 10:00 am

Sunday Mass Schedule
Saturday: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 9:00 am and 11:00 am - with Children's Liturgy

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Friday: 9:15 am - 9:45 am
Saturday: 9:00 am - 9:30 am

Ave Rosarium Cenacle Prayer Group
Every Wednesday at 7:30pm. All are welcome.
Contact: francavasco1@gmail.com

Sacrament of Baptism
Go to our website Forms

Sacrament of Marriage
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 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
Peter Darcy Grand Knight Contact: stleokoc@gmail.com

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To become a Catholic Please contact the parish office

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

MASS INTENTIONS OF THE WEEK

Saturday, November 21st
4:30pm: +Betsy Kowalec

Sunday, November 22nd
9:00am: Pro Populo

11:00am: +Michael Primeau

Tuesday, November 24th
8:30am: All Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday, November 25th
7:00pm: Holy Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, November 26th
8:30am: +Innocenzo & +Vincenzina Mammone &
+ Attilio & +Maria Tuzi

Friday, November 27th
8:30am: +Alfredo Manucdoc

Saturday, November 28th
4:30pm: +Rosalia & +Ted Reyes

Sunday, November 29th
9:00am: Pro Populo

11:00am: +Paola Pirone

Sanctuary Light:
Blessed Virgin Mary Vigil Light:
To reserve the Visiting Statue of Blessed Virgin Mary & To schedule a visit with the Parish Priest, please contact the office

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION DINNER JANUARY 9, 2027

Dinner will be held at Belle Notte from 11:30am to 3:00pm.There will be a social followed by lunch. Soft drinks will be served and a cash bar is available. Sign-up sheets are in the vestibule. Each volunteer or minister must sign up individually. Thank you.

CWL CHRISTMAS PARTY

The CWL's Christmas Party Christmas Party will take place at the Kedron Dell Golf Club on Wednesday, December 16th at 6:00pm. Come and enjoy a festive turkey dinner, pay bar and music entertainment. The cost is $70 per person and is payable by e-transfer (preferred) or cash to Margaret McIntyre at macintyremanda@gmail.com by December 1st. All women of the parish are welcome as well as their guests.

COMMUNITY CONCERT IN HALL ON DEC. 5TH

There will be a Community Concert in the hall on Saturday, December 5th from 2:00 to 4:00pm. Admission is free; a freewill offering will be collected.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT ON DEC. 19TH

The Clarington Concert Band will be performing in our church on Saturday, December 19th starting at 7:00pm.The concert will feature St. Leo parishioner Frank Corcoran as host, and our music director Davia Fernihough on trombone. Admission is free; a freewill offering will be collected.

"LECTIO DIVINA" EVERY WEDNESDAY 7:30PM

After the Wednesday evening Mass at 7:30pm, there will be a Lectio Divina in the church. No registration or fee is required. Everyone is welcome.

YEARLY SUNDAY MISSALS AVAILABLE

Missals are now available at the Welcome Center. Price: $5.00 each. Please help yourself.

SHARELIFE MATCHING GIFT OPPORTUNITY

GOOD NEWS! From now to December 3, your year-end gift to ShareLife will be matched dollar for dollar, up to $500,000, by an anonymous donor! Your gift will have twice the impact! To learn more, please go to: https://sharelife.org/donate/

ALL SOULS DAY

For the month of November, parishioners are welcome to add the names of their deceased family members to our parish memorial book. Envelopes will be made available to you for your donation. As well, during November the First Saturday, Wednesday and Friday Masses will be offered for the Holy Souls.

DAY OF REFLECTION: SOLITUDE AND THE SUNDAY MASS COLLECTS OF ADVENT

On Monday, November 30th from 9:00am to 3:00pm, Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre will host a day of reflection for men & women. Cultivating solitude is essential to the Christian life because it helps to create spaces in us that can only be filled with Christ. How can prayerful reflection on the Collects for the four Sundays of Advent lead us into a deeper appreciation of solitude, thereby preparing in us the necessary places where we can meet and receive Jesus who longs to dwell in each of us? Facilitated by Fr. Dominic Barber. The suggested offering is $75 per person which includes lunch, coffee/tea break, program and Mass. REGISTER: Email: manresaregistration@outlook.com or visit https://manresa-canada.ca or call 905-839-2864.

ST. MICHAEL'S CHOIR SCHOOL ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT DEC. 12, 7:00 - 8:30pm

This Christmas, experience the wonder of the season through the music of Canada's finest composers and arrangers. Joyeux Noël - A Canadian Christmas is a stirring celebration of the Nativity, showcasing a rich tapestry of sacred choral masterworks, beloved carols, and newly imagined Christmas favourites, all crafted by Canadian musical voices from across the country and from within the distinguished tradition of St. Michael's Choir School. Tickets on sale now at masseyhall.com.

ADVENT RETREAT - NOV. 28, 9:00AM - 4:00PM ST. AUGUSTINES'S SEMINARY

The season of Advent invites us to contemplate two "arrivals" of Christ. In the words of St. Cyril of Jerusalem: "In the first arrival, Christ was a child wrapped in swaddling clothes in a manger; at the second, He will be glorious and clothed in light." This Advent Retreat Day will lead us more deeply into this second "arrival", with a special focus on the Book of Revelation and St. John's message about the "newness" to which we are called in Christ.
In-person attendance only: $50 Admission (Includes pastries, coffee and tea on arrival, as well as lunch. Mass, Confession, and Adoration will also be

offered) To find out more and register contact staugustines.on.ca/events-listing/spirit-life-advent-retreat-preparing-for-the-arrivals-of-christ

MEANING AND HISTORY OF PRESENTATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY - NOV 21

The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary is a feast that reminds us of the purity, dedication, and prefigured sanctity of Mary. It celebrates her consecration to God from infancy, symbolizing a life wholly offered to serve the Lord. This holy mystery shows us how one can be filled with grace from the very beginning, inviting all souls to seek holiness and surrender personal ambitions to divine will….
Though this feast does not have a direct biblical account, it finds its roots in ancient Christian tradition. Early Church Fathers interpreted Mary's early dedication as a sign of her unique role in salvation history. Over time, the celebration evolved as part of the liturgical calendar, reaffirming the Church's commitment to honoring the life of the Mother of God and inspiring the faithful throughout the centuries. Source: https://www.thecatholicvoice.com/holidays/presentation-of-the-blessed-virgin-mary

CHRIST THE KING: THE SUPREME RULER OF ALL - FEAST DAY NOV. 22

Christ the King is honored in the Church as the divine Sovereign over heaven and earth. His kingship is not defined by worldly power but by the infinite love and grace He offers to all.The title "Christ the King" reminds us that Jesus reigns over all creation with love, justice, and mercy. His kingship transcends earthly powers and invites every believer to place their trust in His divine authority….
Our holy Church teaches that Jesus is the King of the universe whose authority comes from His divine nature. His kingdom is one of mercy, love, and truth, inviting us to live in harmony with His teachings. The feast calls the faithful to renew their trust in God and to seek His guidance in every aspect of life….
It calls upon all Christians to embrace their role in building a society grounded in justice, compassion, and truth, reflecting the values of Christ's eternal kingdom.
The feast of Christ the King reminds us of the eternal reign of our Lord Jesus. In His kingship, we find a vision of peace and justice that surpasses all earthly power. This celebration began in the early 20th century as a strong response to the challenge of secular ideas, serving as a reminder that Christ's rule is not limited by time or circumstance….
Christ's power rules over heaven and earth, emphasizing that no human authority can oppose His eternal dominion…
The title reflects our belief that Jesus is the King of Kings and Lord of Lords, overseeing every aspect of life. This majesty reminds the faithful of His ultimate authority over all human affairs and all creation….
He is seen as the patron of rulers, governments, and peoples striving for justice. His reign inspires the moral and spiritual leadership necessary in society….Christ's crown is a symbol of victory over sin and death, echoing the victory He achieved through His Passion and Resurrection….The miracles performed by Christ, now celebrated under the title of Christ the King, affirm His divine authority and inspire awe. These events are a testament to His ability to transform lives and bring hope….Source: https://www.thecatholicvoice.com/holidays/christ-the-king

PRAYER TO CHRIST THE KING

O my Divine Saviour,
Transform me into Yourself.
May my hands be the hands of Jesus.
Grant that every faculty of my body
May serve only to glorify You.
Above all,
Transform my soul and all its powers
So that my memory, will and affection
May be the memory, will and affections
Of Jesus.
I pray for You
To destroy in me
All that is not of You.
Grant that I may live
But in You, by You and for You,
So that I may truly say,
With St. Paul,
"I live - now not I -
but Christ lives in me".
Amen.

Source:
https://www.catholic.org/prayers/prayer.php?p=3217

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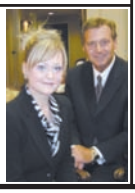
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