

# St. Leo The Great ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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#### **OFFICE HOURS:**

Tuesday & Thursday 8 am to 12 noon and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, Wednesday & Friday by appointment only.

#### **DAILY MASS SCHEDULE:**

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday at 8:30 a.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

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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.

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### Saturday, October 16<sup>th</sup>

4:30 p.m. † Tony Vonk

Sunday, October 17<sup>th</sup>

9:00 a.m. Intentions of Veronica Tuzi &

**Christopher Duarte** 

11:00 a.m. Deceased members of the Sullivan

Family

Tuesday, October 19th

8:30 a.m. † Neil McLeish

Intentions of Stan McDonnell

Wednesday, October 20th

8:30 a.m. Deceased members of the Kelly Family

Thursday, October 21st

8:30 a.m. † Thomas Mitchell

Friday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>

8:30 a.m. Intentions of Anna Maria & Benedetto

Tuzi

Saturday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>

4:30 p.m. + Consuelo Lopez

Sunday, October 24<sup>th</sup>

9:00 a.m. † David Garnet 11:00 a.m. † Oliveen Trainor

### Who is Carlo Acutis? 10 things you should know about him

Carlo Acutis, a Catholic Italian teenager who died in 2006, was beatified Oct. 10, 2020 in Assisi.

Acutis, a gamer and computer programmer who loved soccer and the Eucharist, gained interest around the world.

### So who was Carlo Acutis? Here's what you need to know:

- Carlo Acutis was born May 3, 1991, in London, where his parents were working. Just a few months later, his parents, Andrea Acutis and Antonia Salzano, moved to Milan.
- As a teenager, Carlo was diagnosed with leukemia. He offered his sufferings for Pope Benedict XVI and for the Church, saying ""I offer all the suffering I will have to suffer for the Lord, for the Pope, and the Church."
- He died on Oct. 12, 2006, and was buried in Assisi, at his request, because of his love for St.

- Francis of Assisi. His cause for canonization began in 2013. He was designated "Venerable" in 2018, and was designated "Blessed" October 10, 2020.
- From a young age, Carlo seemed to have a special love for God, even though his parents weren't especially devout. His mom said that before Carlo, she went to Mass only for her First Communion, her confirmation, and her wedding. But as a young child, Carlo loved to pray the rosary. After he made his First Communion, he went to Mass as often as he could, and he made Holy Hours before or after Mass. He went to confession weekly. He asked his parents to take him on pilgrimages to the places of the saints, and to the sites of Eucharistic miracles.
- His witness of faith led to a deep conversion in his mom, because, according to the priest promoting his cause for sainthood, he "managed to drag his relatives, his parents to Mass every day. It was not the other way around; it was not his parents bringing the little boy to Mass, but it was he who managed to get himself to Mass and to convince others to receive Communion daily."
- He was known for defending kids at school who got picked on, especially disabled kids. When a friend's parents were getting a divorce, Carlo made a special effort to include his friend in the Acutis family life.
- He was also a programmer, and built a website cataloguing and promoting Eucharistic miracles. On the site, he told people that "the more often we receive the Eucharist, the more we will become like Jesus, so that on this earth we will have a foretaste of heaven."
- Carlo loved playing video games. His console of choice was a Playstation, or possibly a PS2, which was released in 2000, when Carlo was nine. We know he only allowed himself to play games for an hour a week, as a penance and a spiritual discipline, but he wanted to play much more.
- Initially, there were reports that the body of Carlo Acutis was found to be incorrupt. A spokeswoman for Acutis' beatification told

CNA that the entire body was present when it was exhumed, but "not incorrupt." He, however, lied in repose in a glass tomb where he was venerated by pilgrims until Oct. 17, 2020. He was displayed in jeans and a pair of Nikes, the casual clothes he preferred in life.

• His heart, which can now be considered a relic, is displayed in a reliquary in the Basilica of St. Francis in Assisi. His mother said that his family had wanted to donate his organs when he died, but were unable to do so because of the leukemia.

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### October 15 Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day

## A Prayer for Miscarriage and Early Infant Loss

My Lord, the baby is dead!

Why, my Lord – dare I ask why? It will not hear the whisper of the wind or see the beauty of its parents' face – it will not see the beauty of Your creation or the flame of a sunrise. Why, my Lord?

"Why, My child – do you ask 'why'? Well, I will tell you why

You see, the child lives. Instead of the wind he hears the sound of angels singing before My throne. Instead of the beauty that passes he sees everlasting Beauty – he sees My face. He was created and lived a short time so that the image of his parents imprinted on his face may stand before Me as their personal intercessor. He knows secrets of heaven unknown to men on earth. He laughs with a special joy that only the innocent possess. My ways are not the ways of man. I create for My Kingdom and each creature fills a place in that Kingdom that could not be filled by another. He was created for My joy and his parents' merits. He has never seen pain or sin. He has never felt hunger or pain. I breathed a soul into a seed, made it grow and called it forth."

I am humbled before you, my Lord, for questioning Your wisdom, goodness, and love. I speak as a fool – forgive me. I acknowledge Your sovereign rights over life and death. I thank You for the life that began for so short a time to enjoy so long an Eternity.

- Mother M. Angelica

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