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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.

HERE COME THE SACRAMENTS 2017 – 2018

In our last June bulletin I published all of the important information regarding the preparation and celebration of the Sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation for the coming 9 months.

FIRST CONFESSION & FIRST COMMUNION

The **Parent Information Meetings** for both *First Reconciliation and First Communion* will take place on either (please choose to attend only <u>one</u> of the two offered meetings), either

Thursday, September 21 at 7:00 pm. in the church or

Sunday, September 24 at 12:30 pm. in the parish hall, (following the 11 am. Mass).

(Please park in the back parking lot of the church and enter the hall through the north Carson Street doors.)

In order for your child to be eligible for both of these sacraments your child must have the following:

- proof of Baptism in the Catholic Church
- ability to attend all of the preparation classes (2 classes for each Sacrament)

Unfortunately, registration is not possible without your child's Catholic baptismal certificate.

CONFIRMATION

The parent information and registration meetings for Confirmation will not take place until the new year and the class dates, retreat date and date of Confirmation can be found on our parish website under Bulletins and June 25, 2017. We will announce the parent meeting dates later this month.

OVER THE SUMMMER....

TOTUS TUUS: Since our last bulletin and the summer months which followed several things have taken place of which our parishioners may not be aware. Of course, we've launched our new Youth Ministry with the hiring of Dennis Wardle as full time Youth Director. As well, we held Totus Tuus for the seventh summer, though our number of attendees is about half of what we used to get. We will have to seriously consider whether our parishioners want this incredible program for their children before we book another team to come here in 2018.

A big note of appreciation goes to the host homes, the people who hosted dinners each evening for the team, the volunteer adults and young people who assisted through the week and all those who contributed in any way. Our leaders and volunteers are truly awesome!

CHURCH LIGHTING PROJECT:

Our new LED lighting fixtures will be installed in the church sometime in the month of October. We are really looking forward to seeing this project realized and the fixtures themselves will be much lower to the assembly and more pleasingly visible to the eye as soon as one enters the vestibule or the church. This project will greatly reduce the cost of hydro and the heat of the current lights and the LED will last many years to come – a huge cost savings. (Fr.C)





YOUTH MINISTRY

Get ready for our parish to be transformed as Edge & Life Teen get set to kick-off this month.

Edge Nights

- each Thursday evening for grades 6 8
- begins Thursday September 28th, 6:30 7:45 pm

Lifeteen Nights

- each Saturday evening for students grade 9 12
- begins Saturday September 23rd, 6:15 7:30 pm

There is a nominal annual registration fee of \$40. per youth. Registration forms will be available in the vestibule or parish register on-line at our simply stleothegreat.ca. 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. As we draw closer to our start dates for both Edge and Lifeteen there is still lots to do from now until then. This past week we had our first Core team leaders meeting. Our new team consists of seven adults from our parish who have stepped up for Christ and for our youth. I call them "the magnificent seven"! Thank you so much! What is amazing is that Lifeteen gives us seven Core values from which to aspire to. They are love, evangelization, joy, vocation, affirmation, authenticity and eucharistic spirituality, so we've got this covered. These are the values we will use to foster our vouth ministry and lead our teens closer to Christ. The 2017-2018 curriculum is divided into 3 semesters and follows closely with the school calendar year in terms of holiday scheduling. This year promises to be not only engaging and incredibly fun for our teens but most certainly, spiritually rewarding for everyone involved. I also wish to welcome and thank the "Life Support" team volunteers who will be working behind the scenes and helping with donations and various other activities. You will be contacted in the coming weeks with further information.

If there are parishioners who would like to donate to our ministry we are in need of snacks and other specific supplies and the need will be present throughout the year. All donated food items must be "safe", that is, peanut free. I am still looking for somenone to help us with running our social media. If this is something you have a talent for and would like to assist us, please let me know.

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. Thank you everyone for your prayers and support over the summer and please continue to pray for our parish's new and exciting endeavor in youth ministry. Pray in thanksgiving to the Lord for his call to our young people to draw closer to him as he draws closer to them. (Dennis Wardle, Youth Director)



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Tue, Sept 12	8:30 a.m.	Ints of Thomas and Lynda Collins
Wed, Sept 13	7:00 p.m.	
Thur, Sept 14	8:30 a.m.	
Fri, Sept 15	8:30 a.m.	Intentions of St. Leo's
		Catholic Moms Group
Sat, Sept 16	5:00 p.m.	Ernie Laton +
Sun, Sept 17	9:00 a.m.	Intentions of Betty Fusco
	11:00 a.m.	Maria Caprio +

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 Sept 14

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

Please support <u>Rose of Durham</u> by picking up a baby bottle to fill with spare change. No sign up required. Return to box in foyer by Thanksgiving weekend.

<u>Parish Bazaar</u> on Sat. Oct. 14. Insert next week with details. Call 905-620-0724 to volunteer or for information.

<u>CWL meetings</u> will take place in the parish hall on the first Wed. Of each month unless specified otherwise. Call 905-620-0724 for info or pick up a brochure from the welcome desk in the foyer.

The Catholic Women's League of Canada invites all Catholic women in Durham Region to its fall general meeting. It will be held on September 28th at St. John the Evangelist Parish. The evening will begin with a mass which will be celebrated at 7:00 p.m. by the regional spiritual advisor. A business meeting with refreshments will follow, in the parish centre. There will be an opportunity to meet the incoming regional and diocesan executive members of the Catholic Women's League of Canada. Ladies will have an opportunity to hear about the upcoming events and initiatives which will be undertaken by the league. This invitation is open to all Catholic women in Durham Region. Come and experience the good news about the mission and work of a national organization which numbers over 80,000 women! For further details call: Iris@905-668-3218 or Kate@905-576-9586.

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.

THEOLOGY OF THE BODY STUDY GROUP

The group will be studying *Humanae Vitae* (*On Human Life*) an encyclical by Paul VI. On September 18, 2017 a guest speaker, Rose Heron, will conduct a talk on the connection between *Humanae Vitae* and *Theology of the Body*, from 9:30 to 11:30 in the church hall. In these sessions the group will also study the Catholic Catechism. Please join us for this interesting discussion. St. Bernadette's Parish, 21 Bayly St E, Ajax, at Call Tom Kennedy 905-427-6137 for more information.

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

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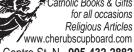
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