

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

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

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 - 6:30 pm.

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

Grand Knight: Larry Hallihan

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President: Donna Shaddick dmshaddick@gmail.com

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416-435-6593

Prayer Group: Divine Mercy Lectio Divina

Wednesdays at 5:30 pm - 6:30 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, September 28th

4:30 p.m. pro populo

Sunday, September 29th

9:00 a.m. ♥ Fortunato & ♥ Luciana Molica

11:00 a.m. & Antonio Scasserra

Tuesday, October 1st

8:30 a.m. & Christopher Borysenko

Wednesday, October 2nd

7:00 p.m. 🕆 Sandra Lawson

Thursday, October 3rd

8:30 a.m. † George William Franks

Friday, October 4th

Saturday, October 5th

8:30 am Mass

4:30 p.m. ♥ Frank Ferkul

Sunday, October 6th

9:00 a.m. ♥ Fortunato & ♥ Luciana Molica

11:00 a.m. ₽ Willard George

For: Sanctuary Light Request.

For: Vigil Light for Mary.

Sept 28 – Oct 25: Fox Family

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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First Communion schoolyear 2024-2025

First Communion will be earlier this year; in the month of October and November. On October 17 and 18, we will have registration and info sessions in the church hall. See the website for more information.

Movie nights

Movie nights is now every Thursday at 7 pm in the Hall. This will be a weekly event until Christmas. October 3rd, movie will be "An Interview with God". An up-and-coming journalist finds his world and faith increasingly challenged when he's granted the interview of a lifetime - with someone who claims to be God

Life chain Sunday Oct 6th

Our Life chain event will be held on the corner of Winchester Rd. E. and Watford/Anderson Sts. Time: 2:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. Come and join in.

Collections

This week we will have a second collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada. Next week there will be a second collection for Indigenous Healing and Reconciliation and for our building maintenance fund. Please use the envelopes in the pews.

Lectio Divina Prayer Group

It is now every Wednesday from 5:30 to 6:30 pm.

Altar server meeting changed

The altar server meeting is now on Sat Nov 5th.

Spiritual formation on the Mass

There will be 2 more sessions: October 5th and 12th. Each session will be 1 hour, comprising of a video presentation of around 25 minutes followed by 35 minutes of discussion. Father strongly recommends this spiritual formation to anyone wanting to have a deeper understanding of the Mass.

Knights of Columbus events

Oct 7th 7:30 pm in the Church Hall: General meeting Oct 20th after the masses: breakfast in the Church Hall Oct 26th Annual Pasta Dinner in the Church Hall

Blessing of pets

On St Francis' Feast Day, Oct 4th at 7 pm, there will be a blessing for pets in front of the Church. In case of rain, we will gather in the Church Hall.

Lunchtime Supervisors

St. John Paul II school is looking for lunchtime supervisors for this school year. If you are interested, please call (905) 655-2291

International Food Tasting Festival

A big thank you to everyone that hosted, volunteered and participated in our Internation Food Tasting Festival. The gross revenue is appr \$1300, which will be used towards the costs of painting the hall.

The Needs of the Church in Canada

Supporting Bishops in Their Pastoral Mission Across the Country.

This annual initiative is an important opportunity for the faithful to actively support and assist the Bishops in their ministry of accompanying, teaching, guiding, sanctifying, and caring for the Church in Canada. Please support the Collection.

We thank you in advance for your generosity and continued commitment.

Our Lady of the Rosary

Our Lady of the Rosary: feastday October 7th

The rosary has been a popular, Scripturally-based set of prayers invoking Mary's intercession since the Middle Ages. The most widely accepted legend of the rosary's origins holds that Mary appeared to Saint Dominic when he was struggling with preaching in the early 13th century and instructed him in this new prayer practice. In this apparition, Mary told him to encourage people to pray the rosary, and Dominic found subsequent great success in his preaching once he began spreading this devotion. Given that the earliest recording of this story dates from three hundred years after these events supposedly took place, the legend of Mary's appearance to Dominic is highly apocryphal. But it is true that the rosary grew in prominence in popular piety through the protection and support of Dominic and his Dominican friars.

Why is the rosary such a fitting Marian devotion? In its essence, the rosary is a marriage of scriptural meditation and formulaic, repetitive prayers, whose aim is to facilitate the prayer practitioner's contemplation of the events of Salvation history narrated in Scripture. The prayers and their accompanying "mysteries" allow those who pray them to meditate on the events of salvation history that occurred in Mary and Jesus' lives. This prayerful contemplation of God's actions imitates Mary's disposition of openness to God's will (Lk 1:38) and continual pondering of God's actions in her life (Lk 2:19). Thus, the rosary is the Marian devotion par excellence, as it aims to instill in the devotee the very disposition of the Marian figure he or she contemplates in prayer.

Our Lady of the Rosary, who helps us see the saving work of God in our own lives—pray for us!

Guardian Angels

The doctrine of angels is part of the Church's tradition. The role of the guardian angel is both to guide us to good thoughts, works and words, and to preserve us from evil. Since the 17th century the Church has celebrated a feast honoring them in October throughout the Universal Church. Since the last calendar revision this feast is Oct 2.

He has charged His angels with the ministry of watching and safeguarding every one of His creatures that behold not His face. Kingdoms have their angels assigned to them, and men have their angels; these latter it is to whom religion designates the Holy Guardian Angels.

Our Lord says in the Gospel, "Beware lest ye scandalize any of these little ones, for their angels in heaven see the face of My Father." The existence of Guardian Angels, is, hence a dogma of the Christian faith: this being so, what ought not our respect be for that sure and holy intelligence that is ever present at our side; and how great our solicitude be, lest, by any act of ours, we offend those eyes which are ever bent upon us in all our ways!

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