

# st. leo's parish

WEEKLY BULLETIN

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## OFFICE HOURS

Tues thru Thurs - 9am to 4pm  
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## SCHOOLS

St Leo's School  
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t: 416-393-5333

St. Louis School  
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## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Meeting every fourth Monday  
of the month at 8pm

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## PASTOR

Fr. Nicola Defina

## MASS SCHEDULE

### Sunday Masses

Saturday | 5pm  
Sunday | 8:30am; 10am & 11:30am

### Weekday Masses

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday | 8am

Wednesday 7pm with  
Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help  
Rosary begins at 6:30pm

Magnificat Charismatic Prayer Group (Polish)  
Thursday 7:30pm

## SACRAMENTS

### Baptism

Sunday after the 11:30am Mass  
Register three months in advance

### Marriage

Contact the Pastor  
one year in advance

### Reconciliation

Wednesday - 6pm to 7pm  
Saturday - 4pm to 5pm  
or call to arrange a time

### Pastoral Care of the Sick

Please notify the Parish Office  
for arrangements

### Eucharistic Adoration

Every first Friday of the month  
following the 8am Mass

### Devotions

First Friday and Saturday 8am

### Scriptural Rosary

Friday 6:30 pm

## MINISTRIES

Altar Servers | Altar Society  
Extra Ordinary Eucharistic Ministers  
Hospitality | Ushers  
Lectors | Readers  
Music | Choir

## PARISH ACTIVITIES

R.C.I.A.  
R.C.I.C.  
Adult Faith Study  
Movie Night  
Finance Council  
Quilters' Club

NEW PARISHIONERS WELCOME

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Unit/Apt.: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Weekly Offering Envelopes

New Parishioner

Change of Address

Moving Out of Parish

ST. LEO'S PARISH IS WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE



**Masses For The Week**

0.39	5 pm	† Joseph Olekas (Daughter Ona)
Sun Nov 10	8:30 am	† Nunzio Fiorito & Michele Nifo (Orsola Fiorito)
	10 am	† Trinidad P. Colmenares & Demetrio L. Salipsip Sr. (The Luzadas Family)
	11:30 am	PRO POPULO
Mon Nov 11	8 am	"For the Deceased"
	7 pm	Knights of Columbus Memorial Mass
Tue Nov 12	8 am	Birthday Blessings for Helen Stanic (Iris Purdy)
Wed Nov 13	7 pm	Special Intentions for Volkan Eryildir (Silvana Eryildir)
Thu Nov 14	8 am	"For the Deceased"
Fri Nov 15	8 am	† Maria Rita & Domenico Del Buono (Lucia Zita)
Sat Nov 16	5 pm	PRO POPULO
Sun Nov 17	8:30 am	† Luisa Sarrapochiello (Husband Frank)
	10 am	† Silvio Ciccocelli (Lina Ciccocelli & Family)
	11:30 am	† Juan & Maria Fernandes (Maria Gouveia)

**The Widow and the Collection**

Jewish people have always been very generous to the poor. In the time of Jesus there were collection boxes outside the Temple. They were containers with large horns, like old-fashioned phonographs, and were called the "Trumpets." Proceeds from these boxes help provide food and other assistance. There was a custom of dropping in money in each as an offering to God. One elderly woman places in a few shekels, a trifling amount. Jesus cites her example to the apostles. The widow's offering may be small, but it is all that she has. Christ contrasts it with the larger donations given by the rich. Their gifts are small compared to their wealth.



(Fr. Lonsdale Commentaries & Clip-Art)

**Knights of Columbus Memorial Liturgy**

We invite all people to join the Knights of Columbus Our Lady of Grace Council in their yearly Memorial Liturgy as they remember and pray for KOC deceased members, **Monday November 11th at 7:00 pm** in our Church; please join us in prayer as we remember our beloved deceased. November the 11<sup>th</sup> is also Remembrance Day; we pay homage to veterans all over the world weather living or deceased who have served their country. We understand the sacrifices they have made so that we may enjoy the freedom we have today.



Eucharistic Adoration  
 First Friday of the month December 6, 2024  
 Following the 8 am Mass  
 Rosary at 7:30am.  
 Adoration concludes with Holy Mass  
 Saturday morning December 7, @ 8 am  
 Come. See. Hear. Encounter.  
 Experience the Real Presence of Jesus

**November Prayer Intentions**

The memorial at the foot of the altar is dedicated to the Faithful Departed. The names of deceased family and friends are reserved here throughout November, the Month of the Holy Souls. Please remember to pray for them when you come forward to receive Jesus in Holy Communion, and ask them to pray for you and the conversion of all people.

**Serra Vocation**

How are you contributing to the treasury? God knows what gift we give to Him in love. Let us then be faithful to whatever vocation God calls us to live. Does Jesus want you to give your life to the Church? If you think that God is calling you serve Him as a priest, religious or deacon, call **Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997. Email vocations@archtoronto.org**

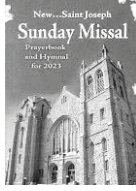
**Many thanks from the St. Vincent de Paul**

Thank you to all the parishioners who contributed to the St Vincent de Paul collection at Thanksgiving. The donations totaled \$3,720.00 and these funds will help a great deal as we start to prepare for our Christmas program. To the end of October 2024, we have made 121 home visits, assisting 132 adults and 91 children, distributing \$10,790 in food assistance as well as clothing and household items. We would be unable to carry out this work of charity without your generosity. God bless you!

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November @ 7 pm**  
**Movie Night in the parish hall**  
**Featuring:**  
**"The Saints", by Martin Scorsese"**

### **New Missal**

The current edition of the St. Joseph Sunday Missal goes out of use after the Solemnity of Christ the King Sunday November 24<sup>th</sup>. The new prayer book for 2024/2025 season is now available and on sale at \$6.00 each. Pick up your copy after mass.



### **Shepherds Trust**

Caring for those who always cared for us - our retired priests who have greatly influenced the lives of so many; they were with us to joyfully celebrate our marriage, baptize our children and also to support us during times of sadness and grief. The **Shepherds Trust** collection will take place in all the parishes in the Archdiocese of Toronto next weekend November 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>. Envelopes are placed on the cabinets at the entrance of the church. The **Shepherds' Trust** does more than just bridge the gap in our priest's retirement years; it says thank-you in a very tangible way for the blessings we have received. Your generosity on November 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> is deeply appreciated.

### **Adult Faith Education**

For a deeper understanding of the word of God, interested parishioners can participate in the next Adult Faith Study which will take place Friday November 15<sup>th</sup> @ 7 pm in the church basement hall

### **St. Michael's Choir School presents GLORIA!**

A magical blend of secular and sacred choral repertoire to usher in this Christmas season. A Toronto holiday tradition, this is the Choir School's 59th annual Christmas concert, packed with exceptional works including Vivaldi's Gloria, Carol of the Bells, and The Star Carol. With close to 300 voices, 5 choirs consisting of students, and alumni, taking the stage, this year's programme is sure to be one of the best yet! Tickets are now available at [www.masseyhall.com](http://www.masseyhall.com). Please use Promo Code: STARLIGHT. For more information, please call 416-397-6367.

### **Candy Collection**

We are asking our parishioners to donate new unwrapped or extra/left over Halloween Candies to the parish: we are collecting them, and they will be forwarded to Dr. Simone, at the Canadian Food for Children. Thank you.



Please pray for the sick of our Parish:

**Mike Cerullo**  
**Reza Ashkevary**

And for the souls of the deceased:

**Arturo Aldea Escote**

Communion for the homebound upon request, anointing of the sick with the seriously ill, or those undergoing surgery. Please call the parish office.

### **Socks for Shelters**

Socks are the most needed but least donated items in homeless shelters, giving comfort and warmth to those experiencing homelessness. We will be collecting socks, underwear, etc. for distribution to the Good Shepherd (men's) and Canadian "Food for Children" (women's & children's). Please donate early so that they can be delivered before the cold sets in. at the entrance to the church

### **Become a Catholic**

If you're curious about the Catholic faith or you've thought about becoming a Catholic, our Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) program is just for you. Adults from all faith traditions, or no religious background at all, are welcome to participate in our program of instruction. If you're interested in learning more about becoming a Catholic, now is the time to join our group of Christian teaching. Call the Parish Office (416 251-1109) and ask to speak with Father Nick.

### **2025 Parish Envelopes**

We are currently preparing parish envelopes for next year. If you haven't already so, this is a great opportunity for you to request envelopes for the year 2025; to make this request, cut the registration portion of the front page of our bulletin and drop it in the offering baskets. Or, contact the Parish Office: 416-251-1109; envelopes will be available Sunday December 1<sup>st</sup> 2024 first Sunday of Advent.

**The Sanctuary Lamp for the  
Month of November  
Is offered by Thelma D'Cunha:  
In loving memory of her Husband:  
"Francis Gonsalves"  
& All Souls in Purgatory**

**Bishop Allen Catholic Academy Presents...  
The Annual Christmas Market  
The Bishop Allen Community welcomes all to the  
annual Christmas Market. Come and enjoy food,  
vendors, crafts, bouncy castles and more!  
Thursday November 28th, 2024  
4:00pm-7:00pm  
721 Royal York Rd, Etobicoke, ON M8Y 2T3**

**The St. Leo's Quilters are selling tickets this  
weekend after each mass to raffle off a  
beautiful handmade quilt. Tickets are \$2.00 each  
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