

st. leo's parish

WEEKLY BULLETIN

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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
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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



Mass Intentions for the Week

Sat Dec 14	5 pm	PRO POPULO
Sun Dec 15	8:30 am	† Luisa Sarrapochiello (Husband Frank)
	10 am	† Venceslao Spada (The Family)
	11:30 am	† Salvatore D'Ambrosio (The Family)
Mon Dec 16	8 am	Souls of Purgatory Most Devoted to the Blessed Mother
Tue Dec 17	8 am	† Francis Rodill (The Family)
Wed Dec 18	7 pm	† Maria Gonzales De Paredes (Daughter Esther)
Thu Dec 19	8 am	† Salvatore D'Ambrosio (Son John)
Fri Dec 20	8 am	† Sandy Hatulan (Wife Thelma)
Sat Dec 21	5 pm	† Anna Chokota & Anna Janosova (Mila & Paul)
Sun Dec 22	8:30 am	† Vittorio Nifo & Caio Nifo (Ada Nifo & Family)
	10 am	† Silvio Ciccocelli (Lina Ciccocelli & Family)
	11:30 am	PRO POPULO

St. Leo's Parish Christmas 2024

Mass Schedule

Tuesday December 24th

(Christmas Eve)

7:00 pm & 12 midnight

Wednesday December 25th

(Christmas Day)

Regular Sunday Schedule

8:30, 10:00 & 11:30 am

Tuesday December 31st

New Year's Eve

5:00 pm Mass

Wednesday January 1st 2025

New Year's Day

10:00 & 11:30 am

Rejoice Always

Some people think that religion must always be very serious and even somber. It's not supposed to be fun! Today's readings are a reminder that true religion should be joyful. In the New American Bible the single word "joy" appears 219 times; while the words "sad", "sadden", "saddens", "sadly" and "sadness" occur only a total of 24 times. The Catholic Church celebrates two "Joy" Sundays: the third Sunday of Advent (Gaudete, Latin for "Rejoice") and the fourth Sunday of Lent (Laetare, another Latin word for "Rejoice".) We are supposed to be somewhat sad during Advent, but we cannot help but be filled with joy because we know how the story ends, with the Nativity.



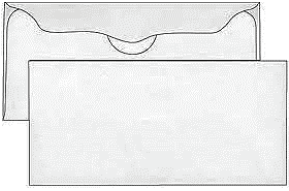
(Fr. Lonsdale Commentaries & Clip-Art)

Eucharistic Adoration
First Friday of the month January 3rd, 2025
Following the 8 am Mass
Rosary at 7: 30am.
Adoration concludes with Holy Mass
Saturday morning January 4th, 2025 @ 8 am
Come. See. Hear. Encounter.
Experience the Real Presence of Jesus

St. Leo's Parish Advent Days of Confession 2024 December 15 - 21

Sunday Dec 15 th	12:30 - 2:30 pm
Monday Dec 16 th & Tuesday Dec 17 th	7 - 8 am
Wednesday Dec 18 th	6 - 7 pm
Thursday Dec 19 th	7 - 8 am
Friday Dec 20 th	7 - 9 pm
Saturday Dec 21 st	4 - 5 pm

Sunday Offering Envelopes



Please pick up your 2025 Sunday Offering Envelopes located at the back of the church; envelopes are in numerical order. An alphabetical list is available if you don't remember your number. New/Un-used

boxes are also available for parishioners' interested in using envelopes; please write your full name and address on the first few envelopes. If any changes or correction are needed please call the parish office during business hours. **In the New Year, we ask that you kindly discard any leftover envelopes from this or previous years. Thank you for your support.**

Sunday Missals Available

We have Sunday Missals available for a donation of \$6.00 for parishioners who would like to have their personal copy. The Missals contains all the Sunday readings for the liturgical year cycle C which began the first Sunday of Advent. For help with the missal, please see one of our ushers at the back of the church.

Serra Vocation

Could God be calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother, or sister and announce the Good News to His People as John the Baptist did? Contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.

Email vocations@archtoronto.org

2025 Calendars

Please help yourself to the new calendars for 2025 courtesy of Hogle Funeral Home & Ridley Funeral Home. The calendars are located on the cabinets at the back of the church. We thank both Hogle & Ridley Funeral Homes for their kindness and generosity and for their continuous support.

In Loving Memory

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The Season of Advent & Christmas

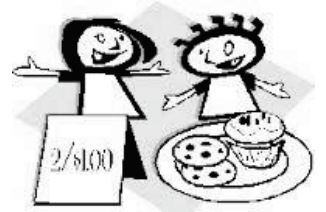
The Gospel writers repeatedly record Jesus saying, "Peace be with you." We need to hear those words often; we need to follow the Church's period of preparation for the Feast of the Nativity so we can stay focus; prayer, church attendance, participation in the sacraments, and concentrating on the full meaning of Christmas to mankind and what the meaning is to each of us. Jesus offers an inner calm, a sense of peace, but we must first let go of our worries and concerns. We need to begin opening our heart to Jesus. He will calm our spirit, as only he can do.



Bake Sale

You're invited

Please join us for our
Christmas Bake Sale
This Sunday Dec 15th



On Saturday, December 21, at 8:00pm, the Victoria Scholars Men's Choral Ensemble present 'Welcome Christmas'.

Join the Scholars for a festive and spirited celebration of seasonal music as they present a concert of carols from Christmas past and present by composers from Canada and around the world.

Tickets available at the door. Regular \$25,
Students /seniors 65+ \$20.00.

Doors open at 7:30pm.

Please pray for the sick of our Parish:
And for the souls of the deceased in particular:

Paul McBride

Jan Chokota

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

«Gaudete in Domino semper...

Dominus prope»!

"Rejoice always in the Lord... the Lord is near."

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