

# st. leo's parish

WEEKLY BULLETIN

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## OFFICE HOURS

Tues thru Thurs - 9am to 4pm  
Fri - 9am to 12pm



## SCHOOLS

St Leo's School  
159 Stanley Av.  
Toronto, ON M8V 1P1  
t: 416-393-5333

St. Louis School  
11 Morgan Av.  
Toronto, ON M8Y 2Z7  
t: 416-393-5331



## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Meeting every fourth Monday  
of the month at 8pm

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

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## CATHOLIC CEMETERIES

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w: thecatholiccemeteries.ca



## 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

 <b>Mass Intentions for the Week</b>		
Sat Feb 8	8 am	† Armando Veiga (The Family)
	5 pm	† Jan Chokota (Mila & Paul)
Sun Feb 9	8:30 am	† Beata & Robert Bak (Joanna Bak)
	10 am	PRO POPULO
	11:30 am	† Rosemary Vaughan & Rogelio Manigao (Ruby Murcel)
Mon Feb 10	8 am	For the Intentions of Christian & Elena Lopez (Lopez Family)
Tue Feb 11	8 am	† George Smith (The Molto Family)
Wed Feb 12	7 pm	† Teodoro & Nicolea Humawid (Ruth Humawid)
Thu Feb 13	8 am	† Giuseppe, Maria Concetta & Donato Zita (Lucy Zita)
Fri Feb 14	8 am	† Jacinto Martinez (Agnes Martinez)
Sat Feb 15	5 pm	† Ludmila & Frank Vitasek (Mila & Paul)
Sun Feb 16	8:30 am	† Luisa Sarrapochiello (Husband Frank)
	10 am	† Grikshas Zenonas (Kostancija Degutyte)
	11:30 am	PRO POPULO

**As one born abnormally**

Saint Paul gives some historical information as he testifies to the legitimacy of his doctrine. He mentions several post-resurrection appearances of Jesus--including some not otherwise mentioned in the Gospels. He ends with a reminiscence of his own vision of the Risen Lord. Because Jesus had ascended into heaven some time before, Paul felt that his experience made him like a child born after the normal time. Paul had encountered Jesus while traveling to Damascus, Syria. His mission had been to arrest and executes Christians. Suddenly a bright light and powerful voice literally struck Paul. This experience would heavily influence Paul's teachings, especially that of the spiritual relation between Jesus and all of his followers.



(Fr. Lonsdale Commentaries & Clip-Art)

**Volunteer Appreciation Night**

We take the time to thank all the volunteers in our community, who dedicate their time and talents to serve our parish. We are fortunate for their continued service and support. A special volunteer appreciation get-together night is planned for all volunteers, for **Friday February 21<sup>st</sup> 2025**. Holy Mass @ 7 pm and buffet dinner following Mass. The invitation is extended to all volunteers and guest.



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

**Serra Vocation**

Do not be afraid. If the Lord is calling you to the ordained or consecrated life, do not be afraid. Jesus calls and will give you the grace to respond wholeheartedly. If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.

Email [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)

*The Sanctuary Lamp for the month of February is offered by Brenda Lacroix*

*In Loving Memory*

*Of Husband Maurice Lacroix on the third anniversary of his passing.*

Please pray for the sick of our Parish:  
 Jean Pozzobon, Agnes Martinez, Kevin Caleb  
 And for the souls of the deceased especially:  
 Ona Olekas, Lynne Grimaldi, Armando Veiga  
 Communion for the homebound upon request, anointing of the sick with the seriously ill, or those undergoing surgery.  
 Please call the Parish office.

**Adult Faith Education**

For a deeper understanding of the word of God, interested parishioners can participate in this faith development program. Please join us Friday February 14<sup>th</sup> 2025 at 7 pm, in the church basement hall.



**Tuesday Feb. 11<sup>th</sup> 2025 Liturgical Feast of  
“Our Lady of Lourdes” &  
“World Day of the Sick”**

Observed and celebrated throughout the universal Church the memorial of the Blessed Mary Virgin of Lourdes and the World Day of the Sick. This is a favourable time to reflect on the meaning of pain and think about the close connection that exists between the Mystery of the Eucharist, the role of Mary and the reality of human pain and suffering.



**Celebration of Marriage Mass with Bishop Ivan Camilleri  
This Sunday Feb. 9, 2025 at 2:30 p.m.**

As part of Marriage Sunday 2025 celebrations, Bishop Ivan Camilleri will preside at a special Mass to honor married couples, with special recognition for those celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th and 60+ wedding anniversaries in 2025. Celebration will be at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond St., Toronto) it will honor husband and wife while saluting the faithfulness, sacrifice and joy that comes with the marriage covenant. To those preparing for marriage, newlyweds and those that have been companions on the journey for decades, we offer our prayers and best wishes in a special way.

**World Day of Prayer**

What is World Day of Prayer? Prayerful Action. The movement has been active for nearly 100 years. Christian women of many traditions who come together in an annual day of celebration – the first Friday of March – to which everyone is welcome. The World Day of Prayer has a special theme and is prepared by a specific country. This year the theme is called “I made you wonderful” and the country is Cook Islands and will be held at Christ Church St. James, 194 Park Lawn Rd. Toronto P: 416-251-8711 [www.christchurchstjames.ca](http://www.christchurchstjames.ca)



**A warm welcome to all new and long-time parishioners**

We extend our hands and hearts in companionship to you here, celebrating with us. Whether long term residents or new to the parish, we thank God you are here with us. If you are a new parishioner please introduce yourself to our Pastor Fr. Nick and make sure you register. Registration forms are on the front page of our bulletin. You can also use the same registration form for a change of address or moving away from the area, alternately you can inform the Parish Office directly by calling 416-251-1109.

**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. For help with the missal, please see one of our ushers at the back of the church.

**Pour Out Adoration Night**

**Friday, February 28, 2025 7-9 pm**  
**Merciful Redeemer Parish, 2775 Erin Centre Blvd., Mississauga**

Join us for an evening of renewal & hope as we come together for praise and worship, Eucharistic Adoration, prayer ministry, confession and a talk by Fr. Adam Pantaleo inspired by Psalm 42. This evening has a young adult focus but all are welcome! Doors open at 6:30 p.m.  
CONTACT: Merciful Redeemer Parish

**Eucharistic Miracles of the World Exhibit at  
St. Benedict Parish**

**2194 Kipling Ave., Etobicoke**  
**Friday, March 14, 2025 6:00-8:30 pm**  
Please join us as we host the Vatican approved Eucharistic Miracles of the World Exhibit. Prayerful evening of Adoration with Praise & Worship led by the youth.  
P: 416-743-383 ~ E: [office@stbenedicts.ca](mailto:office@stbenedicts.ca)

**44th Annual Concelebrated Mass in Honor of  
Saint Patrick**

**Sunday, Feb. 23, 2025, 3:00 to 6 p.m.**

**St. Cecilia's Church, 163 Annette St., Toronto**

Principal Celebrant and Homilist will be His Eminence, Frank Cardinal Leo, Archbishop of Toronto. An informal reception will follow the Mass in the church Hall, with refreshments and Irish entertainment.

St. Cecilia's Parish Office

P: 416-769-8163

E: [stceciliasto@archtoronto.org](mailto:stceciliasto@archtoronto.org)

**The Source - Holy Hour - February 2025**

Thursday, February 20, 2025 7-9 pm

St. Peter's Church, 840 Bathurst Street, Toronto

Join the Sisters of Life and the Office of Catholic Youth for an evening of prayer. There will be some time for fellowship and refreshments after the Holy Hour. This event is open to all parishioners and visitors!

**Save the date**

**Saturday March 1st 2025 @ 7 pm**

**Movie Night in the parish hall featuring:  
“The Case for Christ”**

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