

st. leo's parish

WEEKLY BULLETIN

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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
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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 Mar 15	5 pm	† Pat Chisholm (Wife Joan)
Sun Mar 16	8:30 am	† Luisa Sarrapochiello (Husband Frank)
	10 am	PRO POPULO
	11:30 am	† Ron Purdy (Wife Iris Purdy)
Mon Mar 17	8 am	Special Intentions
Tue Mar 18	8 am	† Donato, Conetta & Giuseppe Zita (Lucy Zita)
Wed Mar 19	7 pm	† Jan Chokota (Steve & Paula Vitasek)
Thu Mar 20	8 am	† Russell Butch (Wife Mary)
Fri Mar 21	8 am	† Philomena Pereira (Ramona Pereira)
Sat Mar 22	5 pm	PRO POPULO
Sun Mar 23	8:30 am	Birthday Blessings Anna Maria Cerullo (The Pozzobon Family)
	10 am	Birthday Blessings Maria Sablatura
	11:30 am	Birthday Blessings Gloria Felaire & Anna Maria Cerullo (Agnes Martinez)

His Glorified Body

Western Christianity has been heavily influenced by Greek philosophy. Key to this view is that each human being is a composite of body and soul. The soul is a spirit that can live independently of the flesh. The sages of the Old Testament did not share this view. For them, a human being was a complete unit. Without a body, a person was only a shadow. The name for the afterlife was "Sheol", literally "Shadowland".

Hence if there is a resurrection it must be a full body resuscitation. Paul defends this view and teaches that our own revivification must be patterned after the risen body of Jesus. This glorified corpus had the ability to appear at will, to walk through walls, and to levitate. Paul believes that we will share these characteristic.



(Fr. Lonsdale Commentaries & Clip-A

The Purpose of Lent

Each year, Lent offers us a providential opportunity to deepen the meaning and value of our Christian lives, the time of the year where we dedicate ourselves to prayer, fasting and almsgiving, a time when we are stimulated to rediscover the mercy of God; a time of preparation and repentance prior to the celebration of Easter, a time to focus on charitable deeds, by helping those in need.



Eucharistic Adoration

First Friday of the month April 4, 2025

Following the 8 am Mass

Rosary at 7:30am.

Adoration concludes with Holy Mass

Saturday morning April 5, 2025 @ 8 am

Experience the Real Presence of Jesus

Serra Vocation

Peter, John and James had a mountaintop experience with Jesus by witnessing His transfiguration. We too can have a mountaintop experience when we open our minds and hearts to following God's Will for our lives. 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

Please pray for the sick of our Parish:

Leonora Vergara

And for the souls of the deceased especially:

Maria Demeo, Bill Lahey

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

From the Parish Secretary:

Parishioner currently using envelope number

#205 please contact the parish office

@ 416-251-1109 and speak with the parish secretary.

We have no name attached to this number. Thank you.

You extend the hands of Christ to those in need

Through your support of ShareLife, you extend the hands of Christ to those in need: the poor, the vulnerable, and the marginalized in our community. Because you care, more than 40 agencies provide strength to people of all ages in their weakest moments. You've been there for young parents as they worried about their next meal, isolated seniors yearning for companionship, teenagers seeking guidance in a confusing world, refugees longing to rebuild their lives, and people with special needs striving for dignity and acceptance. Thank you for living the Gospel through your compassion.

Jubilee Year 2025 - Pilgrims of Hope

The jubilee calls for us to set out on a journey and to cross boundaries. The etymology of the word "pilgrimage" is quite telling and has undergone little change in meaning over the years. The word comes from the Latin "per ager," meaning "across the fields," When we travel, we do not only change place physically, but we also change ourselves. The journey takes place gradually: there are various routes to choose from and places to discover; it is made up of particular sets of circumstances, moments of catechesis, sacred rites and liturgies. Contemplation of creation is also part of the journey and helps us to realize that care for creation "is an essential expression of our faith in God and our obedience to His will"



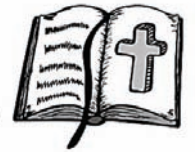
Feast of St. Patrick & St. Joseph

Many good wishes and congratulation to all our Irish Parishioners and friends, on the Feast of St. Patrick Monday March 17th and also many blessings to all our Polish and Italian Parishioners and their loved ones on the Feast of St. Joseph Wednesday March 19th. St. Joseph is the Patron Saint of Poland, Italy and Canada.



Adult Faith

For a deeper understanding of the word of God, interested parishioners can participate in this faith development program. Please join us Friday March 21st 2025 at 8 pm, in the church basement hall.



*The Sanctuary Lamp for the month of March is offered by:
Helena Zenaida Clemente
For Special Intentions & Thanksgiving.*

Service of the Shadows

**Victoria Scholars Coral Ensemble Present:
Tenebrae
Sunday April 13th @ 7:30 pm
(Palm Sunday)
St. Leo's Church**

Please collect Iodized Salt

Dr. Simone's Canadian Food for Children, is asking for your help to collect **iodized salt, shoes to prevent diseases, socks, toys, balls, vitamins, soap, bags, presents and candies for the Canadian Food for Children.** Iodine deficiency affects 2 billion people worldwide and is the main cause of preventable mental impairment. Every year, 38 million newborn babies in developing countries are affected by iodine deficiency. Thank you for your help.

Stations of the Cross
Fridays during Lent @ 7:00 pm
in Church

Income Tax Receipts

Your income tax receipts are ready to be picked up. They are located in a box on the table at the back of the church and are in alphabetical order. You may ask one of our ushers for assistance. We like to thank our parishioners and friends for the kind support and prayers. God Bless.

Lenten day of Confessions

This year, the Days of Confession for Lent will be held in the week of March 30 to April 5, 2025.

Sunday March 30 12:30 - 1:30 pm	Monday March 31 4 - 6 pm	Tuesday April 1 7 - 8 am
Wednesday April 2 6 - 7 pm	Thursday April 3 7 - 8 am 6:30 - 7:30 pm	Friday April 4 5 - 7 pm
Saturday April 5, 4 - 5 pm		

2025 Lift Jesus Higher Rally

Join fellow Catholics from the Greater Toronto Area at the 34th annual Lift Jesus Higher Rally at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre on Saturday, March 29! Lift Jesus Higher is a Spirit-filled day filled with fellowship, praise and worship, Eucharistic Adoration, compelling talks from Bishop Scott McCaig, Deacon Larry Oney, Peter Herbeck, and more! The day also features a youth rally in the Centre's John Basset Theatre for youth ages 13-18. Get details and tickets at www.ljhr.ca!

Lenten Retreat

QUEEN OF APOSTLES RENEWAL CENTRE invites men and women to the 2025 Lenten Retreat on SATURDAY APRIL 5th, 2025, FROM 9 AM TO 3 PM
1617 Blythe Road, Mississauga
Cost: \$50.00 includes coffee/tea and a hot lunch.
Registration 8:30am, Celebration of Mass during the day.
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