

# st. leo's parish

WEEKLY BULLETIN

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## OFFICE HOURS

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

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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

## TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

<b>MASS INTENTIONS</b>  <b>FOR THE WEEK</b>		
<b>Sat Sep 20</b>	<b>5 pm</b>	† <b>Alba Tonelli</b> (Joanna & Fred Tonelli)
<b>Sun Sep 21</b>	<b>8:30 am</b>	† <b>Biagio, Elena &amp; Mariano Forte</b> (Civita Forte & Family)
	<b>10 am</b>	<b>Thanksgiving &amp; Special Intentions</b> <b>Liz Villania</b> (Moreno Family)
	<b>11:30 am</b>	<b>PRO POPULO</b>
<b>Mon Sep 22</b>	<b>8 am</b>	
<b>Tue Sep 23</b>	<b>8 am</b>	<b>Special Intentions of Olivia &amp; Ben Tomory</b> (S. Suppa)
<b>Wed Sep 24</b>	<b>7 pm</b>	† <b>Erlinda Rendon</b> (The Family)
<b>Thu Sep 25</b>	<b>8 am</b>	
<b>Fri Sep 26</b>	<b>8 am</b>	
<b>Sat Sep 27</b>	<b>5 pm</b>	† <b>Chloe Rosatelli</b> (The Family)
<b>Sun Sep 28</b>	<b>8:30 am</b>	† <b>Angelo Fasulo</b> (Maria Fasulo)
	<b>10 am</b>	† <b>Bruno Pozzobon</b> (Jean & Family)
	<b>11:30 am</b>	<b>PRO POPULO</b>

### Dishonest Steward

Jesus based his parables on real-life, and possibly historical situations. He often added a small twist in the story: something that did not make sense from a human point of view. In today's Gospel he praises a man who is openly a crook. A manager or steward is about to be fired from his job. Realizing that he has little prospect of being hired again, he conspires to rob from his employer. He uses his authority to reduce debts owed to the master, thinking that the debtors will show him gratitude later. Jesus and the employer praise this unscrupulous action? Why? Because it portrays the virtue of prudence, planning ahead. Christ implies that Christians often fail to practice foresight in thinking of their future life. We do not take heaven into account, when we plan our daily lives. Do you?



### Share the love this Thanksgiving

Good Shepherd Ministries is asking for your support in their Thanksgiving Food Drive-Most needed food items:

Tuna & Canned Meat, Coffee & Tea Bags, Soups & Stews, Condiments (e.g. Soy Sauce, Barbecue Sauce, Ketchup, Mayonnaise, Mustard) Jams, Beans & Chickpeas, Canned Tomatoes, Corn & Vegetables, Pasta Sauce, Sugar, Salt, Pepper & Spices, Salad Dressing, Cooking Oil, Pancake Mix, Bagged Rice, Mini-Sized Juice Boxes, Granola Bars & Packaged Snacks. Financial donations are also welcomed. Thank you for your support.



### Eucharistic Adoration

First Friday of the month October 3, 2025

Following the 8 am Mass

Rosary at 7: 30am

Adoration concludes with Holy Mass

Saturday morning October 4 @ 8 am

Come. See. Hear. Encounter.

Experience the Real Presence of Jesus

### Serra Vocation

We cannot serve two masters. Which one are you willing to follow? Could it be you are being called to serve the Master as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? If God is calling you contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.

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

### First Communion & Confirmation Preparation

St. Leo's Parish is making plans for those children who are attending Grade 2 and for the children who are attending Grade 7 to receive First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion, and Confirmation in 2026. Registration forms for the Sacraments are located on the cabinets at the back of the church for you to pick up after Sunday Mass. Please note your calendar for the special enrollment/information meetings for the overview of the preparation program.

### RCIA

Receiving the Eucharist or receiving First Communion is a part of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. RCIA is a process for adults who are not Catholic to discover Jesus Christ and be fully joined to the Catholic Church. If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about Christ and the Church or becoming a Catholic Christian, now is the time to join our group of Catholic teaching. Call the Parish Office (416 - 251-1109) or speak to Father Nick.



## Jubilee Year 2025 - Pilgrims of Hope

A Jubilee year is a sign of reconciliation because it establishes a "favorable time" We are called to put God at the center of our lives, growing toward Him and acknowledging His primacy. It is God who makes this year holy by bestowing on us His own holiness. Let's take advantage of this time to rediscover the value of confession, and experiencing God's personal words of forgiveness.



## The Journey to Priesthood

On Saturday, September 13, 2025, Catholics from throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto came together to prayerfully support four men as they were ordained to the Transitional Diaconate. The Most Rev. John A. Boissonneau, presided at this year's ordinations, these men will be ordained to the priesthood in May 2026, the final step in their many years of formation. We offer our prayers and best wishes for those ordained last Saturday: **Rev. Mr. Matteo Bertozzi, Rev. Mr. Moonjun Alphonse Choi, Rev. Mr. Matthew Tulio, Rev. Mr. Victor Valdés.** All faithful parishioners are called upon to offer their prayers for these four men.

## Free Catholic Estate Planning Webinar

**Saturday, September 27, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.**

Learn:

- How to avoid problems: in your Will, in the Powers of Attorney, and through proper Estate Trustee selection
- How to create your own legacy
- About our Catholic traditions around cremation, burials and funerals

To Register:

Send an email to: [Development@ArchToronto.org](mailto:Development@ArchToronto.org) and write "webinar September 27" in the title line + your name(s) in the body of the message.

## Lakeshore Youth Ministry Update

We are blessed and thankful for the many families who joined us last Friday for our EDGE program. Over 80 youth came together for a night filled with faith, friendship, and joy. **Upcoming Sessions:**

- September 19 – LifeTeen (Grades 9 and up)**
- September 26 – LifeTeen (Grades 9 and up)**
- October 3 – EDGE (Grades 5–8)**

Let us continue to walk together in Christ as we grow in faith and community. For more details, please contact: Agnes Mirga – [AMirga@archtoronto.org](mailto:AMirga@archtoronto.org) or the Parish Office.

## The Sanctuary Lamp

*The Lamp for the month of September is offered by: **Atna Maria Salvador-Jitco** For Special Intentions and Thanksgiving*

## Save the Date

### Life Chain - Sunday October 5, 2025

Life Chain is a peaceful and silent demonstration that takes place every year at hundreds of locations across North America. Communities come together at pre-determined sites to witness the sanctity of human life by silently praying. [www.campaignlifecoalition.com/life-chain](http://www.campaignlifecoalition.com/life-chain)

## Catholic's in Recovery

### Hope and healing for those impacted by addiction

Catholic in Recovery provides healing from addictions, compulsions and unhealthy attachments. Meetings combine the spiritual principles of 12-step recovery and the sacraments of the Catholic Church. Join others in recovery as we overlap scripture from Sunday's Mass readings, liturgical themes, and recovery topics with honest discussion and prayers. **St. Roch's Parish 2889 Islington Ave., Toronto Thursdays at 7:30 p.m.** CONTACT: Catholic in Recovery PHONE: 289-541-8188 EMAIL: [cirstroch@gmail.com](mailto:cirstroch@gmail.com) WEBSITE: <https://www.catholicinrecovery.com>

## Special Collection Next Sunday

Next weekend Sept 27/28, there will be a special collection in all the parishes of the Archdiocese of Toronto for the Needs of the Canadian Church. Your gifts are used by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops to represent Canadian Catholics in national and international pastoral activity. Offering envelopes will be located on the cabinets at the back of the church. Thank you for your generosity.

## Break the grip of hunger today

Because you care, every day the grip of hunger is broken in many homes. Catholic Family Services an agency you support through ShareLife is able to help families buy groceries and give their children a measure of stability during a difficult time. But many more parents are walking through the agencies' doors, still struggling with hunger on top of everything else they carry. Your support of ShareLife makes these programs possible, among many others. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at [sharelife.org/donate](http://sharelife.org/donate).

## Healing Service

**Sunday October 5, 2025**

**St. Gregory Church**

**122 Rathburn Road (@Kipling)**

**4 pm Rosary & Prayers for Healing**

**Holy Mass**

**Individual Prayer, Testimonies**

**Sponsored by Ave Maria Centre of Peace**

**Saturday October 4<sup>th</sup> 2025 @ 7 pm**

**Movie Night in the parish hall**

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