

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
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St. Louis School
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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
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of the month at 8pm

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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

MASS INTENTIONS

FOR THE WEEK

Sat Oct 4	5 pm	PRO POPULO
Sun Oct 5	8:30 am	† Wanda & Teofil Kiznar (Son Wieslaw)
	10 am	† Silvio Ciccocelli (Lina Ciccocelli & Family)
	11:30 am	† Renato Porcaro (Wife Karoline)
Mon Oct 6	8 am	† Carla Suppa (S. Suppa)
Tue Oct 7	8 am	† Agostino Pocino (The Family)
Wed Oct 8	7 pm	† Domenico & Maria Rita Del Buono (Lucy Zita)
Thu Oct 9	8 am	† Nestor Palaca (Maria Teresa Palaca)
Fri Oct 10	8 am	Special Intentions Michelle Newton (S. Suppa)
Sat Oct 11	5 pm	† Jan Chokota (Steve & Paula Vitasek)
Sun Oct 12	8:30 am	† Luisa Sarrapochiello (Husband Frank)
	10 am	† Stanley John Surman (The Surman Family)
	11:30 am	PRO POPULO

Because of Faith

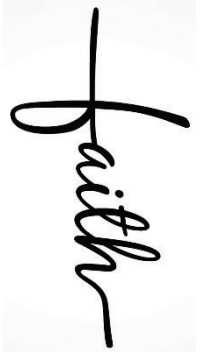
Habakkuk was a minor prophet who lived during the fall of Jerusalem in 586 B.C. He encouraged his fellow Jews to retain their faith during this disaster. He interprets faith as a persistent confidence in God's saving power. Paul cites this passage to defend his theology that a person is justified by his faith and not by religious deeds. Jesus will also insist on the priority of faith in today's Gospel.



(Lonsdale Commentaries & Clip-art)

Faith

A lively Catholic Faith needs food to survive. First and foremost the Bread of Life, the Eucharist. We encourage you to attend Mass. Faith means nothing unless we shake off our lethargy and live what it means. Why not invite someone you know and love to join you for Sunday or weekday Mass: a friend, family member, neighbor or workmate. Bring Jesus to them and them to Jesus. Weekday Masses are celebrated at St. Leo's on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday @ 8 am – Wednesday @ 7 pm with Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help and Benediction following Holy Mass. Join us for Wednesday night devotions, you'll be happy you did.



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

Serra Vocation

"Increase our faith." Listen for the voice of God. Are you being called to be a priest, deacon or religious brother or sister? If God is calling you contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997. Email: vocations@archtoronto.org

Becoming 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 please call the Parish Office (416 251-1109).

Share your blessings this Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving is a time for gratitude, but right now families are struggling to put enough food on the table. ShareLife has returned with the Food Security Grants – dedicating \$800,000 to help those in need of a warm meal. Will you share your blessings by making a contribution to our parish's ShareLife Campaign? Please help combat hunger at sharelife.org/donate or by giving at our parish using a ShareLife envelope. Thank you for your compassion.

Join us for Scriptural Rosary
Every Friday @ 6:30 pm

It's time to give Thanks!

Monday, October 13th is Thanksgiving Day in Canada; join us for our annual Thanksgiving Mass and Food Drive celebration at 10:00 am. NO 8:00 am mass that morning. Please bring a donation of canned goods or other non-perishable food items for "St. Francis Table" and "The Good Shepherd Refuge". A collection will be taken for the St. Vincent de Paul Society to help assist the needy families in our community. Envelopes for the Thanksgiving collection are located on the cabinets at the back of the church. Thank you for your support.



Invitation to Parishioners

In Thanksgiving, the members of the St Leo's St. Vincent de Paul, will be hosting a coffee social after the 10 am mass on Thanksgiving Monday Oct 13th in the parish hall. Please take time to join us and share Thanksgiving cheer with your fellow parishioners.

First Communion & Confirmation Preparation

Once again we remind you that 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. If you missed the meeting of the overview of the program this past week, please speak to our Pastor Fr. Nick after Sunday Mass celebration for any matter or concern, and he will be able to assist you.

Catholic's in Recovery

Hope and healing for those impacted by addiction

Catholic in Recovery provides healing from addictions, compulsions and unhealthy attachments. Family members impacted by a loved one's addiction are also encouraged to attend. 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. Confidentiality is protected.

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
WEBSITE: <https://www.catholicinrecovery.com>

Parish Headcount

The yearly headcount of Mass attendance in all the parishes and mission communities will take place the weekends of October 18/19 and October 25/26. This will help provide an accurate profile of Mass attendance in the Archdiocese of Toronto.

Life Chain: This Sunday October 5th

Life Chain is a public witness to the sanctity of human life that takes place annually on the first Sunday of October across North America. Christians peacefully gather at select locations to pray for an end to abortion. Please join us this Sunday, October 5th immediately following the 11:30 am Mass, for a peaceful and silent demonstration in front of the Church.



The Sanctuary Lamp
The Sanctuary Lamp for the month of October is offered for:
Edgar & Mary Casha

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

Lina Basso

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

Online Credit Card Donations

If you wish to make an online credit card donation to St. Leo's Parish, you may do so through our new St. Leo's Parish website by visiting stleoset.archtoronto.org and selecting the "DONATE" button. You may make a single donation or set up a recurring gift. You can also specify to where your donation will be directed: Offertory, Building Fund, etc. A receipt for online credit card donations will be sent to you from the Archdiocese. Receipts for a single donation will be e-mailed immediately. If you decide to set up a recurring gift, a tax receipts will be sent to you at the end of the year from the Archdiocese of Toronto.

Bishop Allen Academy Open House

Bishop Allen Academy is welcoming all grade 8 students and families to our annual Open House on Thursday, October 23 starting at 6:30pm. Students and families are invited to join us and experience the tradition of academic excellence, high achievement, and faith-based learning that has earned Bishop Allen its position as one of the top schools in Ontario. Join us to learn about the unique education and athletic opportunities Bishop Allen offers including Advanced Placement, French Immersion, and Specialist High-Skills Major programs. Gaudete in Domino- Rejoice in the Lord!

OCTOBER 7TH

Our Lady of the Rosary

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