St. Leo's Parish

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Pastoral Team

Pastor: Fr. Nicola Defina



Feast of the Holy Family

Mass of for the Intentions Week		
Sat Dec 27	5 pm	† Chloe Rosatelli (The Family)
Sun Dec 28	8:30 am	PRO POPULO
	10 am	† Silvio Ciccocelli (Lina Ciccocelli & Family)
	11:30 am	Special Intentions for Arleen Moreno
Mon Dec 29	8 am	Special Intentions Mary Cutrara (Vince & Bianca Moreno)
Tue Dec 30	8 am	† Liz Villania (Agnes Martinez)
Wed Dec 31	8 am	† Maria Melo (The Family)
Wed Dec 31 New Year's Eve	5 pm	† Tony Del Fuoco (Connie Del Fuoco)
Thu Jan 1 New Year's Day	10 am	For the Intentions of Roberto Suppa (S. Suppa)
	11:30 am	PRO POPULO
Fri Jan 2	8 am	† Christopher Gorski (Barbara Gorski)
Sat Jan 3	8 am	† Biagio, Civita & Bruno Forte (The Family)
	5 pm	Birthday Blessings Ezekiel Dakila (Mila Medina)
Sun Jan 4	8:30 am	† Luisa Sarrapochiello (Husband Frank)
	10 am	† Virgilio Fuoco (Pierina Fuoco & Family)
	11:30 am	PRO POPULO

Put on compassion

Paul gives some good, practical advice for life that was echoed by Shakespeare in Hamlet: "assume a virtue if you have it not. "In other words, if you want to develop certain virtues just pretend that you have them and the habit



will grow. The idea is not to live a pretense, but that one of the best ways to grow a habit of good deeds is to just start doing them. Eventually they become instinctive.

(Lonsdale Commentaries & Clip-Art)

Solemnity of Mary Mother of God

January 1st is the Solemnity of The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God. The Church has deemed the Solemnity of Mary a holy day of obligation. This day reminds Christians of the role Mary



played. After all, the birth of Christ wouldn't have been possible without Mary. January 1st is also World Day of Prayers for Peace. Mass will be celebrated on Saturday @ 5 pm and on Sunday at 10:00 am and 11:30 am.

Closing Mass for the Jubilee Year

We wish to extend a warm invitation to the faithful of the archdiocese to join with Cardinal Leo for the Closing Mass for the Year of Jubilee on Sunday, December 28, 2025 at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica at 5 p.m. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available with numerous priests present from 3:30 to 4:45 p.m. All are most welcome.

Eucharistic Adoration
First Friday of the month February 6, 2026
Following the 8 am Mass
Rosary at 7:30am.
Adoration concludes with Holy Mass
Saturday morning February 7,, 2026 @ 8 am
Come. See. Hear. Encounter.
Experience the Real Presence of Jesus

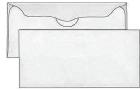
Serra Vocation

By Baptism we are God's holy family today. Pray for the grace to live faithfully your vocation as a single, married, ordained or consecrated person. If God is calling you, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.

Email: vocations@archtoronto.org

Sunday Offering Envelopes

Please pick up your 2026 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 as your number might have changed. Thank you for your support.

Adult Faith Education Continuing

For a deeper understanding of the word of God, interested parishioners can participate in this faith development program. The program will re-start on Friday, January 23rd, 2026 @ 7 pm in the church basement hall.



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 A, which began the first Sunday of Advent. For help with the missal, please see one of our ushers at the back of the church.

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

Jean Liepic Leonardo Della Guardia

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



The Sanctuary Lamp for the month of January is reserved by Anna Maria Cerullo.

In Loving Memory of
All Deceased Members of the Cerullo Family

The St. Leo's Quilting Group

The Quilters meets every Monday from 10 am to 2 pm. They would love to have you join them. If you cannot stay for the entire time, you are welcome to come and stay for as many hours as you wish. If you do not know how to quilt but would like to learn, they will be glad to teach you. If interested please call Jean @ (416) 259-8765.

We want to say "Thank you" to our Parishioners and all our volunteers for your continued devotion and commitment to the life of our parish. Thank you for



the time, energy and talent you give so freely, as well as for your generous support. Without your support our church could not survive, let alone develop and grow. We thank you for your inspiring, rewarding, and witness as we build a community, filled with faith, love and service. God Bless you all!

A New Year filled with Hope and Joy

Today we stand on the doorstep of a new year. May we leave behind all struggles, sorrows and pain and walk hand-in-hand with Jesus our Savior into a future



filled with hope and joy. On New Year's Day we join our brothers and sisters all over the world in a prayer for peace and reconciliation among nations and peoples. We encourage every parishioner to seek the intercession of Mary, the Most Holy Mother of God. Pray the Rosary and ask her to intercede with Jesus her Divine Son. To all who call St. Leo's Parish their home we wish many blessings in the New Year! May God always keep you in his care!

Thank you!

To all the parishioners who generously donated socks, undergarments, hats, scarves, clothing and non-perishable food to our "Christmas Food & Clothing Drive" THANK YOU, your generosity is greatly appreciated! The big load of many boxes and bags will be delivered to the Good Shepherd Refuge and to the Canadian Food for Children.

Thank you and God Bless!



New Year's Schedule
Wednesday December 31st
8 am
New Year's Eve
5 pm
Thursday January 1st 2026
New Year's Day
(Solemnity of Mary Mother of God)
(Day of Obligation)
10.00 am & 11:30 am
Epiphany of Our Lord Jan 3/4
Saturday 5 pm
Sunday



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

Saturday January 31st @ 7 pm Movie Night in the parish hall Please join us.

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