## St. Leo's Parish

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#### **Pastoral Team**

Pastor: Fr. Nicola Defina

### Epiphany of the Lord



The Wise Still Seek Him.

Mass for the Intentions Week		
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	† <b>Virgilio Fuoco</b> (Pierina Fuoco & Family)
	11:30 am	PRO POPULO
Mon Jan 5	8 am	Birthday Blessings for Alison (Aida Manlangit)
Tue Jan 6	8 am	† Carla Suppa (S. Suppa)
Wed Jan 7	7 pm	Deceased Manlangit, Ruiz, Reeves & Glasgow Families (Aida Manlangit)
Thu Jan 8	8 am	† John & Josephine Walshe (Robert & Patricia)
Fri Jan 9	8 am	Blessings & Thanksgiving for Mark (Aida Manlangit)
Sat Jan 10	5 pm	† Dominic & Carmela Ruggiero (Donna Micco)
Sun Jan 11	8:30 am	† Theresa Dalla Costa (The Family)
	10 am	† Giorgio Franco (Norm Davis)
	11:30 am	PRO POPULO

#### Solemnity of the Lord's Epiphany

What the Church celebrates today is the manifestation of our Lord to the whole world; after being made known to the shepherds of Bethlehem He is revealed to the Maai who have come from the East to adore Him. All Christian tradition have seen in the adoration of the Magi the beginnings of Christian faith, the time when the great mass of the heathen sets off to follow the star which summons it to seek its Savior.



(Lonsdale Commentaries & Clip-Art)

#### Holyday Thanks!!

We thank all those who made our Christmas Celebrations a welcoming and wonderful experience. Thank you to all our volunteers who throughout the year with their continued service contribute greatly to the growth of our parish. appreciation special aettogether is being planned for all volunteers for Friday February



13th (Please save the date). Mass @ 7 pm and social gathering following Holy Mass. More details to follow in the weeks to come. Special thanks to all our parishioners for making these joyous days a special blessing for the entire community with your presence, prayers and support! God Bless!

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

"On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid Him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered Him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh." God asks us to give our lives. What treasures have been given to you to share with others in Christ's name? If God is calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, 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 23<sup>rd</sup>, 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

#### Sanctuary Lamp

We invite to make an offering for candle to the Blessed Sacrament, it can be made in memory of a loved one, a birthday, an anniversary or a special family occasion. The Sanctuary lamp burns continuously reminding us of Christ the eternal and everlasting light, it is scheduled on a first come first serve basis, to ensure an equal opportunity for everyone; please call the parish office at 416-251-1109.

#### Kindergarten Registration

The Toronto Catholic District School Board welcomes families with kindergarten-aged children to register for the September 2026/2027 school year @ St. Leo's Catholic School or St. Louis Catholic School. Kindergarten (JK): Child must be 4 by December 31st to start in September. Senior Kindergarten (SK): Child must be 5 by December 31st to start in September. Registrations begin in January 2026. Parents/guardians have the option to register online or inperson at their designated Catholic school. Please check with your local schools for more details.

#### A New Beginning

The arrangement of our calendar are symbolic. We have Thanksgiving. Then Christmas follows with all the promises. Salvation, grace, love, hope, and peace; New Year follows immediately. The possibility of a new beginning, a new start, someone wrote words like this many



years ago "The New Year lies before us, like a field of freshly fallen snow, be careful where you walk, for every step will show". He said the great thing about the Christmas message was that "no matter what your past has been, you can start over again. God has made it possible in the sending of His Son to save us from our sins. In life God loves us and no matter what we've been, we can start over. That's the Christmas message. That's the challenge of a New Year.

#### **Registration Makes Sense**

We encourage all who attend Mass at St. Leo to formally register with the parish. Young adults now out in the working world should register under their own name. This will be important when you need a reference letter or wish to be married. Pick up a box of 2026 envelopes. The first envelope is your registration form. The number on the box is your personal number. Use the envelopes whenever you come to Mass.

#### What star is this?

A bright star in the heavens announced the birth of Jesus Christ in Bethlehem. It drew wise men from the East into the presence of God. During this year every Catholic is called to be "a light for the nations". We are called to evangelize our family, neighbors and friends by our words and actions.

#### 2026 Calendars

Please help yourself to the new calendars for 2026 located on the cabinets at the back of the church. The calendars are sponsored by Hogle Funeral Home and Ridley Funeral Home for your convenience. We thank Hogle & Ridley for their kindness and generosity and for their continuous support.



Saturday January 31st @ 7 pm Movie Night in the parish hall



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