

# st. leo's parish

WEEKLY BULLETIN

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## OFFICE HOURS

Tues thru Thurs - 9am to 4pm  
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St Leo's School  
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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  
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

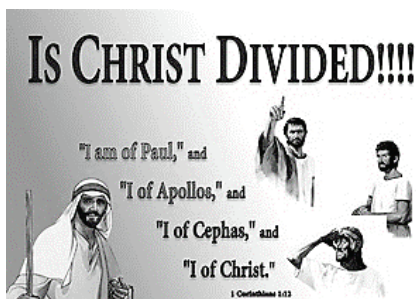
☐ Moving Out of Parish

ST. LEO'S PARISH IS WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE

 <b>Mass Intentions for the Week</b>		
Sat Jan 24	5 pm	† Gloria Felaire (St. Leo's Quilters)
Sun Jan 25	8:30 am	† Giovanni & Giovannina Foschini (Fiorina Foschini & Family)
	10 am	PRO POPULO
	11:30 am	† Gloria Felaire (11:30 am Choir)
Mon Jan 26	8 am	† Biagio, Civita & Bruno Forte (The Family)
Tue Jan 27	8 am	† Joao & Maria Jose Maduro (Maria Coelho)
Wed Jan 28	7 pm	Birthday Blessings Conchita Lubarbio (Helena Zenaida Clemente)
Thu Jan 29	8 am	† Aileen Connell (Adele Blady)
Fri Jan 30	8 am	† Elizabeth Villania (The Family)
Sat Jan 31	5 pm	† Domenic & Carmela Ruggiero (Donna Micco)
Sun Feb 1	8:30 am	† Pat Chisholm (Wife Joan & Family)
	10 am	PRO POPULO
	11:30 am	† Maurice Lacroix (Wife Brenda)

### I belong to Apollo

Paul's success in winning converts in Corinth, Greece attracted a large interest among other missionaries. One of these was an Egyptian Jew by the named of Apollos. The latter knew only a limited amount about Christianity, having been a disciple of John the Baptist. In Ephesus Paul took him aside and explained the full range of Jesus' teachings. Apollos then went to Corinth and founded a second church. Peter also seems to have followed this pattern. Eventually there were four separate Christian communities in the city and a jealous struggle developed between them. Paul teaches that there should be only one church--that of Jesus Christ. It would be a universal or catholic church.



(Lonsdale Commentaries & Clip-art)

### Candlemas Day

The Christian Festival of Lights is celebrated annually on February 2nd. It celebrates three occasions; the presentation of the child Jesus; Jesus' first entry into the temple; and the Purification of the Blessed Virgin. Christians consider Jesus as the "light of the world" so it is fitting that candles are blessed on this day. Also on this day parishes around the world celebrate World Day for Consecrated Life. Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life, and be sure to thank them on their special day.



### 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

### Great series of feasts coming up:

- **Wednesday January 28th Saint Thomas Aquinas**, Priest and Doctor of the Church.
- **Saturday Jan 31st - St. John Bosco (1815 – 1888)** Patron of youth, founder of the Salesian Society, dedicated his life to the betterment and education of the disadvantaged youth.
- **Monday February 2<sup>nd</sup> – Candlemas Day**
- **Tuesday Feb 3<sup>rd</sup> - St. Blaise Bishop and Martyr**, Patron and protector against afflictions of the throats

### Serra Vocation

"Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." Are you willing to proclaim the coming of the kingdom as a priest, deacon, 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](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)

save  
**THE DATE**

**Saturday January 31<sup>st</sup> @ 7 pm**  
**Movie Night in the parish hall**

## World Day for Consecrated Life

Next Monday, February 2, the Church celebrates the World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life. In the Archdiocese of Toronto we are blessed to have living and serving among us more than 900 religious men and women of 100 different religious congregations. Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life.



### Celebration of Marriage

**Mass with Bishop John Boissonneau**

**Sunday, February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2026 2:30 PM**

**St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond Street)**

**All are welcome!**

Special recognition for those celebrating 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup> and 60+ wedding anniversaries in 2026.

Couples that are celebrating special anniversaries, may register for reserved seating. Registration and other important information can be found

at [www.archtoronto.org/marriage](http://www.archtoronto.org/marriage).

Call: 416-934-3400 ext. 523

Please pray for the sick of our Parish:

And for the souls of the deceased:

**Edwin Dalli**

**Elizabeth O'Keefe**

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

*In Loving Memory Of*

*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*

### Online Credit Card Donations

If you wish to make an online credit card donation to St. Leo's Parish, you may do by visiting our website: [stleoset.archtoronto.org](http://stleoset.archtoronto.org) and select the "DONATE NOW" 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.

## Volunteer Appreciation Night Friday Feb 13<sup>th</sup>

We take the time to thank all volunteers in our community, who dedicate their time and talents to serve our parish. We are fortunate for their continued service and support. A special appreciation get-together night is planned for all volunteers, for Friday February 13<sup>th</sup>. Holy Mass @ 7 pm and buffet dinner following Mass. The invitation is extended to all volunteers and guest.

  
**Thank You  
Volunteers**

### Tax Receipts

Your 2025 Income Tax receipts for all donations made to St. Leo's Parish are in the process of being prepared. All charitable donations made to the church are deductible and can be used for income tax purposes. Please pick up a numbered box of Sunday Offering Envelopes and use them for your weekly gifts to the parish. Envelope users are the strength and support of our parish. Thank you for your continued support!

### Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience

**March 7-8, 2026 Fall in Love Again!**

Join us on March 7-8 at Queen of Apostles for a weekend that could change your life. Discover the Secrets to a Lasting, Supportive, and Transformational Marriage! This weekend is for couples, whether you are newlyweds or have been married for decades. **Contact us NOW:** Christian & Elizabeth Arroba, 416-554-4439 or 416-554-7062 [christian.elizabeth.arroba@wwme.org](mailto:christian.elizabeth.arroba@wwme.org)

### Adult Faith

For a deeper understanding of the word of God, interested parishioners can participate in this faith development program. Friday, January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2026 @ 7 pm in the church basement hall.



### Lift Jesus Higher Youth Rally 2026

**Saturday, March 14, 2026 9 am - 5 pm**

**North Building, Metro Toronto Convention Centre**

Youth (ages 13-18) are invited to be inspired through the Word, worship, and sacraments at the Lift Jesus Higher Youth Rally on Saturday, March 14, 2026, at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre. Fr. Alex Coluatti, CC, Sr. Mary Gabriel Devlin, SV, and Rachel Herbeck will

give inspiring talks, Connor Flanagan will perform, and Steadfast Worship will lead worship. The day will include Eucharistic Adoration and Holy Mass celebrated by Fr. Alex Coluatti. **CONTACT:** Catholic Renewal Ministries Canada **PHONE:** 647-559-8384 **EMAIL:** [ljhr@renewalministries.net](mailto:ljhr@renewalministries.net)





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