

st. leo's parish

WEEKLY BULLETIN

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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
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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

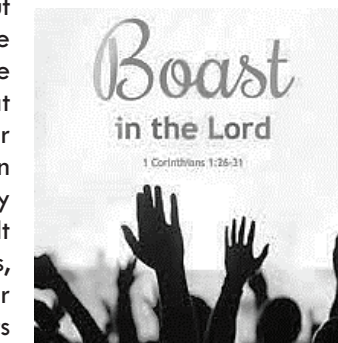


Mass Intentions for the Week

Sat 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)
Mon Feb 2	8 am	Special Intentions Fr. Ray Fortin (Robert & Patricia)
Tue Feb 3	8 am	† Biagio & Civita Forte (The Family)
Wed Feb 4	7 pm	† Ona Olekas (Friends)
Thu Feb 5	8 am	† Jean Lipiec (Adele Blady)
Fri Feb 6	8 am	† Carla Suppa (S. Suppa)
Sat Feb 7	8 am	All Souls of Purgatory (Maria Coehlo)
	5 pm	Birthday Blessings for Sherlon Desabaye (Mom)
Sun Feb 8	8:30 am	Special Intentions for Marie Paul (Agnes Martinez)
	10 am	PRO POPULO
	11:30 am	Blessings for Joshau (Granma Sonia)

Whoever boasts

People who brag about themselves often do so because of low self-esteem. Others are really so self-centered that they brag to advertise. Either case is an example of a sin against humility. No one is truly self-made. We are the result of the contributions of dozens, probably hundreds of other people. Our greatest talents come from God. Paul is writing about a group of self-important missionaries in Corinth. They have been bragging that they have "secret knowledge" from Jesus that no one else possesses. Paul rightfully acknowledges God's dominant role in everything that he has accomplished.



(Lonsdale Commentaries & Clip-art)

Candlemas

Monday February 2nd, the Church celebrates the feast of the Presentation of the Lord which occurs forty days after the birth of Jesus and the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary, also known as Candlemas. Christians consider Jesus as the "light of the world" so it is fitting that candles are blessed on this day. The Presentation of the Lord concludes the celebration of the Nativity and with the offerings of the Virgin Mother and the prophecy of Simeon, the events now point toward Easter. Also on this day, the Church demonstrates its gratitude to all those in the community that dedicate themselves in a privileged way to prayer and to those who have a particular religious vocation.



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

"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven..." Do not be discouraged by jeers when considering being 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

Celebration of Marriage

Mass with Bishop John Boissonneau

Next Sunday, February 8th, 2026 2:30 PM

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

All are welcome!

All married couples will have the opportunity to renew their marriage commitment during the Mass. Reserved seating is available for couples celebrating a 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ anniversary in 2026. Seating is limited and available by advance registration. Registration and additional information @: www.archtoronto.org/marriage

Adult Faith

For a deeper understanding of the word of God, interested parishioners can participate in this faith development program. Friday, February 6 @ 7 pm in the church basement hall.



Volunteer Appreciation Night Friday Feb 13th

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 13th. Holy Mass @ 7 pm and buffet dinner following Mass. The invitation is extended to all volunteers and guest.



Gather your Palms

Traditionally, ashes used on Ash Wednesday are palms that have been collected from the previous year's Palm Sunday; they are burned down into a fine powder and mixed with holy water or chrism oil to create a light paste; or sometimes they are left dry and are sprinkled on the head rather than made into a paste. If you have palms at home from previous Palm Sundays, you can bring them back to church and they will be burned, and used this year on Ash Wednesday.

Tuesday Feb 3rd - St. Blaise Bishop and Martyr

Protector of all afflictions of the throat which feast is celebrated on this day throughout the Christian world, we pray in a special way for protection and from sicknesses of the throat and other diseases. Blessings of the throat will take place at the 8 am mass. (Parishioners are welcome to ask for this blessing anytime during the year).

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

The Sanctuary Lamp for the month of
February is offered by
Helena Zenaida Clemente for:
Special Intentions & Thanksgiving

Save THE date

Movie night in the parish hall
Saturday February 28th @ 7 pm

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



17th Annual Dynamic Women of Faith Conference

Saturday, March 21, 2026 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Le TrePort Banquet Hall - 1075 Queensway E,

Johnnette Benkovic Williams from EWTN - What does it mean to be a Woman?

Sister John Mary SV - Learning to Listen in a Distracted World

April Smith from North Pole Alaska - Live Adventurously, Live Virtuously

Dorothy Pilarski - One Mother's Heart - One Mother's Fiat
Natalie Regnier - Brick by Brick: Building a Strong Family
Bishop Ivan Camilleri will be celebrating the Closing Mass

TO REGISTER: dwf2026.eventbrite.ca

Free Catholic Estate Planning Webinar

Saturday, February 7, 2026, 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 and write

"Webinar February 7" in the title line + your name(s) in the body of the message.

Sunday: The Original Feast Day

Sunday, the day of the Lord's resurrection, is the original Christian feast day. Following the tradition handed down from the Apostles, we gather in community to hear the Word and to celebrate our communion with Christ in the banquet of his Body and Blood. Catholics who come to Mass bring themselves closer to Christ and the communion of the Church.



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