

st. leo's parish

WEEKLY BULLETIN

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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
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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

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

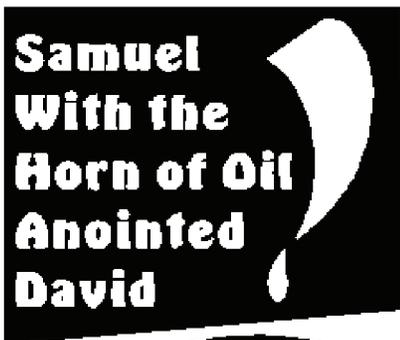


Masses For The Week

Sat Mar 14	5 pm	† Pat Chisholm (Joan Chisholm & Family)
Sun Mar 15	8:30 am	† Luisa Sarrapochiello (Husband Frank)
	10 am	PRO POPULO
	11:30 am	† Matthew Fusaro (Raffaella, Francisco & Olivia)
Mon Mar 16	8 am	† Maria Rita & Domenico Del Buno (Lucy Zita)
Tue Mar 17	8 am	† Fr. Ralph Paonessa (Anna Maria Cerullo)
Wed Mar 18	7 pm	Bienvenida & Catalina Deblois (From: Children)
Thu Mar 19	8 am	Birthday Blessings Laura Brooks (Anna Maria Cerullo)
Fri Mar 20	8 am	† Ron Purdy
Sat Mar 21	5 pm	PRO POPULO
Sun Mar 22	8:30 am	† Antonio Galardo & Family (Mario Galardo & Family)
	10 am	† Denise Thomas (Brenda Lacroix)
	11:30 am	† Eduardo Pontes (Infancia Pontes)

Jesse's Son

In the 13th century B.C. the people of Israel demanded that their self-governing confederation be converted to a monarchy. They reasoned that this would unite them against their stronger neighbors. The first king, Saul, proved unstable. Samuel, the priest-kingmaker, decided to replace him. He went to Bethlehem and chose the youngest son of a local sheep rancher. The boy, David, will be Israel's greatest king.



(Lonsdale Commentaries and Clip-Art)

Treasures from our tradition

Fasting may be a priority in your Lenten regimen. Almost every religious tradition recognizes that fasting is a key to heightened spiritual awareness. In fasting from food or drink, or habitual behaviors you make room for what is truly important. Even though Lenten Sundays stand apart from the Lenten fast, you will notice traces of fasting in our liturgy. We fast from singing the Gloria and Alleluia, we fast from flowers bedecking the altar. This hints that fasting is a prelude of feasting, and the vigor of our Easter alleluias is rich fare after a long silence.

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Eucharistic Adoration
 First Friday of the month May 1, 2026
 Following the 8 am Mass
 Rosary at 7:30am
 Adoration concludes with Holy Mass
 Saturday morning May 2, 2026 @ 8 am
 Come. See. Hear. Encounter.
 Experience the Real Presence of Jesus

Serra Vocation

"We must work the works of Him who sent me while it is day." Are you being called to a life as an ordained or a consecrated person? If God is calling you to serve him as a priest, deacon, brother or sister, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997. Email: vocations@archtoronto.org

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

Bebiana Payoyo
Tommy Cheung
Ann Doyle

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

**Save the Date for the:
 2026 National March for Life**

Join us May 14, 2026
 Our theme for the 2026 National March for Life is "FOLLOW ME"

And He said to them, 'Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men.' Immediately they left their nets and followed Him. (Matthew 4:19-20) These are words that changed history. "Follow Me" is first and foremost an invitation to be disciples of Jesus and fishers of men.



Mar 17th & Mar 19th

We reach out to all our Irish parishioners and friends and wish them and their loved ones a Happy St. Patrick's Day, Many Blessings, Love and Laughter and lots of good luck" on March 17th. We also congratulate all our Polish and Italian parishioners on the Feast of St. Joseph March 19th. St. Joseph is the patron saint of Poland as well as Canada and Italy. We extend our congratulations to all the persons named Joseph, Josephine, Josie, Joe etc. Happy St. Patrick's and St. Joseph's day!

**St. Patrick
&
St. Joseph**



Stations of the Cross
Fridays during Lent @ 7:00 pm
in Church

Income Tax Receipts

Your income tax receipts are ready to be picked up. They are located in a box on the cabinets at the back of the church and are in alphabetical order. You may ask one of our ushers for assistance. We like to thank our parishioners and friends for the kind support and prayers. God Bless!

Adult Faith

For a deeper understanding of the word of God, interested parishioners can participate in this faith development program. Friday, March 20th @ 8 pm in the church basement hall.



The Sanctuary Lamp for the month of March is offered by
Agnes Martinez for:
Special Intentions & Thanksavina

Meatless Fridays

Many Catholics mistakenly think that Friday abstinence from meat is a thing of the past. It's not! The universal law of the Church requires all Catholics to abstain from meat on every Friday of the year. In Canada our bishops permit us to substitute another penance of "equal value". Please offer your Friday sacrifice for those Catholics who no longer come to Mass.

*Saturday Night @ the
Movies
Saturday March 28th in
the Parish Hall*

Tenebrae Service

The Victoria Scholars Men's Choral Ensemble, under the direction of Dr. Jerzy Cichocki, will present Tenebrae in our church on Palm Sunday, March 29th at 7:30pm. Written in the middle of the last century by Monsignor John Edward Ronan - principal founder of Toronto's St. Michael's Choir School - the Tenebrae responsorial convey the sorrow of Holy Week in this solemn and noble music. Admission is free, free-will offerings are welcome.



Week of Confessions Schedule March 22 nd - 28 th 2026			
Sunday March 22 12:30 - 1:30 pm	Monday March 23 7 - 8 am 7 - 8 pm	Tuesday March 24 7 - 8 am	Wednesday March 25 6 - 7 pm
Thursday March 26 7 - 8 am 7 - 7:30 pm	Friday March 27 7 - 8 am 5 - 7 pm	Saturday March 28 4 - 5 pm	

Palm Sunday & Holy Week Schedule	
PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD SATURDAY MARCH 28 TH 5 PM SUNDAY MARCH 29 TH , 8:30, 10 & 11:30 AM	
HOLY THURSDAY APRIL 2 ND 7:00 PM MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT UNTIL 12:00 MIDNIGHT No 8:00 AM MASS	GOOD FRIDAY APRIL 3 RD 2:30 PM DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS 3:00 PM PASSION OF THE LORD HOLY FRIDAY LITURGY 7:00 PM STATIONS OF THE CROSS No 8:00 AM MASS
HOLY SATURDAY APRIL 4 TH 12:00 NOON BLESSING OF EASTER BASKETS	HOLY SATURDAY APRIL 4 TH 7:00 PM EASTER VIGIL No 5:00 PM MASS
EASTER SUNDAY APRIL 5 TH REGULAR SUNDAY SCHEDULE 8:30, 10 & 11:30 AM	DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY APRIL 12 TH REGULAR SUNDAY SCHEDULE 8:30, 10 & 11:30 AM DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS 3 PM

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