

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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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

PENTECOST SUNDAY



Masses For The Week

Sat May 23	8 am	All Souls of Purgatory (Agnes Martinez)
	5 pm	† Luigi Troian (Anne Tatoff)
Sun May 24	8:30 am	† Helen & Steve Golan (Joanna Bak)
	10 am	† Rafael Aniceta Moreno & Deceased Family Members (The Family)
	11:30 am	PRO POPULO
Mon May 25	8 am	In Thanksgiving Francisco & Victoria Lopez 48th Wedding Anniversary
Tue May 26	8 am	† George Cerezo (Alicia Dy)
Wed May 27	7 pm	† John D'Ambrosio (St. Leo's Friends)
Thu May 28	8 am	† Pat Galardo (Anna Maria Cerullo)
Fri May 29	8 am	† Biagio, Elena & Mariano Forte (The Family)
Sat May 30	5 pm	PRO POPULO
Sun May 31	8:30 am	† Rafaelita Payoyo (Peter Payoyo)
	10 am	† Deceased Members of the Molto Family
	11:30 am	† Zenonas Grigsag, Edvardas Slusnys & Aniceta Degutis (Kostancija Degutyte)

The great 50 days of Easter

The Season of Easter concludes with today's celebration, the Feast of Pentecost, celebrated 50 days after Easter Sunday. The word has its roots in the Greek word 'pentecoste,' which means '50th day. Today we celebrate the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles gathered in the upper room in Jerusalem. It is the gift of the Holy Spirit that empowers the disciples to begin preaching, bringing others to know and love Christ and to become part of the Church. Jesus fulfilled his promise to send to his disciples a helper, an advocate, who would enable them to be his witnesses throughout the world. Today we rejoice in the gifts of the Holy Spirit: wisdom, understanding, knowledge, fortitude, counsel, piety and fear of the Lord (Isaiah 11:2). Gifts given to each and every one of us through the Sacrament of Confirmation.



(Lonsdale Commentaries & Clip-Art)

EUCCHARISTIC PROCESSION



**Corpus Christi Procession
Sunday June 7th**

**Join us in
Honoring the Body and
Blood of Christ**

Sunday June 7th the feast of the Most Holy Blood and Body of Christ it's a time to render special devotion to the belief we have in Jesus' "real presence" in the Blessed Sacrament. Join us on this beautiful and sacred feast day as we process with the Blessed Sacrament. This is a wonderful opportunity to show our faith. The Eucharistic procession will take place following the 11:30 am Mass, the route will be the immediate vicinity of the church.

Eucharistic Adoration

First Friday of the month June 5, 2026

Following the 8 am Mass

Rosary at 7:30am.

Adoration concludes with Holy Mass

Saturday morning June 6, 2026 @ 8 am

Come. See. Hear. Encounter.

Experience the Real Presence of Jesus



Let us pray for the rest of our children who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, the special strength of the

Holy Spirit, this Sunday May 24th @ the 11:30 am mass. We offer prayerful good wishes to the young people of our parish, may the peace and love of God accompany you always.

Please pray for the sick of our Parish:

Mike Cerullo

And for the souls of the deceased:

Luigi Sibilis

Communion for the homebound upon request, anointing of the sick with the seriously ill,

Or those undergoing surgery.

Please call the parish office

Your love can help others thrive

Mental health challenges can impact anyone, whether you're personally navigating them or supporting someone who is. These struggles transcend age and circumstance. Through your support, Catholic Family Services Agency funded by ShareLife, is instrumental in helping others see themselves as God sees them: loving, important, and enough. Thank you for living the Gospel by helping relieve the pain of those facing silent battles. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

NEXT SHARELIFE SUNDAY IS MAY 31ST 2026

PLEASE GIVE GENEROUSLY

Adult Faith

For a deeper understanding of the word of God, interested parishioners can participate in this faith development program. Friday, May 29th @ 7 pm in the church basement hall.



Would you like to spend a Day with Mary?

The event is taking place Saturday, May 30, 2026 at Villanova College in King City. Rain or shine, join His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo and so many others who love the Blessed Mother for A Day with Mary. Registration is now open – Register online today at <https://bit.ly/DWMRegistration>. Complete information can be found at <https://archtoronto.org/Mary>.

For safety sake

If you are elderly and living alone, it is always helpful to have a friend who you will call each day, and if the friend doesn't hear from you, ask them to call to check on you. Also, check in on your neighbors and offer help when you can especially those who are isolated or vulnerable. Check into safety alerts available on the market that are very helpful for people leaving alone.

Serra Vocation

“Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.” Send forth workers into your vineyard. If God is calling you to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.

Email: vocations@archtoronto.org

Devotions

Devotion prayers to Our Lady of Perpetual Help are prayed every Wednesday evening at 7:00 pm; prayers are followed immediately by Mass and then benediction with the Blessed Sacrament.

**Victoria Scholars Concert,
Sunday, May 24, 2026, 8PM @ St. Leo's Church**

Join the Victoria Scholar's Men's Choral Ensemble for an all a cappella concert. Composers from Canada and around the world will be featured in this varied Programme, including Denis Bédard, John Rutter, Randall Thompson, and Peter Togni,
Regular tickets \$30, Students / 65+ \$25.
Tickets available at the door; doors open 7:30pm.
Visit: victoriascholars.ca

The Sanctuary Lamp for the month of May is offered by:
Joan Chisholm & Children
In Remembrance of Pat Chisholm & for Special Intentions

Prayer for the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit

Lord Jesus Christ, before ascending into heaven You promised to send the Holy Spirit to finish Your work in the souls of Your Apostles and Disciples. Grant the same Holy Spirit to me that He may perfect in my soul, the work of Your grace and Your love. Grant me the Spirit of Wisdom that I may despise the perishable things of this world and only desire the things that are eternal; the Spirit of Understanding to enlighten my mind with the light of Your divine truth; the Spirit of Counsel that I may always choose the way of pleasing God and gaining heaven; the Spirit of Fortitude that I may bear my cross with You and overcome with courage all the obstacles that oppose my salvation; the Spirit of Knowledge that I may know God and myself and grow perfect on the path to holiness; the Spirit of Piety that I may seek to serve God and His Church; and the Spirit of Fear and Awe that I may be filled with a loving reverence towards God and may dread in any way to displease Him. Mark me, dear Lord, with the sign of Your true disciples and inspire me in all things with Your Spirit. Amen.



The Sequence

Several times a year the Church adds extra texts to the Mass. These are placed between the Alleluia and the Gospel and are called "Tropes" or "Sequences".



In the Middle Ages they developed as commentaries or reflections on the theme of the feast day. Because they had to be memorized, they were set to music. Eventually they included poems and material that had no official approval. Because of this, the Council of Trent reduced their number to four in the 16th century. (A fifth--the Stabat Mater--was later added.) The Sequence for Pentecost is one of those texts. It is known as the "Golden Sequence" because of its sweetness and short length. It developed between the 11th and 13th centuries, possibly written by monks from Switzerland. Its Latin name is "Veni Sancte Spiritus".

St. Leo's Saturday Night @
The Movies
May 30th 2026 @ 7 pm
Church Basement Hall

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