

St. Leo The Great

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Office Hours

Monday: closed
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Saturday: closed
Sunday: closed
Lunch break: 12 noon- 1:00 pm

Daily Mass Schedule

Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday: 8:30 am
Wednesday: 7:00 pm
First Saturday: 8:30 am

Church Doors During the Day Open

Check our parish website or parish doors for the schedule.

Benediction and Adoration of the Eucharist

Friday: 9:00 am to 10:00 am

Sunday Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 9:00 am and 11:00 am - with Children's Liturgy

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Friday: 9:15 am - 9:45 am
Saturday: 9:00 am - 9:30 am

Sacrament of Baptism

Please download the Baptism Information form from parish website and follow the instructions.

Sacrament of Marriage

The Archdiocese of Toronto requires that you contact your parish priest at least one year in advance. Please call the Parish Office.

Parish Registration

All families attending St. Leo's are requested to register with the parish. Registration forms are available in the vestibule of the church.

Altar Servers' Ministry

Altar Server practice and social every last Saturday of the month from 5:30 - 6:30pm.
Altar Servers/ children serve the mass they attend. Arrive 15 minutes before your mass if possible. Please register children for this ministry at the Welcome Centre.

Knights of Columbus

Grand Knight: Larry Hallihan
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Saint Vincent de Paul

President: Maureen Kerr
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Catholic Women's League (CWL)

President: Donna Shaddick
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Catholic Moms Group

Leaders: Lindsay & Shannon
stleosmg@catholicmomsgroup.com

Federation of North American Explorers (FNE)

Founder: Paul Ritchi
paul.ritchi@gmail.com
416-435-6593

Prayer Group: Divine Mercy Lectio Divina

Wednesdays at 7:30 pm in the lounge.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

Please contact the parish office to register for 2023/2024. The program runs from September to April on a weekly basis.

Local Hospitals & Emergency Pastoral Visits

There is a full-time Catholic priest assigned to these three hospitals at various times of the week: Oshawa, Whitby and Port Perry. Simply ask hospital staff to inquire as to whether Hospital Chaplain is present in the hospital or when he will be. If there is an emergency, please call St. Leo the Great Parish at 905-655-3286, ext.8

ASCENSION OF THE LORD



MASS INTENTIONS OF THE WEEK

Saturday, May 11th

4:30 p.m. pro populo

Sunday, May 12th

9:00 a.m. † Tomasina & † Francesco Caruso

11:00 a.m. † Sadie and † Lawrence Hallihan

Tuesday, May 14th

8:30 a.m. In thanksgiving for blessings received

Wednesday, May 15th

7:00 p.m. pro populo

Thursday, May 16th

8:30 a.m. † Innocenzo & Vincentzina (Mammone)

† Attilo & Maria (Tuzi)

Friday, May 17th

8:30 a.m. Intentions of our Catechists, First Communion and Confirmation students.

Saturday, May 18th

4:30 p.m. † Ivan Krizmanic

Sunday, May 19th

9:00 a.m. † Vince Corvinelli

11:00 a.m. † Luigu Giardullo

For: Sanctuary Light Request.

For: Vigil Light for Mary.

For: Visiting Statue of Blessed Virgin Mary.

For a visit by the parish priest.

Make your request at the office.

On this week @ St. Leo's Bulletin

- Food and toiletries drive
- Ministry Fair and Daughters of St Paul Religious Exhibit Weekend May 11-12
- R.C.I.A. fast track
- Year of Prayer Video Series
- St Leos Knights of Columbus Golf Tournament
- Matthias The Apostle
- Rose of Durham
- Catholic Moms' group
- Archbishop Leo's Message for Mother's Day
- Symbolon: catholic faith explained

Link to our archdiocesan church second website:

<https://stleothegreatbr.archtoronto.org>

Food and toiletries drive

In light of Pope Francis's recommendation for truth and reconciliation, our group called Movement for

Active Indigenous Allyship and Advocacy (MAIAA, formerly the YES Group) in collaboration with Native Child and Family Services of Toronto (NCFST) is hosting another Spring food and toiletry drive supporting the indigenous community in the GTA. I invite you to visit our website to learn more about the work we have been doing: maiaa.org. We have also been helping to address food insecurity issues in Nunavut.

The Knights of Columbus of our Parish will be collecting the standard toiletries, plus canned and dry groceries. Your support will be greatly appreciated.

Ministry Fair and Daughters of St Paul Religious Exhibit Weekend May 11-12

Religious Display: The Daughters of St. Paul are coming to our parish on May 11-12. The sisters will have articles offered for sale from books, to sacramentals (Rosaries, Crosses, etc.) in our parish Hall. They will display their goods after all three Masses for our parish.

Ministry Fair: On this weekend we are also running a Ministry Fair where the various ministries in our parish would have a table and a representative at hand. This is an opportunity for our parishioners to know more about the various ministries and volunteer in a ministry of their choosing.

R.C.I.A. fast track

We are contemplating a R.C.I.A. fast track course for eligible candidates wishing to be received in the Church. Check if you are eligible by contacting Father directly 905-655-3286 ext 8 if you are interested or if you know of someone who may be interested. Or please leave a voicemail.

Year of Prayer Video Series

In advance of the Jubilee Year taking place in 2025, the archdiocese has created a video series which will highlight the importance of prayer in our lives. The series will focus on the seven petitions of the Lord's Prayer as found in the fourth part of the Catechism of the Catholic Church. The first video, an introduction to the Year of Prayer by Archbishop Leo, is available for viewing now on the archdiocesan website (www.archtoronto.org) as well as on the archdiocesan YouTube channel at <https://www.youtube.com/@archtoronto>.

St Leos Knights of Columbus Golf Tournament

The Knights of Columbus at St Leo will have a golf tournament at the Oshawa Airport Golf Club on Saturday June 8th. First tee-off will be at 8:10. The tickets are \$65 and include golf, pizza lunch and 1 ticket for refreshments. Please contact Gerry Hanley by phone 905 409 0733 or by email gerryhanley18@gmail.com.

Matthias The Apostle

“Feast Day: May 14 (Roman Catholic)
Canonized: Pre-Congregation

If you were running for election, what qualifications would you have to offer to voters? Why should they elect you?

The Apostles faced the same questions. After Jesus returned to his Father in heaven, St. Peter spoke to a gathering of about 120 of Jesus’ disciples. He said they needed to elect an Apostle to replace Judas, who had betrayed the Lord.

Peter pointed out two qualifications that were necessary. First, the new Apostle must be someone who had been a follower of Jesus from his Baptism to his Ascension. Second, it had to be someone who had witnessed Christ’s Resurrection. The choice came down to two men: Joseph, who was sometimes called “Joseph the Just,” and Matthias. Both men were qualified, so the disciples drew lots. This means that they made their decision by drawing or pulling a marked piece of straw or cloth from a bundle. Matthias was the winner.

It was important for there to be 12 Apostles because Jesus had called 12 men to this special ministry. The Apostles wanted to show their respect for the Lord’s choice of 12 special followers.

We believe that Matthias immediately joined in the work of the Apostles—spreading the Good News about Jesus’ life, Death, and Resurrection and baptizing converts in his name. However, we do not know for certain where he preached or how he died. Tradition tells us that he became a missionary in foreign lands and that, like so many of the other Apostles, he died as martyr for his love of the Lord.

We honor Matthias as a saint and celebrate his feast day on May 14. Matthias was an eyewitness to all that Jesus did. He followed the Lord from the Jordan River, where he was baptized, to Calvary, to the empty tomb, and to the mountain top in Galilee where Jesus was taken up into the heavens. He cast his lot with Jesus from the very beginning. Like Matthias, we can choose to follow Jesus everyday.”

Source: <http://www.saintsresource.com/matthias-the-apostle>

Rose of Durham

The Knights of Columbus will be handing out Roses after each mass this weekend. A donation is appreciated, albeit voluntary. Donations will benefit the Lakeridge Hospital.

Catholic Moms’ group

All Moms are invited to join the St. Leos Mothers Group at our next meeting on Wednesday May 15th at 7:30pm in the boardroom. Connect with other moms from your community on this journey of motherhood. For more information contact Lindsay or Shannon at stleosmg@catholicmomsgroup.com.

Archbishop Leo's Message for Mother's Day

An excerpt: My Dear Friends, Happy Mother’s Day to all the mothers here in the Archdiocese of Toronto. During the month of May we not only celebrate the Virgin Mother of God, Mary most Holy, our spiritual mother, we celebrate indeed all mothers and in them, the gift of maternity.

<https://stleothegreat.ca/wordpress/MothersDay>

Symbolon: catholic faith explained

As part of our Thursday Program on Spiritual Teaching, Study and Growth, we invite you to join us on 16th May for the 10th and last episode of Symbolon: The Last Things: What Happens After We Die?

What does the Church really teach about death, judgment, Heaven, and Hell? It's time to separate the myths from the reality.




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