

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 - 6:30 pm.

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 lgba2008@yahoo.ca

Saint Vincent de Paul President: Maureen Kerr maureen.kerr100@gmail.com 905-655-3286 ext 3

Catholic Women's League (CWL) President: Donna Shaddick dmshaddick@gmail.com

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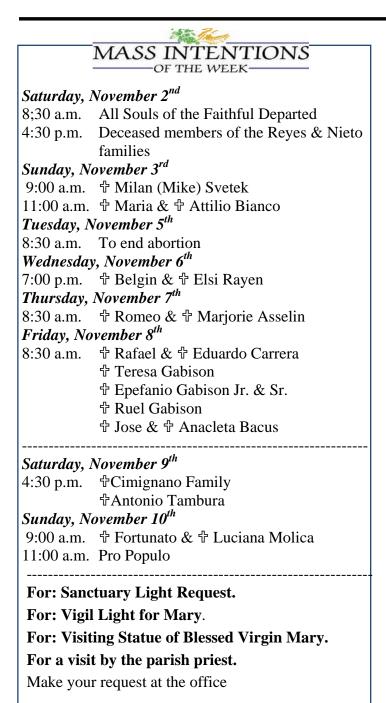
Prayer Group: Divine Mercy Lectio Divina Wednesdays at 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm in the lounge.

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



Link to our archdiocesan church second website: https://stleothegreatbr.archtoronto.org

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Temporary office hours

Up to and including November 20th, office hours will be reduced. Tuesdays – Friday 9 am to 2 pm with a noon to 1 pm lunch break.

First Communion celebration this Sunday

Congratulations to all the children doing their First Communion this Sunday. You have studied hard and learned a lot. Also a big thank you to all the volunteers that made this event a success.

Young men's group

Marek Viezner (<u>marek@moravianfarm.ca</u>) is organizing young men's group for 19-35 year olds. You will meet once or twice a month with bible-study and prayer, focused within context of their life. The next meeting will be on Nov 3rd, after the 9 o'clock Mass from 10 -11 a.m. in the boardroom.

Knights of Columbus events

Nov 4th, General Meeting at 7:30 pm in the Hall Nov 10th, Knight's breakfast. Debit/Credit payments are now accepted too.

Movie nights

Movie nights are now every Thursday at 7 pm in the Hall. This will be a weekly event until Christmas. On November 7th, the movie will be "Amazing Love". Teen friends, Steve, Carrie, Cooper, and Gameboy embark on a weekend camping trip lead by their church youth group leader Stuart and his wife Beth. Stuart takes this opportunity to share with the kids the incredibly powerful biblical story of Hosea; a story of immovable faith, impeccable commitment, and impervious love.

CWL Christmas Vendor market

November 16th, CWL hosts a Christmas Vendor's Market at St. Leo the Great's Parish Hall. It will be from 9 am to 3 pm. Admission is free.

Second Collection, Building Fund

There are Building Fund Envelopes in the pews. Please use them for the second collection this weekend

Catering

Franca Vasco, from an Italian heritage, and our parishioner. She and her family are visible in their contributions towards our parish. She is a great cook and would love to use her talents of cooking and baking to do fundraising for our parish St. Leo the Great. For details and more information, please call Franca 905-621-9658.

<u>Retreat</u>

Come & See – Discernment Weekend Retreat – Nov. 15–17, 2024 at St. Augustine's Seminary

The Office of Vocations will be hosting a Come & See Weekend Discernment Retreat for men 18 years and older, at St. Augustine's Seminary on Friday, Nov. 15 (6:30 p.m.) until Sunday, Nov. 17 (2 p.m.). This Retreat offers a way for men to discern a possible call to priesthood at our seminary., REGISTRATION: Must be done online at www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee CONTACT: For more information, please email vocations@archtoronto.org.

St. Charles Borromeo

Feastday: November 4

Patron: of bishops, catechists, cardinals, seminarians, spiritual leaders

On earth: October 2, 1538 - Death: November 3, 1584 Beatified: May 12, 1602 by Pope Paul V

Saint Charles Borromeo was born on October 2, 1538 at the castle of Arona on Lake Maggiore near Milan. His father was the Count of Arona and his mother a member of the House of Medici. He was the third of six children born to the couple.

At the age of 12, the young Count Charles Borromeo dedicated himself to a life of service to the Church. His uncle gave to him the family income from the Benedictine abbey of Saints Gratinian and Felinus. Even as a youth, his integrity was obvious. He was explicit in telling his father that he could only keep the money required for his education and to prepare him for service to the Church. All other funds belonged to the poor of the Church and were to be passed along to them. The young count suffered from a speech impediment that made him appear slow to those who did not know him. Despite this challenge, he performed well and impressed his teachers. He attended the University of Pavia and learned Latin. He was praised because he was hardworking and thorough.

In 1554 his father passed away and although Charles was a teenager, responsibility for his household fell to him. Charles continued in his studies and earned a doctorate in canon and civil law.

His responsibility for his household resulted in financial difficulties, and Charles earned a reputation for being short of funds.

Pope Pius IV, his uncle, appointed in 1559, asked Charles to come to Rome and appointed him as a cardinal-deacon. With the rank came the job of assisting and advising his uncle full-time. A month later, Pope Pius IV made his nephew a cardinal.

Borromeo was ordained first to the order of deacon. Then, he was ordained to the holy priesthood on September 4, 1563. Then, he was ordained as a bishop on December 7, 1563. He became Archbishop of Milan in May 12, 1564.

The driving out of corruption was a critical matter during Borromeo's time. The Protestant Reformation was spreading throughout northern Europe and constantly threatened to move south. His strategy was to provide education to many clergy he saw as ignorant. He founded schools and seminaries and colleges for clergy.

He also ended the selling of indulgences, a form of simony (Catholic Catechism #2120, and ordered monasteries to reform themselves. He ordered the simplification of church interiors, which was a major point of contention between some Catholics and Protestants. The complex and busy interiors were claimed to be a distraction from the worship of God. This danger was acknowledged during the Council of Trent which Archbishop Borromeo enforced. Even tombs belonging to his own relatives were cleared of inappropriate ornaments and embellishments.

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