



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: 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

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 - Youth mass

Sunday: 9:00 am and 11:00 am - with Children's Liturgy

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:30 pm to 4:00 pm or by appointment

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

Office: 905-655-3286 ext. 1

Knights of Columbus

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Federation of North American Explorers (FNE)

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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 2022/2023. 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


MASS INTENTIONS
 OF THE WEEK

Saturday, August 26th

4:30 p.m. Castellás family; Tahan & Alina

Sunday, August 27th

9:00 a.m. Pro Populo

11:00 a.m. † Deolinda & † Everisto Medeiros

Tuesday, August 29th

8:30 a.m. † Innocenzo & † Vincenzina

Mammone

† Attilio & † Maria Tuzi

Wednesday, August 30th

7:00 p.m. † Romeo & † Marjorie Asselin

Thursday, August 31st

8:30 a.m. † Guy Asselin

Friday, September 1st

8:30 a.m. † Kevin Coughlin

Saturday, September 2nd

8:30 a.m. † Rosalia & † Rodrigo Nieto

4:30 p.m. Pro Populo

Sunday, September 3rd

9:00 a.m. † Vince Corvinelli

11:00 a.m. † Adele Giardullo

Tuesday, September 5th

8:30 a.m. † Cosimo Timpano

Wednesday, September 6th

7:00 p.m. † Carmelita Cruz

Thursday, September 7th

8:30 a.m. Victims of abortion

Friday, September 8th

8:30 a.m. † Frank Mihelcic & Delvecchio
family

† Cresencio Ibali

† Louiza & † Joe Camarata

Saturday, September 9th

4:30 p.m. † Matilda Thornhill

Sunday, September 10th

9:00 a.m. Pro Populo

11:00 a.m. † Luis Tolentino

Visiting Statue of Blessed Virgin Mary to Families: At the OLEJNICZ Family in Brooklin.



Sanctuary Light Request: To make a request, please contact the office.

Novena Mass Request: To make a Novena Mass request, please contact the office.

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On this week @ St. Leo's Bulletin

- KofC Golf Tournament
- Disciples: Family prayer with the priest
- Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)
- Money Counters Needed
- Prayer Group: Divine Mercy Lectio Divina
- Soup & Sandwich Sundays
- Doctor of the Church: St. Augustine of Hippo
- Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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

KofC Golf Tournament

There will be a Knights of Columbus Golf Tournament on September 24, 2023 at the Oshawa Airport Golf Course. The cost is \$60 and it includes golf, pizza lunch and a ticket for a free refreshment.

Disciples: Family prayer with the Priest

For a visit by the parish priest, please let us know your preferred evening visit at home. Father is available on Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings.

RCIA: Catechesis to Enter into Full Communion in the Catholic Church

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the way that an adult person is brought into full communion with the Catholic Church through the celebration of the Sacraments

Sanctuary Light:

Pro Populo

Novena Mass

August 21- August 31: Lazaro & Vallon Family

of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. Adults interested in becoming Catholic please call our parish at 905-655-3286 ext. 1 or email us at officeatstleothegreat@gmail.com. Please share with others who are interested in the same journey.

Money Counters Needed

We're looking for regular parishioners who are interested in volunteering as money counters. You will go through a screening process and a meeting with Fr. Mounir. Please contact the office if you're interested.

Prayer Group: *Divine Mercy Lectio Divina*

The prayer group meets after the 7pm evening mass, every Wednesday at 7:30 pm in the Church Lounge.

Soup & Sandwich Sundays

Starting in September we are initiating a social, *Soup and Sandwich Sundays*. It's a parish social event that will happen once a month after the 9:00 am mass. For the month of September only, we will run the social twice September 10 and September 24. If this social becomes popular we may consider extending it to after the 11am Sunday Mass. There will be different teams who will lead in preparing the meals assisted by the volunteers. A sign-up sheet is now available in the vestibule if you wish to take part in volunteering. The Soup and Sandwich will be a \$5.00.

Doctor of the Church: Saint Augustine

Author: Jorge Mario Cardinal Bergoglio (Pope Francis)
The conversion of Saint Augustine was the starting point of his holiness.

Augustine was one who best experienced a change in the conduct of his life, that led him to become a new man, that is, he turned completely around. Behind him were the problems of anxiety, of the search. He left behind his unbridled passions, his dissolute life. He writes, "I was desiring and awaiting my liberation. However, I remained tied to the ground, not with external chains, but with the irons of my own will."

Then comes a moment when he meets God and says this very beautiful phrase: "Lord, you created us for yourself, and our hearts will be restless until they rest in you." That is Augustine: the man of restless heart. But Augustine doesn't understand without his mother by his side. Augustine was a libertine, a free thinker, a pagan. His Mother, who was a Christian, used to cry. She used to cry for his conversion. And this was granted to her. At the moment of death, she said to Augustine and

his brother: "I don't have any more reason to remain here." She then looked at Augustine and told him, "Only one thing remained for me: to see you become a Christian and this God gave me in abundance. It is done. I have found what I was looking for with my tears. From the tears of his mother, Augustine meets God. And he begins to describe what a life of union with God is like. God entered his heart and remained. And He teaches us how to discover Him inside ourselves, even in the moments of greatest sin and dissipation. He writes: "You were with me but I was not with you. They kept me far apart from you, those things which would have no being were they not in you. But you called, shouted, broke through my deafness; you flared, blazed, banished my blindness; ... I tasted you, and I hunger and thirst; you touched me, and I burned for your peace." How is your internal deafness? He is calling you from within with this anxiety you have, just like Augustine. You have the same restless heart until you find him...

Thinking about Saint Augustine, this man who, as a pagan, became a Christian, (going) from libertine to saint... I will give you a piece of advice: let yourself look for God, for this God who speaks to you in your heart."

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The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary:

The Marymas[a][b] or the Birth of the Virgin Mary, refers to a Christian feast day celebrating the birth of Mary, mother of Jesus.

The modern Biblical canon does not record Mary's birth. The earliest known account of Mary's birth is found in the Gospel of James (5:2), an apocryphal text from the late second century, with her parents known as Saint Anne and Saint Joachim.[2]

In the case of saints, the Church commemorates their date of death, with Saint John the Baptist and the Virgin Mary as the few whose birth dates are commemorated. The reason for this is found in the singular mission each had in salvation history,[3] but traditionally also because these alone were holy in their very birth (for Mary, see Immaculate Conception; John was sanctified in Saint Elizabeth's womb according to the traditional interpretation of Luke 1:15).

Devotion to the innocence of Mary under this Marian title is widely celebrated in many cultures across the globe in various prayers and hymns such as the Novena in Honor of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary.[4] (Source Wikipedia website.)




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