

# St. Leo The Great

## ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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**Parish Secretary:** Gianella Lazaro 905-655-3286 ext. 1

### 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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### Catholic Women's League (CWL)

President: Donna Shaddick

[dmshaddick@gmail.com](mailto:dmshaddick@gmail.com)

### Catholic Moms Group

Leaders: Lindsay & Shannon

[stleosmg@catholicmomsgroup.com](mailto:stleosmg@catholicmomsgroup.com)

### Federation of North American Explorers (FNE)

Founder: Paul Ritchi

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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 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, September 23<sup>th</sup>**

4:30 p.m. Pro Populo

**Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 a.m. † Fred & † Luciano Molica

11:00 a.m. † Maria, † Tullio, & † Tony Caprio

**Tuesday, September 26<sup>th</sup>**

8:30 a.m. † Armen Medeiros

**Wednesday, September 27<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 p.m. † Joyce & † Norman Gay

† Marvin Goodsir

**Thursday, September 28<sup>th</sup>**

8:30 a.m.

**Friday, September 29<sup>th</sup>**

8:30 a.m. † Armenio Medeiros

† Innocenzo & † Vincenzina Mammone

† Attilio & † Maria Tuzi

**Saturday, September 30<sup>th</sup>**

4:30 p.m. † Lolito M. Jaya

**Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup>**

9:00 a.m. Pro Populo

11:00 a.m. † Thomas & † Josephine Mitchell

**Sanctuary Light:**

- *Two weeks starting September 15 - 28 Deceased members of Tomsic, Yakopich, Bogus, Machura Families, and Daniela Tomsic.*
- *Four week starting September 29 – October 27 Living & Deceased members of Fox family & 63 Marriage Anniversary.*

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

**Visiting Statue of Blessed Virgin Mary to Families:**  
Make your request to the office.

**On this week @ St. Leo's Bulletin**

- Disciples: Family prayer with the priest
- Prayer Group: Divine Mercy Lectio Divina
- Children's Liturgy
- Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)
- Movie Night
- Canada National Day of Truth and Reconciliation
- Life Chain
- Archbishop Leo Invites Faithful to Join in Novena to Saint Michael
- Humanitarian Relief Efforts

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

**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 Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings.

**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.

**Children's Liturgy**

Starting On September 24<sup>th</sup> at the 11:00am Mass (only)

**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 of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist. Adults interested in becoming Catholic please call our parish at 905-655-3286 ext. 1 or email us at [officeatstleothegreat@gmail.com](mailto:officeatstleothegreat@gmail.com). Please share with others who are interested in the same journey. The course will start on September the 26th at 7pm, on a weekly basis.

**Movie Night**

St. Maria Goretti on September 28<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. Bring a friend with you; snacks and water are provided - free admission.

**Canada National Day for Truth and Reconciliation**

As communicated by his grace, the archdiocese will hold a special collection on the weekend of: September 30<sup>th</sup> / October 1<sup>st</sup>, to support the Indigenous reconciliation Fund. The collection will take place on September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

**Life Chain**

Life Chain will be held on: Sunday October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023 from 2:00 to 3:00 PM.  
Intersection: Waterford and Winchester.

## **Archbishop Leo Invites the Faithful to Join in a Novena to Saint Michael**

Archbishop Leo is inviting the Catholic community throughout the archdiocese to join in offering a novena to Saint Michael the Archangel (Patron Saint of the Archdiocese of Toronto), leading up to the Solemnity of Saint Michael on September 29, 2023.

Novena to St. Michael the Archangel In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Heavenly and Almighty Father, God of mercy and compassion, we give you thanks and praise for all your kindness and blessings which you bestow upon us, your beloved children, and for the opportunities of spiritual renewal which you provide out of the abundance of your unending love and graciousness.

As we honour the glorious Archangel St. Michael, whose Zeal for your almighty power obtains for us your own loving protection, in the name of Christ our Saviour and Brother and through your Holy Spirit, guide our steps along the path of holiness of life, and guard our thoughts as we journey through this life to our heavenly homeland.

Confident of the powerful intercession of our patron saint St. Michael, we now ask for this grace (say your intention).

Inspire in us the same humility and thirst for justice and holiness which animated your great servant and angelic messenger. May our lives give glory to you, our families bear witness to your love and our communities of faith be filled with the grace and joys of your Kingdom. Amen. Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory Be...

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls Amen.

St. Michael, filled with the wisdom of God,  
pray for us.

St. Michael, perfect adorer of the Incarnate Word,  
pray for us.

St. Michael, crowned with honour and glory,  
pray for us.

St. Michael, our help in all adversities,  
pray for us.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

Most Rev. Francis Leo, Archbishop of Toronto

## **Humanitarian Relief Efforts to Aid Those Impacted by Disasters in Morocco and Libya**

Posted : Sep-15-2023

Two natural disasters have recently struck the region of North Africa with a devastating earthquake in Morocco

followed by severe flooding in Libya caused by Storm Daniel.

On Friday, September 8, 2023, approximately 70 kilometers southwest of Marrakesh in the High Atlas Mountain region of Morocco, a 6.8 magnitude earthquake – the largest in the country since 1969 – caused extreme damage to buildings and property and has claimed the lives of at least 2,900 to date with another 5,500 people injured. Since the region is not traditionally prone to large seismic activity, buildings are not built to withstand such large tremors.

Two days after the earthquake in Morocco, on Sunday, September 10, a Mediterranean hurricane-type event known as a “medicane” struck shore and quickly overwhelmed the port town of Derna in Libya. “Storm Daniel” delivered more than 400mm of rain within 24-hours and swept away families, took down buildings and bridges and completely overwhelmed dams which burst allowing rain waters to flood the streets of the town. Entire neighbourhoods were washed out to sea due to the storm that displaced over 30,000 people, with 10,000 more missing or unaccounted for. As of today, the flood has taken the lives of more than 11,000 people. While rescue operations are ongoing in both countries, the process is very slow and there is a strong likelihood that the death toll will rise exponentially in the coming days and weeks.

For those interested in supporting humanitarian relief efforts to help those in need, please note the following:

**Humanitarian aid for Morocco** - The Archdiocese of Toronto will accept donations and channel funds through our Catholic partners in Morocco to support relief efforts underway.

Those wishing to help may do so in the following ways:

- Online through the Archdiocese of Toronto website [www.archtoronto.org](http://www.archtoronto.org)
- By phone through the Development Office – 416-934-3411
- Through your local parish church, making cheques payable to: St. Leo the Great, Brooklin – Morocco Earthquake - Humanitarian Relief

**Humanitarian aid for Libya** - Currently, our Catholic partners are not present in Libya to coordinate relief efforts and as such we are unable to accept donations to aid those affected by the flooding at this time. For those wishing to offer support to the people of Libya, please consider a gift through the Canadian Red Cross in the following ways:

- Online through the Red Cross website – [redcross.ca](http://redcross.ca)
- By phone through the Red Cross – 1-800-418-1111

Please continue to pray for those who have died, for those who are missing or displaced because of these tragic disasters in both Morocco and Libya and for all who are working hard to provide relief and rescue in both locations.






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