



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

Friday: 9:15 am - 9:45 am

Saturday: 3:45 pm - 4:15 pm

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 servers/Children serve the mass they attend. Arrive at 15 minutes before your mass if possible. Please register the children for this ministry at the welcome desk.

Knights of Columbus

Grand Knight: Larry Hallihan

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Catholic Women's League (CWL)

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Catholic Moms Group

Leaders: Lindsay & Shannon

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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 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



MASS INTENTIONS
OF THE WEEK

Saturday, January 27th

4:30 p.m. † Luis Cruz

Living Intentions for FR.Mounir

Sunday, January 28th

9:00 a.m. † Vince Corvinelli

11:00 a.m. † Catherine Comeav

Tuesday, January 30th

8:30 a.m. † Innocenzo & † Vincenzina Mammone

† Attilio & † Maria Tuzi

Wednesday, January 31st

7:00 p.m. Mass

Thursday, February 1st

8:30 a.m. Mass

Friday, February 2nd

8:30 a.m. Thanksgiving & Personal

Int. For Nerissa Medreyes

Saturday, February 3rd

8:30 a.m. † Hugh Norman

4:30 p.m. † Margaret Ann Bunker

Sunday, February 4th

9:00 a.m. † Fortunato Molica

† Luciano Molica

11:00 a.m. † Maria & † Attilio Bianco

For: Sanctuary Light Request.

For: Vigil Light for Mary.

For: Visiting Statue of Blessed Virgin Mary.

For a visit by the parish priest. Father is available on Monday, Friday and Saturday afternoon and evening.

Make your request at the office.

On this week @ St. Leo's Bulletin

- Soup and Sandwich Social.
- Prayer Group: Divine Mercy Lectio Divina.
- Faith Formation: symbolon.
- The Knight's Events.
- Calling all cooks! The Catholic Mom's Group.
- "Peace, I leave you, my peace I give you".
- St. Blaise, Bishop, and Martyr.

Link to our archdiocesan church second website:

<https://stleothegreatbr.archtoronto.org>

Soup and Sandwich Social

On this Sunday after the 11 a.m. Mass, we are having our monthly Soup and Sandwich Social. The Soup and Sandwich are \$5.00 or \$2.50 for either or.

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.

Faith Formation: Symbolon

Symbolon: The Catholic Faith Explained is a systematic presentation of **our Catholic Faith**. It will lead you through the "big picture" of the Catholic Faith and our Creed is the guide. Symbolon brings together some of the most trusted Catholic teachers in the world to guide you through the breadth and richness of the Catholic faith.

There will be 2 portions. The second portion is 10 episodes, it is on **Living the faith**. Below is the first portion about **Knowing the faith**.

On Feb 1st at 7 pm, we will start off with the first session: **The Journey of Faith: Trinity, Faith & the God Who Is Love**

For more information visit our website: <https://stleothegreat.ca/wordpress/faith-formation/faith-formation-symbolon/>

Knights Of Columbus Events

1. General Meeting is on Monday Feb.5,2024 in church hall at 7.30 p.m.
2. Breakfast is on Sunday Feb.11, 2024 after the 9:00 am and the 11:00 am Mass.
3. On Saturday Feb.17 ,2024 in the church Hall: Tickets will be on sale after all masses this weekend. Thank you for your support. Larry - Grand Knight.

Calling all cooks!

The Catholic Mom's Group

The Catholic Mom's group is looking to put together a parish cookbook. From easy quick meals to cultural favourites, we want them all. We will put them all together in a collection that is easy to ready and will become a family keepsake for years to come. We are

especially looking to create a section to highlight our sacramental seasons i.e. Lent, Easter, Advent, Pentecost, and Feast days. There will be a collection box at the Welcome Table starting Saturday January 27th. Don't delay.

"Peace, I leave you, my peace I give you."

Monday, January 29, 2024, 09:00 AM to 03:30 PM.
Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre Pickering Day of Reflection for men & women. "Peace, I leave with you, my peace I give you." At Mass, just before communion, we have a Rite of Peace. This is no accident. Today we have a time for reflection on the importance of this rite. We offer a sign of peace to one another, we pray for peace in our world and in our lives, but we also open ourselves in a new way to receive this gift from Christ. Facilitated by Fr. Jim Kelly, SJ. Suggested offering of \$65. Includes coffee/tea break on arrival, talks, lunch, and Mass.

REGISTER: Online at <https://manresa-canada.ca> or by email at registration@manresa.ca

St. Blaise, Bishop, and Martyr

Feast day: February 3 Death: 316

Patron: of throat illnesses, animals, wool combers, and wool trading



Saint Blaise was the bishop of Sebastea and a doctor. The first known record of the saint's life comes from the medical writings of Aëtius Amidenus, where he is recorded as helping with patients

suffering from objects stuck in their throat. Many of the miraculous aspects of St. Blaise's life are written of

400 years after his martyrdom in the "Acts of St. Blaise."

Saint Blaise is believed to begin as a healer then, eventually, became a "physician of souls." He then retired to a cave, where he remained in prayer. People often turned to Saint Blaise for healing miracles. In 316, the governor of Cappadocia and of Lesser Armenia, Agricola, arrested then-bishop Blaise for being a Christian. On their way to the jail, a woman set her only son, who was choking to death on a fish bone, at his feet.

Blaise cured the child, and though Agricola was amazed, he could not get Blaise to renounce his faith. Therefore, Agricola beat Blaise with a stick and tore at his flesh with iron combs before beheading him. In another tale, Blaise was being led to the prison in Sebastea, and on the way came across a poor old woman whose pig had been stolen by a wolf. Blaise commanded the wolf return the pig, which it did -alive and uninjured - to the amazement of all.

When he reached Sebastea, the woman came to him and brought two fine wax candles in an attempt to dispel the gloom of his darkened cell.

In the Middle Ages, Blaise became quite popular and his legend as a beast tamer spread. He was then referred to as the "saint of the wild beast."

Many German churches are dedicated to Saint Blaise, sometimes called Saint Blasius.

In Great Britain, the village of St. Blazey got its name from Saint Blaise, and a church dedicated to the saint can be found in Decon hamlet of Haccombe, near Newton Abbot.

There is a Saint Blaise's Well in Kent, and the water is believed to have medicinal properties. A Blessing of the Throats ceremony is held every February 3 at Saint Etheldreda's Church in London and Balve, Germany. A Catholic middle school was named after Saint Blaise in Bradford, West Yorkshire. The name was decided upon when the link between Bradford and the woolen industry was connected to the way St. Blaise was martyred: with woolcomb.


Saint Blaise is often depicted holding two crossed candles in his hand, or in a cave with wild animals. He is also often shown with steel combs. The similarity of the steel combs and the wool combs made a large contribution to Saint Blaise's leadership as the patron saint of wool combers and the wool trade.

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