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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.

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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, 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

Tuesday, February 6th

8:30 a.m. Mass

Wednesday, February 7th

7:00 p.m. † Jennifer Samways

Thursday, February 8th

8:30 a.m. To End Abortion

Friday, February 9th

8:30 a.m. † Patrick Shaw

Saturday, February 10th

4:30 p.m. † Ethan Frendo - Cumbo

Sunday, February 11th

9:00 a.m. † Vince Corvinelli
11:00 a.m † Patrick Sullivan

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

- Prayer Group: Divine Mercy Lectio Divina.
- "From Repentance To Resurrection".
- Faith Formation: symbolon.
- The Knight's Events.
- Canadian Bishops Release Pastoral Letter on Use of Social Media.
- 2024 Parish Vitality Webinar Series and Stewardship Sunday.
- St. Scholastica.

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

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.

"From Repentance To Resurrection"

A book to help you in this coming holy season of Lent and Easter. It has daily reflections and questions to help you in your journey of faith. The book is available at the welcome center for \$10 each. Help yourself.

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 8th at 7 pm, we will start off with the 2nd session: **Divine Revelation: God Seeking Us, the Compass for Our Lives**

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

Knights Of Columbus Event

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.

Canadian Bishops Release Pastoral Letter on Use of Social Media

Posted: Jan-25-2024

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops Episcopal Commission for Justice and Peace has released a Pastoral Letter on the use of social media entitled: "Let Your Speech Always Be Gracious." The release of the letter on January 24, 2024, was timed to coincide with the liturgical memorial of Saint Francis de Sales, who is invoked as a patron saint of writers,

publishers and those working in the field of communications.

Acknowledging the prominent role social media has come to play at an individual and societal level, this timely document considers the benefits and dangers of social media from the perspective of Catholic Social Teaching. It provides tools for moral reflection and self-examination, and suggests seven commitments by which to be guided for a more ethical use of social media:

- check for accuracy.
- seek greater perspective.
- value human dignity.
- bring curiosity into the conversation.
- distinguish between intention and impact.
- privilege “in real life” encounters
- tend to our time spent online.

The letter, which may be of particular interest to those working in youth/young adult ministry, is available in electronic format and can be downloaded from the CCCB website:

In English:<https://www.cccb.ca/announcement/bishops-release-a-pastoral-letter-on-the-use-of-social-media>

In French:<https://www.cecc.ca/annonce/les-eveques-publient-une-lettre-pastorale-sur-lutilisation-des-medias-sociaux>

2024 Parish Vitality Webinar Series and Stewardship Sunday

From: Quentin Schesnuik, Associate Director, Parish Vitality and Stewardship

The Parish Vitality Webinar Series returns! In recognition of the wonderful work parishes are doing to engage their parishioners, the series will feature dynamic speakers on practical topics to further parishioner engagement. Registration is now open (registration links, including webinar descriptions and speaker’s info, are below). E-posters and all webinar recordings will be available on the stewardship website (www.archtoronto.org/stewardship) in the “Parish Vitality.”

section. The upcoming webinars are:

1. Stewardship Treasure Hunt - February 8, 1:30–3 p.m. Register Online on our website.
2. A Catechesis on Charisms - March 7, 10–11:30 a.m. Register Online on our website.
3. A Hitchhiker’s Guide to Eternity (RCIA) - May 9, 10–11:30 a.m. Register Online on our website.

4. Building a Culture of Stewardship that Engages all Ages - June 19, 10–11:30 a.m. Register Online on our website.

P.S. Save the date! This year Stewardship Sunday will be on September 22, 2024. More information to follow.

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St. Scholastica

Feast day: February 10 Death: 543

St. Scholastica, sister of St. Benedict, consecrated her life to God from her earliest youth. After her brother went to Monte Cassino, where he established his famous monastery, she took up her abode in the neighborhood at Plombariola, where she founded and governed a monastery of nuns, about five miles from that of St. Benedict, who, it appears, also directed his sister and her nuns. She visited her brother once a year, and as she was not allowed to enter his monastery, he went in company with some of his brethren to meet her at a house some distance away. These visits were spent in conferring together on spiritual matters. On one occasion they had passed the time as usual in prayer and pious conversation and in the evening they sat down to take their reflection. St. Scholastica begged her brother to remain until the next day. St. Benedict refused to spend the night outside his monastery. She had recourse to prayer and a furious thunderstorm burst so that neither St. Benedict nor any of his companions could return home. They spent the night in spiritual conferences. The next morning, they parted to meet no more on earth. Three days later St. Scholastica died, and her holy brother beheld her soul in a vision as it ascended into heaven. He sent his brethren to bring her body to his monastery and laid it in the tomb he had prepared for himself. She died about the year 543, and St. Benedict followed her soon after. Her feast day is February 10th.

Scholastica (c. 480 – 10 February AD 543) is a saint of the Catholic Church, Eastern Orthodox Church and Anglican Communion. She was born in Italy, and a ninth-century tradition makes her the twin sister of Saint Benedict of Nursia.[2] Her feast day is 10 February, Saint Scholastica's Day.[3] Scholastica is traditionally regarded as the founder of the Benedictine nuns.

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