



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 - 6:30pm.

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.

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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, June 29th

4:30 p.m. † Jose Reyes & † Perla Canasa

Sunday, June 30th

9:00 a.m. † Brigid Hanley

11:00 a.m. † Susan Davies & † Margaret Petrie

Tuesday, July 2nd

8:30 a.m. Pro populo

Wednesday, July 3rd

7:00 p.m. Pro populo

Thursday, July 4th

8:30 a.m. Pro populo

Friday, July 5th

8:30 a.m. All souls in purgatory

Saturday, July 6th

8:30 a.m. Pro populo

4:30 p.m. † Alex & † Mary McCormick

Sunday, July 7th

9:00 a.m. Deceased member of St. Leo the Great Parish

11:00 a.m. † Ivan Krizmanic

Tuesday, July 9th

8:30 a.m. † Maria Antonietta

† Antonio Mastropietro

Wednesday, July 10th

7:00 p.m. Pro Populo

Thursday, July 11th

8:30 a.m. To end abortion

Friday, July 12th

8:30 a.m. Pro Populo

Saturday, July 13th

4:30 p.m. † Germaine MacKinnon

Sunday, July 14th

9:00 a.m. † Alex & † Susan Quinn

11:00 a.m. † Maria Bianco

For: Sanctuary Light Request.

For: Vigil Light for Mary.

For: Visiting Statue of Blessed Virgin Mary.

For a visit by the parish priest.

Make your request at the office.

- Soup and Sandwich
- Canada Day message – Archbishop Leo
- Building maintenance fund
- Saint Benedict
- Custodian opening
- Church Bulletin Advertising

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

Summer schedule

During the summer, bulletins will come out biweekly. Faith Formation, Movie nights and Altar Server training will be suspended till September 2024.

Church bazaar

The Church bazaar held on 15 and 16th June was a great success. We thank everyone that has helped in setting up and cleaning up for their help.

Soup and Sandwich

This was our last Soup and Sandwich for the season. We want to express our gratitude to Minerva, Franca, Maria, Sylvia and other event committee members for the preparation and serving. A special thanks to Minerva for sponsoring this event.

Canada Day message – Archbishop Leo

Eternal God
 whose reign extends from sea to sea
 and whose care endures throughout the ages,
 hear our prayers for our country;
 grant wisdom to those who govern it
 and respect for human life and dignity to every citizen,
 so that justice may flourish
 and all peoples live in unity and peace.
 Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
 Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
 God for ever and ever.

To read the full message please go to
www.stleothegreat.ca/wordpress/canadaday

Building maintenance Fund

On 6 and 7 July, we will have a second collection for the maintenance of St. Leo's church.

On this week @ St. Leo's Bulletin

- Summer schedule
- Church Bazaar

Saint Benedict

Feastday: July 11

St. Benedict is believed to have been born around 480, as the son to a Roman noble of Norcia and the twin to his sister, Scholastica.

In the fifth century, the young Benedict was sent to Rome to finish his education with a nurse/housekeeper. The subject that dominated a young man's study then was rhetoric -- the art of persuasive speaking. A successful speaker was not one who had the best argument or conveyed the truth, but one who used rhythm, eloquence, and technique to convince. That philosophy was reflected in the lives of the students as well. They had everything -- education, wealth, youth - and they spent all of it in the pursuit of pleasure, not truth. Benedict watched in horror as vice unraveled the lives and ethics of his companions.

Afraid for his soul, Benedict fled Rome, gave up his inheritance and lived in a small village with his nurse. When God called him beyond this quiet life to an even deeper solitude, he went to the mountains of Subiaco.

After years of prayer, word of his holiness brought nearby monks to ask for his leadership. He warned them he would be too strict for them, but they insisted -- then tried to poison him when his warning proved true. The story goes, the monks attempted to poison Benedict's drink, but when he prayed a blessing over the cup - it shattered.

But it was in Monte Cassino he founded the monastery that became the roots of the Church's monastic system. Instead of founding small separate communities he gathered his disciples into one whole community. His own sister, Saint Scholastica, settled nearby to live a religious life.

Despite his experience at school, he understood rhetoric was as much a tool as a hammer was. A hammer could be used to build a house or hit someone over the head. Rhetoric could be used to promote vice ... or promote God. Benedict did not shun rhetoric because it had been used to seduce people to vice; he reformed it.

Benedict realized the strongest and truest foundation for the power of words was the Word of God itself. For prayer, Benedict turned to the psalms, the very songs and poems from the Jewish liturgy that Jesus himself had prayed

But it wasn't enough to just speak the words. Benedict instructed his followers to practice sacred reading -- the study of the very Scriptures they would be praying in the Work of God. In this lectio divina, he and his monks memorized the Scripture, studied it, and contemplated it until it became part of their being.

In one story of Benedict's life, a poor man came to the monastery begging for a little oil. Although Benedict commanded that the oil be given, the cellarer refused -- because there was only a tiny bit of oil left. If the cellarer gave any oil as alms there would be none for the monastery. Angry at this distrust of God's providence, Benedict knelt down to pray. As he prayed a bubbling sound came from inside the oil jar. The monks watched in fascination as oil from God filled the vessel so completely that it overflowed, leaked out beneath the lid and finally pushed the cover off, cascading out on to the floor.

In Benedictine prayer, our hearts are the vessel empty of thoughts and intellectual striving. All that remains is the trust in God's providence to fill us. Emptying ourselves this way brings God's abundant goodness bubbling up in our hearts, first with an inspiration or two, and finally overflowing our heart with contemplative love.

Rule of Saint Benedict

<https://www.catholic.org/saints/ruleSaintBenedict.php>

This text is edited from its source, complete article:
https://www.catholic.org/saints/saint.php?saint_id=26

Custodian – opening

We are looking for a custodian. Please let us know if you or someone you know is interested.

Church Bulletin Advertising

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in September 2024 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637




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