



# St. Leo The Great

## ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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**Parish Secretary:** Sandy Yatabe 905-655-3286 ext. 1

### 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 - 6:30 pm.

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.

### Knights of Columbus

Grand Knight: Larry Hallihan

[lgba2008@yahoo.ca](mailto:lgba2008@yahoo.ca)

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### Prayer Group: Divine Mercy Lectio Divina

Wednesdays at 5:30 pm - 6:30 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, October 19<sup>th</sup>**

4:30 p.m. † Roseann Cinelli

**Sunday, October 20<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 a.m. † Vince Corvinelli

11:00 a.m. † Luis R. Tolentino

**Tuesday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>**

8:30 a.m. † Carlita Rivera Dimaano

**Wednesday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>**

7:00 p.m. Living Intentions of Marie Armstrong

**Thursday, October 24<sup>th</sup>**

8:30 a.m. † Rosalba Mammone

**Friday, October 25<sup>th</sup>**

8:30 a.m. † Rafael & † Eduardo Carrera

† Ida Tobin

† Paul Olejnicak

**Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup>**

4:30 p.m. † Steven Closs

**Sunday, October 27<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 a.m. † Dr. Richard DiStefano

11:00 a.m. † Frank Long

**For: Sanctuary Light Request.**

**For: Vigil Light for Mary.**

Sept 28 – Oct 25: Fox Family

**For: Visiting Statue of Blessed Virgin Mary.**

**For a visit by the parish priest.**

Make your request at the office

**Link to our archdiocesan church second website:**

**<https://stleothegreatbr.archtoronto.org>**

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

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**First Communion schoolyear 2024-2025**

Catechises Starts Oct 19 and concludes on Nov 3: with the celebration of two Masses at 1 and 4 pm.

See the website for more information.

**Catering**

Franca Vasco, from an Italian heritage, and our parishioner. She and her family are visible in their contributions towards our parish. She is a great cook and would love to use her talents of cooking and baking to do fundraising for our parish St. Leo the Great. For details and more information, please call Franca 905-621-9658.

**Collection for World Mission Sunday**

At the October 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> Masses there will be a second collection for the missionary church. This is our opportunity to assist at-need Catholic Communities globally. Offerings are combined with offerings from other Catholics around the world and distributed to missions and dioceses. We are called to share from our abundance with those less fortunate who lack the basic essentials to know, love and praise God. Thank you for your support of this important work. Envelopes can be found in the pews.

**Knights of Columbus events**

Oct 20<sup>th</sup> after the masses: breakfast in the Church Hall

Oct 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Pasta Dinner in the Church Hall, tickets are available after each Mass.

**Movie nights**

Movie nights are now every Thursday at 7 pm in the Hall. This will be a weekly event until Christmas. On October 24<sup>th</sup>, the movie will be "Encounter". A spiritual Encounter causes five stranded strangers to take a look at their lives in a way that will leave them changed forever.

**Continuous Reading**

Proclamation: A Continuous Reading of the Word of God in Public on October 25, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., October 26, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., October 27, 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Church in Toronto, 671 Sheppard Ave. E., North York, Ont. M2K 1B6.

The Archdiocese of Toronto and the Canadian Bible Society is hosting a three-day inter-generational event that will gather Christians from various ecclesial traditions and cultures for a continuous reading of the Bible publicly. This event is part of the 'Festival of Prayer for Christian Unity' that commemorates the 60th anniversary of the Vatican Decree on Ecumenism. Come and listen to the Word of God proclaimed for our discipleship and have a joyful experience of shared faith. If you are interested to read a portion of Sacred Scripture, please fill the registration form and sign up for a volunteer role.

REGISTER: <https://biblesociety.ca/proclamation/>

### **Discernment Weekend Retreat**

Come & See – Discernment Weekend Retreat – Nov. 15–17, 2024 at St. Augustine's Seminary

The Office of Vocations will be hosting a Come & See Weekend Discernment Retreat for men 18 years and older, at St. Augustine's Seminary on Friday, Nov. 15 (6:30 p.m.) until Sunday, Nov. 17 (2 p.m.). This Retreat offers a way for men to discern a possible call to priesthood at our seminary.,

REGISTRATION: Must be done online at [www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee)

CONTACT: For more information, please email [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org).

### **Parish investment account**

When we receive a payment from an estate or a disbursement from a gift of securities of \$10,000 or more for a parish, we contact the pastor to ask where the funds should be deposited. As there have been some delays in receiving this information, moving forward, beginning in Nov. 2024, as default, we will transfer such payments into the parish investment account at the chancery, unless the parish informs the Accounting & Finance Department that it would like to change the default to the parish bank account by sending an email to [acct\\_fin@archtoronto.org](mailto:acct_fin@archtoronto.org).

### **Securities as a Charitable Gift Option**

One of the most financially sound ways to support the Archdiocese of Toronto is a gift of securities (stocks, bonds, mutual funds). When you donate stocks, mutual funds and other publicly traded securities to a registered charity, you pay no capital gains tax and receive a tax receipt for the full amount of the gift. It

means a great tax break for you and more significant support of your parish and various archdiocesan charities such as ShareLife, St. Augustine's Seminary, The Shepherds' Trust and many others.

For more information please visit [www.stleothegreat.ca/wordpress/gos](http://www.stleothegreat.ca/wordpress/gos)

### **The Importance of the Inside of the Cup**

We consider our soul to be like a castle made entirely out of a diamond of very clear crystal, in which there are many rooms, just as in heaven there are many dwelling places. For in reflecting upon it carefully, we realize that the soul of the just person is nothing else but a paradise where the Lord says he finds his delight. So then, what do you think that abode will be like where a King so powerful, so wise, so pure, so full of all good things takes his delight? I don't find anything comparable to the magnificent beauty of a soul and its marvelous capacity....

[Thus] it is a shame and unfortunate that through our own fault we don't understand ourselves or know who we are. Wouldn't it show great ignorance, my daughters, if someone, when asked who he was, didn't know, and didn't know his father or mother or from what country he came? Well now, if this would be so extremely stupid, we are incomparably more so when we do not strive to know who we are, but limit ourselves to considering only roughly these bodies. Because we have heard and because faith tells us so, we know we have souls. But we seldom consider the precious things that can be found in this soul, or who dwells within it, or its high value. Consequently, little effort is made to preserve its beauty. All our attention is taken up with the plainness of the diamond's setting or the outer wall of the castle; that is, with these bodies of ours....

You have already heard in some books on prayer that the soul is advised to enter within itself; well, that's the very thing I'm advising.... Insofar as I can understand, the door of entry into this castle is prayer and reflection.

Saint Teresa of Ávila  
Source: Magnificat monthly missal




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