



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 - 6:30 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

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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, February 8th

4:30 p.m. Living Members of the CWL

Sunday, February 9th

9:00 a.m. †Joseph & † Louisa Andrews

11:00 a.m. † Vince Corvinelli

Tuesday, February 11th

8:30 a.m. †Michael Quesnelle

Wednesday, February 12th

7:00 p.m. † Ella Drennan † Cecilia Miranda †Jose Matallana

Thursday, February 13th

8:30 a.m. † Thomas Asselin

Friday, February 14th

8:30 a.m. † Quentin D'Mello

Saturday, February 15th

4:30 p.m. † Steven Falsetto

Sunday, February 16th

9:00 a.m. † Dave Czuczman

11:00 a.m. † Joseph Fenech

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

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

On this week @ St. Leo's Bulletin

- Donation Envelopes
- Faith Formation
- Knights of Columbus Breakfast & Valentine's Dance
- CWL Anniversary & Spiritual Bouquet
- 2025's Top 100 Romantic Restaurants
- Lunch Social
- Sacraments
- Catering
- Housekeeping
- Saint Scholastica's Story

Donation Envelopes

2025 envelope boxes are available at the back of the church, to your right. Ask for help if needed.

Faith Formation: Holy Spirit

We will have 4 sessions delving into the Holy Spirit. What are the Holy Spirit's gifts, fruits, charisms and who is the Holy Spirit.

Sessions start on:

Feb 8: Gifts of the Holy Spirit.

Feb 15: Fruits of the Holy Spirit.

Feb 22: Charisms of the Holy Spirit.

March 1: Who is the Holy Spirit.

or simply www.stleothegreat.ca/

Join in and learn.

Knights of Columbus

Feb 9, 2025. The Knights' Breakfast Sunday after the 9am and 11am Masses.

Feb 15, 2025. St. Leo's Knights of Columbus Valentine's Dance is on Saturday, February 15th, 2025 @ 6:45pm. Tickets are \$30.00 per person & are available before & after all Masses. No ticket sales at the door on Feb 15th.

CWL

Feb 8, 2025. The CWL are celebrating the 15th Anniversary of the Catholic Women's League at St. Leo the Great. Please come celebrate with the CWL for a ladies only wine and cheese following the 4:30pm Mass. Membership not required.

March 18, 2025. Spiritual Bouquet

Each year the CWL from across the Archdiocese of Toronto collect the gift of prayer to present to the Men being ordained to the Priesthood. A spiritual bouquet consists of attended Masses, Adorations, visits to the Blessed Sacrament, receptions of the Eucharist, recitation of the Holy Rosary, Stations of the cross or other prayers, sacrifice or novenas for the spiritual benefit of these newly ordained priests. Through the month of Feb St. Leo will collect your donation of prayers through the online form and will submit what we have collected as a parish. It will be presented March 18th at the Ordinandi Dinner. Help us get over One Million.



Scan the QR code or use the link

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2025's Top 100 Romantic Restaurants

Bella Notta Ristorante, 3570 Brock St. N, Whitby voted one of the best 100 Restaurants in the country. Valentine's Day planning just got easier, explore the restaurant where sparks are guaranteed to fly.

LUNCH SOCIAL

February 23, 2025. Lunch social after the 11am Mass. Choice of scrumptious meat or vegetarian meal. Join us for an enjoyable lunch with fellow parishioners. All are welcome.

SACRAMENTS

Registration & Info Session for First Holy Communion is on Friday, March 21 (5:00-6:00pm).

Registration & Info session for Confirmation is on Friday, April 11 (5:00-6:30 pm). The following link will provide you with all the dates (registration, catechesis, confession and celebration) of both First Communion and Confirmation.

<https://stleothegreat.ca/wordpress/FCandC>

CATERING

Franca Vasco, parishioner, would love to use her talents of cooking to do fundraising for our parish. For details and more information, please call Franca 905-621-9658.

HOUSEKEEPING

Parishioners - Jesto Fernando & Niluka De Silva are new arrivals in Canada. We are happy to have them as practicing parishioners eager to work and build their new life. Jesto is a chef and both Jesto & Niluka do house keeping. They are hoping to find a car for everyday use as a donation. They can be reached at 647 823 5660. Thank you in advance!

Saint Scholastica's Story

February 10. Twins often share the same interests and ideas with an equal intensity. Therefore, it is no surprise that Scholastica and her twin brother, Benedict, established religious communities within a few miles from each other.

Born in 480 of wealthy parents, Scholastica and Benedict were brought up together until he left central Italy for Rome to continue his studies.

Little is known of Scholastica's early life. She founded a religious community for women near Monte Cassino at Plombariola, five miles from where her brother governed a monastery.

The twins visited each other once a year in a farmhouse because Scholastica was not permitted inside the monastery. They spent these times discussing spiritual matters.

According to the *Dialogues of St. Gregory the Great*, the brother and sister spent their last day together in prayer and conversation. Scholastica sensed her death was close at hand and she begged Benedict to stay with her until the next day.

He refused her request because he did not want to spend a night outside the monastery, thus breaking his own Rule. Scholastica asked God to let her brother remain and a severe thunderstorm broke out, preventing Benedict and his monks from returning to the abbey.

Benedict cried out, "God forgive you, Sister. What have you done?" Scholastica replied, "I asked a favor of you, and you refused. I asked it of God, and he granted it."

Brother and sister parted the next morning after their long discussion. Three days later, Benedict was praying in his monastery and saw the soul of his sister rising heavenward in the form of a white dove.

Benedict then announced the death of his sister to the monks and later buried her in the tomb he had prepared for himself. Scholastica and Benedict gave themselves totally to God and gave top priority to deepening their friendship with him through prayer. They sacrificed some of the opportunities they would have had to be together as brother and sister in order better to fulfill their vocation to the religious life. In coming closer to Christ, however, they found they were also closer to each other. In joining a religious community, they did not forget or forsake their family but rather found more brothers and sisters. Saint Scholastica is the Patron Saint of Cloistered Nuns

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