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Office Hours

Monday, Saturday & Sunday: closed

Tuesday - Friday: 9:00 - 12:00 pm; 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Daily Mass Schedule

Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday: 8:30 am

Wednesday: 7:00 pm

First Saturday: 8:30 am

Benediction and Adoration

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

Ave Rosarium Cenacle Prayer Group

Every Wednesday at 7:30pm. All are welcome.

Contact: francavascol@gmail.com

Sacrament of Baptism

Go to our website Forms

Sacrament of Marriage

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 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.com

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To become a Catholic Please contact the parish office

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 7th

4:30 p.m. + Rodrigo Nieto & + Jose Reyes

Sunday, June 8th

9:00 a.m. +Tomasina + Francesco Parente

11:00 a.m. +Vince Corvinelli

Tuesday, June 10th

8:30 a.m. Living intentions of Thelma Dulay

Wednesday, June 11th

7:00 p.m. + Nancy Di Pietro + Vincenzo Guzzo Foliaro
+ Annina Bruno

Thursday, June 12th

8:30 a.m. Living intentions of Anna Maria &
Benedetto & Veronica & Christopher Duarte

Friday, June 13th

8:30 a.m. +Ernest Deagle + Deceased members of the
Mott & Young Families & + Visidor

Saturday, June 14th

4:30 p.m. + Edward Fox

Sunday, June 15th

9:00 a.m. +Francesco Caruso

11:00 a.m. +Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Hallihan

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

PENTECOST SUNDAY

Upcoming 2nd Collections for

June 2025

Building Maintenance Fund, this

weekend: - June 7 & 8

ShareLife: - June 14 & 15

Mary Grove Camp: - June 21 & 22

Yard Sale, Save the Date

June 14, 2025

St. Leo's will be hosting a yard sale on June 14th, 2025. Kindly donate your unwanted items at the church hall on June 12th & 13th.

Knights of Columbus

Golf Tournament

Saturday, June 28th at Oshawa airport. First tee time 7:30am. \$65.00 each, includes golf, pizza and a ticket for refreshments.

Contact: Gerry Hanley (905 409 0733) or Gerryhanley18@gmail.com

Discerning God's Voice with

Jonna Schuster, hosted via

Video with Lila Rose, 3-day

seminar

Thursday, June 26th @ 7pm

Friday, June 27th @ 7pm

Saturday, June 28th @ 10am

in the Church Hall

Have you ever prayed, hoping to hear from God and heard nothing? Maybe you've thought God only speaks rarely, and only through dramatic signs. Today, we're clearing up those misconceptions with Jonna Schuster, Director of Catholic Revival Ministries and author of *Hearing God's Voice: A*

Catholic Guide to Listening Prayer. Jonna reminds us of what Scripture says: We are His sheep, and His sheep know His voice. God wants to speak to you—daily.

And learning to hear Him is essential for your joy and spiritual growth. She's sharing a simple, powerful playbook: – How to recognize a potential message from God – How to discern if it's truly from Him – And how to respond in a way that bears real fruit and keeps the conversation

going You might be surprised, hearing God's voice may be more ordinary than you think. *No registration is required; admission is \$ 5.00. Hope to see at least 100 people in attendance for this very important study.*

Upcoming Renovations

1. Parking Lot Line Painting

Monday, July 14, 2025

Work to refresh our parking lot lining and adding additional disability spots will take place between the hours of 6:00am and 4:00pm. Parking lot will not be available during these hours.

2. HVAC Replacement

We are in the process of exchanging the HVAC and the Flat roof (the Supporting Foundation) at a cost of \$ 267,55.02 approximately. The Finance Committee is onboard for these projects. A formal request for approval has been sent to the Archdiocese. We will keep you posted as to when work will commence.

Thank you for your continuous generosity

Children's Liturgy

This year, Children's Liturgy will extend through the summer months. All children ages 4 and older are welcome to join us at 11 o'clock mass, for liturgy, in the meeting room. Children under the age of 4 may attend with an older sibling, or, be accompanied by one adult. We look forward to spending the summer months, growing closer to Jesus, with all our friends. (Please note, the only date that is an exception is Father's Day - Sunday, June 15th.)

Come to Us Holy Spirit!

Solemnity of Pentecost Sunday,

June 8, 2025

And suddenly there came a noise from the sky like a strong driving wind, and it filled the entire house in which they

were. Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim. Acts 2:2-4

Happy birthday! Today, as we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, we also celebrate the birth of the Church. Thus, today is a celebration of your membership in the life of the Church. As a human institution, the Church has always suffered on account of the sins of Her members. This sad truth is something that we are increasingly aware of today. But the Church itself is the Spotless Bride of Christ. It is the Body of Christ on earth, in Heaven and in Purgatory. Those of us on earth are members of the Church Militant. Those in Heaven are members of the Church Triumphant. And those in Purgatory are members of the Church Suffering. But all of us are united under Christ our Head as members of His holy Body, the Church.

We profess our faith in the Church every Sunday. We profess that we believe in "one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church." What exactly does this mean? First, it means that by the power and working of the Holy Spirit, those who profess faith in Christ are united as "one." This oneness is a spiritual union that will endure for eternity. It is unbreakable and restores us to the life we were created to live. That is, a life of union with God and others, a communion of humanity with God.

As one family, the Church is also "holy." Holiness is another way of saying that we are made whole by the blood of Christ, sharing in His redemption. By His mercy, our sins are forgiven and we become children of the Father in Heaven, sharing the eternal life of the Son.

The word “catholic” refers to the truth that the offer of salvation is given to all. It is a universal calling given to all people who will accept this gift. God did not come to save only a few but all, and many will accept this gift of salvation.

We are “apostolic,” in that God chose to establish His Church through the mediation of His Apostles. They were uniquely called to become instruments by which the saving Truth is proclaimed and the grace won by the Cross is distributed. The work of the Apostles continues today through their successors, the bishops, and those who are co-workers with the bishops, the priests. Sinful though they may be, God uses them, nonetheless, to bestow His grace and truth upon the world.

As a member of the one Body of Christ, you are also invited by God to enlarge His family through the sharing of the Gospel and by your life of deep prayer. You are called and sent, and this takes place by the outpouring of the Holy Spirit that we especially celebrate today.

Reflect, today, upon the incredible privilege it is to be invited to be a member of the Family of God, the Church. And reflect, also, upon the important duty you have to extend that invitation to others. Pray to the Holy Spirit, asking for an increase in His seven-fold gifts in your life.

<https://mycatholic.life//>

Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church, June 9, 2025

The Catholic Church honors Mary with many titles. One of her most special titles is “Mother of the Church.” This means Mary is not only the Mother of Jesus but also the Mother of all who follow Him. Jesus gave Mary to us as our spiritual mother to guide, protect, and pray for us.

The title “Mother of the Church” has roots in the Bible. At the foot of the Cross, Jesus said to His mother,

“Woman, behold your son,” and to the disciple John, “Behold your mother” (John 19:26-27). Many believe that John represents all of us. In this moment, Jesus was giving Mary to the Church as a mother.

Mary was also with the first Christians at Pentecost. After Jesus rose from the dead and returned to heaven, Mary prayed with the apostles as they waited for the Holy Spirit (Acts 1:14). This shows Mary’s special place in the Church from the very beginning.

The Church teaches that Mary’s role as our mother comes from her “yes” to God. When she said yes to becoming the mother of Jesus, she also said yes to being part of God’s plan for all people. Mary’s love and care for the Church flow from her deep love for Jesus.

Calling Mary, the “Mother of the Church” reminds us that we are part of God’s family. Mary helps us follow Jesus more closely. She is always praying for us and leading us to her Son. Catholics honor her because she leads us to live as true followers of Christ.

Mary is called the Mother of the Church because of her role in salvation history. When she said “yes” to God, she became the mother of Jesus. Jesus is the Savior of the world. By becoming His mother, Mary became part of God’s plan to save everyone.

Mary’s motherhood goes beyond giving birth to Jesus. She stayed with Him through His whole life. She was there during His ministry and at the Cross. She shared in His suffering and always stayed faithful to God’s plan. Her “yes” was not just for her but for all of us.

The Church is called the Mystical Body of Christ. This means that everyone who follows Jesus is part of His Body. Since Mary is the mother of Jesus, she is also the mother of His Body, the Church. Her spiritual motherhood includes everyone who believes in Jesus.

This motherhood is not just about a title. It is about Mary’s care for the Church. She helps guide us and prays for us. She leads us closer to Jesus, just as any good mother would.

Mary’s role reminds us that we are part of God’s family. She is our spiritual mother, helping us follow Jesus and love one another. Catholics honor her because she shows us how to trust God and live with faith.

Catholics honor Mary as the Mother of the Church in many ways. Prayer is one of the most important. Many Catholics ask for Mary’s intercession when they pray.

<https://young-catholics.com//>

Sacrosanctum Concilium, the Vatican II document on liturgy: Full & Active Participation in Liturgy & the Life of the Church (versus attending a movie, concert or theatre).

Mother Church earnestly desires that all the faithful should be led to that fully conscious, and active participation in liturgical celebrations which is demanded by the very nature of the liturgy. Such participation by the Christian people as “a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a redeemed people (1 Pet. 2:9; cf. 2:4-5), is their right and duty by reason of their baptism.

In the restoration and promotion of the sacred liturgy, this full and active participation by all the people is the aim to be considered before all else; for it is the primary and indispensable source from which the faithful are to derive the true Christian spirit; and therefore, pastors of souls must zealously strive to achieve it, by means of the necessary instruction, in all their pastoral work.

Pope Leo’s Prayer for the Month

“Let us pray that each one of us might find consolation in a personal relationship with Jesus, and from his heart, learn to have compassion on the world”



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