

St. Leo The Great

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Office Hours (Summer Schedule)

Monday, Saturday & Sunday: closed

Tuesday - Friday: 9:00 - 4:00 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: francavasco1@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

Contact: stleokoc@gmail.com

Saint Vincent de Paul

President: Maureen Kerr maureen.kerr100@gmail.com

905-655-3286 ext 3

Catholic Women's League (CWL)

President: Shannon Rogers smarogers@gmail.com

Catering Services

Franca Vasco 905-621-9658

Federation of North American Explorers (FNE)

Founder: Paul Ritchi Paul.ritchi@gmail.com 416-435-6593

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

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MASS INTENTIONS**

Saturday, October 4th

8:30 a.m. + *Harold Coker*

4:30 p.m. + *Ed Fox*

Sunday, October 5th

9:00 a.m. + *Stefania &*

+ *Franc Naterez*

11:00 a.m. + *Vince Corvinelli*

Tuesday, October 7th

8:30 a.m. + *Harold Coker*

Wednesday, October 8th

7:00 p.m. Mass

Thursday, October 9th

8:30 a.m. *Deceased Friends of*

Anna Maria & Benedetto Tuzi

Friday, October 10th

8:30 a.m. + *Augen Abraham,*

Intentions Ruth, Harry & Mary

Paschal Mott

Saturday, October 11th

4:30 p.m. + *Larry Hallihan*

Sunday, October 12th

9:00 a.m. + *Francesco &*

+ *Tomasina Parente*

11:00 a.m. + *Adele Ciardullo*

2nd Collection this weekend
Building and Maintenance Fund

Daily readings of the Mass

Find a link on our website, and you can add a shortcut for your desktop or cellular for fast and easier access.

Children's Liturgy

Welcome Back to Children's Liturgy! All children ages 4 and older are welcome to join us on Sundays at the 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 growing closer to Jesus, and Our Blessed Mother, with all our friends.

Knights Breakfast Sunday

Sunday, October 19 after both 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Mass

LIFE CHAIN
Sunday, Oct 5, 2025

Life Chain is an annual prayerful, pro-life event taking place across North America. Please join us this year at Anderson & Winchester on Sunday, October 5th from 2:00pm to 3:00pm to provide a quiet witness to the community

Next Week 2nd Collection
Oct 11/12: Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation Fund

Cardinal Leo's Letter to the Faithful on National Day for Truth & Reconciliation and Indigenous Reconciliation Fund
Posted: Sep-22-2025

My dear Brothers and Sisters in the Lord Jesus,

I extend greetings to the faithful of the archdiocese, grateful for all that you do to build up and strengthen the Kingdom of God in your home, parish and community. Be assured of my prayers for you and your loved ones.

In this Holy Year of Jubilee, we are called to reflect on our journey as Pilgrims of Hope. We are invited to discern how we may reconcile with those who may have caused us pain and we strive to build anew relationships that have been fractured in the past. The late Pope Francis, despite his advanced age and physical frailty, traveled to Canada on a penitential pilgrimage in 2022 to invite us to walk together with Indigenous Peoples of This Land and reflect on the pain and suffering experienced by many. As Pilgrims of Hope this year, I invite you to join me in praying for those who are still healing from emotional, physical and spiritual wounds. In a particular way, we lift our prayers to the Lord on 30 September, the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

I would also invite you to prayerfully consider supporting the Indigenous Reconciliation Fund (IRF) through a collection held in parishes on the weekend of 4/5 October. The fund

was established by the Bishops of Canada in 2022 as part of our reconciliation efforts and is overseen by a National Board of Directors which includes Indigenous leaders and other members with relevant skills and expertise. As of September 2025, the national fund has raised more than \$21 million, tracking favorably to reach the five-year \$30 million commitment made in 2022. In the Archdiocese of Toronto, we have allocated \$3.1 million to support projects through the Indigenous Reconciliation Fund. Our archdiocesan committee reviews project requests/proposals to ensure they meet the IRF criteria, sending both funds and proposals to the national body for timely approval and disbursement. You can learn more about these projects by visiting: www.archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation.

As pilgrims on the journey, we remain mindful of the profound words offered by the late Pope Francis during his visit to Lac Ste. Anne, Alberta, a place of prayer and pilgrimage: "*May the Lord help us to move forward in the healing process, towards an ever more healthy and renewed future.*"

I thank you for sharing your gifts and talents in abundance in service to the Lord. May this Year of Jubilee be a time of prayer, reflection and hope for you and your loved ones, as we give thanks for the abundance of blessings entrusted to each one of us by the Lord.

St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Protectress of Canada, pray for us.

Sincerely yours in Jesus with Mary,
Frank Cardinal Leo
Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto

The 111th World Day of Migrants and Refugees
Sunday, Oct 5th, 2025

For the 111th World Day of Migrants & Refugees, the theme announced by His Holiness is "Migrants,

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Missionaries of Hope.” In his message, Pope Leo highlights the resilience of migrants and refugees who give witness to hope amidst very difficult circumstances. He reminds us that those who welcome migrants and refugees can also reflect this same hope. His messages end with a call to entrust all those who journey, and all those accompany them to the protection of the Virgin Mary, comfort of migrants.

Discernment Weekend
Retreat, Oct 31 – Nov 2, 2025,
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, October 31 (6:30 p.m.) until Sunday, November 2 (2 p.m.). This retreat offers a way for men to discern a possible call to priesthood at our seminary. We encourage you to promote this event in your parishes, during your announcements as well as including this event in your respective parish bulletins, it would be greatly appreciated. We have also included a poster and ask that you kindly display it on your respective bulletin boards.

Thank you in advance for your assistance as we work together to build a culture of vocations. Registration must be done online at www.vocationstoronto.ca/comeandsee

Weekend Mass
Attendance Survey

Please note that this year’s annual weekend Mass attendance survey will be held on the weekends of October 18 and 19, 2025 and October 25 and 26, 2025.

RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation, (RCIA) enables you to enter the Catholic Faith. Classes are on Thursday evenings, (6 – 8:00pm)

starting October 16, 2025. Contact the office for Registration Forms. Email: officeatstleothegreat@gmail.com

CTS Men's Retreat
Thursday, October 02, 2025
06:30 PM - Sunday, October 05, 2025 12:00 PM, Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre



ACTS retreats are three-day retreat led by Catholic clergy, certified spiritual companions, and prior ACTS attendees. Men present men’s retreats and women present women’s retreats.

The goal is to inspire spiritual renewal and strengthened faith while creating lasting friendships. Participants return to their communities with a deeper sense of connection to God and to each other, and a desire to live their faith more fully every day.

Activities are organized around the themes of Adoration: a response to God’s love, Community: participating in the Body of Christ, Theology: The study of God and Service: Answering the call to discipleship. (ACTS)
Brochure: <https://bit.ly/ACTSRetreatBrochure2025>
Poster: <https://bit.ly/ACTSRetreatPoster2025>
Please register at <http://actscanada.org/>.

40 Days for Life Toronto Fall Campaign 2025

Wednesday, September 24, 2025
07:00 AM - Wednesday, October 01, 2025 07:00 PM
Lawrence & Dufferin



40 Days for Life is a 40-day campaign dedicated to ending abortion in our community through prayer, fasting, and peaceful presence outside abortion facilities.


















This year, the Toronto Fall Campaign begins Wednesday, September 24, 2025, and continues every day for 40 days (until November 2), from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. The prayer vigil will take place just down the street from an abortion clinic in Toronto—near St. Charles Borromeo Church at Dufferin and Lawrence—outside the legal bubble zone.

Our hope is to have a continuous chain of prayer from morning to evening. We invite you to join us—perhaps for just one hour each week—to lift your heart in prayer for the unborn.

Before participating, please read and sign the Statement of Peace, and choose your vigil hours here:

<https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/toronto>

40 Days for Life signs will be located at the Daughters of St Paul bookstore, Pauline Books and Media. If you would like to use a sign, or have any other questions, please email us at 40daysprayforlife@gmail.com.

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