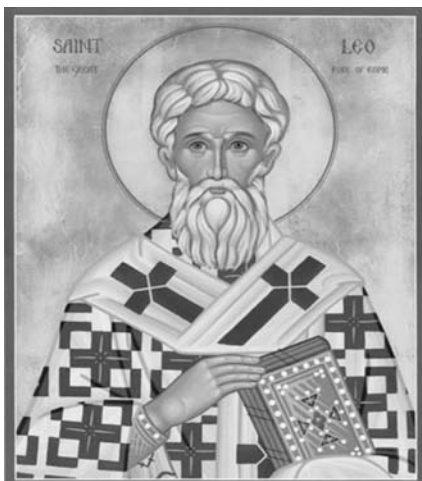




St. Leo The Great

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

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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, October 11th

4:30 p.m. + Larry Hallihan

Sunday, October 12th

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

11:00 a.m. + Adele Ciardullo

Tuesday, October 14th

8:30 a.m. + Ana Yulo

Wednesday, October 15th

7:00 p.m. + Larry Hallihan + Patricia Hogg

Thursday, October 16th

8:30 a.m. + Innocenzo & + Vincenzina Mammone

+ Attilio & + Maria Tuzi

Friday, October 17th

8:30 a.m. + Frank Mihelcic

Bridie Corcoran for health reasons

Saturday, October 18th

4:30 p.m. + Marty Write

Sunday, October 19th

9:00 a.m. + Larry Hallihan

11:00 a.m. + Loretta D'Sylva

+ Ron Simcoe

Pray for our deceased parishioners:

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

**2nd Collection/Building
Maintenance Fund
Indigenous Healing &
Reconciliation & Building
Maintenance Fund, Oct 11
& 12, 2025**

RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation, (RCIA) enables you to enter the Catholic Faith. Classes are on Thursday evenings, starting October 16, 2025, at 6pm. Contact the office for Registration Forms. Email: officeatstleothegreat@gmail.com

**World Mission Sunday Special
Collection, October 19, 2025**

There will be a second collection on Sunday, October 19, 2025, for the Evangelization of the Nations, otherwise known as World Mission Sunday. This is a worldwide collection for the missionary church, and it 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.

Knights of Columbus Events

Oct 19th after 9am and 11am Mass: Breakfast in the Church Hall
Oct 26th Annual Pasta Dinner in the Church Hall. Tickets will be available for sale after all masses on Oct 11/12 & 18/19.

**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. Registration must be done online at www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee

**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.

**Gospel Reflection – Sunday,
October 12, 2025**

As Jesus continued his journey to Jerusalem, he traveled through Samaria and Galilee. As he was entering a village, ten lepers met him. They stood at a distance from him and raised their voices, saying, "Jesus, Master! Have pity on us!" Luke 17:11-13

This story begins very well for all ten of these lepers. For nine of them, it ends tragically. For one, it ends in an even better and more glorious way than it began.

The lepers represent us all. Their illness was a symbol of all sin and the consequences of sin. When the disease began, the lepers began to experience the effects of their disease. Discolored and thick dry skin, sores, and rashes would set in. Once detected, each leper was removed from the community to stop the spread of the disease and was only free to associate with other lepers. They no longer could gather freely with their loved ones as the lepers entered isolation and shame. Analogously, all sin has similar effects. Sin causes pain within our souls as we discover the growing wounds it causes. Sin affects our relationships and our ability to freely relate to those whom we love.

The initial cure for sin is simple. We cry out, "Jesus, Master! Have pity on me!" But that is only the first step. By curing the lepers, Jesus was showing us that He had power over our sin. He could forgive us and will forgive us when we seek His mercy. But forgiveness will end in tragedy if it does not lead us to faith and to a following of the will of God with zeal and determination. If we take the forgiveness of sins for granted, then we will be in an even more miserable state than before. The nine lepers who failed to return and give thanks to God represent those who do not convert their lives when touched by God's merciful hand.

This story highlights the importance of our response to God when He does touch us. We must glorify God with a loud voice, fall on our knees before Him and express our deepest gratitude. When the one leper does this, Jesus says to him, "Stand up and go; your faith has saved you." That mercy from our Lord was a mercy that touched his soul. It imparted the gift of faith and enabled this man to go forth and be healed with eternal graces.

Too often we turn to God in prayer only when we have a problem. Then, once the problem is taken care of, we pay little to no attention to our Lord. God's role in our lives is not to fix our problems so that we can then go about our daily lives as normal. His mercy must evoke ongoing and profound gratitude. Gratitude to God is nothing other than an acknowledgement of the truth. We owe everything to God. Without Him, we are nothing. We are dead in our sins. Just one leper realized this and was blessed with the gift of faith that saved not only his body, but also his soul.

Reflect, today, upon the ways in which you turn to God in prayer. It

is good to come to Him with your needs and problems. It is good to cry out "Jesus, Master! Have pity on me!" It is good to come to Him as the Physician of your soul and the source of healing you need. But that is not enough. In fact, if you stop there in your life of prayer, you will end in a most miserable state. You will be using God for your selfish advantage. Reflect upon whether you are able to take the next and most important step in faith. Do you come to Him when all is well? Do you praise Him with all your might for all that He has done for you? Do you fall on your knees before Him with the deepest gratitude in your heart? Reflect upon your prayer and seek to imitate this one leper. If you do, your faith will also save you and our Lord will invite you to rise and go forth, healed in the truest way possible.

Most merciful Lord, You are able to do all things. You are able to heal all my wounds, forgive my sins and solve every problem I encounter. As I cry out to You in my need, please do heal me. In response, may I always turn back to You with the deepest gratitude and praise so that my faith in You will grow and my love for You will truly flourish. Jesus, I trust in You.

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10 saintly quotes to reflect on this Thanksgiving, October 13, 2025

St. Teresa of Calcutta:

The best way to show my gratitude is to accept everything, even my problems, with joy.

St. Gianna Beretta Molla:

The secret of happiness is to live moment by moment and to thank God for all that he, in his goodness, sends to us day after day.

St. John Paul II:

Duc in altum! ('Put out into the deep!') These words ring out for us today, and they invite us to

remember the past with gratitude, to live the present with enthusiasm, and to look forward to the future with confidence.

4) St. Thérèse of Lisieux: Trending

Jesus does not demand great actions from us, but simply surrender and gratitude.

5) St. Josemaría Escrivá:

Get used to lifting your heart to God, in acts of thanksgiving, many times a day. Because he gives you this and that. Because you have been despised. Because you haven't what you need or because you have. Because he made his mother so beautiful, his mother who is also your mother. Because he created the sun and the moon and this animal and that plant. Because he made that man eloquent and you he left tongue-tied ... Thank him for everything, because everything is good.

St. Teresa of Ávila:

In all created things discern the providence and wisdom of God, and in all things give him thanks.

Blessed Solanus Casey:

Thank God ahead of time.

St. Mary Euphrasia Pelletier:

Gratitude is the memory of the heart.

St. John Vianney:

Believe and adore. Believe that Jesus Christ is in this sacrament as truly as he was nine months in the womb of Mary, as really as he was nailed to the cross. Adore in humility and gratitude.

St. Francis of Assisi, in his "Canticle of the Sun":

Be praised, my Lord, through all your creatures, especially through my lord Brother Sun, who brings the day; and you give light through him. And he is beautiful and radiant in all his splendor!

Of you, Most High, he bears the likeness. Be praised, my Lord, through Sister Moon and the stars; in the heavens you have made them bright, precious, and beautiful ...

Praise and bless my Lord, and give thanks, and serve him with great humility.

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Happy Thanksgiving to St. Leo's Family and Friends

Prayer for God's Provision

"Lord, thank You for Your provision in my life. You have blessed me with more than I need, both materially and spiritually. I am grateful for Your generosity and kindness. Help me to remember those in need and to share with others out of the abundance You have given me. Amen."



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