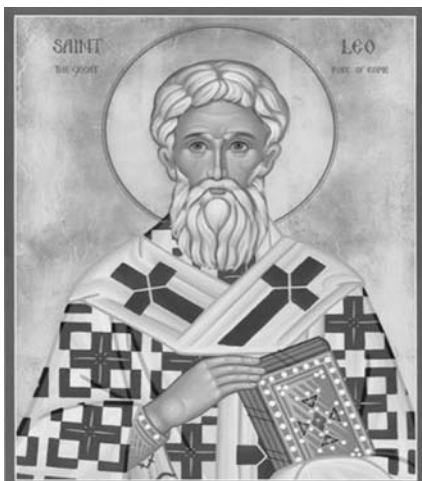




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Office Hours

Tuesday - Friday: 8:00 am - 12:00 pm, 12:30 pm - 4:30 pm

Church Hours

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 8:00 am - 4:30 pm

Wednesday 8:00 am - 7:30 pm

Saturday 9:00 am - 5:30 pm, Sunday - opens 8:00 am

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

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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, July 25th

4:30pm: +Steven Closs

Sunday, July 26th

9:00am: Pro Populo

11:00am: +Joseph & +Louisa Andrews

Tuesday, July 28th

8:30am: +Sienna Grace Toader

Wednesday, July 29th

7:00pm: Suzie Miller

Thursday, July 30th

8:30am: +Innocenzo & +Vincenzina Mammone & +Attilio & +Maria Tuzi

Friday, July 31st

8:30am: Mass

Saturday, August 1st

8:30am: Mass

4:30pm: +Larry Hallihan

Sunday, August 2nd

9:00am: Pro Populo

11:00am: +Luigi Giardullo

Sanctuary Light:

Blessed Virgin Mary Vigil Light:

To reserve the Visiting Statue of Blessed Virgin Mary & To schedule a visit with the Parish Priest, please contact the office.



MASS INTENTIONS

OF THE WEEK

Tuesday, August 4th

8:30am: +Elvira DiCosmo & +Antonio Pompilio

Wednesday, August 5th

7:00pm: +Mary Clark

Thursday, August 6th

8:30am: +Tom Higgins

Friday, August 7th

8:30am: +Luz Ruelos & + Lydia Pobre

BUILDING MAINTENANCE FUND

There will be a second collection the weekend of August 1st and 2nd for our parish's building maintenance fund.

HALL FLOOR RENOVATION

We have been approved for our hall floor renovations starting Monday, July 27th. Work should be completed in less than two weeks. Thank you for your kindness and generosity.

Eight - Day Silent Retreat for Men & Women

Wednesday, July 22, 2026 at 3:30 PM -

Thursday, July 30, 2026 at 1:00 PM

Through prayer, presentations, Sacrament, spiritual accompaniment and sharing and guided by the riches of Ignatian Spirituality, we will enter gently into contemplative reflection on our questions of heart and spirit. Where is God in the 'here and now'? What are the graces of today? How might I discern God's present and unfolding call to me?

This 8-day retreat begins on Wednesday afternoon with dinner and ends with lunch on Thursday. Facilitated by: Sr. Mary Rowell, CSJ. The suggested offering is \$1,125 per person which includes 8 nights' accommodation, meals, spiritual direction and retreat program. REGISTER: Via email at manresaregistration@outlook.com, online at <https://manresa-canada.ca> or call 905-839-2864.

Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed

Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral Services invites families and our faith communities to join us for the

Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed at Resurrection Cemetery in Whitby on Wednesday, August 12, 2026 at 7 p.m. In the event of rain, mass will be held in the Main Mausoleum at Resurrection Cemetery.

SHARELIFE 50TH ANNIVERSARY MASS

Join us on Saturday, August 22, 2026, as we celebrate 50 years of bringing the hands of Christ to those in need through faith, compassion, and service. Mass at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica will be celebrated by His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo, Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto at 10:30 a.m. This is a free event, but registration is required. Please RSVP by August 17th. Registration link and event information: sharelife.org/50. For any inquiries, please get in touch with us at SLEvent@archtoronto.org

Month of the Precious Blood

The month of July [...] is dedicated to the Precious Blood. The feast of the Precious Blood of our Lord was instituted in 1849 by Pius IX, but the devotion is as old as Christianity. The early Fathers say that the Church was born from the pierced side of Christ, and that the sacraments were brought forth through His Blood. "The Precious Blood which we worship is the Blood which the Savior shed for us on Calvary and reassumed at His glorious Resurrection; it is the Blood which courses through the veins of His risen, glorified, living body at the right hand of God the Father in heaven; it is the Blood made present on our altars by the words of Consecration; it is the Blood which merited sanctifying grace for us and through it washes and beautifies our soul and inaugurates the beginning of eternal life in it." For further reading visit https://www.catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/overview/months/07_1.cfm

Precious Blood,
Ocean of Divine Mercy:
Flow upon us.

Precious Blood,
Most pure Offering:
Procure us every Grace!

Precious Blood,
Hope and Refuge of sinners:
Atone for us!

Precious Blood,
Delight of holy souls:
Draw us! Amen.

St. Catherine of Siena

A Precious Consideration in July

Matthew Harrison, Friday, July 20, 2007

I was recently discussing the word 'blood' and the use of the verb 'to bleed' with a colleague. By no means was it a very indepth, academic discussion, but it had me thinking about the word 'blood.'

For many people the word 'blood' makes their, I wouldn't say blood curdle, but I would say it brings up unpleasant memories; maybe an accident that one experienced as a child, or an appointment where needles and blood tests are required.

We often forget though, of the importance of blood and how this substance that courses through our veins is essential to our life. It is essential not just to our life here on earth, but for our life in the next -- for it was by the blood of our Saviour, Jesus Christ, that we have been saved!

Similar to the month of June and the Sacred Heart devotion, July is traditionally associated with the most Precious Blood of Jesus. The feast occurs on July 1st, but it is a feast in Canada that is often overlooked because of a votive Mass for Canada Day.

As the month of July winds down, perhaps we should consider the blood of Christ poured out for us. Take a moment to consider the invocations that can be found in the litany to the Most Precious Blood of Jesus:

Blood of Christ, only-begotten Son of the Eternal Father,
Blood of Christ, Incarnate Word of God,
Blood of Christ, of the New and Eternal Testament,
Blood of Christ, falling upon the earth in the Agony,
Blood of Christ, shed profusely in the Scourging,
Blood of Christ, flowing forth in the Crowning with Thorns,
Blood of Christ, poured out on the Cross,
Blood of Christ, price of our salvation,
Blood of Christ, without which there is no forgiveness.
Blood of Christ, Eucharistic drink and refreshment of souls,
Blood of Christ, stream of mercy,
Blood of Christ, victor over demons,
Blood of Christ, courage of Martyrs,
Blood of Christ, strength of Confessors,
Blood of Christ, bringing forth Virgins,
Blood of Christ, help of those in peril,

Blood of Christ, relief of the burdened,
Blood of Christ, solace in sorrow,
Blood of Christ, hope of the penitent,
Blood of Christ, consolation of the dying,
Blood of Christ, peace and tenderness of hearts,
Blood of Christ, pledge of eternal life,
Blood of Christ, freeing souls from purgatory,
Blood of Christ, most worthy of all glory and honor.

I am very moved by these invocations, particularly when I consider that the response to each invocation is 'save us.' I can't help but find this a very humbling litany when I realize what our Lord did for us to in fact 'save us.'

The litany closes with this prayer:

Almighty and eternal God, you have appointed your only-begotten Son the Redeemer of the world, and willed to be appeased by his Blood. Grant we beg of you, that we may worthily adore this price of our salvation, and through its power be safeguarded from the evils of the present life, so that we may rejoice in its fruits forever in heaven. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

No longer am I considering needles and scraped knees when blood comes to mind. Instead, I think of love. Source:

<https://slmedia.org/blog/a-precious-consideration-in-july>

JULY 25th FEAST OF ST. JAMES, THE APOSTLE

The Feast of St. James, the Apostle, known as the Greater, is celebrated on July 25th. The designation "the Greater" is in order to distinguish him from the other Apostle St. James, and it indicates he was chosen first before the other James. James the Greater was our Lord's cousin, and was St. John's brother. With Peter and John he was one of the witnesses of the Transfiguration, as later he was also of the agony in the garden. He was beheaded in Jerusalem in the year 42 or 43 A.D. on the orders of Herod Agrippa. Since the ninth century Spain has claimed the honour of possessing his relics, though it must be said that actual proof is far less in evidence than the devotion of the faithful. The pilgrimage to St. James of Compostella, Spain (known as Camino de Santiago, "the Way of St. James") in the Middle Ages attracted immense crowds; after the pilgrimage to Rome or the Holy Land, it was the most famous and the most frequented pilgrimage in Christendom. The pilgrim paths to Compostella form a network over Europe...Source:

<https://www.catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/calend ar/day.cfm?date=2024-07-25>



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