

The Parish Community of St. Leonard Welcomes You

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OUR PARISH TEAM:

Pastor - Fr. P. John Nosan
Associate Pastor - Fr. Ravi Tete
Deacon - Joseph Murphy

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday - 5:00 p.m.
Sunday - 9:00, 10:30 and 12:00 noon

DAILY MASS & DEVOTIONS

SCHEDULE:

Monday - 9:00 a.m. Mass
Tuesday - 6:45 p.m. Evening Prayer
7:00 p.m. Mass
Wednesday - 6:45 p.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet
7:00 p.m. Mass
Thursday - 6:00 p.m. Holy Hour Cenacle
7:00 p.m. Mass
Friday - 9:00 a.m. Mass
Saturday - 9:00 a.m. Mass

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday - 4:00 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.
Any other time by appointment.

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday to Friday - 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Closed 12:00 to 1:00 p.m.

TORONTO VOCATIONS OFFICE

Tel. 416-968-0997 Fax 416-968-1227
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OUR SCHOOLS

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St. Rita	905-595-0911
St. Josephine Bakhita School	905-846-0078
Notre Dame High School	905-840-2802
St. Evan School	905-843-6159

BAPTISM:

Must be registered in the parish for at least three months. A baptism date will be set after attendance at a Baptism Preparation Class.

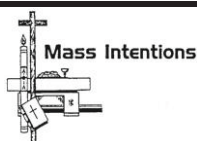
COMMUNION & ANOINTING FOR THE SICK:

The Parish Team and Pastoral Visitors are available to visit the sick in the home or hospital and to bring communion. A priest is available to give the anointing of the sick. Please contact the Rector.

MARRIAGE:

Couples planning to be married must contact a priest one year in advance. At least one of the parties must reside within the parish boundaries or be a registered member of the parish and attending weekly. If either party has previously gone through any form of civil or religious marriage with another person, the priest is not permitted to set a date for the wedding until the Bishop's office has been consulted.

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



Saturday, March 5

9:00 a.m. - SOULS IN PURGATORY
5:00 p.m. - MICHELA BELLASSAI R.I.P.

Sunday, March 6

9:00 a.m. - AL MOULTON R.I.P.
10:30 a.m.- SANDRA DeCECCO R.I.P.
12:00 noon- FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

Monday, March 7

9:00 a.m. - PERFECTO SAMONTE R.I.P.

Tuesday, March 8

7:00 p.m. - INTENTIONS OF THE REBELO FAMILY

Wednesday, March 9

7:00 p.m. - ROMEO D'SOUZA R.I.P.

Thursday, March 10

7:00 p.m. - CESAR DEVEYRA R.I.P.

Friday, March 11

9:00 a.m. - SOULS IN PURGATORY

Saturday, March 12

9:00 a.m. - SOULS IN PURGATORY
5:00 p.m. - SIMONE & ALFRED LAMOUREUX R.I.P.

Sunday, March 13

9:00 a.m. - DAN GREGG R.I.P.
10:30 a.m.- FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
12:00 noon- LENNOX & MALVYN MALCOLM R.I.P.

First Sunday of Lent (Year C)

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the desert for forty days, to be tempted by the devil. [Luke 4:1-2a](#)

Jesus, the Son of God, the Messiah, the Creator of the Universe, the great I AM, the second Person of the Most Holy Trinity, is in the desert, suffering for forty days while He is tempted by the devil and living among the wild beasts. Why in the world would He do this and why would God the Father allow it to happen? And what's more, it says that it was actually the Holy Spirit who drove Jesus into the desert to experience this painful 40 days!

What's it all about? It's about love for us all. It's about God loving us so much that He was willing to endure every form of hardship and human suffering that enters into our lives. It's about God being able to look us square in the face and say, "Yes, I do understand what you're going through...I really do."

This is love. It's a love so deep that God Himself was willing to experience our weaknesses and pain so that He would be able to meet us there, console us in the midst of whatever we are going through, and gently lift us out of it to the new life He has in store for us. Again, this is Love!

Temptation in life is real. It's the result of our fallen human nature. It comes from our weakness but also from the evil one. Temptation can be a heavy burden and cause heavy emotional and psychological pain. And when the temptation is given in to, it causes an even deeper spiritual pain. Jesus never gave in to the temptations in the desert, nor did He give in to temptations at any other time in His life. But He endured them and suffered them.

This tells us that He can be our strength and inspiration in the midst of whatever we are tempted with each and every day. Some days we may feel the loneliness and isolation of one who is driven into the desert of our sins. We may feel as though the wild beasts of our disordered passions are getting the best of us. We may feel as though the evil one is having his way with us. Well, Jesus felt this way, also. And He freely allowed Himself to experience this in His humanity. It was the will of the Father and the working of the Holy Spirit that drove Him to this experience.

For these reasons, it is Jesus Himself who is able to meet you in this desert within. He is there, waiting for you, looking for you, calling to you. He is there in the midst of anything and everything you may be going through. And it is He, the One who defeated this desert temptation, who will gently guide you out. He went to the desert to meet you and to bring you back. And just as the angels ministered to Jesus in this desert, so also does He send those angels to minister to you.

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Readings for March 6

Deuteronomy 26.4-10 Romans 10.8-13
Luke 4.1-13

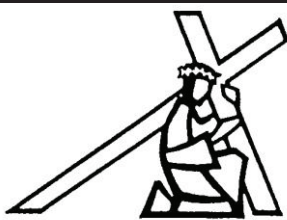


GREAT NEWS!!!

Churches are allowed to open at full capacity with no physical distancing (**masks are still required**). There are no reservations for any of our Masses. We will continue to keep every other row and open up rows as needed.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

There will be the Stations of the Cross every Friday evening at 7:00 during Lent.



Lent is a time for almsgiving. You can help the Society of St. Vincent de Paul assist the needy by dropping your loonies or spare change in the poor box during

Lent: "I assure you as often as you did it for one of the least brothers, you did it for me." (St. Matthew)

MARCH 6, 2022

DYNAMIC WOMEN OF FAITH CONFERENCE

The annual Dynamic Women of Faith Conference will be a virtual event again this year on Saturday, March 19th from 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Keynote Speaker: Antonia Acutis – mother of Carlos Acutis, a Catholic Italian teenager who died in 2006 and was beatified Oct. 10, 2020 in Assisi.

To register: <https://dynamicwomenfaith.com/>



Support our Lenten ShareLife Appeal

Our parish's ShareLife Campaign is now underway. In this time of Lent, please reflect on the great needs of our brothers and sisters who are helped through your kind support of ShareLife.

Last year, ShareLife supporters like you enabled 21,000 people to receive affordable mental health care through family service agencies across the Archdiocese of Toronto, including our community. Please give generously on ShareLife Sunday, which is March 27.



NOVENA TO ST. JOSEPH MARCH 10-18

St. Joseph is a powerful patron. He is, as John Paul II called him, the Guardian of the Redeemer. He humbly accepted his role as guardian, husband, and father in the Holy Family. Therefore, St. Joseph's intercession has been sought for centuries. Here is a link to a novena in preparation for his Feast Day on March 19th.

Read more at: <https://www.praymorenovenas.com/st-joseph-novena>

Memorare to St. Joseph

Remember, O most pure spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary, my great protector, Saint Joseph, that no one ever had recourse to your protection, or implored your aid without obtaining relief. Confiding therefore in your goodness, I come before you. Do not turn down my petitions, foster father of the Redeemer, but graciously receive them. Amen.



Jesus was led by the Holy Spirit into the desert for forty days of prayer and fasting. Are you open to being led by the Holy Spirit into the life-commitment God

has prepared for you? If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.

Email: vocations@archtoronto.org

Website: www.vocationstoronto.ca



We would like to congratulate the following children of our parish who were welcomed into the Christian community through the Sacrament of Baptism in the month of February:

Arianna Felicity Otoo
Amelia Rose Lindley
Chloé Patricia Maria Moses
Gabriel Makai Boyd Moses



As you remember the ashes you received on the first day of Lent, pray for humility daily. Spend your Lent learning about the virtue of humility and the dynamics of pride. Seek out opportunities to humble yourself in your relationship with others. Make it a resolution never to miss an opportunity to give someone else the credit.


HUMANITARIAN RELIEF FOR THE UKRAINE

If you would like to donate to help the people of the Ukraine, you may do so in the following ways:

- Online through the Archdiocese of Toronto website: www.archtoronto.org
- By phone through the Development Office – 416-934-3411
- Through the parish, making cheques payable to: Name of Parish – Ukrainian Relief – Humanitarian Relief

Please continue to pray for the Ukrainian people and all those who suffer under the human tragedy of war. Thank you for your continued assistance.

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