The Parish Community of St. Leonard Welcomes You

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OUR PARISH TEAM:

Pastor - Fr. P. John Nosan

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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 - 6:00 p.m. Holy Hour

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.

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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 Rectory.

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.



Saturday, Feb. 11 - Our Lady of Lourdes

9:00 a.m. - MICAELA CARVALHO R.I.P.

5:00 p.m. - ORLANDO & LUCIA CABRAL R.I.P.

Sunday, Feb. 12

9:00 a.m. - WASYL MASNIUK R.I.P.

10:30 a.m.- FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

12:00 noon- FR. ANTONI MENDRELA & DECEASED FAMILY

MEMBERS R.I.P.

Monday, Feb. 13

9:00 a.m. - MAGDALENA GALANG R.I.P.

Tuesday, Feb. 14 - Sts. Cyril & Methodius 7:00 p.m. - MARY & DAPHNE BAYER R.I.P.

Wednesday, Feb. 15

7:00 p.m. - **GINA CONTE R.I.P.**

Thursday, Feb. 16

7:00 p.m. - MARY HELEN BELFORD R.I.P.

Friday, Feb. 17 - Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

9:00 a.m. - RAMAN MAKASARE R.I.P.

Saturday, Feb. 18

9:00 a.m. - MANUEL DEVEYRA R.I.P.

5:00 p.m. - MADGE BURTLES R.I.P.

Sunday, Feb. 19

9:00 a.m. - PAUL & CHANTELLE DUGGAN R.I.P.

10:30 a.m.- **JUANITO GALICIA R.I.P.**

12:00 noon- FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

Readings for February 12

Sirach 15.15-20 1 Corinthians 2.6-10 Matthew 5.17-37



If you are new to our parish or would like to begin using donation envelopes, unlabelled boxes are available in the sacristy upon request. Write the name

to be used for your tax receipt and full address on the first few envelopes that you use.

Please do not use envelopes from previous years as your number will have changed if you didn't use envelopes in 2022.

The Fullness of Righteousness Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

Jesus said to his disciples: "I tell you, unless your righteousness surpasses that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven." Matthew 5:20–22

Today's Gospel continues Jesus' Sermon on the Mount, which began with the Beatitudes. In today's portion of Jesus' sermon, we are taught about anger, adultery, and oaths. In every case, Jesus refers to the Law as it was taught in the Old Testament but then elevates it to an entirely new level. The line quoted above makes it clear that the only way to accept these new teachings of Jesus was to surpass the "righteousness" of the scribes and Pharisees. And the dire result of not surpassing their righteousness was the loss of the Kingdom of Heaven.

Jesus begins by recalling the Old Testament commandment, "You shall not kill." But then He takes that commandment further by saying that "whoever is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment." Of course, killing remains a grave sin. But now Jesus explains that the interior attitude of anger, even if not acted upon, is a sin. He goes on to teach a similar lesson about adultery and swearing oaths.

It is helpful to understand these new teachings in the context of the approach that the scribes and Pharisees took in regard to the Old Testament. About that, Jesus says, "Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets. I have come not to abolish but to fulfill." Thus, the primary problem with the scribes and Pharisees is not that they failed to teach the Old Testament Law properly. The primary problem is that now that the Messiah has arrived and has ushered in a new time of fulfillment and righteousness, they would not go deeper and would not embrace the fulfillment of the Law of God. They are not willing to grow in holiness and embrace the fulfillment of all that had been taught before.

Reflect, today, upon the calling given to you by our Lord's new and glorious teachings. If you are to truly embrace the Gospel of our Lord and live in His New Law of grace, then you must be willing to go deep, become truly radical in your faith, and allow God to transform every part of your life. The New Law is one of the fullness of love, mercy, surrender, zeal, conversion, and transformation. Commit yourself to surpassing the old and limited righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, and God will do glorious things in your life.

BAKE SALE

The CWL will be hosting a Valentine Bake Sale after all the Masses this weekend - February 11/12.





The Knights of Columbus will be a hosting a Pancake Dinner on Tuesday, February 21st at 6:45 p.m. (after Mass which will be at 6:00 p.m.) Tickets will be on sale after all Masses this weekend:

Adults - \$10.00 and 12 and under - \$5.00.



DYNAMIC WOMEN OF FAITH CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Dynamic Women of Faith will be hosting their annual conference in-person on Saturday, March 25th at the Old Mill Restaurant in Etobicoke from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Registration begins at 8:00 a.m. Opening Mass for the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord will be celebrated by Most Reverend Robert Kasun, CSB, Auxiliary Bishop of Toronto.

SPEAKERS & TOPICS: Sister Deirdre Byrne

The Heroes of My Life Lead Me to Our Lady

Dr. Josephine Lombardi *Healing and Forgiveness*

Diana Filipiak, Kasia Ryba, Sandra Wojcik

Journeying with Mother Mary

Dorothy Pilarski

Why minister to moms? – How to Start a Catholic Moms Group

Limited Seating!

Register at <u>dynamicwomenfaith.com</u> Questions? CONTACT: 416-907-1042



Confirmation Enrollment forms for students **not** attending schools one of our seven parish schools are available on our website or contact the office. Please return the form, along with a copy of the student's Roman Catholic baptism

certificate. Classes will begin on March 8th, 2023.

You will find the Annual Report to the Faithful for 2022 inserted in this weekend's bulletin and also posted on the bulletin board.

The Lift Jesus Higher Rally is Back! Saturday, March 4th, 2023 9:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

It is with great joy that we can confirm that the Lift Jesus Higher Rally is back and will be held on **Saturday**, **4**th **March**, **2023** at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre, Toronto.

The theme for 2023 is being "EMPOWERED TO STAND" – *keep alert, stand firm in your faith, be courageous, be strong" (1Corinthians 16:13).* Despite the effects of the pandemic over the past two years, we expect a full house.

The day will include inspiring talks by Ralph Martin, Chris Stefanick, Peter Herbeck, & others, personal testimonies, Praise & Worship music, Chaplet of Divine Mercy, prayer ministry for healing, Eucharistic Adoration & Procession, Confessions, & the closing Mass celebrated by His Eminence, Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop of Toronto.

There will also be a separate Youth Rally (ages 13-18) with powerful music and talks.

Tickets are \$25.00 for adults and \$15.00 for youth. For tickets and information visit: www.ljhr.ca or call 647-243-9441.



Getting married soon?
JOY FILLED MARRIAGE PROGRAM
March 1 to April 12, 2023
7-9 p.m. (in-person)

Guardian Angels Parish Hall 10630 Creditview Road, Brampton

Fee: \$250 per couple including program materials For inquiries: gapmarriageprep@gmail.com Register Online:





Thoughts as Lent approaches (Feb. 22) ... As Catholics, we start thinking about what to "give up" for Lent. Lenten sacrifices are very valuable if

they help us to focus more on God and allow Him to fill us. We can also add to this by doing something positive. What actions - prayer, almsgiving, service to others - can we do to allow our faith to grow in this season?

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