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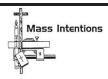
Must be registered in the parish for at least three months. A baptism date will be set after attendance at a Baptism Preparation Class.

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. 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

Monday, Feb. 20

9:00 a.m. - (Still available)

Tuesday, Feb. 21 - Shrove Tuesday 6:00 p.m.- MURIEL NORONHA R.I.P.

Wednesday, Feb. 22 - Ash Wednesday

9:00 a.m. - (Still available)

7:00 p.m. - KEITH BURTLES R.I.P.

Thursday, Feb. 23 - St. Polycarp

7:00 p.m. - MICHAEL FERNANDES R.I.P.

Friday, Feb. 24

9:00 a.m. - LAURA & FRANCISCO RODRIGUES R.I.P.

6:00 p.m.- (Still available)

Saturday, Feb. 25

9:00 a.m. - ERIC NANA OSEI FOSU R.I.P.

5:00 p.m. - EDWARD & HELEN GALLANT R.I.P.

Sunday, Feb. 26 - 1st Sunday of Lent

9:00 a.m. - FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

10:30 a.m.- GIUSSEPPE COSTANZA R.I.P.

12:00 noon- ANTONIO TAPIA R.I.P.

Readings for February 18

Leviticus 19.1-2, 17-18 1 Corinthians 3.16-23 Matthew 5.38-48

Ash Wednesday is February 22nd. There will be Mass at 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. with the distribution of ashes.



Please note that Mass on Tuesday, February 21st will be at **6:00 p.m.** There will also be a **6:00 p.m.** Mass on Friday February 24th with a welcome to the Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of the Cape.



ASH WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 22ND

On Ash Wednesday, as a sign of our ongoing need to repent of our sins and do penance, the faithful are invited to come forward to be marked with ashes as a sign of their

commitment to the penitential season of Lent, so as to celebrate with great joy the Solemnity of Easter. Lent is forty-six days long. Forty of those days are penitential days, and six of them are Sundays. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday and concludes with the Easter Vigil. The forty penitential days are an imitation of Jesus' forty days in the desert.

As we come forward to receive ashes, the minister traditionally says, "Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return." This line is taken from the Book of Genesis when God expelled Adam and Eve from the Garden of Eden. He told Eve that she would suffer the pains of childbirth and be subjected to her husband. God told Adam that he would labor for his food through sweat and toil. To both of them, God said this curse would last "Until you return to the ground, from which you were taken; For you are dust, and to dust you shall return" (Genesis 3:19). Thus, the final curse of original sin is death: "...to dust you shall return."

Likewise, we should hear God saying to us, as He said to Adam and Eve, that we also suffer the consequences of original sin and will die. But that curse must be seen in the light of God's final plan of salvation. Today, we acknowledge that the curse of death will endure but also hold onto the hope of resurrection made possible through Christ. Lent is a time of repentance for our sin and hope in redemption. Ash Wednesday is our liturgical and public statement that we have chosen both repentance and redemption.

Remember that even though you are an undeserving sinner, God has reached down from Heaven to offer you the gift of eternal salvation. He has invited you to receive this gift through your repentance and humility. Humble yourself on this day in "sackcloth and ashes," and as with those public sinners of old, God will use this Lent to unite your soul more fully with His through His glorious death and resurrection.

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FAMILY DAY

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, February 20th for Family Day.

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



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.

The Archdiocese of Toronto will accept donations and channel funds through Catholic partners (including Caritas Canada, Aid to the Church in Need, CNEWA, and Jesuits International) to support relief efforts underway for Turkey and Syria.

Those wishing to help may do so in the following ways:

- Online through the Archdiocese of Toronto website
 - https://www.archtoronto.org/en/contactus/donations/donate-pages/donate-to-turkiyeand-syria-relief/
- By phone through the Development Office 416-934-3411
- Through the parish, making cheques payable to:
 Name of Parish Turkey and Syria Earthquake –
 Humanitarian Relief (envelopes in the foyer)

Please continue to pray for those who have died and for those displaced because of this tragic disaster in both Turkey and Syria.

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

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.



Lent is a time for almsgiving. You can help the Society of St. Vincent de Paul assist the needy by dropping your loonies/toonies 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." (*Matthew 25:40*)



Our Lady of the Cape Pilgrim Statue

We will be welcoming the Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of the Cape on Friday, February 24th. She will remain with us until Friday, March 3rd. There will be a Mass on February 24th at 6:00 p.m. Special prayers, will be included throughout the week at our Masses,

Rosary, and Holy Hours (Tuesday & Thursday at 6:00 p.m.). A box will be set up for your donations and your petitions. Items will be for sale in the foyer the weekend of February 25/26.

Please see the insert for more information on Our Lady of the Cape.

Marian Consecration Daily Prayer

Our Lady of the Cape, Queen of the Holy Rosary, Queen of Canada; I offer and give my prayers, sacrifices, good works, time, talent and treasure to your Immaculate Heart, to do with as you please, for the greater glory of God.

I thank God the Father, for choosing you to be my heavenly Mother. I thank God the Son, for giving you to me as He was dying for my sins and those of the whole world on the cross. I thank God the Holy Spirit, for the graces He gives me through you.

Help me by your prayers to be faithful to the vows of my Baptism. Help me by your prayers to accomplish all that God has planned for me in advance to do. Amen

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The MDM Pilgrim Queen photographed July 1st, 2017 at Notre Dame Cathedral in Ottawa to celebrate Canada's 150th Anniversary of Confederation and the Consecration of Canada and the Archdiocese of Ottawa to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

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BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

The Knights of Columbus will by helping next weekend with the Baby Bottle Campaign for Birthright Brampton. Please take a bottle and fill it with change/bills/cheque to help Birthright continue to aid mothers and save babies. Bring the baby bottle back to church on the weekend of March 25/26. This is a great Lenten activity to participate in as a family.

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