# 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, HGN Deacon - James Bell

#### 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.

#### TORONTO VOCATIONS OFFICE

Tel. 416-968-0997 Fax 416-968-1227 Email: vocations@globalserve.net

#### **OUR SCHOOLS**

St. Leonard	905-846-2086
Sacred Heart	905-846-0802
St. Stephen	905-840-3921
St. Agnes	905-840-5020
St. Rita	905-595-0911
St. Josephine Bakhita School	905-846-0078
St. Evan School	905-843-6159
Notre Dame High School	905-840-2802

#### **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, March 25 - Annunciation of the Lord 9:00 am. - CHANDRA GLORIA BALGOBIN R.I.P. 5:00 p.m. - MICHELE BONADIO & FRANCESCO METTE RIP

#### Sunday, March 26

9:00 a.m. - FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
10:30 a.m. - PRINCE MACHADO R.I.P.
12:00 noon - NENA & INNOCENCIO SANCHEZ & CORNELIO TUDIO SR.

Monday, March 27 9:00 a.m. - *(Still available)* 

Tuesday, March 28 7:00 p.m. - SERVISTO D'SOUZA R.I.P.

Wednesday, March 29 7:00 p.m. - *(Still available)* 

Thursday, March 30 7:00 p.m. - BETTY BELFORD R.I.P.

Friday, March 31 9:00 a.m. - (Still available) 6:00 p.m. - (Still available)

Saturday, April 1 9:00 a.m. - INT. OF WALTER DEMELO & FAMILY 5:00 p.m. - NICKI RAO R.I.P.

Sunday, April 2 - Palm Sunday8:30 a.m. -10:30 a.m. -EDDIE OBIDOWSKI R.I.P.12:30 p.m. -LUCY MONIZ R.I.P.

#### **Readings for March 26**

Ezekiel 37.12-14 Romans 8.8-11 John 11.1-45



Palm Sunday is next weekend. Palms will be distributed and blessed at the beginning of each Mass. In anticipation of large crowds, please note the change in times for Masses on Sunday, April 2nd: **8:30 a.m.**, 10:30 a.m. & **12:30 p.m**.

There will be a 6:00 Mass every Friday evening during Lent, followed by the Stations of the Cross at 7:00 p.m.

#### The Fifth Sunday of Lent (Year A)

When Jesus cried out, commanding Lazarus to come out of the tomb, the details were added that Lazarus did come forth but was still bound "hand and foot with burial bands, and his face was wrapped in a cloth." Saint Augustine teaches that, in part, this symbolizes the entire process of confession and the forgiveness of sins. First, no person is capable of confessing their sins by their own effort. It must be that they are moved by grace and the command of our Lord to come forth to show themselves in their bound state to God. Lazarus' obedience to Jesus' command symbolizes the Christian's response to God when called to repentance. When our Lord says, "Untie him and let him go," this symbolizes the unmerited effect of the Sacrament of Confession and the power it has to release a person not only from their sins but also from the ongoing effects of those sins.

Our Church teaches that sin has a double consequence. First, it keeps us from eternal salvation. This effect is remedied through Confession and forgiveness. However, there is a second effect called "temporal punishment" (see the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* #1471–1473). This "punishment" is not from God, but from sin. It means that when we sin, even in a less serious way, we become attached to that sin and that the ongoing temptation to return to it is strengthened. Thus, ongoing conversion also means we hear our Lord say, "Untie him and let him go." This is especially accomplished by ongoing conversion and growth in virtue.

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### **SL** ShareLife

#### This weekend is ShareLife Sunday

ShareLife Sunday marks the first collection for our parish's annual campaign. In the words of Cardinal Collins:

"Vulnerable members of our community are relying on you and me to ensure ongoing access to the care they so desperately need. This is why it's crucial we meet our parish campaign goal. Our goal can be met, but only if we each do our part."

Our parish goal this year is \$86,800.00. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

#### **GOOD SHEPHERD OUTREACH**

The next drop off date for the Good Shepherd Prepare-a-Meal Program is next Saturday, April 1st from 11:00 till noon around the back of the church. Thank you for your continued support of this ministry.

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#### DAY OF CONFESSIONS WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29TH

9:00 am - 12:00 noon 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm - Msgr. Conrad 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm - Msg. Greg Ace 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm

"Let no one mourn that he has fallen again and again: for forgiveness has risen from the grave!" St. John Chrysostom



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*)



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

There will be an Easter food drive at St Leonard's over the next two weekends. Donations can be dropped off in a bin placed in the foyer of the church. These donations will be collected by brother Knights and

distributed to local Brampton charities.

The Knights of Columbus, Council 9235 will be hosting its 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Stations of the Cross on Good Friday, April 7<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m., starting at the Northwest corner of Wellington and Main St. (outside City Hall). This is an opportunity to reflect with prayer and music on the sufferings within our community and in the world, united with the Cross of Jesus. Please wear comfortable walking shoes and dress appropriately for the weather conditions - rain, snow, or shine.

#### Save the Date...CWL Spring Tea Party & Fun Fashion Show will be held at St. Leonard's Parish Hall on Sunday, May 7 from 1:30pm to 4pm. All are welcome. More details will follow shortly.





This is the weekend to return your **Birthright baby bottles**. If you have forgotten your bottle, please bring it to the Parish Office next week or as soon as possible. We would like <u>ALL</u> baby

**bottles** returned whether they are full or empty or even from a previous year. Thank you for your support! God bless you for your generosity!

#### SCHEDULE FOR PALM SUNDAY, HOLY WEEK & EASTER

#### PALM SUNDAY

Saturday, April 1<sup>st</sup> at 5:00 p.m. Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> at **8:30** a.m., 10:30 a.m. & **12:30** p.m.

#### HOLY THURSDAY

April 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. followed by Adoration until Midnight

#### **GOOD FRIDAY SERVICES**

April 7<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 noon and 3:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross 7:00 p.m.

#### EASTER VIGIL

April 8<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 p.m. There are **no** confessions on April 8<sup>th</sup>. There will **not** be a 5:00 p.m. Saturday Mass.

#### **EASTER SUNDAY**

April 9<sup>th</sup> at **8:30** a.m., 10:30 a.m., & **12:30** p.m.





Right to Life Mississauga & Area will be hosting an in-person event on Medical Assisted Suicide entitled: "The Real Impact of MAiD

(Medical Assisted Suicide) Revealed!"

Featured keynote speakers will discuss the legal, institutional, and personal impact of this ill-conceived legislation in Canada. The event is being held on **Sunday, March 26<sup>th</sup> from 4:00-6:00p.m. at St. Maximilian Kolbe Church in Mississauga**, preceded by a Reception for attendees starting at 3:30 pm.

You can find information about the event at www.righttolifemb.com/events. For further information, contact Right to Life Mississauga & Area by phone at 647-990-2656 or email: righttolifemb@gmail.com.

