

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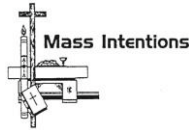
Must be registered in the parish for at least three months. A baptism date will be set after attendance at a Baptism Preparation Class.

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, April 15

9:00 a.m. - RAMAN MAKASARE R.I.P.
5:00 p.m. - ADRIANA FIGLIANO R.I.P.

Sunday, April 16 - Divine Mercy Sunday

9:00 a.m. - GILLES DUPONT R.I.P.
10:30 a.m.- FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
12:00 noon- DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE STUGLIK & STARZYK FAMILIES R.I.P.

Monday, April 17

9:00 a.m. - SOULS IN PURGATORY R.I.P.

Tuesday, April 18

7:00 p.m. - JOY LUEBKE R.I.P.

Wednesday, April 19

7:00 p.m. - SAVIOUR SAMMUT R.I.P.

Thursday, April 20

7:00 p.m. - GEORGE TOWLE R.I.P.

Friday, April 21

9:00 a.m. - KEITH BURTLES R.I.P.

Saturday, April 22

9:00 a.m. - ROQUE CABRAL R.I.P.
5:00 p.m. - PADDY HAND R.I.P.

Sunday, April 23

9:00 a.m. - ANTONIO OLIVEIRA & MARIA LOURDES R.I.P.
10:30 a.m.- GIN, FLORINDA & LUCIANO TESTANI R.I.P.
12:00 noon- FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

Readings for April 16

Acts 2.42-47 1 Peter 1.3-9
John 20.19-31

Divine Mercy Sunday



Saint Faustina reports in her *Diary* what Jesus told her about Divine Mercy Sunday:

"My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day are open all the divine floodgates through which graces flow" (Diary #699).

That day is today! It is the Feast of Divine Mercy! Today's feast is among the newer feasts in our Church. Though Jesus' desire that this feast be celebrated on the eighth day of Easter was spoken to Sister Maria Faustina Kowalska back in 1931, it was not solemnly instituted until the year 2000. On April 30 of that year, Saint Pope John Paul II canonized Saint Faustina and inaugurated the Feast of Divine Mercy as a universal feast within the Church.

Among the many messages contained within her *Diary*, Jesus revealed to us that this Sunday, the eighth and final day of the Octave of Easter, is a day like none other. Though grace and mercy are continuously poured out from Heaven upon us, Jesus is very clear that today is unique. Today, "a whole ocean of graces" is poured forth upon souls who approach the font of His mercy.

Saint Teresa of Ávila, in her spiritual classic, "Interior Castles," teaches us that the soul is, indeed, capable of infinite capacity for the simple fact that God dwells within. The soul is like an interior castle with many interlinked dwelling places through which we must pass so as to arrive at the central chamber. She teaches that the goal of the spiritual life is to travel through these various dwelling places to the center of our souls where the infinite God dwells so that we can be present to Him there. Therefore, we must understand that our souls are indeed capable of receiving the infinite waters of mercy, because God created us with this ability when He chose to live within us. The key to being able to fully receive this fullness of mercy is to seek out the infinite God, dwelling within.

The heart of the path laid out in the *Diary* of Saint Faustina is as follows: Go to Confession and receive Holy Communion so as to obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. Mercy is given in its fullness, but unless we make the transforming journey to God through conversion and purification of our souls, we will never be able to receive the ocean of graces God bestows. There is an ocean of the fullness of life waiting for you. Dive in and allow His mercy to deepen your capacity to receive Him most fully.

(from mycatholic.life)



Come celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday on April 16th from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. for Eucharistic Adoration, Benediction, and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy.



Change of Date...CWL Spring Tea Party & Fun Fashion Show will be held at St. Leonard's Parish Hall on Sunday, **June 4th** from 1:30 to 4:00 p.m. All are welcome. More details to follow.



Totus Tuus is coming! The children and youth of the parish are invited to join us for Totus Tuus (Latin for "Totally Yours") this summer from July 30 to August 4, 2023. Totus Tuus is an Archdiocesan program whereby seminarians and young adults

travel to different parishes, spreading the Good News of our Lord through catechesis, Mass, confession, songs, and games!

DAY CAMP (for Grades 1-6) Monday to Friday, 9:00 AM – 2:30 PM Monday, July 31st to Friday, August 4th, 2023

EVENING PROGRAM (for Grades 7-12) Sunday to Thursday, 7:00 – 9:00 PM Sunday, July 30th to Thursday, August 3rd, 2023

EARLY BIRD starting April 29th - \$60 for day camp and \$25 for evening program per person for the entire week. Price goes up June 1st! To register or for more information, please contact Kevin Senra at totustuus_stl@yahoo.ca More information about the program is also available at www.totustuustoronto.ca



The annual March for Life will be held on Thursday, May 11th in Ottawa. There will be Mass at St. Leonard's at 6:00 in the morning and the bus will leave after Mass and return at approximately 9:30 p.m.

This event is being sponsored by the Knights of Columbus and St. Leonard's Parish. Tickets for the bus can be purchased at the parish office for a cost of \$40.00 per person. If you are interested, please contact the office at 905-846-5385. For more information, please call Eric at (416) 402-4091 or Joe at (647) 281-9212 or email: JoeResendes19@gmail.com.



Diaper Drive on Baby Day 2023 **May 6/7, 2023**

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be hosting a diaper drive for our families we support. Please join us as we honour the basic needs of babies and highlight the celebration of National Baby Day on Tuesday May 2, 2023. We are requesting Diaper size #3 or alternately cash/cheque or gift cards will also be accepted. There will be a box in the foyer to collect the diapers on the weekend of May 6th-7th. Thank you in advance for your continuous generosity.

We appreciate and recognize the impact our volunteers make by serving others with their unique gifts and talents. Our volunteers are an essential part of the fabric of our faith community.

Thank You!

Volunteering Weaves Us Together

Volunteer Appreciation Week

April 16-22, 2023



#WeavingUsTogether #NVW2023 #ThankYouArchTOVolunteers

"There are different kinds of spiritual gifts, but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings, but the same God who produces all of them in everyone." 1 Corinthians 12: 4-6



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Every day across the Archdiocese of Toronto, parishioners generously give their time and talent to nurture and strengthen the community and share the Gospel. We recognize that our parish volunteers are at the heart of the Archdiocesan call to stewardship and are instrumental in all that we do. We thank each one of you for the tireless work that you do.

IMPORTANT NOTICE



The front steps will be under construction for the next 10 weeks. Please enter through the side entrance of the church during this time. Thank you for your patience.



Our second ShareLife Collection will be on April 30. Among others, your contributions help people with disabilities and their family members. Your generous support enables our member agencies to provide them with the resources they need.

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