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The Parish Community of **St. Leonard**

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Saturday, April 22 9:00 a.m. - ROQUE CABRAL R.I.P. 5:00 p.m. - PADDY HAND R.I.P.

Sunday, April 23

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

Monday, April 24 9:00 a.m. - NICOLA & FELICIA FIGLIANO R.I.P.

Tuesday, April 25 - St. Mark, Evangelist 7:00 p.m. - FR. ANTONI MEDRELA & DECEASED FAMILY MEMBERS R.I.P.

Wednesday, April 26 7:00 p.m. - OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNCIL - CWL

Thursday, April 27 7:00 p.m. - JUNE ASURO R.I.P.

Friday, April 28 - St. Louis de Montfort 9:00 a.m. - RADE ZOVKO R.I.P.

Saturday, April 29 9:00 a.m. - JOHN JAMES ROWAN R.I.P. 5:00 p.m. - ROMEO T. D'SOUZA R.I.P.

Sunday, April 30 - St. Catherine of Siena 9:00 a.m. - BEVERLEY KAPITAN R.I.P. 10:30 a.m.- FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH 12:00 noon- MIGUEL TEVES R.I.P.

<u>Readings for April 23</u>

Acts 2.14, 22b-28 1 Peter 1.17-21 Luke 24.13-35



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.

The Road to Emmaus

Two of the disciples were travelling on foot to the town of Emmaus. As they travelled, they were conversing and debating about what had happened to Jesus. It is clear from their words that they were quite confused and discouraged about what was happening. They encountered our Lord in His public ministry, listened to His powerful teachings, witnessed His miracles. They had hoped that He was the Messiah, but then they saw Him arrested, humiliated, beaten, crucified, and killed. Jesus' death took a serious toll on them and made them question their faith in Him. And even after they heard that He had risen, they couldn't bring themselves to believe. Thus, they travelled the road to Emmausdiscouraged, confused, and doubting.

As these disciples walked along, our Lord appeared to them, but they did not recognize Him in His resurrected form. They expressed their confusion to Him and Jesus finally said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are! How slow of heart to believe all that the prophets spoke! Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" After Jesus went on and explained the Scriptures to them, they were hungry for more. They asked this stranger to stay with them and He did. That evening, Jesus broke bread with them, and in that sacramental act, they recognized Him before He vanished from their eyes.

We must see ourselves in these disciples. There are many things in life that can lead us to discouragement. When we strive to follow God's will but find that things have not turned out how we expected, there is a temptation to doubt. Why is that? What is the cause of doubt? More than anything else, doubts and discouragement come from our failure to understand the perfect plan of God for our lives. We have failed to see that God permits certain things for His glory. He permits certain hardships to deepen our faith and trust in Him. When we fail to see His permissive will in all things, we will become discouraged and confused. Be open to the gift of understanding by trusting that the wisdom of God will dispel every temptation you have toward doubt, replacing it with trust and hope.

Jesus, I trust in You!

(from myCatholic.life)

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.

Altar Servers, please pick up the schedule in the Sacristy.



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!

Registration will begin next weekend: April 28/29. Forms will be available after all the Masses.

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.com More information about the program is also available at <u>www.totustuustoronto.ca</u>



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.

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Next week, we will be holding the second collection in our parish's ShareLife campaign. We ask for your kind generosity and support once again.

Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate. Thank you for "living the Gospel" through our parish ShareLife campaign.

Mental Health in the Faith Communities Awareness Sunday

On Sunday, May 7, 2023, Catholics throughout the Archdiocese are encouraged to participate in Mental Health in the Faith Communities Awareness Sunday. The special focus for this day is to raise awareness in our parish communities of the importance of mental health, how we need to look after it, and how important it is to get help if we are struggling. In our faith communities, people often report experiencing shame or stigma attached to mental health and mental health illness. Having open conversations about mental health issues, listening, and sharing information, opens doors to seeking help, and healing. So, on Sunday, May 7, 2023, let's talk about mental health and help stop the silence, stigma, and shame.

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The Southdown Institute invites you to join them for a day of insightful, educational, and practical talks to promote mental health, wellness, and spirituality, designed specifically for the Catholic community of faith.

Date: Friday, May 12, 2023

Time: 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Location: Nativity of Our Lord Parish Hall 480 Rathburn Road Etobicoke, ON M9C 3S8

This is a free event, and registration is required to attend. To register, visit <u>www.southdown.on.ca</u>.

SSVP Summer Camp for Boys 7-12 & Girls 5-13

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul is accepting applications for Marygrove Camp for girls ages 5-13 and also Camp



Ozanam for boys ages 7-12. These camps are offered to children of needy families in the community. For application or information, you can leave a message for the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul by calling the Rectory office at 905-846-5385, and then press 3.



Do you recognize Christ in your life? Does your heart burn in his presence? How are you being called - as a priest, deacon, brother, or sister? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of

Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997. Email: vocations@archtoronto.org Website: vocationstoronto.ca

