

# *The Parish Community of St. Leonard Welcomes You*

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## **OUR PARISH TEAM:**

Pastor - Fr. P. John Nosan  
Associate Pastor - Fr. Benny Joseph Ezhormattam  
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](mailto:vocations@globalserve.net)

## **OUR SCHOOLS**

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| 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.

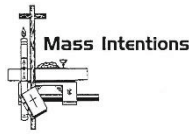
## **COMMUNION & ANOINTING FOR THE SICK:**

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 Rector.

## **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.

## TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



### Saturday, September 2

9:00 a.m. - **ROCKY & JOY MANBODH  
62<sup>ND</sup> WEDDING ANNIVERSARY**  
5:00 p.m. - **ERIC & SONIA DURSTON  
WEDDING ANNIVERSARY**

### Sunday, September 3

9:00 a.m. - **ALESSANDRO & SILVANA MIOR and  
DINO & IDIA GREGORIS R.I.P.**  
10:30 a.m.- **FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH**  
12:00 noon- **TIBERIO SARAIVA & DECEASED  
FAMILY MEMBERS R.I.P.**

### Monday, September 4

9:00 a.m. - **RODNEY FERNANDES R.I.P.**

### Tuesday, September 5

7:00 p.m. - *(Still available)*

### Wednesday, September 6

7:00 p.m. - **SPECIAL INT. FOR JORDAN PINTO**

### Thursday, September 7

7:00 p.m. - *(Still available)*

### Friday, September 8

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

### Saturday, September 9

9:00 a.m. - **INT. OF WALTER DEMELO & FAMILY**  
5:00 p.m. - **EDWARD & HELEN GALLANT R.I.P.**

### Sunday, September 10

9:00 a.m. - **FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH**  
10:30 a.m.- **MICHAEL GLYNN R.I.P.**  
12:00 noon- **ANDY LEAL R.I.P.**

### Readings for September 3

Jeremiah 20.7-9 Romans 12.1-2  
Matthew 16.21-27

### *Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)*

Today's Gospel passage is Jesus' instruction on how we will all share in His gift of salvation. In order to rise with Christ, we must freely die with Him. We must deny ourselves, meaning all selfishness and sin, and imitate Jesus' heroic sacrificial gift of His life. The result will be that we are united to Him in His death and in His Resurrection to new life.

Fear can paralyze us. But fear, in this case, is a response that is based on an error. We embrace that error when we act out of selfishness. Each of us will die. That's a fact. The question is how we die. We can either die selfishly, seeing our earthly life as the center of all. Or we can die in a self-giving way with our Lord by uniting ourselves to His act of sacrificial love. We do this by turning our eyes away from ourselves and seeking out every way that we can imitate Jesus' death. We must strive to serve, live sacrificially, put God's will first, unite ourselves to Christ, and make love for our neighbor our mission in life. This is what Jesus did. When we do this, we take up our cross, follow Him, die with Him, and are prepared to share in His Resurrection. This is the only way to eternal life.

*(Excerpt from mycatholic.life)*



**"The one who gives thanks for the gift of yesterday, will receive another gift tomorrow"** African Proverb.

*Dear Priests and Parishioners of St. Leonard -Brampton: Greetings from Rochester NY! This is to thank you once again for your wonderful hospitality throughout my stay at your Parish Rectory during my mission appeals trip there. Accepting to host me for a week was great help not only for me but is extended to my people the Maasai of Ngong Diocese Kenya, for whom I came to appeal. The opportunity of mission appeals points at how Catholic we are, in that I came to tell you about a people who are about 13,000 Km from your town and yet near in the faith we share.*

*Fr. John and Fr. Benny took good care of me as I enjoyed the comfort of their good company. I bless the two families I visited in their homes and had a meal with them. A number of people wished me well, as I appreciated the happy people of God. You all are bringing so many children to Jesus.*

*My heart is filled with gratitude. May this express, at least in part, my sincere appreciation. You are in my prayers.*

*Fr. Symon Peter Ntaiyia*

**Thank you for your generosity last weekend to the Mission Appeal - so far, we have collected \$3,579.20. If you would still like to donate, there are envelopes in the foyer of the church.**



Fr. Benny Joseph Ezhormattam, our new Associate Pastor, is from the Diocese of Kalyan, Mumbai, India. He was ordained on December 28, 1997. He hails from the South of India, the state of Kerala. For the last nine years he was working as a missionary priest in the Diocese of Jatai, Brazil. He speaks English, Portuguese, Malayalam, Hindi and Tamil.

We welcome Fr. Benny to our community and pray for him as he begins his ministry with our parish.

## GOOD SHEPHERD OUTREACH

The next drop off date for the Good Shepherd Prepare-a-Meal Program is Saturday, September 9<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 till noon around the back of the church. Thank you for your generosity.



### **Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults**

R.C.I.A. is a process established by the Church for individuals (Grade 9 and up) to become Catholic and receive the Sacraments of Initiation – Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. If you, or anyone you know, is interested in becoming a Catholic, contact the parish office. The program runs on Thursday evenings from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m., beginning October 19<sup>th</sup>.



**SAVE THE DATE:** You are needed to save babies, moms, and dads from the sorrows of abortion. On October 1<sup>st</sup> join St. Leonard Parish from 2:00

p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Southeast corner of Sandalwood Parkway and Conestoga Drive to witness to preborn children. Just bring yourself, friends, and family and together our hearts will bring life and love to those in need, by bearing the truth to them.



Getting Married Soon? The Joy-Filled Marriage program includes two main components—Life Skills for Couples and God's Plan for Love. This program offers a comprehensive approach to marriage preparation that covers not only the sacramentality and theology of marriage but also the practical life skills necessary to live out the rich Catholic vision of marriage.

#### **Dates, Times, Location**

Saturdays: September 9 - 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023  
9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.  
Guardian Angels Parish Hall

#### **Registration**

\$250 per couple, including materials. Complete registration form on the Guardian Angels Website:  
<https://guardianangelsbr.archtoronto.org/Our-Catholic-Faith/sacraments-and-sacramentals/marriage>  
Prerequisite: Engaged couples have met with their parish priest and received the okay to complete course.

For more information email: GAPMarriageprep@gmail.com

## **SUNDAY PILGRIMAGE SEPTEMBER 10, 2023**



St. Leonard's Church and Knights of Columbus, Council 9108 have arranged transportation to Martyrs' Shrine, for the Annual Living Rosary Sunday Pilgrimage on Sunday September 10, 2023. The bus will leave from Notre Dame Catholic Secondary School (2 Notre Dame Ave.) at 8:00 a.m. and will return around 7:00 p.m.

Cost: \$30 (Adults); \$20 (Youth 18 & Under)

For tickets, contact the Parish Office: (905) 846-5385

For Information call: Eric: (416) 402-4091 or  
Joe: (647) 281-9212 [JoeResendes19@gmail.com](mailto:JoeResendes19@gmail.com)



Registration forms for First Reconciliation & First Communion for students attending schools *other than our seven parish schools* are available at the parish or on our website. Instruction classes will begin in the Fall.

The Serra Club of North Peel is looking for anyone interested in joining. Members are from the parishes of Brampton, Caledon, and Orangeville. Become a promoter of vocations for the priesthood and the religious life. Without priests, we are deprived of God's instruments for saving souls.



When: Every 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday after the 9:15 a.m. Mass  
Where: St. Anne's Church, 115 Vodden St. E, Brampton

For information, please contact Carlos Abug at:

Email: [carlq7@gmail.com](mailto:carlq7@gmail.com) or  
Phone: 416-409-1384



### **How to Start a Catholic Moms Group In-person Live Workshop September 23, 2023**

10:00 am to 2:00 pm

St. Gregory's Catholic Church

122 Rathburn Road Toronto, ON M9B 2K6

Register: [www.CatholicMomsGroup.com/workshop/](http://www.CatholicMomsGroup.com/workshop/)

Questions? CONTACT: 416-907-1042



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