# 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                 |
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| 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 |
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### **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, October 14 9:00 a.m. - ANTONIO TAPIA R.I.P. 5:00 p.m. - ORLANDO & LUCIA CABRAL R.I.P.

Sunday, October 15 9:00 a.m. - GUADALUPE SAMSON R.I.P. 10:30 a.m.- FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH 12:00 noon- EDDIE OBIDOWSKI R.I.P.

Monday, October 16 9:00 a.m. - YIN HSIANG WU R.I.P.

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**Tuesday, October 17** 7:00 p.m. - **THANKSGIVING INT. FOR MONIZ FAMILY** 

Wednesday, October 18 7:00 p.m. - COLETTE BOUCLY R.I.P.

Thursday, October 19 7:00 p.m. - UMBERTO LACAPRUCCIA R.I.P.

Friday, October 20 9:00 a.m. - MICHAEL PAIVA R.I.P.

Saturday, October 21 9:00 a.m. - PIETRO, GIOVANNA, BRUNO & NANDO DEFINA R.I.P. 5:00 p.m. - IN THANKSGIVING

Sunday, October 22 9:00 a.m. - FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH 10:30 a.m.- ROY GONSALVES R.I.P. 12:00 noon- ELSA & FRANCISCO CASTRO R.I.P.

# **Readings for October 15**

Isaiah 25.6-10a Philippians 4.12-14, 19-20 Matthew 22.1-14



Registration forms for First Reconciliation and First Communion for students attending schools *other than our seven parish schools* are

available in the church sacristy or on our website. Please submit completed forms to the office. Instruction classes will begin on Saturday, October 21<sup>st</sup>.

Altar servers, please pick up your new schedule in the Sacristy.



# Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

Jesus again in reply spoke to the chief priests and elders of the people in parables, saying, "The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son. He dispatched his servants to summon the invited guests to the feast, but they refused to come." Matthew 22:1–3

In this parable, three invitations are sent forth. The first two are given to the invited guests. Though these "invited guests" refer especially to the people of Israel who were raised in the faith handed down from Moses and the prophets, we should also see in it those who have been raised within the Christian faith today. After the first invitation, those invited refused to come. After the second invitation, some who were invited reacted with indifference, while others reacted with hostility. These responses are common today.

When the third invitation was sent forth to all people, some responded. The invitation given to us is an invitation to share in the wedding feast of the Son of God. But to attend that banquet, we must be clothed in the garment of charity. Charity is the form of love that is sacrificial, selfless, and total. This form of love begins by making God the center of our lives and concludes by making His will the sole purpose of our lives. True charity will have the effect of purging all selfishness from our lives. When God invites us to a life of charity, we will be faced with a need to change. For some, this is very difficult. They react either with indifference or become defensive and lash out in hostility so as to protect the life of sin they have chosen. But true charity always seeks to lavish the greatest good upon others. It seeks to do everything necessary to help others grow in love of God.

(Excerpt from mycatholic.life)



<u>CHILDREN'S LITURGY PROGRAM</u>

The Children's Liturgy program begins this weekend at the 10:30 and 12:00 Masses. Children ages 4-7 will leave the church at the beginning of Mass and be led downstairs where they will have the Liturgy of the Word celebrated for them at their level. During the

Offertory they will return to join their parents for the remainder of the Mass.

# FIRST RECONCILIATION & FIRST COMMUNION

The enrollment for children in Grade 2 at our seven parish schools will take place on <u>Friday, October</u> <u>18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.</u> or on <u>Saturday</u>, October 28<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m. at the



church. Information packages have been sent to the schools. It is mandatory for you and your child to attend one of these enrollment ceremonies.

#### LAY PASTORAL VISITORS TRAINING



The next Lay Pastoral Visitors Training will be offered online on Thursdays, October 26, November 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 from 7 to 8:30

p.m. This program will prepare you to provide pastoral visits and bring Holy Communion to the sick, elderly, and homebound of our parish communities who are unable to attend Mass. New and seasoned volunteers are welcome to attend. Registrants are required to participate in all online sessions and complete pre-homework to receive full training. There is no cost to attend, but register early as capacity is limited. This program is offered by the Office of Formation for Discipleship and Saint Monica Institute.

REGISTER: <u>https://bit.ly/LPVT-RegisterOctNov2023</u>



The Office of Admissions of St. Michael's College School is now considering applications for September 2024. St. Michael's College School is Ontario's only independent Catholic school for young

men from Grades 7-12. Open Houses for prospective students and their families will be held on Thursday, October 19 and Tuesday, October 24, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Please register at: ApplySMCS.com. St. Michael's College School offers a generous Financial Assistance Programme that provides financial aid to qualifying students.



Christmas Bazaar The Catholic Women's League will be having their Annual Christmas Bazaar this year on Saturday, November 18th from 9:30 am to

3:00 pm. More details to follow.

#### **HIGHLIGHT ON MINISTRIES**

"Truly I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me." (Matt. 25:40) The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul is a charitable Catholic



organization, active throughout Canada. The work of the society is to assist those in need who live within the parish boundary. Home visitations are the core and heart of the work of Vincentians (lay members of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul) by which Vincentians make person to person contact with those in need. Home visitation is what distinguishes the society from other charitable organizations where our members spend time with those who need a compassionate ear. They also provide food assistance and clothing to those in need. Two of their supported charities are Marygrove camp and Camp Ozanam where over 1600 girls and boys attend free of charge each year.

Next weekend the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be collecting for the Bundle Up weekend, which occurs twice a year.

We are always looking for new members to join our society. To join or for more information on what we do please call the church #, press 3 and leave a message with a contact # for a call back from SSVP.

#### FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING WEBINAR

Saturday, October 28, 2023, at 9:00 a.m.

Learn:

- **How to avoid problems:** in your Will, in the Powers of Attorney, and through proper Estate Trustee selection
- How to create your own legacy
- About our Catholic traditions around cremation, burials, and funerals

<u>3 WAYS TO REGISTER:</u> 1. scan this QR code:



2. follow this QR link: <u>https://QRCO.de/oct28</u>
3. send an email to: <u>Development@ArchToronto.org</u> and write "webinar Oct 28" in the title line + your name(s) in the body of the message.

#### WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

There will be a second collection next weekend for the Evangelization of the Nations, otherwise known as World Mission Sunday. This is a worldwide collection for the missionary church, and it is our opportunity to assist at-need Catholic Communities globally. Offerings are combined with offerings from other Catholics around the world and distributed to missions and dioceses. Envelopes are found in your donation box or in the foyer of the church. Thank you for your support of this important work.

