

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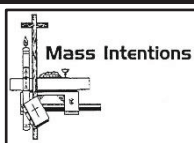
Must be registered in the parish for at least three months. A baptism date will be set after attendance at a Baptism Preparation Class.

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, December 16

9:00 a.m. - **THANKSGIVING SPECIAL INTENTION**
5:00 p.m. - **MARY, JOHN & PADDY HAND R.I.P.**

Sunday, December 17 - 3rd Sunday of Advent

9:00 a.m. - **FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH**
10:30 a.m.- **MANUEL & MARY CORREA R.I.P.**
12:00 noon- **EDGARDO REYES & APOLONIA MANGALINO R.I.P.**

Monday, December 18

9:00 a.m. - **DECEASED MEMBERS OF PHAM FAMILY R.I.P.**

Tuesday, December 19

7:00 p.m. - **MARIA ANTOINETTE REBELO R.I.P.**

Wednesday, December 20

7:00 p.m. - **JOSEPH RAPZINGER R.I.P.**

Thursday, December 21 - St. Peter Canisius

7:00 p.m. - **DAPHNE SANDOVAL R.I.P.**

Friday, December 22

9:00 a.m. - **DECEASED MEMBERS OF FRIAS FAMILY R.I.P.**

Saturday, December 23 - St. John of Kanty

9:00 a.m. - **UMBERTO FRANCESCHINIS R.I.P.**
5:00 p.m. - **BRUNO DEFINA R.I.P.**

Sunday, December 24 - 4th Sunday of Advent

9:00 a.m. - **FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH**
10:30 a.m.- **RORY & ANNETTA MCGUCKIN R.I.P.**
12:00 noon- **MATTHIAS HEIERMANN R.I.P.**

Readings for December 17

Isaiah 61.1-2A, 10-11 1 Thessalonians 5.16-24
John 1.6-8, 19-28



BRUNCH WITH SANTA

Thank you to the Knights of Columbus for hosting and cooking for the Brunch with Santa last Sunday. It was a wonderful turnout!

SIGN-UP SHEETS FOR CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S MASSES FOR LECTORS, EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST & ALTAR SERVERS ARE IN THE SACRISTY.

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Masses for Christmas Eve - December 24

5:00 p.m., 7:00 p.m., 9:00 p.m., and 12:00 Midnight (Carol singing at 11:30 p.m.)

Masses for Christmas Day
December 25

10:30 a.m. & 12:00 noon
(No 9:00 a.m. Mass)



NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, December 31 - 5:00 p.m.
Monday, January 1 - 10:30 a.m. & 12:00 noon
(No 9:00 a.m. Mass)

LESSONS AND CAROLS



You are invited to join St. Leonard's Choir to participate in the Lessons and Carols program at 11:30 p.m. on Christmas Eve. This will consist of carol singing and scripture reading before Midnight Mass.

CHRISTMAS ANGEL TREE



The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul will be providing help for Christmas to those in need in our community. This is the last weekend that the 'Christmas Angel Tree' will be in the foyer. Please take an angel which will indicate the family size on the back and provide a gift in the form of cash or cheque, grocery store or Walmart gift card, to help the family this Christmas. **We will also be collecting non-perishable food items. These can be placed in the bin available in the foyer.**

Tax receipts for donations of \$20.00 or more will be issued by the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul. Please provide your full name and address on the envelope. We thank you for your generosity and support.

Confirmation Enrollment forms for students **not** attending one of our seven parish schools are available on our website or contact the office. Please return the form, along with a copy of the student's Roman Catholic baptism certificate. Classes will at the end of February 2024





"O" ANTIPHONS

The "O Antiphons" - part of the prayer of the church for over 1300 years - are prayed for 7 days in preparation for Christmas: December 17-23. For those familiar with the Liturgy of the Hours, these are the antiphons used with the *Magnificat* each day. They are based on Isaiah's prophecies and reveal the different titles given to the Messiah.

December 17

O Wisdom of our God Most High,
guiding creation with power and love:
come to teach us the path of knowledge!

December 18

O Leader of the House of Israel,
giver of the Law to Moses on Sinai:
come to rescue us with your mighty power!

December 19

O Root of Jesse's stem,
sign of God's love for all his people:
come to save us without delay!

December 20

O Key of David,
opening the gates of God's eternal Kingdom:
come and free the prisoners of darkness!

December 21

O Radiant Dawn,
splendor of eternal light, sun of justice:
come and shine on those who dwell in darkness and
in the
shadow of death.

December 22

O King of all nations and keystone of the Church:
come and save man, whom you formed from the
dust!

December 23

O Emmanuel, our King and Giver of Law:
come to save us, Lord our God!

ADVENT *Day of Confessions*

During Advent, we are invited to prepare our hearts for the coming of the Lord – to wait in joyful hope for his return in glory at the end of time and to prepare for the annual celebration of his birth.

There is an opportunity for Confession on:

Thursday, December 21st

7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. - Fr. Joseph Pham

St. Mary's Parish in Brampton will be having extra times for Confession on the following dates and times:

Tues. Dec. 19 & 20 - 10:00 am-12:00 noon; 6:00-8:00 pm

Fri. Dec. 22 - 10:00 am-12:00 noon; 6:00-6:45 pm

Sat. Dec. 23 - 10:00 am-12:00 noon; 4:00-4:45 pm



Offertory envelopes for **2024** are available downstairs in the first room. If you used envelopes in 2023, you will find a box with your name.

If you would like to begin using envelopes in 2024, unlabelled boxes are available in the sacristy upon request or call the office. Please write the name to be used for your tax receipt and full address on the first few envelopes that you use.

PLEASE DO NOT START USING THE NEW ENVELOPES UNTIL JANUARY 1ST.

Tax receipts for 2023 will be issued by the Archdiocese of Toronto early in the new year. All **2023** envelopes received by **December 31st** will be included in the 2023 tax year. Donations with **2024 envelopes** will be included in the 2024 tax year.

Friars Student Writing Contest 2024 (November 08, 2023, to January 15, 2024)

Theme: "You shall love the Lord your God ... and your neighbour as yourself." (Luke 10:27)

High school students (ages 13-19 years) in the Catholic School Boards located in the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to participate in this annual event that commemorates the global Week of Prayer for Christian Unity from January 18-25. Write a five-hundred-word essay that explores the 2024 theme. Great prizes await the top three submissions.

Resources for the theme: <https://rb.gy/>; Entries submitted to: <https://www.catholicregister.org/writingaward>.

CONTACT: ecumenical@archtoronto.org or call 416-934-3400 (Ext. 527) for more information or questions.

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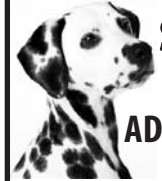
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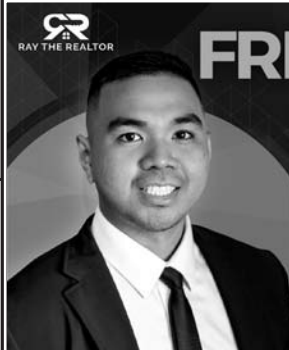


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