# The Parish Community of

**St. Leonard** Welcomes You

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# **OUR PARISH TEAM:**

Pastor - Fr. P. John Nosan Associate Pastor - Fr. Jobby Muppathiyil Joseph Deacons - James Bell, Ferdinand Valera

# 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
Wednesda	y -	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	905-846-0078
St. Evan	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 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, November 23 – St. Clement I 9:00 a.m. - ALL SOULS 5:00 p.m. - LOUIS MONIZ R.I.P.

Sunday, November 24 – Solemnity of Christ the King 9:00 a.m. - FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH 10:30 a.m.- ALL SOULS 12:00 noon- ISING ANGLO R.I.P.

Monday, November 25 – St. Catherine of Alexandria 9:00 a.m. - PIETRO ALBANESE R.I.P.

Tuesday, November 26 7:00 p.m. - JEAN MARIE ALEXANDER R.I.P.

Wednesday, November 27 7:00 p.m. - ALL SOULS

**Thursday, November 28 – St. Catherine Labouré** 7:00 p.m. - **THANKSGIVING INT. OF KULANGARA FAMILY** 

Friday, November 29 9:00 a.m. - CESAR DE VEYRA R.I.P.

Saturday, November 30 – St. Andrew 9:00 a.m. - ALL SOULS 5:00 p.m. - DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE ROPPA FAMILY

Sunday, December 1 – First Sunday of Advent 9:00 a.m. - FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH 10:30 a.m.- JOSIE FERLITO R.I.P. 12:00 noon- VIRGINIA SARAIVA R.I.P.

#### **Readings for November 24**

Daniel 7.13-14 Revelation 1.5-8 John 18.33b-37

#### **MASSES FOR ALL SOULS**

Saturday, November 23	- 9:00 am
Sunday, November 24	- 10:30 am
Wednesday, November 27	- 7:00 pm
Saturday, November 30	- 9:00 am



#### **BRUNCH WITH SANTA**

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting Brunch with Santa on **Sunday, December 8**<sup>th</sup> **@ 1:00 pm.** in the Parish Hall. Tickets are

available after all the Masses. Adults - \$15; Children under 12 - \$5; Maximum of \$40 per family.

#### Message of His Grace Most Rev. Francis Leo Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto World Youth Day 2024 (Solemnity of Christ the King -November 24)

The theme for this year's World Youth Day, "Those who hope in the Lord will run and not be weary" (cf. Is 40:31) calls our attention to the importance of hope. We live in a world that needs to rediscover the virtue of hope. Our Holy Father reminds us that while we "live in times marked by dramatic situations that generate despair;" God opens a "highway before you, and he invites you to set out on it with joy and hope." (Message of His Holiness Pope Francis for the XXXIX World Youth Day).

Pope Francis encourages us to focus on hope, not only during World Youth Day, but in the months to come as well. In fact, the theme for the 2025 Jubilee Year is "Pilgrims of Hope". Reflecting on hope, Pope Benedict XVI wrote: "To come to know God—the true God—means to receive hope" (Spe Salvi, 3). We live in a world where many people have lost the sense of a personal relationship with God and it is our task to proclaim the Good News, meaning, to evangelize, to remind the world that there is in fact much more, and that "more" is the Lord Himself and a personal relationship with Him in whom we place all our hope, in whom we find meaning for our lives, inspiration for our days, and upon whom we can cast all our anxieties and fears because he cares so much about us (cf. 1 Peter 5:7).

The Solemnity of Christ the King marks the end of the liturgical year and reminds us of who it is that we serve with loving and grateful hearts. Our hope informs our lives and how we live our lives day to day. Pope Benedict XVI reminded us: "The one who has hope lives differently; the one who hopes has been granted the gift of a new life" (Spe Salvi, 2). I invite everyone to take up anew the invitation to rediscover the awesome and life-giving virtue of hope; to do what you can to intentionally live in hope daily; and to decidedly allow hope to pervade every aspect of our lives. In the manifold instances in which we experience darkness and despair, confusion and defeat - we are called to bear hope, the hope that never disappoints, as St. Paul wrote to the Romans (5:5). In the varied circumstances where we are faced with strife and conflict, anxiety and discouragement, let us respond with a renewed and heartfelt hope for we know that the Lord Jesus is with us and walks alongside us.

(Excerpt from Archbishop Francis Leo's letter – Solemnity of Christ the King 2024)

Confirmation Enrollment forms for students <u>not</u> attending one of our seven parish schools are available on our website or contact the parish office. Please return the form, along with a copy of the student's Roman Catholic baptism certificate. Classes will begin on February 19<sup>th,</sup> 2025.

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# CHRISTMAS ANGEL TREE

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul will be providing our annual Christmas program assistance to SSVP Families in our surrounding church communities which we have served throughout the year. The 'SSVP Christmas Angel Tree' will be in the foyer for three weekends - Nov 30/Dec 1, Dec 7/8 and

Dec 14/15. We encourage our Parishioners to take an angel from the 'Angel Tree' 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 in the SSVP bin in the foyer.

Tax receipts for donations of \$20.00 or more will be issued by the Society of Sant Vincent de Paul. Please provide your full name and address on the envelope. We thank our Parishioners for your continued kind generosity and support to our SSVP Families.

# **ADVENT DAY OF CONFESSIONS**

Tuesday, December 10<sup>th</sup>

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. - Msgr. Conrad 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. - Msgr. Ace 7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. **Wednesday, December 11**<sup>th</sup> 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon - Msgr. Conrad 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. -5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. -5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.



#### CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

The Catholic Women's League, St. Leonard Parish Council are holding their annual membership drive this weekend. We invite

all parish women to become a member of a dynamic, wholesome, healthy, and supportive sisterhood and belong to the largest national organization of Catholic women in Canada. We look forward to welcoming you to our council.

# **CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING**

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in November 2024 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 905-624-4422.

# Friars Student Writing Contest 2025 (November 11, 2024 - January 13, 2025) Theme: "Do you believe this?" (John 11:26)

High school students aged 13 to 19 from the Catholic School Boards in the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to participate in this annual event, which honours the global Week of Prayer for Christian Unity taking place from January 18 to 25.

Write a five-hundred-word essay that explores the 2025 theme. Great prizes await the top three submissions.

Students are encouraged to explore the resources at https://bit.ly/3zOVHly to gain insight into the meaning and purpose of the theme. Entries are to be submitted at https://www.catholicregister.org/writingaward.

Email ecumenical@archtoronto.org or call 416-934-3400 ext. 527 with any questions, or for more information.



#### CHRISTMAS CHILDREN'S CHOIR

There will be a children's choir at the **5:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass**. Those interested in singing with the choir please contact the parish office at 905-

846-5385 or email at stleonardsbr@archtoronto.org. Please pick up a volunteer screening package in the Sacristy or at the office. Practices will be Dec. 7, 14 & 21 at 2 pm in the church.



# PASTORAL VISITORS POTLUCK

The Pastoral Visitors will be having a Potluck dinner on Thursday, December 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm in the St.

Joseph's room (1<sup>st</sup> room). The kitchen will not be available for warming food.



Offertory envelopes for <u>2025</u> are available downstairs. If you used envelopes in 2024, you will find a box with your name. If you would

like to begin using envelopes in 2025, unlabelled boxes will be available in the sacristy later in December.

# PLEASE <u>DO NOT</u> START USING THE NEW ENVELOPES UNTIL <u>JANUARY</u> 1<sup>ST</sup>.

No donations in 2025 envelopes will be deposited until 2025 tax year.

