

The Parish Community of St. Leonard Welcomes You

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OUR PARISH TEAM:

Pastor - Fr. P. John Nosan
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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
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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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.

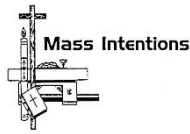
COMMUNION & ANOINTING FOR THE SICK:

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 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.

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



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.

Monday, December 2

9:00 a.m. - MANUEL AMARAL R.I.P.

Tuesday, December 3 – St. Francis Xavier

7:00 p.m. - ADRIAN CUSTODIO R.I.P.

Wednesday, December 4 - St. John Damascene

7:00 p.m. - LIVING & DECEASED CWL MEMBERS

Thursday, December 5

7:00 p.m. - CYRIL CHINNAH R.I.P.

Friday, December 6 – St. Nicholas

9:00 a.m. - MARY BUSUTTIL R.I.P.

7:00 p.m. - MARY FERNANDES R.I.P.

Saturday, December 7 – St. Ambrose

9:00 a.m. - INT. OF WALTER DEMELO & FAMILY

5:00 p.m. - LILY HSIUNG R.I.P.

Sunday, December 8 – Second Sunday of Advent

9:00 a.m. - FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

10:30 a.m.- COSIMO PERRI R.I.P.

12:00 noon- ELVIRA & OLIMPIO MOLLICONE R.I.P.

Readings for December 1

Jeremiah 33.14-16 1 Thessalonians 3.12-4.2
Luke 21.25-28, 34-36

BRUNCH WITH SANTA

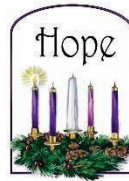


The Knights of Columbus will be hosting Brunch with Santa on **Sunday, December 8th** @ **1:00 pm.** in the Parish Hall. Tickets are available after all the Masses. Adults - \$15; Children under 12 - \$5; Maximum of \$40 per family.

GOOD SHEPHERD OUTREACH

The next drop off date for the Good Shepherd Prepare-a-Meal program is Saturday, December 7th from 11:00 till noon around the back of the church.

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



The first Sunday of Advent marks the beginning of the liturgical year. The Catechism of the Catholic Church (paragraph 524) says,

When the Church celebrates the liturgy of Advent each year, she makes present this ancient expectancy of the Messiah, for by sharing in the long preparation for the Savior's first coming, the faithful renew their ardent desire for his second coming. By celebrating the precursor's birth and martyrdom, the Church unites herself to his desire: "He must increase, but I must decrease."

The Advent Wreath is a popular symbol used as the focus of prayer throughout the season. The wreath is blessed, and one candle is lit on the first Sunday of Advent; another candle is lit every Sunday until all four candles are burning brightly. Purple candles symbolize our waiting, hoping, longing expectation for the arrival of Christ. A pink candle for the third Sunday reminds us that the time of Christ's arrival is fast approaching, and we must prepare. The act of lighting the candles banishes the darkness: a reminder of Jesus Christ, the Light who has come into the world through his birth, and who continues to shine brightly through his Church.

O God, as light comes from this candle, may the blessing of Jesus Christ come to us, warming our hearts and brightening our way. May Christ our Saviour bring life into the darkness of this world, and to us, as we wait for His coming. Amen.

(Archdiocese of Toronto)

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 Saint 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 10th

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 11th

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. - Msgr. Ace
7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Here I Am, Lord

Living the Unconditional Yes of Mary and Joseph

Retreat Leader: Rev. Edwin Gonsalves

Date: Saturday December 14, 2024

Time: 9:00 AM-4:00 PM

Location: St. Augustine's Seminary, 2661 Kingston Rd, Scarborough

Format: In-Person Only

Cost: \$45 - Includes warm pastries, coffee and tea on arrival, as well as lunch. Mass, Confession, and Adoration will also be offered.

Register: <https://staugustines.on.ca/events-listing/advent-retreat2024>

In this full-day retreat, Rev. Edwin Gonsalves will follow Mary and Joseph through their moments of saying "yes" to Our Lord's will for them. As we follow the moments of the Annunciation, the birth of Jesus, Joseph's dreams and the flight into Egypt, we realize how many times the Lord seemed to ask of them what was unexpected and uncertain, even uncomfortable and life changing. As we enter the Advent season, this retreat will allow us to strengthen our own many "yesses" to God, with the model and help of Mary and Joseph.



PASTORAL VISITORS POTLUCK

The Pastoral Visitors will be having a Potluck dinner on Thursday, December 5th at 7:30 pm in the St. Joseph's room (1st room). The kitchen

will not be available for warming food.



SERRA CLUB
of
North Peel

Of course, we all want to receive Jesus in the Eucharist and the other sacraments for our eternal salvation. If you are one of those people who love the Eucharist and want others to have the same love for Jesus in the Eucharist for their eternal salvation, we invite you to join the **Serra Club of North Peel**. Become a promoter of vocations for the priesthood and the religious life. For without priests, we are deprived of God's instruments for saving souls. **Serra International** is a global institution aggregated to the Pontifical Work for Priestly Vocations of the Holy See. Our Patron Saint is St. Junipero Serra.

We meet every 4th Saturday at St. Anne's Church, 115 Vodden St. E., Brampton, after the 9:15 am Mass. There are sign up sheets in the foyer if you would like to become a part of Serra Club. Fr. Jobby is the chaplain of the North Peel Chapter and is available to answer any questions you may have.



Knights of Columbus Executive Meeting is this Tuesday, December 3rd at 7:30 pm and General Meeting on Thursday, December 5th at 8:00 pm.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul is requesting the following if anyone is able to provide: winter coats for husband and wife, boys ages 1, 14, & 16, girls 5 & 7; ironing table and desk. Please contact them at: 905-846-5385, press 3.



Offertory envelopes for 2025 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 DO NOT START USING THE NEW ENVELOPES UNTIL JANUARY 1ST.

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



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.

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

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