

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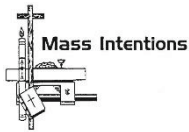
Must be registered in the parish for at least three months. A baptism date will be set after attendance at a Baptism Preparation Class.

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 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.



Saturday, March 1

9:00 a.m. - **DECEASED MEMBERS OF BIAGI & CALAGARI FAMILIES R.I.P.**
 5:00 p.m. - **MICHAEL COLLINGE R.I.P.**

Sunday, March 2

9:00 a.m. - **FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH**
 10:30 a.m.- **MELTON UNGER R.I.P.**
 12:00 noon- **VIRGINIA SARAIVA R.I.P.**

Monday, March 3

9:00 a.m. - **NICOLA & FELICIA FIGLIANO R.I.P.**

Tuesday, March 4

7:00 p.m. - **EMIL MARIANAYAGAM R.I.P.**

Wednesday, March 5 - Ash Wednesday

9:00 a.m. - **DON GREGG R.I.P.**
 7:00 p.m. - **FR. ANTONI MENDRELA & DECEASED FAMILY MEMBERS R.I.P.**

Thursday, March 6

7:00 p.m. - **OLIMPIA SALITURO R.I.P.**

Friday, March 7 - Sts. Perpetua & Felicity

9:00 a.m. - **JOAQUIN REBELO R.I.P.**
 6:00 p.m.- **RICHARD D'SOUZA R.I.P.**

Saturday, March 8 - St. John of God

9:00 a.m. - **INT. OF WALTER DEMELO & FAMILY**
 5:00 p.m. - **ANNA SAMMUT R.I.P.**

Sunday, March 9

9:00 a.m. - **DEACON AL MOULTON R.I.P.**
 10:30 a.m.- **FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH**
 12:00 noon- **ROMEO D'SOUZA R.I.P.**

Readings for March 2

Sirach 27.4-7 1 Corinthians 15.54-58
 Luke 6.39-45

FIRST FRIDAY



Friday, March 7th is the First Friday of the month. Mass will be celebrated in the morning at 9:00 a.m. followed by Adoration. There will be Mass at 6:00 in the evening followed by Stations of the Cross at 7:00 p.m.

Please continue to pray for our Holy Father, Pope Francis, as he remains in hospital in serious condition, but slightly improved.

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"But rather, love your enemies and do good to them, and lend expecting nothing back; then your reward will be great and you will be children of the Most High, for he himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful."

Luke 6:35-36

Oftentimes, when we encounter ingratitude from another, or any other form of wickedness, we tend to react in kind. Our fallen human nature lures us into cruelty when faced with cruelty. We criticize, condemn, attack and get angry. But Jesus is very clear that this is not how the "Most High" acts toward the wicked. And it is not how He acts toward us. In the end, the wicked who fail to repent will endure the consequences of their rejection of God's mercy. But until that final judgment, hope of conversion must always be present. And for that reason, we must never give up on another, no matter how difficult. Kindness shown to everyone, in every circumstance, goes to the heart of the mission we have received as children of God.

(From mycatholic.life)



**ASH WEDNESDAY
 March 5th**

On Ash Wednesday, as a sign of our ongoing need to repent of our sins and do penance, the faithful are invited to come forward to be marked with ashes as a sign of their commitment to the penitential season of Lent, so as to celebrate with great joy the Solemnity of Easter.

As you come forward to receive the ashes today, make this act a prayer and one of deep interior devotion. Call to mind your sins and the sins of your whole life, as best you can. Remember that even though you are an undeserving sinner, God has reached down from Heaven to offer you the gift of eternal salvation. He has invited you to receive this gift through your repentance and humility.

**MASSES FOR ASH WEDNESDAY WILL BE AT
 9:00 A.M. AND 7:00 P.M.**

Ash Wednesday is a day of fasting and abstinence from meat. The Law of abstinence from meat binds those who are 14 and older; the law of fasting binds those from 18 to 59 years of age.

"The Law of fasting prescribes that only one meal be taken in a day; but it does not forbid taking some nourishment in the morning and evening."

(Letter & Legislation, Archdiocese of Toronto)



WOMEN'S SPIRITUAL BREAKFAST

Women of the parish, you are invited to join the Catholic Women's League on **Saturday, March 22, 2025 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.** in the church hall for the Annual

Women's Spiritual Breakfast. It will be a wonderful opportunity for prayer and fellowship led by Fr. Jobby. This year's theme, "A Lenten Reflection," will be sure to inspire. Tickets are \$20.00 and can be purchased following each Mass on March 8/9 and March 15/16.



Lent is a time for almsgiving. You can help the Society of St. Vincent de Paul assist the needy by dropping your loonies/toonies or spare change in the poor box

during Lent: "I assure you as often as you did it for one of the least brothers, you did it for me." (*Matthew 25:40*). There is a great need in our community with the economic situation today. Anything you can do at this time, and all year round, is very much appreciated.



Announcing the 2025 ShareLife Campaign

As we approach our first ShareLife Sunday collection on March 30, it is essential that we come together in compassion to meet our Parish Campaign goal, addressing the growing needs in our communities.

By reaching this goal, our agencies will continue to:

- offer walk-in counselling to those facing mental health issues
- help victims of domestic violence
- ensure isolated seniors are not forgotten
- distribute food to families in our community
- form priests and deacons who will minister in our parishes

Your support of ShareLife makes these programs possible, among many others. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

Thank you for your generosity in last year's campaign. As a parish, we exceeded our goal of \$94,200.00. Our total given was: \$98,652.96.

MISSIONARY FAMILIES OF CHRIST CHRISTIAN LIFE SEMINAR

The Missionary Families of Christ (MFC) is a gathering of Christian believers who focus on evangelization and family life renewal. They are hosting a Christian Life Seminar at St. Jerome Catholic Church, 8530 Chinguacousy Rd., Brampton.

Session 1: Sunday, March 23 - 2:00 pm

Session 2: Sunday, March 30 - 2:00 pm

Session 3: Sunday, April 6 - 2:00 pm

Session 4: Saturday, April 12 - 6:00 pm

Contact: Edd & Jo Acuna - (905) 782-2777;

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SAVE THE DATE: On **Saturday, May 31st**, the Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a new archdiocesan event called "A Day with Mary" will be taking place at Villanova College in King City. We will gather together from all corners of the archdiocese to participate in Mass, pray the Rosary, grow deeper in our devotion to Our

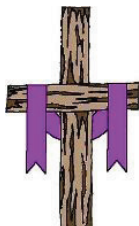
Lady through a keynote address for the adults and children's catechesis for the kids. There will be music and fellowship and we hope you will consider joining the Cardinal Archbishop and so many others who love the Blessed Mother. More information will follow in the coming weeks. Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for us!

BIRTHRIGHT BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

Next weekend (March 8/9) will begin the Baby Bottle Campaign for Birthright Brampton. Bottles will be available after each of the Masses for you to take and fill with change/bills/cheque to help Birthright continue to aid mothers and save babies. Please bring the bottle back to church the weekend of April 5/6.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS



There will be a 6:00 p.m. Mass on the Fridays during Lent followed by the Stations of the Cross at 7:00 p.m.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER - MARCH 7

The World Day of Prayer is observed annually on the First Friday in March. It is an invitation for Christians to pause and pray together ecumenically.

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