

# *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.

## **TORONTO VOCATIONS OFFICE**

Tel. 416-968-0997 Fax 416-968-1227  
Email: [vocations@globalserve.net](mailto:vocations@globalserve.net)

## **OUR SCHOOLS**

St. Leonard	905-846-2086
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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.

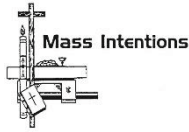
## **COMMUNION & ANOINTING FOR THE SICK:**

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 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.

## THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



### Saturday, March 22

9:00 a.m. - SOULS IN PURGATORY

5:00 p.m. - FRANK EGAN SR. R.I.P.

### Sunday, March 23

9:00 a.m. - ELMO MARIANAYAGAM R.I.P.

10:30 a.m.- FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

12:00 noon- ELSA & FRANK CASTRO R.I.P.

### Monday, March 24

9:00 a.m. - DECEASED MEMBERS OF MARTUCCI FAMILY

### Tuesday, March 25 - Annunciation of the Lord

7:00 p.m. - ALFREDO & JOÃO RODRIGUES R.I.P.

### Wednesday, March 26

7:00 p.m. - LEO BONOMI R.I.P.

### Thursday, March 27

7:00 p.m. - SOULS IN PURGATORY

### Friday, March 28

9:00 a.m. - RITA FERNANDES R.I.P.

6:00 p.m. - OLIMPIA SALITURO R.I.P.

### Saturday, March 29

9:00 a.m. - THANKSGIVING INT. FOR RILEY

5:00 p.m. - MARIANI & ANDREAS HARYADI  
(25<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary)

### Sunday, March 30

9:00 a.m. - CHANTELLE & PAUL DUGGAN R.I.P.

10:30 a.m.- FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

12:00 noon- DECEASED MEMBERS OF ABUYAN FAMILY

### Third Sunday of Lent

*"For three years now I have come in search of fruit on this fig tree but have found none. So cut it down. Why should it exhaust the soil?" He said to him in reply, 'Sir, leave it for this year also, and I shall cultivate the ground around it and fertilize it; it may bear fruit in the future. If not you can cut it down.'" Luke 13:7-9*

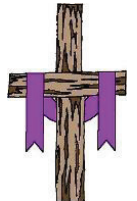
Jesus is the Gardener, and we are the fig tree. This parable should lead us to look at our lives and examine whether or not we bear good fruit for the Kingdom of Heaven. Jesus comes to you to cultivate the soil of your heart, fertilizing it with His holy Word, watering it with His Sacraments and doing all He can to give you the opportunity to produce the fruit of charity in your life. How successful are these actions of our Lord in your life?

Too often, when we see only a little good fruit being borne from our lives, we are satisfied. And though any good fruit is good, we are wasting our lives if we do not do all we can to become as abundantly fruitful as possible. Imagine the joy in the Hearts of our Lord and the Father in Heaven if they were to look upon you and see good fruit being produced beyond expectation. Why wouldn't this be your goal in life? Our Lord is patient, but He is also just. Do not try His patience, and do not succumb to His justice.

*(From mycatholic.life)*

### 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.



### Readings for March 23

Exodus 3.1-8a, 13-15    1 Corinthians 10.1-6, 10-12  
Luke 13.1-9



Next weekend will be the first collection for ShareLife. Our parish goal this year is \$100,000.00. You will find an envelope in your donation box. There are also envelopes in the foyer of the church. You may also give online through our parish website, or at [sharelife.org/donate](http://sharelife.org/donate).

### SIGN-UP SHEETS - HOLY WEEK

Sign-up sheets for Holy Week Services/Masses are available in the Sacristy for Altar Servers, Lectors, and Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist.



Birthingright Brampton has been in operation for over 28 years and is fully staffed by dedicated volunteers. We are currently assisting over 900 moms. Last year we welcomed **423 babies (15 sets of twins**

**and 1 set of quintuplets)**. Some of the challenges that our moms face are financial hardship, abusive relationships, mental health, addictions, refugees, newcomers and human trafficking to name a few. Please help us to help mothers **CHOOSE LIFE for their unborn child!**

**"Never be afraid of loving the Blessed Virgin too much. You can never love her more than Jesus did."**

**St. Maximilian Kolbe**



### THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

We celebrate the Feast of the Annunciation of the Lord on Tuesday, March 25<sup>th</sup>.

The celebration of the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord recalls the historical event of the Angel Gabriel appearing to the Virgin Mary, as found in Luke 1:26–38. It also celebrates the Church's faith in the underlying reality that took place at that moment in time. It celebrates the Incarnation, making this solemnity not only a Marian solemnity, but first and foremost a Christological one. Though Christmas commemorates the birth of Christ, the Annunciation commemorates the Incarnation within the womb of the Blessed Virgin Mary. (*mycatholic.life*)

Our Archbishop, Frank Cardinal Leo, invites us to join with him throughout the Archdiocese for Consecration to the Blessed Virgin Mary. We will celebrate the Consecration after the Tuesday evening Mass.

### MARCH FOR LIFE

The annual March for Life will be held on Thursday, May 8<sup>th</sup> in Ottawa. There will be Mass at St. Leonard's at 5:45 in the morning and the bus will leave after Mass and return at approximately 9:00 p.m.



This event is being sponsored by the Knights of Columbus and St. Leonard's Parish. Tickets for the bus can be purchased at the parish office for a cost of \$45.00 per person. If you are interested, please contact the office at 905-846-5385. For more information, please call Eric at (416) 402-4091 or Joe at (647) 281-9212 or email: [JoeResendes19@gmail.com](mailto:JoeResendes19@gmail.com).

### QUEEN OF APOSTLES RENEWAL CENTRE 2025 Lenten Retreat

**When:** SATURDAY APRIL 5TH, 2025.  
**Where:** 1617 Blythe Road, Mississauga  
**Cost:** \$50.00 and includes coffee/tea with muffins and a hot lunch.

Registration is at 8:30am and the retreat runs from 9:00am to 3:00pm.  
A mass will be celebrated during the day.  
Please email: [office@goa.ca](mailto:office@goa.ca) or call us at (905) 278 5229.

### High School Come & See Day Retreat, March 29, 2025



The Office of Vocations is hosting a high school day retreat for high school men, in grades 11 & 12, at St. Augustine's Seminary, on March 29 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. This retreat is designed to help young men cultivate a deeper prayer life & relationship with the Lord. Seminarians will offer reflections on practical aspects of faith. This retreat will offer opportunities for communal prayer, Holy Mass, Eucharistic Adoration & socializing. Lunch will be provided.

Registration for the retreat is to be done online at: [www.vocationstoronto.ca/hscomeese](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca/hscomeese).  
For more information please email: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)

### LENTEN DAYS OF CONFESSION

**"Jesus in the confessional is not a dry cleaner: it is an encounter with Jesus, who waits for us just as we are. Is going to confession like a torture session? No! It is going to praise God, because I, a sinner, have been saved by Him. And is He waiting to beat me? No, he waits with tenderness to forgive me. And if tomorrow I do the same? Go again, and go and go and go. He always waits for us." - Pope Francis.**

The schedule for extra confessions is as follows:

#### Wednesday, April 2nd and 9th

2:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.  
7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.



### GOOD FRIDAY OUTDOOR STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The Knights of Columbus, Council 9235 will be hosting its 28<sup>th</sup> annual outdoor Stations of the Cross procession on Good Friday, April 18<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m., commencing from the steps of City Hall, rain, snow or shine. This is an opportunity to reflect in prayer upon the sufferings within our community and the world united with cross of Jesus. Please wear comfortable walking shoes and dress appropriately for the weather conditions.



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.

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