

# *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  
In Residence - Fr. Damian Gumbo  
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**

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## **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.

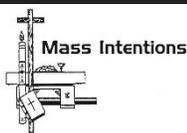
## **COMMUNION & ANOINTING FOR THE SICK:**

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.

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT



### Saturday, March 14

9:00 a.m. - **THANKSGIVING & HEALING  
FOR ANNA LE FAMILY**  
5:00 p.m. - † **BRENDA MURRAY**

### Sunday, March 15 - Laetare Sunday - 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent

9:00 a.m. - † **ROGARINHA GOREREIA MONIZ**  
10:30 a.m.- **FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH**  
12:00 noon- † **DECEASED MEMBERS OF ABUYUAN FAMILY**

### Monday, March 16

9:00 a.m. - † **JOHNNY BUCCI**

### Tuesday, March 17 - St. Patrick

7:00 p.m. - † **MARGARET COOKE**

### Wednesday, March 18 - St. Cyril of Jerusalem

7:00 p.m. - † **FERNANDES D'SOUZA**

### Thursday, March 19 - Solemnity of St. Joseph

12:00 noon- † **FRANK & BERNADETTE GONSALVES**  
7:00 p.m. - † **DOMENICO FIGLIANO**

### Friday, March 20

9:00 a.m. - *(Still available)*  
6:00 p.m. - † **ALFREDO LAZZARO**

### Saturday, March 21

9:00 a.m. - **INT. OF WALTER DEMELO & FAMILY**  
5:00 p.m. - **INT. FOR ALLAN D'SOUZA**

### Sunday, March 22 - 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent

9:00 a.m. - † **JACKIE O'NEIL**  
10:30 a.m.- **FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH**  
12:00 noon- † **ELSA & FRANCISCO CASTRO**

### Readings for March 15

1 Samuel 16.1b,6-7,10-13      Ephesians 5.8-14  
John 9:1-41



Laetare means to rejoice! The day takes its name from the opening words of today's Mass: "Rejoice, O Jerusalem."

Laetare Sunday provides us encouragement as we progress toward the end of Lent.

### SIGN-UP SHEETS - HOLY WEEK/EASTER

Sign-up sheets for Palm Sunday, Holy Week, & Easter Services/Masses are available in the Sacristy for Altar Servers, Lectors, and Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist. Ushers will find sign-up sheets in their cupboard.

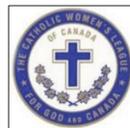
### *4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent - Laetare Sunday*

*As Jesus passed by, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "Neither he nor his parents sinned; it is so that the works of God might be made visible through him." John 9:1-3*

Think of a person who lives a sinful life for many years and understands life only through the distortions of sin and selfishness. Once set free from sin, the person's spiritual eyes are opened. Those who experience such a conversion are given a blessing that those who have been faithful throughout their lives do not receive in the same way. They understand the contrast between spiritual blindness and sight, and the newfound freedom they receive after conversion provides a greater understanding of the gift of God's grace and its transforming effects. They will never forget the weight of bondage once caused by their sin.

One reason God permitted this man to be born blind and live that way into adulthood was to illustrate the contrast between spiritual darkness and light. This is part of what Jesus means when He says this man was born blind "so that the works of God might be made visible through him." The miracle not only illustrated Jesus' divine power but also symbolized the much deeper spiritual healing He offers to all. Just as the blind man received physical sight, we are offered the gift of spiritual sight through grace.

*(From mycatholic.life)*



### Women's Spiritual Breakfast March 21, 2026 9:30 am – 12:00 pm

Women of the parish, you are invited to join the Catholic Women's League on Saturday, March 21, 2026, from 9:30 am –12:00 pm. in the church hall for our annual Women's Spiritual Breakfast. This is a great opportunity for prayer and fellowship with guest speaker Pauline Murphy, Founder and Executive Director of Birthright Brampton and former Parish RCIA Director. Tickets are \$20, available after Masses this weekend 14/15, or by e-transfer to [treasurer.cwl.stleonardsbr@outlook.com](mailto:treasurer.cwl.stleonardsbr@outlook.com).

The next CWL General Meeting will take place this Wednesday, March 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm in the Parish Hall. All the ladies of the parish are welcome to attend.

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

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



**SCHEDULE FOR PALM SUNDAY  
HOLY WEEK & EASTER**

**PALM SUNDAY**

Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup> at **8:30 a.m.**, 10:30 a.m.  
& **12:30 p.m.**

**HOLY THURSDAY**

April 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 p.m.  
followed by Adoration until Midnight

**GOOD FRIDAY SERVICES**

April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 12:00 noon and 3:00 p.m.  
Youth Stations of the Cross 7:00 p.m.

**EASTER VIGIL**

Saturday, April 4<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 p.m.  
There are **no** confessions on April 4<sup>th</sup>.  
There will **not** be a 5:00 p.m. Saturday Mass.

**EASTER SUNDAY**

April 5<sup>th</sup> at **8:30 a.m.**, 10:30 a.m., & **12:30 p.m.**



**SOLEMNITY OF ST. JOSEPH  
MARCH 19<sup>TH</sup>**

On December 8, 1847, Pope Pius IX declared Saint Joseph to be the Universal Patron and Protector of the Catholic Church. This unique title reflects the same truth that Mary is the Mother of God and the Mother of the entire Church. Since she was the mother of the Son of God, and we, the Church, are members of the Body of Christ, then she is our Mother. And since Joseph was the father of the Son of God, His guardian and protector, over whom he was given authority, and from Whom he received obedience, then we, too, can trust in Joseph's guardianship over us.

**There will be Mass at 12:00 noon and 7:00 pm on  
March 19<sup>th</sup>.**



Your generous heart lifts the burden of financial worry for priests, allowing those such as Rev. Mr. Moonjun Alphonse Choi to embrace his calling fully and prepare for a life of service to the Church. God-willing, he will be ordained into priesthood this May. Because of your faithful generosity to ShareLife, many more young men will have the opportunity to answer God's call.

The first ShareLife Sunday collection is next Sunday, March 22. Our parish goal this year is \$97,000. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at [sharelife.org/donate](http://sharelife.org/donate).



**PASTORAL VISITORS  
MEETING**

There will be a meeting on **Thursday, March 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m.** in the St. Joseph's

room for all current Pastoral Visitors and for those interested in serving. Pastoral Visitors make scheduled visits to people at home, the nursing home, retirement home, or in the hospital. They are commissioned Extraordinary Ministers of Communion who receive or have received training and are mandated by the Pastor. Volunteer screening and background check are required. If you have a heart to serve the sick or elderly, join us to find out more.

**LENTEEN DAYS OF CONFESSION**

<b>Tuesday, March 24<sup>th</sup></b> 10:00 am - 12:00 noon 2:00 pm - 7:00 pm 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm	<b>Thursday, March 26<sup>th</sup></b> 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm
<b>Wednesday, March 25<sup>th</sup></b> 10:00 am - 12:00 noon 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm	<b>Friday, March 27<sup>th</sup></b> 10:00 am - 12:00 noon

**PROJECT HOPE**

Our parish has agreed to work with the Office of Refugees, Archdiocese of Toronto to assist a refugee family of 3 from Pakistan – a mother, father, & 12-year-old daughter. They are scheduled to arrive here this week on March 17<sup>th</sup>. There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer of the church if you would like to offer to donate the suggested items. Once their needs are assessed, someone from the Refugee Committee will be contacting those who offered. Volunteers will also be needed to help with their settlement.

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