

<i>Mass Intentions for the Week</i> 		
Saturday April 12	5:00 pm	† Edward Krubnik (Elizabeth) † Joe & Tony Galardo (Carmela Galardo) † Edward & Pooi Ayoungchee (Mary Hanes) † Frederick Haslan (10 Yrs. Mem.) (The Haslan Family)
Sunday April 13	8:30 am	† Biagio Forte (Civita Forte & Famiglia) † Raffaele & Lorenza Ducentino (Famiglia Foschino)
	10:00 am	† Angelina & Pasquale Martino (Mafalda Perri) † Giulia & Amedeo Perri (Mafalda Perri) † Teofil & Jozefa Lecznar (The Lecznar Family)
	11:30 am	<b>PRO POPULO</b>
Monday April 14	8:00 am	
Tuesday April 15	8:00 am	
Wednesday April 16	7:00 pm	
Thursday April 17	7:30 pm	<b>“Evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper”</b>
Friday April 18	3:00 pm	<b>“Good Friday Liturgy”</b>
	7:30 pm	<b>“Stations of the Cross”</b>
Saturday April 19	8:00 pm	<b>“Easter Vigil”</b>

### *Did Jesus ride two Animals?*

Jesus wanted to make a public statement of his role as Messiah. He knew that this would provoke the Jerusalem leaders and force a response. He accomplished this by a triumphant procession from Bethesda, a small village on the east slope of the Mount of Olives. Matthew's gospel interprets this as a fulfillment of the prophecy of Zechariah 9:9--"Your king... is coming to you on a donkey; he comes on the colt of a donkey." The prophet was using poetry to describe the event. Hebrew poetry usually repeats thoughts using different words. It rhymes thoughts instead of sounds. Hence, the repetition of "donkey" and "colt" are meant only to convey the humility of the king.



*(Lonsdale Commentaries & Clip Art)*

### *Holy Week Ceremonies*

There are beautiful ceremonies this week that help us relive the events that saved us and bring us eternal life.

This Sunday we read the story of the Last Supper and Good Friday. We will also hear these stories on Thursday and Friday. Palm Sunday is all about: Jesus' entry into Jerusalem. Christ entered Jerusalem not as a conquering king on a charger but "riding on an ass" to show that he was the humble servant of all men, he clearly foresaw the sufferings and torments that would be his in that city, before the week was out.

### *Communion Fast still holds*

Holy Communion is Jesus! The Church still requires that Catholics prepare to receive him by fasting ONE FULL HOUR. This fast includes all food and beverages. Let's think about it! Communion with Jesus is serious business.

### ***Good Friday–Day of Fast and Abstinence***

Cannon Law states that all Christ's faithful are obliged by the Lord's command, each in his/her own way to undertake that conversion of mind and heart called penance. Good Friday is a day of Fast and Abstinence. The faithful devote themselves to prayer, engage in works of piety and charity, and deny themselves by fulfilling their obligations more faithfully and especially by observing the fast and abstinence the Church prescribes: Abstinence means not eating meat, and binds Catholics 14 years of age and older. Fast means limiting oneself to one full meal and two lighter meals each day, and binds Catholics from their 18th birthday to their 59th birthday – one is not bound to fast if health or the ability to work is affected.

### ***Annual Good Friday Collection to support Christians in the Holy Land***

Christians around the world are united in a special way during Lent, Holy Week and Easter. At this time each year Catholics are called on to support the Christians communities in the Holy Land. The annual Good Friday Collection offers a direct link for parishioners to be witnesses of peace and to help protect the Holy Places.

### ***Registration is a must***

We encourage every adult who attends Mass at St. St. Leo's Church to formally register. This includes adult children living at home with their parents. Call the office to register and ask for a box of offering envelopes. You must be a registered parishioner to request marriage or baptism. Father Frank will only provide reference and pastoral letters for those officially inscribed on the parish list. Thank you!

### **Sanctuary Lamp**

We wish to acknowledge an anonymous donation of \$80.00 by a parishioner for sponsoring of the sanctuary lamp. The Sanctuary lamp burns continuously reminding us of Christ the eternal and everlasting light, it is scheduled on a first come first serve basis, to ensure an equal opportunity for everyone.

### ***Holy Week Schedule***

(No 8:00 am mass Thursday & Friday  
And no 5:00 pm Mass on Saturday)

#### **Holy Thursday April 17**

7:30 pm "Mass of the Lord's Supper"  
"Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
Until 12:00 Midnight"

#### **Good Friday April 18**

3:00 pm Holy Friday Liturgy  
7:30 pm Stations of the Cross

#### **Holy Saturday April 19**

12:00 noon  
"SWIEÇONKA"  
(Blessing of Easter Foods)

8:00 pm Easter Vigil

#### **Easter Sunday April 20**

Regular Sunday Schedule

#### **Confessions: Saturday April 12**

**3:30 – 4:45 pm**

No Confessions during Holy Week

**Parish office closed**

Friday April 18 and Monday April 21

***Parishioners please note:***

It is O.K. for parishioners to park the car on Sundays in the second parking lot on the south side of the Church when attending Mass; it is now controlled by the Catholic School Board.

***Hand Made Baby Quilts for Sale***

Made by the St. Leo's Quilters group. For information please call Loretto Sandford at 416-251-6133 or Jean Pozzobon at 416-259-8765. Our sewing group is in need of people who know how to sew. Please join us on Monday mornings at 10 a.m. in the Church Basement. If you can spare a few hours or stay until 2:30 p.m. we would be happy to have you in our fun group. We stop for lunch between 12 noon and 1 p.m. and bring our own lunch. Tea is provided. For more information call the above phone numbers.

***Serra Vocation***

"Blessed is the one who comes in the Name of the Lord!" Are you being called to proclaim Jesus as a priest, deacon, religious brother or sister? If God is calling you,

Contact Fr. Hansoo Park 416-968-0997

Email: vocations@vocations.ca

***Church Support April 5/6***

Offertory	2867.00
Building Fund	2782.00
Loose Cash	974.00
	<b>\$ 6623.00</b>

Envelopes used (311) Average amount \$18.17

***Thank you for your support***

***Programma Settimana Santa***

(Niente messa mattutina Giovedì e Venerdì,  
e niente messa Sabato alle 5:00)

**Giovedì Santo 17 Aprile**

7:30 pm Messa "In Coena Domini"

"Adorazione del Santissimo fino alla mezzanotte"

**Venerdì Santo 18 Aprile**

3:00 pm Liturgia del Venerdì Santo

7:30 pm Via Crucis

**Sabato Santo 19 Aprile a mezzogiorno**

**(12:00) "SWIEÇONKA"**

(Tradizionale benedizione dei cibi Pasquali)

8:00 pm Veglia Pasquale

**Domenica di Pasqua 20 Aprile**

Orario Regolare

Niente Confessioni nella Settimana Santa

Ufficio Parrocchiale chiuso

Venerdì 18 Aprile e Lunedì 21 Aprile

***Annuale Raccolta del Venerdì Santo***

***Bisogni della Terra Santa***

I cristiani di tutto il mondo sono uniti in modo particolare durante la Settimana Santa. In questo periodo ogni anno i cattolici sono chiamati a sostenere le comunità di cristiani nella Terra Santa. La raccolta annuale del Venerdì Santo offre un collegamento diretto per i parrocchiani ad essere testimoni di pace e aiutare a proteggere i luoghi santi.

***Venerdì Santo – Giorno di Digiuno e  
Astinenza***

La legge canonica dichiara che tutti i cristiani fedeli sono obbligati ciascuno nel proprio senso a intraprendere nella mente e nel cuore ciò che è chiamato digiuno e astinenza. Astinenza significa il consumo della carne e lega i cattolici dai 14 anni in sù. Digiunare significa limitarsi ad un pasto completo ed a due pasti leggeri e legano i cattolici dai 18 ai 59 anni. Uno non è obbligato a digiunare se la salute o l'abilità del lavoro non permettono.

## In forza il digiuno prima della Comunione

La Santa Comunione è Gesù. La Chiesa richiede che tutti i Cattolici si preparano a ricevere la Santa Comunione con un digiuno di minimo UNA ORA. Questo digiuno include tutti I prodotti alimentari e le bevande. Cerchiamo di pensarci! La Comunione con Gesù è una cosa seria.

### *Settimana Santa*

(Major hebdomada, Hebdomada sancta, Hebdomada authentica) È la

settimana antecedente la Pasqua, detta anche "maggior" o "autentica", perché commemora la Passione,

Morte, sepoltura e Risurrezione di

Cristo, si apre con la Domenica delle Palme, la Domenica della Passione, nella quale si celebra l'entrata trionfale di Gesù a Gerusalemme, acclamato come Messia e figlio di Davide. Gli ultimi tre giorni (Giovedì, Venerdì e Sabato) sono detti il triduo sacro e hanno uffici loro.



*(Fonte Cathopedia)*