

 <b>Mass Intentions</b>		
<b>Saturday March 14</b>	5:00 pm	
<b>Sunday March 15</b>	8:30 am	† <b>Biagio Forte</b> (Civita Forte & Famiglia) † <b>Giovannina Mazzacca &amp;                      Maria Salvatore</b> (Franco & Luisa) † <b>Lide Franceschini</b> (Maria Nesci)
	10:00 am	† <b>Joao De Medeiros &amp;                      Manuel &amp; Maria De                      Medeiros</b> (Maria De Medeiros)
	11:30 am	<b>PRO POPULO</b>
<b>Monday March 16</b>	8:00 am	
<b>Tuesday March 17</b>	8:00 am	
<b>Wednesday March 18</b>	7:00 pm	“Special Intentions for Joan Mendonca” (11:30 am Sunday Choir)
<b>Thursday March 19</b>	8:00 am	
<b>Friday March 20</b>	8:00 am	
	7:00 pm	<b>“STATIONS OF THE CROSS”</b>
<b>Saturday March 21</b>	5:00 pm	† <b>Joe &amp; Tony Galardo</b> (Carmela Galardo) † <b>Wilson Sadia</b> (The Family)
<b>Sunday Mar 22</b>	8:30 am	† <b>Nunzio Fiorito</b> (Rossi & Family)
	10:00 am	† <b>Cecilia D’Ambrosio</b> (The Family) † <b>Mary O’Leary</b> (James & Maureen Sauve) † <b>Katherine &amp; Michael                      Krubnik</b> (The Surman Family) † <b>Teofil &amp; Jozefa Lecznar</b> (The Lecznar Family) † <b>Enrica Demeo</b> (Cugina Gerarda Giorgio & Fam.)
	11:30 am	<b>PRO POPULO</b>

### ***Moses and the Serpent***

Jesus makes a strange analogy to explain the crucifixion. He refers to a metal statue that had been "crucified" by Moses. Jesus may be using this illustration to show the psychological power of the crucifixion. His death on the cross was a reminder of God's ultimate power over sin and evil.

*The Son of Man must be lifted up so that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.* John 3:14-15

### ***Anointing of the Sick***

The Special Mass and Anointing of the Sick and Senior Members of the community will take place this **Sunday March 15<sup>th</sup> @ 3:00 pm**. Anointing of the Sick is meant for baptized Catholics of all ages who seek the recovery of physical, mental, and spiritual health.

### ***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 and ask for a box of envelopes at the church door. 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!

### ***Last call for Parental Instruction***

***Monday March 16<sup>th</sup> Leo’s Church @ 7:30 pm***

The instruction is for the parents or guardian of those who are to receive the sacraments of Confirmation and 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion and it is obligatory. This is the last instruction being offered. Not attending may mean that child’s reception of the Sacraments will be postponed till the following year.

### ***No food, drink or chewing gum in Church***

At no time is it respectful or allowed to bring food or drink even water, into church, let alone consume them there, least of all during the celebration of the Holy Eucharist. This applies even to small children and that includes chewing gum. The only exception that is permitted is the need for bottles of milk or formula for infants.

### ***Stations of the Cross***

During the Lenten season Stations of the Cross are prayed every Friday @ 7:30 pm. We invite parishioners and friends to join us as we reflect on the Passion of Jesus this Lent in a journey of faith.

### ***Offering of Candle***

We wish to acknowledge and say thank you for the \$80.00 donation for the sponsoring of the Sanctuary Lamp from an anonymous parishioner received last week. The Sanctuary Lamp burns continually next to the Blessed Sacrament as a reminder that Jesus is present in the tabernacle.

### ***Our Parish At A Glance***

<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
Number of households	1383	1604
Estimated number of people attending Mass	982	950
Baptisms	65	65
RCIA	3	2
First Communion	57	44
Confirmation	37	43
Weddings	5	5
Funerals	20	16

### ***St. Patrick's Mar 17<sup>th</sup> & St. Joseph Mar 19<sup>th</sup>***

We reach out to all our Irish parishioners and friends and wish them and their loved ones "Many Blessings, Love and Laughter and lots of good luck". We also congratulate all our Polish and Italian parishioners on the Feast of St. Joseph March 19<sup>th</sup>. St. Joseph is the patron saint of Poland as well as Canada and Italy. We extend our congratulations to all the persons named Joseph, Joe, Josephine, Josie etc.



### ***Parish Website***

The parish website [www.saintleosmimico.ca](http://www.saintleosmimico.ca) is not your average parish website! It includes parish information as well as interesting, informative, and entertaining videos and links intended to share the beauty and joy of our Catholic faith. Check it out at [www.saintleosmimico.ca](http://www.saintleosmimico.ca) and add your name to our emailing list to be kept up to date on changes as new material is added almost on a daily basis.

### ***Serra Vocation***

St. Paul reminds us that we are "created in Christ Jesus for good works". If you think God's plan for you could be a vocation in His Church, call Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto 416-968-0997

Email: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)

### ***Holy Name of Mary College School – Open House***

***April 11, 10 am – 2 pm***

Holy Name of Mary College School educates, inspires & empowers the girls of today to become the next generation of confident female leaders of character. Come and experience the transformative power of an all-girls education at HNMCS in a distinctly Catholic school community. Talk to current students, faculty members, school administrators and parents and get a true sense of student life at HNMCS.

### ***51st International Eucharistic Congress***

You are invited to join a Canadian delegation in attending the next International Eucharistic Congress (IEC), which will be held in Cebu, Philippines. In addition to the Congress, several visits are included in this trip, scheduled from January 20<sup>th</sup> to February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016. We will spend 4 days in Hong Kong, and 10 days in Cebu, Philippines, staying in 4-Star Hotels. Departure is from Toronto with Air Canada.

Price: \$4370.00/pers. Double Occupancy. For more information and free brochure: 1-800-465-3255.

***Un'occhiata alla parrocchia***

<b>Anno Fiscale</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
Numero di famiglie registrate	1383	1604
Numero stimato di persone che frequentano la messa	982	950
Battesimi	65	65
RCIA	3	2
Prima Comunione	57	44
Cresime	37	43
Matrimoni	5	5
Funerali	20	16

***Santa Messa & Celebrazione******Sacramentale Unzione degli Infermi******Questa Domenica 15 Marzo 3:00 pm***

La comunità offre preghiere per tutti i Cattolici di tutte le età che cercano il recupero dell'aiuto fisico, mentale e spirituale; tutti i parrocchiani sono invitati a partecipare.

***Solennità di San Patrick & San Giuseppe***

Estendiamo ai tutti i nostri parrocchiani i più sinceri auguri benedizioni amore e gioia e tanta buona fortuna per la Festa di San Patrick protettore degli Irlandesi 17 Marzo e auguri per la Festa di San Giuseppe 19 Marzo.

***Niente bevande o alimenti in Chiesa***

In nessun tempo è rispettoso o concesso portare roba da bere o da mangiare in chiesa, nemmeno acqua e tanto meno consumarli specialmente durante la celebrazione della Santa Eucarestia. Questo vale anche per i più piccoli e i bambini. L'unica eccezione che è consentita è il latte o formula per gli infanti.

***Il tempo liturgico che stiamo vivendo***

La Quaresima è il periodo di quaranta giorni che prepara alla celebrazione della Pasqua. Inizia, nel Rito Romano, con il Mercoledì delle Ceneri, e, nel Rito Ambrosiano, con la domenica successiva. I primi accenni diretti a un periodo pre-pasquale risalgono al principio del IV



secolo in Oriente e alla fine dello stesso in Occidente. Una prassi penitenziale preparatoria alla Pasqua col digiuno, però, aveva cominciato ad affermarsi fin dalla metà del II secolo. In ogni caso alla fine del IV secolo la struttura della Quaresima è quella dei quaranta giorni; visti alla luce del simbolismo biblico essi acquisiscono un valore salvifico-redentivo, per cui vengono chiamati Sacramentum.

L'etimologia latina *quadragesima dies* sottolinea il quarantesimo giorno di preparazione in vista della principale festa dell'intero anno liturgico, che è appunto la Pasqua della Resurrezione del Signore.

*(Fonte Cathopedia)*