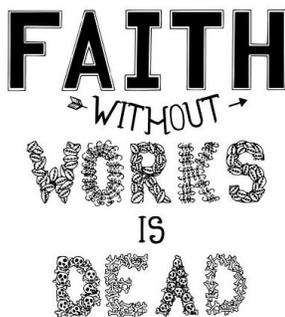


<i>Mass Intentions for the Week</i> 		
Saturday Sep 15	5 pm	† Donald Mac Donald (Mila, Paul & Friends)
Sunday Sep 16	8:30 am	† Biagio Forte (Civita Forte & Famiglia)
	10 am	PRO POPULO
	11.30 am	† Silvio Ciccocelli (Lina Ciccocelli & Family) † Madeleine Estephan (Marie Estephan) † Nonita Q. DaDivas (Celerina Querijero) † Rosa Maria Centeno (Annibal, Susanna, George, Richard & Doris)
Monday Sep 17	8 am	† Edwyn Hutyra (Friends)
Tuesday Sep 18	8 am	
Wednesday Sep 19	7 pm	† Rosina & Arturo DeVuono (Mafalda Perri)
Thursday Sep 20	8 am	
Friday Sep 21	8 am	
Saturday Sep 22	5 pm	"In Thanksgiving & for Special Intentions" (Marie Estephan)
Sunday Sep 23	8:30 am	† Giuseppe Zita (Lucy Zita)
	10 am	† Aldo Gemma (Lucy Gemma & Family)
	11:30 am	PRO POPULO

Keep warm and eat well

Saint James was a strong believer in Social Justice. He illustrates this with a sort of reverse view of Jesus' sermon on the Last Judgment. Christ had taught that our salvation would depend on whether we fed the poor, gave drink to the thirsty, clothed the naked, etc. James builds on this by teaching that, if we ignore those in need, our faith is dead. For example, if someone came to us looking for food and we offered to simply pray for them, we would flunk our test. Do you just wish "good luck" to those in need, or do you make a real difference in the war against poverty?

(Fr. Lonsdale Commentaries & Clip-Art)



Financial Report

Copies of the parish six months Financial Report Jan. 1 to June 30 2018 are available to interested parishioners. You will find the report on top of the cabinets in the back of the church. Your financial giving, as always is very much appreciated, and needed. Thank you! If you have any questions do not hesitate to call Fr. Frank at the parish office.



ShareLife Campaign 2018

The 2018 ShareLife parish campaign is now complete, the campaign came to an end July 31, 2018. The final total for St. Leo's Parish was \$23,189.00 + \$5,004.80 donations received at the ShareLife office. Total contribution \$28,193.80. Many thanks to our parishioners towards the needs of the people served through the ShareLife agencies, your support is very much appreciated.

Sunday: The Original Feast Day

Sunday, the day of the Lord's resurrection, is the original Christian feast day. Following the tradition handed down from the Apostles, we gather in community to hear the Word and to celebrate our communion with Christ in the banquet of his Body and Blood. Catholics who come to Mass bring themselves closer to Christ and the communion of the Church.

We welcome new members to St Leo

If you are new to this parish, we wish to welcome you and hope that you find this to be a warm and caring community. Please make sure you introduce yourself to Father Frank and register with the parish. Registrations forms are available at the entrance of the church or visit the Parish office during office hours and request a box of Sunday envelopes for your offerings.

Children's Liturgy Begins

This Sunday at the 10:00 o'clock Sunday morning Mass, Children from 3 - 7 years are invited downstairs to the parish hall for their own Liturgy of the Word. Registration forms are available on the cabinets at the entrance of the church. Parents are invited to meet the teachers after mass.

Blessings of the Home and Family

Families who would like to have their homes blessed are asked to call the parish office and schedule a time with Fr. Frank to visit when you and your family will be available.

Serra Vocation

"Who do people say that I am?" Who do you think Jesus is? The depth of our faith is rooted in our answer. Is God calling you to be a priest, religious, or deacon? If you think you are being called to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon call Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto 416-968-0997 Email: vocations@archtoronto.org

Life Chain 2018

Life Chain will be taking place on Sunday, September 30th, 2018 from 2:00pm to 3:00pm. Life Chain is typically held on the first Sunday of October, but this year the first Sunday of October falls during Thanksgiving weekend. As a result, Life Chain is being held a week earlier. Life Chain is a simple and prayerful way to give public witness to the Truth that abortion is a violent destruction of human life. It takes only an hour and all you have to do is stand quietly with others, holding a sign with a simple message. Our church will be at the corner of Kipling and the Queensway. Please offer up this simple hour.

Attention Interested/Existing Lectors & Ministers of Communion

The Archdiocese of Toronto is offering Training and Formation Days. All current readers are invited to a training day on October 27 at St. Lawrence Martyr Parish in Scarborough from 9 am to 2 pm. The day will provide an opportunity to learn about the importance of the proclamation of the Word of God in Mass and provide practical tips to assist readers in their ministry. All current Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are invited to a training and formation day on November 10 at St. Lawrence Martyr Parish, Scarborough from 9 am to 2 pm. The day will provide an opportunity to learn more about the importance of the Eucharist and the role of the Extraordinary Minister of Holy communion in the Archdiocese of Toronto. Both events are free, please bring your own lunch. Contact Rebecca at 416-934-3400 XT 525.

If you enjoy sharing your faith through singing, now is a great time to join the 10 am choir. We rehearse on Tuesday evenings from 7-8 pm, beginning Sept. 11.

Choir Practice

Choir practice for the 11:30 am Sunday Liturgy has started. Rehearsals are every Wednesday, after the 7:00 pm Mass. We welcome all Parishioners interested in singing at the 11:30 am Sunday Liturgy. We alternate Sundays with the Filipino Choir.

School Mass

On Thursday September 20th the students from St. Leo's will come to the church for opening school Mass at 9:30 a.m. They extend a warm welcome to parents and parishioners who might wish to join them for their celebration of the Eucharist.

Reflections of the Sacred Elements

For the next while, we will dedicate each week a portion of the parish bulletin to understand better the first moment of worship, the sacramental acceptance of divine and saving grace. A reflection on the sacred elements and signs of the liturgy will appear in the bulletin; e.g., the sign of the cross, the folding of the hands, kneeling, standing before the Lord, striking the breast, fire, incense, linen, altar, chalice, etc. The insights will be those of Msgr. Romano Guardini, a German of Italian parents. The book quoted is Sacred Signs.

The Hands (Part one)

Man, body and soul together, is made in the image and likeness of God. His hand, like God's hands, are an instrument of power. In the Bible "hand" means power.



Every part of the body is an expressive instrument of the soul. The soul does not inhabit the body as a man inhabits a house. It lives and works in each member, each fiber, and reveals itself in the body's every line, contour and movement. But the soul's chief instruments and clearest mirrors are the face and hands. Of the face this is obviously true. But if you will watch other people (or yourself), you will notice how instantly every slightest feeling,--pleasure, surprise, suspense,--shows in the hand. A quick lifting of the hand or a flicker of the fingers say far more than words. By comparison with a language so natural and expressive the spoken word is clumsy. Next to the face, the part of the body fullest of mind is the hand. It is a hard strong tool for work, a ready weapon of attack and defense,--but also, with its delicate structure and network of innumerable nerves, it is adaptable, flexible, and highly sensitive. It is a skillful workmanlike contrivance for the soul to make herself known by. It is also an organ of receptivity for matter from outside ourselves. For when we clasp the extended hand of a stranger are we not receiving from a foreign source the confidence, pleasure, sympathy or sorrow that his hand conveys? So it could not but be that in prayer, where the soul has so much to say to, so much to learn from, God, where she gives herself to him and receives him to herself, the hand should take on expressive forms. When we enter into ourselves and the soul is alone with God, our hands closely interlock, finger clasped in finger, in a gesture of compression and control. It is as if we would prevent the inner current from escaping by conducting it from hand to hand and so back again to God who is within us, holding it there. It is as if we were collecting all our forces in order to keep guard over the hidden God, so that he who is mine and I who am his should be left alone together. (Romano Guardini: Signs)

Personal Belongings

Please keep your belongings with you at all times during Mass and especially when you are going up to receive the Eucharist. Do not leave any valuables in the pews, such as bags/purses, cameras, cell phones etc. Thank you!

