



Masses For The Week

Saturday Jan 26	5 pm	† Mina & Carmine Rossi (Tony Rossi & Family)
Sunday Jan 27	8:30 am	† Anna, Giuseppe & Elesio Mazzucco (Civita Forte & Famiglia) "In Onore al Bambino Gesù"
	10 am	† Norman Candelori (Marilyn & Joe McMullan)
	11.30 am	PRO POPULO
Monday Jan 28	8 am	Priest's Intentions
Tuesday Jan 29	8 am	† Alfonsa B. Ponsoy (Mem. B'day) (Jess & Mayli Luzadas & Family)
Wednesday Jan 30	7 pm	
Thursday Jan 31	8 am	† Tom Citino
Friday Feb 1	8 am	
Saturday Feb 2	5 pm	
Sunday Feb 3	8:30 am	† Biagio Forte (Civita Forte & Famiglia) † Giovannina Foschini (Gina Rossi & Famiglia) † Antonio Fabrizio (Annunziata Fabrizio)
	10 am	† Rocco Santaluca (Vittoria Santaluca & Family)
	11:30 am	PRO POPULO

Ezra reads the law

At the end of the 6th century B.C. the people of Israel returned home from exile in Iraq. They were embittered and despondent when they realized that Jerusalem was in ruins. This malaise effected their faith. After all, God had seemingly abandoned them. Something had to be done to revive the religion. Ezra, a priest at the site of the former Temple, decided to hold a mass public Bible reading. He set up a podium near one of the main gates of the city. Other Temple assistants followed his example. The words of Scripture so moved the people that they began crying. The Word of God inspired them to revitalize their faith. (Lonsdale Commentaries & Clip Art)



EZRA BROUGHT
THE LAW BEFORE
THE PEOPLE

Candlemas

The Christian Festival of Lights is celebrated annually on February 2nd. It celebrates three occasions; the presentation of the child Jesus; Jesus' first entry into the temple; and the Purification of the Blessed Virgin. Christians consider Jesus as the "light of the world" so it is fitting that candles are blessed on this day. Next weekend all celebrations will be preceded by the blessing of candles available for home use (\$5.00). On this day parishes around the world will also celebrate World Day for Consecrated Life. Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life. Next weekend we will also have the annual blessing of the throats after each mass celebration in honor of St. Blaise Bishop & Martyr celebrated February 3rd protector of throat ailments and other illnesses.



Marriage Sunday February 10, 2019 @ 4 pm

St. Clare of Assisi Parish

150 St. Francis Ave., Woodbridge

As part of Marriage Sunday 2019 celebrations, Cardinal Thomas Collins will preside at a special Mass to honor couples celebrating milestone anniversaries in 2019. If you (or a couple you know) are celebrating a 25th, 40th, 50th or 60+ wedding anniversary in 2019, you are invited to join in this special celebration. A reception will follow Mass. All are welcome to attend – couples celebrating milestone anniversaries are asked to register online or by phone to ensure reserved seating.

Registration and other important information can be found at: <https://www.archtoronto.org/marriage> or by calling 416-934-3400, ext. 523. CONTACT: Office of Formation for Discipleship EMAIL: formation@archtoronto.org

Separated, Divorced?

Catholic Family Services of Toronto

If you are struggling... you don't have to do this alone. New Beginnings, is a ministry dedicated to assisting those who have suffered a loss through, separation and divorce. Together... we explore our grief, experience healing and renew our faith.

- St. Leo's - Support Group
- Start Date: February 27, 2019
- Time: 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm church hall

For more information and to register, please contact:

Arcangelo Limanni – Program Promoter
alimanni@cfstoronto.com (416) 921-1163 ext. 2225

"Behold, I make all things new." Rev. 21:5

www.saintleostmimico.ca

Log in to our parish website for parish and Catholic news, Christian music and movie trailers, faith formation resources, the bulletin, and much more. The site is updated with new content at least once a week. Subscribe on the website to be notified of updates by email.

Great series of feasts coming up

- **Monday January 28th Saint Thomas Aquinas**, Priest and Doctor of the Church.
- **Thursday Jan 31st - St. John Bosco (1815 – 1888)**
Patron of youth, founder of the Salesian Society, dedicated his life to the betterment and education of the disadvantaged youth.
- **Saturday & Sunday Feb 2nd & 3rd – Candlemas Day**
- **Sunday Feb 3rd - St. Blaise Bishop and Martyr**, Patron and protector against afflictions of the throats

Serra Vocation

You are the body of Christ; every one of you is a member of it. As a member of the body, we serve different roles. Are you willing to do your part? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto 416-968-0997
Email: vocations@archtoronto.org

An Evening at the Seminary

Monday, February 11, 2019 4:45 pm to 7:00

St. Augustine's Seminary

2661 Kingston Rd., Toronto

Have you ever thought about becoming a priest? Spending an evening at the seminary offers discerners a glimpse into the place where priestly formation begins. The evening includes Holy Mass in the beautiful seminary chapel, dinner, a talk by Director of Vocations Fr. Chris Lemieux and a tour of the seminary. CONTACT: Office of Vocations
PHONE: 416-968-0997

EMAIL: vocations@archtoronto.org

WEB: <https://www.vocationstoronto.ca/>

Parishioners Feedback Needed

It has been suggested that the parish should do a new Pictorial Directory in recognition of a special occasion since 2019 marks St. Leo's Parish 110 Anniversary. The suggested frequency for church pictorial directory is every 10 years. Our last pictorial directory was done in 2009. The directory is an excellent reference for helping families to get to know one another; it is similar to a high school yearbook. However in order to proceed with this project we must have a fair number of parishioners interested and committed to the program. The program is free, you will receive a free directory and a free portrait; there is a charge for any additional portrait. For the next few weeks we will offer sign up forms in the back of the church for parishioners who are interested in participating on this new project. Your advice is needed.

2019 Sunday Envelopes - Last Call

There are still a number of boxes of 2019 Sunday Offering Envelopes which have not been claimed. The envelopes are located on the cabinet in the back of the church. Unmarked boxes are available for first time users. Please do NOT use

envelopes from previous years, as your number may have changed. After this week parishioners may pick them up at the parish office from Monday to Friday during office hours. Many thanks for your support.

Why use offering envelopes?

- Maintains confidentiality, they do not require a name or amount to appear on the envelope
- The numbers ensure accurate recording of weekly donations
- Allows you to give in accordance with your changing circumstances
- Designates how the offering is to be used
- Benefits of tax deductions
- You help your parish stay financially healthy

Please consider starting this year to use offering envelopes. Blank boxes are available on the cabinet in the main entrance of the church, or contact the parish office.

2019 Lift Jesus Higher Rally

Saturday, March 2, 2019 8:00 am to 5:30 pm

Metro Toronto Convention Centre

255 Front St. W., Toronto

The theme of this year's rally is **hope in the midst of suffering**. ...we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope." Romans 5:3-4. Featuring inspired talks by Ralph Martin, Sr. Ann Shields and keynote guest speaker Fr. Mark Goring, CC; an adult High Mass (with Sunday readings) will be celebrated by His Eminence Cardinal Thomas Collins; a youth Mass (with Sunday readings) will be celebrated by Fr. Mark Goring; a separate youth event (13-18 years) with great music, dynamic talks and inspirational skits.

COST: \$25 for adults, \$15 for youth

CONTACT: Catholic Renewal Ministries

PHONE: (647) 243-9441 or (905) 270-2510

EMAIL: contact@lift-jesus-higher-rally.ca

WEBSITE: www.lift-jesus-higher-rally.ca

First Communion and Confirmation @ St. Leo

First communion for the children of St. Leo & St. Louis Catholic Schools will be Sunday May 5th 2019 @ 4:00 pm. Confirmation for St. Leo & St. Louis Schools will be Sunday April 28th 2019 @ 4:00 pm. Please note that all parents/guardians must register their child at the Parish Office in order to request any Sacraments for their child. Registration must be done in person anytime during office hours. The parish office will be offering extended registration hours as soon as dates will become available.
