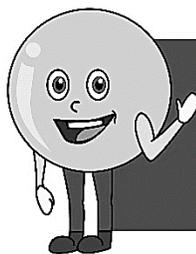


<i>Mass Intentions</i> FOR THE WEEK		
Sat Feb 22	5 pm	† Josie Brifoglio (Adrie) † Ted Bak (Joanna Bak)
Sun Feb 23	8:30 am	“In Onore al Bambino Gesù” † Maria Rita & Domenico Del Buono (Lucy Zita)
	10 am	† Silvio Ciccocelli (Lina Ciccocelli & Family) † Aldo Gemma (Lucy Gemma & Family) † Florencio Marasigan (The Family)
	11:30 am	PRO POPULO
Mon Feb 24	8 am	† Fr. Liborio Tavares
Tue Feb 25	8 am	
Wed Feb 26	7 pm	“Thanksgiving for Blessings Received” (Yaro Szolomick)
Thu Feb 27	8 am	† Zenaida Edraun (Ben & Juliet Taguinod)
Fri Feb 28	8 am	“Priest’s Intentions”
Sat Feb 29	5 pm	† Theresa Glover (Mosaic Canadian Vocal Ensemble)
Sun Mar 1	8:30 am	† Biagio Forte & Elena & Mariano Forte (Civita Forte & Famiglia)
	10 am	† Jack Innes (Len & Ann McParland) † Josephine Catherine Cosentino (Barbara & Peter Leon)
	11:30 am	PRO POPULO

Living in a one-eyed world

“An eye for eye and a tooth for tooth”—is alive and well and thriving in every human environment. Life is full of people all waiting for a chance to settle accounts. They carry



Love
Your
Enemies
Matthew 5:38-48

their scars through life, refusing to let them heal. “Getting even” becomes an obsession. “I’ll fix him if it is the last thing I do.” The world has nothing but contempt for the one who “turns the other cheek.” He is a weakling who “takes it lying down.” Feuds, vendettas and grudges are nurtured everywhere, even in families. Some are even passed down from one generation to the next. What a colossal amount of human energy and ingenuity is expended on settling old scores and exacting vengeance. We are, full of pettiness, exacting hurt for hurt, trading blow for blow. We all have enemies who persecute us. Letting them get away with it is not easy. Loving them is a call to perfection.

Lent Begins!

This coming Wednesday February 26th its Ash Wednesday, marking the beginning of the Lenten season. All over the world Catholics will be praying and fasting for their own sins and for their conversion. Ashes will be blessed and distributed in Church in the morning from 8:00 – 9:00 am: there will be **NO** liturgy of the Mass in the morning. Fr. Frank will distribute ashes at St. Leo School at 9:30 am and Fr. George will celebrate the Eucharist at St. Louis school at 1:00 pm. Parishioners are welcome. **MASS will be celebrated @ 7:00 pm** with the imposition of ashes immediately following the Wednesday Devotion Novena which will commence at 6:45 pm.



Lenten Fasting Regulations & Directions

1) Abstinence on all the Fridays of Lent, and on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

No meat may be eaten on days of abstinence.

Catholics 14 years and older are bound to abstain from meat. Invalids, pregnant and nursing mothers are exempt.

2) Fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

Fasting means having only one full meal to maintain one’s strength; two smaller, meatless and penitential meals are permitted according to one’s needs, but they should not together equal the one full meal. Eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

Catholics from age 18 through age 59 are bound to fast. Again, invalids, pregnant and nursing mothers are exempt.

Stations of the Cross

During the Lenten season Stations of the Cross will be prayed every Friday beginning February 28th @ 7:00 pm. The community gathers in church and Fr. Frank or Deacon Alan lead the service. Stations of the Cross is followed by Benediction with the Blessed Sacrament. Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Parish groups and Parishioners are asked to participate in this very important Lenten observance.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

The Church provides a very clear notion on reconciliation. It defines sin as a deliberate turning away from God and God’s goodness. In the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Jesus provides us with a way of being reconciled to God and to those we’ve hurt, and to strengthened our connection to God’s entire family. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available in our parish every Saturday between 4:15 and 4:45 pm or by request.

Serra Vocations

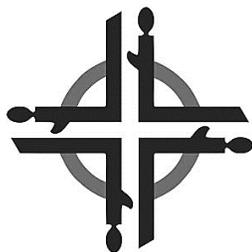
“Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect.” Do you feel called to help people get closer to God? If you think God is calling you to be a, priest, deacon, brother or sister, contact Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.

Email: vocations@archtoronto.org

World Day of Prayer

What is World Day of Prayer?

Prayerful Action. The movement has been active for nearly 100 years. Christian women of many traditions who come together in an annual day of celebration – the first Friday of March – to which everyone is welcome. The World Day of Prayer has a special theme and is prepared by a specific country. This year theme is called **“Take your mat and walk”** and the country is **Zimbabwe**. Friday, March 6th 2020 @ 1 pm, Christ Church St. James Anglican will be hosting this event; 194 Park Lawn Rd, Etobicoke.



Parish Website

The parish website www.saintleostmimico.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 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.

Catholic Family Services of Toronto

Separated, Divorced?

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
- Time: 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm church hall – Please use Stanley Ave entrance

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

From the Parish Secretary:

The parishioners that are currently using the following envelope numbers 96, and 336, please contact the parish office @ 416-251-1109 and speak with the parish secretary. We have no name attached to these numbers.

The Sanctuary Lamp for the month of February

Burns in memory of:

“Pat Chisholm”

On the second anniversary
of his passing

From wife Joan, and Family.



Parish Registration

Parish Registration is for those who are new to the parish and for those who have not yet gotten around to registering. While everyone who lives in the parish boundaries is automatically a parishioner of the parish, nevertheless, we invite you to consider registering for a number of reasons. Firstly, in times of emergency, like a death in the family or illness or someone taking sick at Church, it can happen that we have no contact information for a person. Secondly, if you live outside the parish, then one must register in order to establish that you indeed are a parishioner. Thirdly, for certain services like reference letters, without registration, we cannot provide such. Registration is also helpful for the church when it comes to planning and as a way for you to let the parish know how you can share your gifts at the service of God and His people. Therefore, please register by using the front page of our weekly bulletin. You may register as an individual or as a family.

Booking Mass Intentions

Catholics traditionally offer Masses for those who have died and for other special intentions. You may book a Mass by visiting the parish office, Monday to Friday, during office hours. Announced Masses are listed in the weekly bulletin and mentioned at Mass. The stipend is \$20 per Mass. Unannounced Masses will be celebrated without public mention as soon as possible. The stipend is \$10 per Mass. Mass cards are available if needed for \$3.00 each.

