

Mass Intentions  for the week		
Sat May 1	5 pm	† John & Josephine Walshe (Robert & Patricia) † Paul Parteno (Peter & Barbara Leon) † Giuseppe & Catterina Vanin (Son Bruno)
Sun May 2	8:30 am	
	10 am	“In Thanksgiving for Family & Children” (Bernadette Ngalima)
	11:30 am	“PRO POPULO”
Mon May 3	8 am	
Tue May 4	8 am	
Wed May 5	7 pm	† Rudy & Michelina Nagoda (Robert & Patricia) † Jacinto Martinez (Agnes Martinez)
Thu May 6	8 am	† Giulia & Amedeo Perri (Mafalda Perri)
Fri May 7	8 am	“Priest’s Intention”
Sat May 8	5 pm	† Josephine Walshe & Michelina Nagoda (Robert & Patricia)
Sun May 9	8:30 am	† Luisa Sarrapochiello (Husband Frank) † Anna Maria Salandra (The Ciprietti Family) † Cesira Ciprietti (The Ciprietti Family) † Elisabetta Valvano (The Ciprietti Family)
	10 am	† Jacqueline Mimboê & the Deceased of the Family (Bernadette Ngalima) † Angelina Martino & Giulia Perri (Mafalda Perri) † Maria Paone & Franca Avolio & Palmira (Mafalda Perri) “The Blessed Virgin Mary” (Mafalda Perri)
	11:30 am	“PRO POPULO”

Celebrate Mom

Don't forget next Sunday May 9th It's Mother's Day. Please show your appreciation on this special day for your mom.



Saul of Tarsus

Today's first reading mentions someone named Saul, who tries to meet the Apostles and is rebuffed. Without some background context this doesn't mean much. Saul is better known by his Roman name of Paul, the first great Christian missionary. The reason why the Apostles rejected him is that he had been a rabid fanatic against Christianity. Saul had lead what amounted to a one-man crusade against the followers of Jesus. He had caused the arrest of many of them and even participated in their executions! This all changed when he dramatically converted to the very faith he had hated. No wonder the Apostles were suspicious.



(Lonsdale Commentaries & Clip-Art)

***New Pandemic Mass restrictions
– By Government Order -***

***All Weekend & Weekday Masses are
cancelled
Until Further Notice***

The Parish Office is closed to the Public

***Weddings, Funerals & Baptisms
(Restricted to 10 People - Including the
Priest, Musicians, etc.)***

***(Maximum 10 People Allowed in the Church
at any Time)***

Holy Communion Services only:

Saturday: 5 – 6 pm

Sunday 10 am - noon

COVID - 19

Seeing friends again?

Make Space

Around 1 in 3 people who have COVID - 19 have no symptoms and are spreading it without knowing.

So, meet outside, and keep a safe distance.

TIME SANCTIFIED



THOUGH each hour of the day has its own character, three hours stand out from the rest--morning, evening, and, half way between them, noonday, these three hours the church has consecrated.

Of them all, the morning hour wears the most shining face. It possesses the energy and brightness of a beginning. Mysteriously, we emerge out of sleep refreshed, renewed, with a sense of being alive. This feeling of our existence turns to a prayer of thanksgiving for life to him who gave it.

EVENING

Evening also has its mystery. The day draws to a close and we make ready to enter the silence of sleep. The vigour which came with the morning has by evening run down and what we seek then is rest. And though our mind may be too crowded with the day's doings or too intent on tomorrow's plans, we sink in entire abandonment into God's all powerful love.

MIDDAY

Half way between the rising and the setting sun, when the day is at its height, there is a breathing space, a brief and wonderful minute. The future is not pressing and we do not look ahead; the day is not yet declining it is a pause, noon is a profound moment. In the stir and extroversion of a city it passes unperceived. But in the country, among cornfields and quiet pastures, when the horizon is glowing with heat, we notice what a deep moment it is. Time waits and holds its peace. The day is at the full and time is the pure present.

Romano Guardini "Signs"

Parish Photo Directory

At last, our pictorial Parish Photo Directory commemorating the 110 Anniversary of St. Leo's as a Parish Community is here! Every family that was photographed by IPC is to receive a free directory – if you don't have yours yet, it's available to be picked up by calling or emailing the parish office: 416-251-1109 st.leo.etobicoke@rogers.com

St. Leo's Church has a new website

Check out our new website <https://stleoeset.archtoronto.org/> For parish information, interesting, informative, 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. Also the schedules are posted on the new website.

May – Marian Month

May is a month that is most pleasing and loved in many ways. The Church and popular devotions dedicates the month of May in honor of the Virgin Mary, mother of the church and of all of us. This month we give precedence to the prayer of the Rosary. Practically everyone who prays the Rosary "offers" the Rosary to Our Lady for a special intention. Some people offer particular intentions before each decade. You can ask the Blessed Virgin to grant you a favor, heal a sick person, or convert a sinner. Intentions are as varied as the people who pray. Who opens his heart to Mary meets and welcomes the son and is invaded by his joy.

Mary
and
Month
of May



Tips to pray the Rosary every day

- ❖ Fall asleep praying the Rosary. It is better than counting sheep.
- ❖ Carry a Rosary in your pocket.
- ❖ Say it while you wait (for example, at the bus stop)
- ❖ Recite the Rosary while doing chores or while you work out.
- ❖ Say it in moments of sadness or spiritual drought.
- ❖ If you can't pray a whole Rosary at once, break it into parts.
- ❖ Pray while you walk and think of the people in your life.
- ❖ Use images and music. The Rosary is a contemplative prayer.
- ❖ If you're upset, pray for the situation that worries you.

Serra Vocation

Our second Scripture reading reminds us that we are to love, not in word and speech only, but in truth and action. If God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.

Email: vocations@archtoronto.org

Pruning Branches

God's word challenges us when we are comfortable, and encourages us when we are anxious, discouraged, or restless. And as we remain close to God's word, God comes to dwell in us, as he did with Mary, to whom the month of May is dedicated. As we translate God's word into action by living the command to love God and love neighbor, we bear the good fruit of love, joy and peace. We become fruitful branches of Jesus, the vine, making this world a place of his truth, goodness and beauty, as we pray, "speak to me, Lord."

