

# ST LEONARD PARISH

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## Celebrating 150 Years

### WEEKLY BULLETIN MARCH 26, 2023

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

*"I am the resurrection and the life,  
says the Lord;  
whoever believes in me, even if he  
dies, will never die "*

JN 11:1-45





## SAINT LEONARD OF PORT MAURICE PARISH

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### Mass Schedule

Saturday	5:00 PM
Sunday	9:00 AM
	10:30 AM (Italian)
	12:00 Noon
Mon-Fri	8:15 AM
	12:05 PM

All masses are transmitted  
on our Facebook page  
“St Leonard's Parish,  
North End, Boston”



Headphones for hearing impaired are available  
upon request.

Gluten Free Host are also available upon request

### Confessions

Saturdays 4:15 - 4:45 PM - and upon request

Every Wednesday during Lent at 6:00 pm  
The Sacrament of Confession will be  
available at Saint Leonard's Parish.

### SAINT LEONARD CHURCH SCHEDULE OF DEVOTIONS

Mon - Fri	11:30 AM Rosary
	8:15 AM Mass
	12:05 PM Mass
Monday	12:30 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet
Tuesday	12:30 PM St Anthony Novena
Wednesday	12:30 PM Litany of St Joseph
	1st Wed of every month
	Queen of Peace Prayer Group
	6:30 PM Rosary, 7PM Mass
Thursday	Pure in Heart Young Adults
	6:30 PM Rosary, 7PM Mass
Friday	12:30-3:00 PM Adoration
	(First Fridays from 12:30pm until 3:00pm)

**St Leonard Church will be closed for  
cleaning on Mondays 9:00 AM - 11:00AM  
& Thursdays 9:00 AM - 11:00AM**

### Pastoral Staff

Pastor: Rev. Michael Della Penna, OFM  
Deacon: Brother Charles Gingerich, OFM  
Student Priest in Residence: Rev. Federico  
Cinocca  
Guest Priest: Rev. Alexander O’Kere  
Rev. Robert Caprio, OFM  
Rev. Francis Walter, OFM  
Deacon: Nick Albin, SJ  
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Mon - Thu 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM  
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Fri - Sat 1:00 pm - 7:30 pm  
Sunday 10:00 am - 6:00 pm

### SAINT STEPHEN CHURCH

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P: 617-742-4715

#### Mass Schedule

Saturday	4:00 PM
Sunday	11:00 AM
Thurs-Fri	7:30 AM





# SAINT LEONARD CHURCH

Mass Intentions March 26 - April 01

## March 26 - SUNDAY

**9:00 am** - Deceased members of the DePasquale & Varano Families; Francesca Piazza and Francesco Piazza; Deceased members of the Verizzo Family; Gilberto Ramos; Benny Federico, Oliviero & Maria Federico; Antonieta Antunes

**10:30 am** - Maria Michele Torra

**12:00 pm** - Gus Capodilupo; Julia Capodilupo; Filomina "Minnie" Scanga; Giuseppa DiGirolamo; Rosa Clement Todesco; Barbara Tomasone; Anthony Santanello; Thomas Zazzara; Joseph Cutulle

## MARCH 27 - MONDAY

**8:15 am** - In Honor of the Most Blessed Virgin Mary

**12:05 pm** - Gus Capodilupo

## March 28 - TUESDAY

**8:15 am** - Healing of Miriam Vincent

**12:05 pm** - Daniel Capodilupo

## MARCH 29 - WEDNESDAY

**8:15 am** - Souls of Purgatory

**12:05 pm** - Silvano D'Arista

## MARCH 30 - THURSDAY

**8:15 am** - Healing of Charlie Falla

**12:05 pm** - Betty & Mike McGillicuddy

## MARCH 31 - FRIDAY

**8:15 am** - Eleanor Venezia

**12:05 pm** - Fr. Alan Caparella, OFM

## APRIL 01 - SATURDAY

**5:00 pm** - Maria Petruzzelli; Pasquale Pezzano



All intentions and holy cards found near the Saints will be offered up once a month at the Sunday mass

## Are you in need of Prayers?

Each day the friars of St. Christopher Friary pray for the intentions entrusted to them. If you would like your intention included in our prayers, please call the friary prayer request line: 617-742-4190 ext. 100. We are happy to keep you in our prayers.



The St. Leonard Candle will burn the week of March 26 - April 01 at Saint Leonard Church for This Candle Burns in Memory of Lena & Ray Costa

The Bread and Wine will be offered the week of March 26 - April 01 at Saint Leonard Church for Anna Guarino





# HOLY WEEK, & EASTER 2023

- The Stations of the Cross Will be prayed every Friday of Lent at 6:30pm
- Every Wednesday during Lent at 6:00 pm The Sacrament of Confession will be available at Saint Leonard's Parish.

## HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

### **PALM SUNDAY**

**Saturday, April 1st**

**5:00 pm** - The Vigil Mass of the Lord's Entry into Jerusalem

**Fr. Bob Caprio**

**Sunday, April 2nd**

**9:00 am** - Mass of the Lord's Entry into Jerusalem

**Fr. Michael Della Penna**

**10:30 am** - Mass of the Lord's Entry into Jerusalem (Italian)

**Fr. Federico Cinocca**

**12:00 pm** - Mass of the Lord's Entry into Jerusalem **Fr. Michael Della Penna**  
**(Concelebrants to be determined)**

### **TUESDAY of HOLY WEEK**

**April 4th**

*Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross  
- Time TBD*

**No 12:05 pm Mass this day**

*All parish priests are asked to attend this Mass*

### **HOLY THURSDAY**

**April 6th**

**No 8:15 am or 12:05 pm Mass this day**

**8:00 pm** - Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper

**Fr. Federico Cinocca**

\*Procession to the North End church's immediately following the Mass

### **GOOD FRIDAY**

**April 7th**

**No Masses this day**

**12:00 pm** - Stations of the Cross

**Fr. Michael Della Penna**

**3:00 pm** - Passion of Our Lord, Jesus Christ

**Fr. Federico Cinocca**

\*Confessions immediately after the passion

**7:00 pm** - Stations of the Cross

**Fr. Federico Cinocca**

### **EASTER VIGIL**

**April 8th**

**No 5 pm Vigil Mass**

**8:00 pm** - The Resurrection of Christ in the Holy Night of Easter

**Fr. Michael Della Penna**

### **EASTER SUNDAY**

**April 9th**

**9:00 am** - Resurrection of Christ

**Fr. Michael Della Penna**

**10:30 am** - Resurrection of Christ (Italian)

**Fr. Federico Cinocca**

**12:00 Noon** - Resurrection of Christ

**Fr. Michael Della Penna**





## ***The Way of the Cross***

### ***OPENING PRAYER***

My Lord and my God, under the loving eyes of our Mother, we are making ready to accompany you along this path of sorrow, which was the price for our redemption.

We wish to suffer all that You suffered, to offer you our poor, contrite hearts, because you are innocent, and yet you are going to die for us, who are the only really guilty ones. My Mother, Virgin of sorrows, help me to relive those bitter hours which your Son wished to spend on earth, so that we, who were made from a handful of clay, may finally live in libertatem gloriae filiorum Dei, in the freedom and glory of the children of God.

***by St. Josemaría Escrivá***





# EVENTS

## March Events

### March 26th: 4th Sunday Stations of the Cross

Social 1-2pm; Adoration 2-3pm; Stations at 3pm.  
Hosted by St. Leonard's Music Ministry and the 150th Committee. Join us.

### March 29th: Watch "Changing Lanes" Movie with Us

We will watch the movie at 6:30pm and discuss its relevance to Lent.

### April 03: Watch "the Passion of Christ" with Us

Join us to watch the moving film depicting the passion of Christ at 6:30 pm

- The Stations of the Cross Will be prayed every Friday at 6:30pm
- Every First Friday Adoration is Hosted from 12:30pm to 3:00pm
- Every Wednesday during Lent at 6:00 pm the Sacrament of Confession will be available

SUNDAY - March 26

## Fourth Sunday Stations of the Cross

Please join us on Sunday, March 26th

**1:00pm:** Social

**2:00pm:** Adoration

**3:00pm:** Stations of the Cross

Sponsored by St. Leonard's Music Ministry and the 150th Committee.

We hope to see you then!



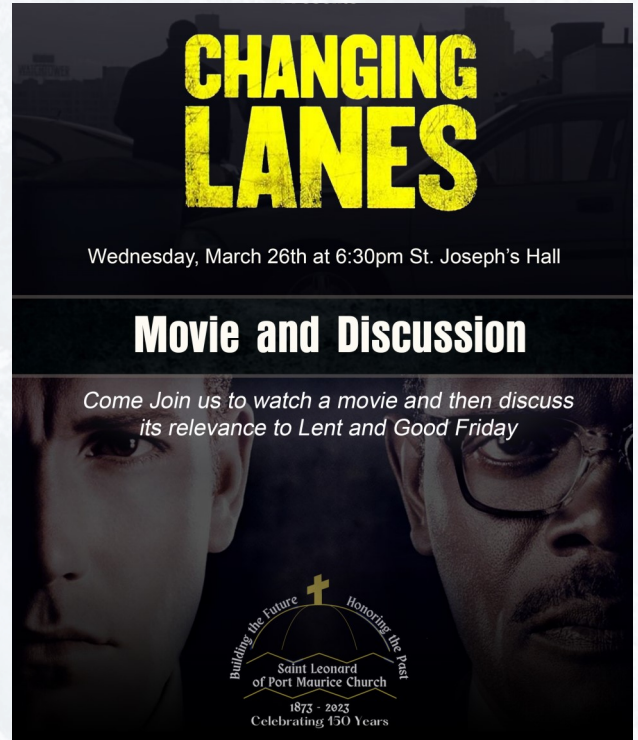
In a bow to a late 1890's St. Leonard's Church tradition, and in honor of St. Leonard's devotion to the Stations of the Cross, each month, on the 4th Sunday, we are offering a Social in the Church Hall after the noon Mass from 1-2pm; Adoration in the Church from 2-3pm and then the Stations at 3pm. Various groups, affiliated with the Parish, have offered to host these monthly Sunday Stations.

WEDNESDAY - March 29

## Watch "Changing Lanes" with us

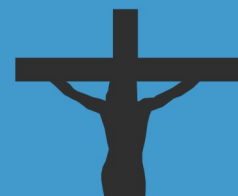
On **March 29th at 6:30pm** at St Joseph Hall. We will watch the movie "Changing Lanes" and discuss its relevance to Lent.

Come, Watch, Discuss and have popcorn!



FRIDAY - March 31

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS



EVERY FRIDAY OF LENT  
AT 6:30PM





MONDAY - April 03

150 ANNIVERSARY PRESENTS



# THE PASSION OF CHRIST

PLEASE JOIN US TO WATCH THIS MOVING FILM DEPICTING THE PASSION OF OUR LORD.

MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK

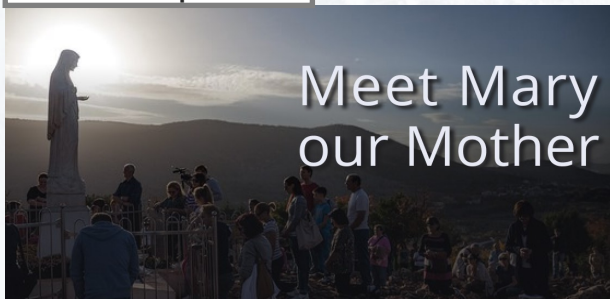
APRIL 3 - 6:30 PM

ST. LEONARD'S CHURCH

A VERY SPECIAL WAY TO BEGIN HOLY WEEK.



SATURDAY - April 22



Meet Mary  
our Mother

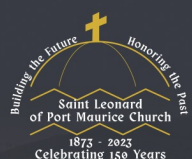
## Marian Retreat

Saturday, April 22nd

Mass at 5pm

Rosary at 6pm

Meeting with Ivan Dragicevic,  
one of the visionaries of  
Medjugorje at 6:40pm



## ADORATION



Adoration will be held during first Fridays  
from 12:30pm until 3:00pm ending with  
the benediction





# 150TH ANNIVERSARY

FRIDAY - May 05

## Next Meeting

The next 150th Advisory Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 11th at 6:30pm in the Church Hall. Please join us, everyone is welcome!

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The Stations of the Cross are the centerpiece of our 150th celebration and we will be offering, as an insert each week in the bulletin, the Station of the month along with meditations for your prayer and reflection.

We encourage you to spend some time each day allowing Jesus to speak to you through His Passion. This week, for the month of March, is the Third station:  
**Jesus Falls the First Time.**

## St Leonard's 150th Gala

It is going to be a fun and festive evening. There will be a signature cocktail, delicious food, raffles, music, dancing and so much more.

Don't miss all the fun. Tickets can be purchased online at [www.saintleonardchurchboston.org](http://www.saintleonardchurchboston.org)



CELEBRATING 150 YEARS

*Saint Leonard's Sesquicentennial Gala  
Friday, May 5th 2023  
Cocktail Hour Begins at 6:30PM*

*New England Aquarium  
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Please contact [celebrating150years@sleonard.org](mailto:celebrating150years@sleonard.org)*

*All Gala proceeds benefit the 150th Building the Future Fund  
[www.saintleonardchurchboston.org](http://www.saintleonardchurchboston.org)*

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[Celebrating150years@sleonard.org](mailto:Celebrating150years@sleonard.org)





**150th opportunity**  
**Stations of the Cross Sponsorship**  
**Opportunities**

Our Sesquicentennial Year is dedicated to the Stations of the Cross, which were a special devotion of St. Leonard. We have a special opportunity this anniversary year to sponsor the remaining Stations of the Cross within our Church. Stations 1: Jesus is Condemned to Death; Station 2: Jesus Takes up His Cross; Station 7: Jesus Falls the Second Time and, Station 14: Jesus is Laid in the Tomb are all available for sponsorship. A plaque will be placed under the Station within the Church and you can honor or memorialize someone on the small plaque. Sponsorship is \$10,000 and would make a very special and unique memorial for a loved one. Please contact the office for more information.





## Hosting San Damiano's Cross



“Joy and peace seems to come from most of the characters of the Cross. Studying history, as a pastime, the Middle Ages were a time of solemn contemplation. This Cross is a contradiction of the times. The one week I had this Cross really isn't enough time to get into the depths of all its meanings. This one week was worth it for my family and friends that I shared the experience with.”

**Stephen Capodulupo**

## Recent Recipients of the Travelling San Damiano Cross





## A LITTLE BIT OF HISTORY... CONTINUED

*Written by Dr. Jessica Dello Russo*

As a way to further emphasize the church's important role in spiritual formation, the upper church was redecorated for the parish's Diamond Jubilee year of 1948. The ecclesiastical art studio of Antonio D'Ambrosio repainted many of the older figural scenes, such as the four evangelists in the spandrels of the dome and the series of notable Franciscan saints and other great leaders in church history in the upper register of the semi-circular wall of the apse. D'Amboiso also added a series of paintings honoring the Virgin Mary, notably the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin in the semi-dome of the apse and Mysteries of the Rosary in the alcoves of the side aisles, along with depictions of the heraldic symbols of the Franciscan order and of Richard Cardinal Cushing.



Also during the parish's Diamond Jubilee year of 1948, the opportunity arose to purchase an adjacent lot on the corner of Hanover and Prince Streets. After some years, the site was transformed completely in 1956 into a "peace garden" populated by marble statues of Jesus, Mary, St. Francis, and the shrine at Fatima, together with the more recent addition of a bronze statue of the Capuchin Saint Pio di Pietrelcina; another work in bronze of St. Leonard framed by the Stations of the Cross, created by Richard Aliberti, was mounted beside the Prince Street entrance to the church in 1996. A colossal, gilded plaque of the San Damiano Cross mounted upon the side wall of the rectory helps to frame the clearing as a place of peace and prayer. The Peace Garden was reconfigured in 2009, and over the following decade until 2017 an extensive building restoration enhanced the church's accessibility by the addition of a ramp, elevator, resurfaced flooring, new seating configuration, and ADA-compliant restroom, along with a reconfigured of the altar and baptismal font and transformation of the former St. Anthony Shrine into St. Joseph's Hall. Saint Leonard's as you see it today, was reopened on December 17, 2017. To be continued...



# FINANCIAL & GIVING

## 150th Building the Future Fund

Thank you to all the Angels that have contributed to our 150th Building the Future Fund thus far.

We still need to raise \$100,000 to repair the facade of Sacred Heart, and \$100,000 to fix the Roof at the Rectory. Please consider donating to our Angelic Choir:

- \$150 Sesquicentennial Club
- \$500 Angels
- \$1,500 Archangels
- \$5,000 Principalities
- \$15,000 Powers
- \$30,000 Virtues
- \$50,000 Dominions
- \$75,000 Thrones
- \$100,000 Cherubim
- \$150,000+ Seraphim

Donations can be made with a check to St. Leonard's 150th and sent to the Parish office at 320 Hanover Street, Boston MA 02113; or by donating online at [www.saintleonardchurchboston.org](http://www.saintleonardchurchboston.org).  
Thank you so much!

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Many of you may have received a letter from Cardinal Seán requesting your early support of the 2023 Catholic Appeal. We hope that you will respond to his invitation with a generous gift, knowing that each contribution transforms faith into action. Thank you.



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YOUR GIFT

## Need a meal, or a place to donate clothes?

St. Leonard will be partnering with **Haley House**, a soup kitchen and donation center in South Boston.

Currently, they are most in need of men's clothing. Please check the link [haleyhouse.org/goods](http://haleyhouse.org/goods) for list of accepted items.

Donations can be brought to our parish office.



**HALEY HOUSE**





# FUTURE TRIPS

July 24 to August 1



## Pilgrimage to Medjugorje July 24- August 1, 2023

Fr Michael Della Penna will be leading a Pilgrimage for St Leonard's Parish this year to the Youth Festival in Medjugorje 2023 from July 24 to August 1.

All the information and link to sign up is posted on our website.

It is currently listed as waiting list and is on a first come first serve basis.

To register click on Waiting List and register under the dates of the pilgrimage. You will be confirmed as soon as you sign

November 25 to December 04

## Walking in St. Leonard's Footsteps Pilgrimage to Italy

25th November - 04 December 2023



### Join us for this special pilgrimage

In honor of the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of St. Leonard of Port Maurice Parish.

### We will be visiting:

**Port Maurice:** Visiting the birthplace of St. Leonard of Port Maurice

**Tuscany:** Having lunch with local wine tasting in the countryside.

**Rome:** Attending the Papal Audience and visiting the Vatican Museum

**Assisi:** following St. Francis' paths...

Please submit your indication of interest at:

[info@vibeyourjourney.com](mailto:info@vibeyourjourney.com)

For more information visit:

<https://saintleonardchurchboston.org/pilgrimage-to-italy>

We must have at least 15 people to finalize costs, lodging, airfare, transfers, etc.





# ANNOUNCEMENTS

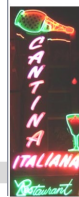
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# **FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

## **Prayer**

By your help, we beseech you, Lord our God, may we walk eagerly in that same charity with which, out of love for the world, your Son handed himself over to death. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. All: Amen.