



ST. LEO THE GREAT
PARISH & SCHOOL

2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 19, 2020

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MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKENDS

Saturday Vigil ~ 4:00PM
Sundays ~ 8:00AM, and 11:00AM

WEEKDAYS

Monday through Thursday ~ 7:30AM
Friday ~ 8:30AM

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

8:30AM and 7:00PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Individual confessions are heard on Saturday, from 2:45PM—3:30PM or anytime by appointment.

NEW TO THE PARISH? WELCOME!

New parishioners and those moving from the parish or changing address are asked to contact the Rectory office.

BAPTISMS

Parents desiring Baptism for their children are asked to contact the Parish Office to make arrangements.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Preparations and arrangements must be made at least 6 months in advance with a priest. Only then can a wedding date be confirmed.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

If you are curious about becoming Catholic or have questions about the Catholic Faith, please call the Rectory.



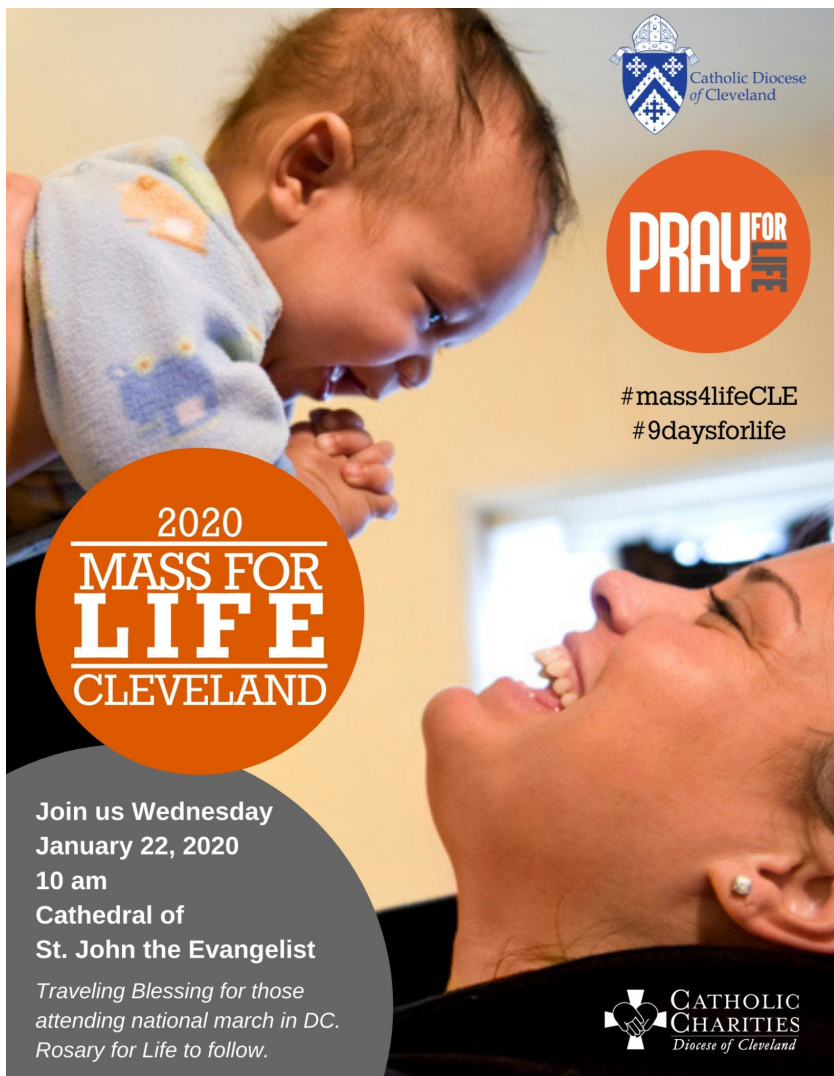
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PRAY FOR LIFE

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 #9daysforlife


**2020
 MASS FOR
 LIFE
 CLEVELAND**

Join us Wednesday
 January 22, 2020
 10 am
 Cathedral of
 St. John the Evangelist
*Traveling Blessing for those
 attending national march in DC.
 Rosary for Life to follow.*


 CATHOLIC
 CHARITIES
 Diocese of Cleveland

WOMANKIND BABY BOTTLES

 Once again our parish will be participating in the Womankind Baby Bottle Fundraiser. We are doing this fundraiser at this time of the year to coincide with the Roe vs. Wade Ruling.

This weekend of January 18th/19th there will be baby bottles at the entrances of the church. Please take the baby bottles home, fill them with your loose change, and return them to the church the weekend of February 15th/16th. (If you prefer, checks should be made payable to *Womankind*.) The funds generated will help Womankind provide free prenatal care and support services to pregnant women in need. For more information about Womankind, check out their website at www.womankindcleveland.com. Thank you.

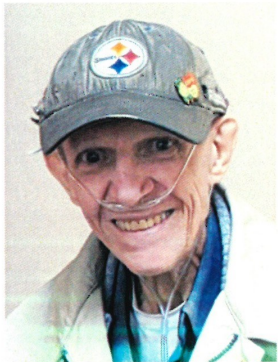
PRO-LIFE HOLY HOUR

There will be a Pro-Life Holy Hour this Thursday, January 23, 2020 at 7:00pm in the church. Please join us for an hour of prayer to end abortion and an acceptance of all life from conception to natural death.



WE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

In Loving Memory of



WALTER R. MILEWSKI

Born: March 15, 1930
Entered Into Rest: January 8, 2020
Services: Monday, January 13, 2020
 St. Leo the Great Church
 Cleveland, Ohio
Entombment: Holy Cross Cemetery
 Garden of the Apostles Mausoleum
 Section 28 North Aisle Crypt 33-A


Good and gracious God,
 you blew into our nostrils the breath of life.
 You are the One to whom we owe our very
 existence.

Give us the courage to take that unpopular
 position of protecting those who have no
 voice,
 the unborn child in the womb
 to the person taking his or her last breath.

The life you have given us is a gift beyond
 measure. Embolden us to speak the truth
 about protecting the child, the elderly,
 and the one without a voice in the public
 square.

With thankful hearts,
 we ask all this of the One God,
 Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

JANUARY 22, 2020



**DAY OF PRAYER
 FOR THE
 LEGAL
 PROTECTION
 OF UNBORN CHILDREN**

ST. LEO THE GREAT—CLEVELAND, OHIO

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...



Ed Gorcyka, Bob McLaughlin, Annamae Sironen, John Risko, Glenn “Joe” Hess, Gary LaBuda, Jeanette Klaehn, Ron Vokac, Carol Rucinski, Pat Chopka, Serena Jacobs, William & Amelia Rebello, Louise Horvath, Diane Kalus, Marie Stankiewicz, Irma Zappitelli, Marge Menge, Bill Hinton, Linda Debaltzo, Anna Mendoza, Anthony Arlia, Kathleen & Richard Svoboda, Sharon Kobal, George Aloschen, Mary Suder, Charles Hakaim, Jeanne Karasek, Denise Sisley, Dorothy Forister & Don Donelon.



Monday, January 20th - St. Fabian & St. Sebastian
7:30am +Jack Pauloski (Loving Friend)
Tuesday, January 21st - St. Agnes
7:30am +Ralph & Marge Knab (Family)
Wednesday, January 22nd - Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children
7:30am +Deceased Kobak Family (Rose Pelley)
Thursday, January 23rd - St. Marianne Cope & St. Vincent
7:30am Communion Service
7:00pm Pro-Life Holy Hour
Friday, January 24th - St. Francis de Sales
8:30am +Ann Hackstock (Daughter)
Saturday, January 25th - Conversion of St. Paul
4:00pm +Anthony & Teresa Bové (Annette Hooven)
Sunday, January 26th - 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00am People of the Parish
11:00am Intention Available



WE WELCOME

CLAIRE MORGAN KUPCHELLA
as she is baptized this weekend.

May the blessings you received from God guide you throughout your life!

GREAT SWEEPSTAKES



JENNIE SHANTERY

January 13, 2020—\$100.00 winner

Don't forget to sign up for our **Great Sweepstakes weekly drawing**. Forms to sign up are available at the Information Desk in the vestibule of the Church, or at the Rectory Office.

Every week we pray for those discerning a vocation in religious life.

John Nelson
St. Mary of the Assumption
Mentor
Year 4 - Diaconate Program



Pray that he may continue to persevere and that others may respond to God's call.

Parish Support

Sunday, January 12th

Basket Collection.....	\$ 6,604.02
WeShare(online).....	\$ 590.00
Total.....	\$ 7,194.02

**THANK YOU
FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!**

First Reading: Isaiah 49:3, 5-6

The book of Isaiah in four different places speaks of a mysterious servant of God. This servant is sent to do great and marvelous things that touch the entire world. Christians have traditionally thought of Jesus as the fulfillment of these passages.

Second Reading: Corinthian 1:1-3

For the next several Sundays our second reading will be taken from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians. Today's reading presents the opening words of that letter. It is an example of the salutation used in classical letter writing: Paul identifies himself, acknowledges the community to whom he is writing, and extends warm personal greetings.

Readings for the week of January 19, 2020

Sunday: Is 49:3, 5-6/Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10/1 Cor 1:1-3/Jn 1:29-34

Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13/Mk 3:7-12

Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/Mk 3:13-19

Saturday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Mk 16:15-18

Next Sunday: Is 8:23—9:3/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/1 Cor 1:10-13, 17/Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17

Here I am, Lord; I come to do your will. (Ps 40)



Dear Parishioners,

Walter Milewski was well known to many people who attend the 8am Mass on Sunday morning. Walter was an usher here for many years but had been confined to a nursing home for the last couple of months as he struggled with his breathing. We celebrated his funeral Mass this past Monday where we remembered his great devotion to the rosary, which he always had in his hands, praying up to 3 rosaries a day. Walter had been married for 50 years to his wife Marie and they enjoyed traveling together. He was one of 10 children and though he had no children of his own, he was blessed with many nieces & nephews. May Walter now join with Mary in knowing the joy of heaven's reward for a life of faith.

We welcome Claire Kupchella into our Catholic family as she is baptized this Sunday after the 11am Mass. May her parents, married here at St. Leo the Great, know the joy of raising her in the practice of the faith.

On January 22 each year, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops ask us to remember the great harm that has been done to the human family through the tragic abortions that have taken place. They have declared this to be a National Day of Prayer and Penance for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children. The Diocese of Cleveland will have a Mass for Life this Wednesday, January 22nd at 10:00am at the Cathedral downtown. And the Knights of Columbus have made available to us a holy card which you will receive today which contains a prayer to Mary, as we celebrate the Gospel of Life, written by Pope St. John Paul II. Deacon Pat and his wife Joan, our Pastoral Ministers, will also be leading a Holy Hour this Thursday, January 23rd during which we will pray for a greater respect of all human life. May our prayers and awareness of this tragedy help bring it to an end.

Please see information in this bulletin concerning our Baby Bottle campaign which asks for donations of coins to be used to help expectant women and new mothers. It's another small way we can show our belief in the sacredness of human life.

I am in continuous talks with a founder of Trinity Travels regarding the planned pilgrimage to the Holy Land at the end of this year or beginning of next year. We are working on the best dates and prices possible so please stay tuned & know we'll be meeting as soon as we have enough information to share with those who may be interested.

I read a tweet which pointed out that the year 1990 is as far away from us as the year 2050. Amazing to think about that, especially if you were alive in 1990 & feel like it's in the recent past. My great-niece who was just born will live to see the year 2100 if she lives to be 80, which will probably be considered middle age by that time.

Speaking of dates, I received a letter from the Bishop appointing me to another 6 year term here at St. Leo's. Together let us joyfully continue to work at proclaiming God's kingdom among us.

Fr. James Schmitz

THIS WEEK AT ST. LEO'S

**Monday, January 20th-Martin Luther King Holiday
No School**

Parish Office Closed

4:30pm 3rd Gr. Girls BB Practice Lux
5:30pm 6th Gr. Boys BB Practice Lux
7:00pm 5th Gr. Boys BB Practice Lux

Tuesday, January 21st

8:30am SVDP Packing/Receiving Church
4:00pm 8th Gr. Boys BB Practice Lux
5:00pm SVDP Receiving Church
5:30pm 5th Gr. Boys BB Practice Lux
7:00pm 7th Gr. Boys BB Practice Lux
7:00pm AA Group Basement

Wednesday, January 22nd

11:00am Seniors Great
3:00pm 3rd Gr. Boys BB Practice Lux
4:30pm 5th Gr. Girls BB Practice Lux
6:30pm Choir Practice Church
6:30pm High School Boys BB Practice Lux

Thursday, January 23rd

1:00pm Women's Knitting Group Conference
4:30pm 3rd Gr. Girls BB Practice Lux
5:30pm 6th Gr. Boys BB Practice Lux
7:00pm 7th Gr. Boys BB Practice Lux
7:00pm Pro-Life Holy Hour Church

Friday, January 24th

3:00pm 3rd Gr Boys BB Practice Lux
4:30pm 5th Gr Girls BB Practice Lux
6:00pm 8th Gr Boys BB Practice Lux
7:30pm Recovery International Basement

Saturday, January 25th

7:30am CYO Basketball Site Center Lux
2:45 to 3:30pm Confessions Church
3:00pm Grapevine Basement

**Sunday, January 26th-BEGINNING OF
CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK**

10:00am to 1:00pm School/Pre-School Open House

SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTION

January 19th to February 1st

**In Loving Memory of
Bob Zarko**



DONUT SUNDAY

Please join us for donuts and coffee after the 8:00am and the 11:00am Masses next Sunday, January 26th.

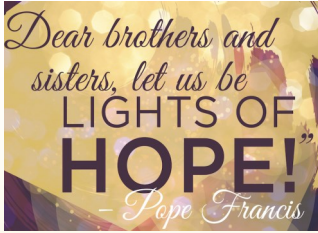


We will be praying the rosary in the church on **Friday, January 31st, at 7:00pm.** What is a rosary? The rosary is

the recitation of the Hail Mary, Our Father and other traditional prayers in a particular order. Don't own a rosary? Don't know how to say the rosary? Please join us anyway, and we will provide you with what you need.

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ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



To be sure your Charitable donations are being used the way you intend them to be, please consider donating to your St. Vincent De Paul Outreach Organization throughout the year. We are a volunteer organization that provides assistance to the needy in our area, whether it is due to job layoffs, illness or other misfortune. No questions are asked about religious affiliation, and everything is kept confidential.

The Organization prides itself on the fact that ALL donations go directly back to the people we serve. There is NO overhead, NO administration cost, and ALL services are volunteered, so Contributors can be assured their donations are being put to the best use.

Remember that people need help throughout the whole year. Of course, there is always a sharp increase for our services at this time of the year as the weather gets colder. Our Poor Boxes are located at the entrances of the Church. You can also put your donation in an envelope and mark it "St. Vincent de Paul". We thank you for your continued support.

SENIORS

Plan on joining us this Wednesday, January 22nd at 11:00 a.m. in the Parish Community Center. It's game day! Come and enjoy!

If you are not a member, this would be a great time to check us out and hopefully become part of our group. We meet the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month and our dues are only \$5.00 for the year. Hope to see you this Wednesday!



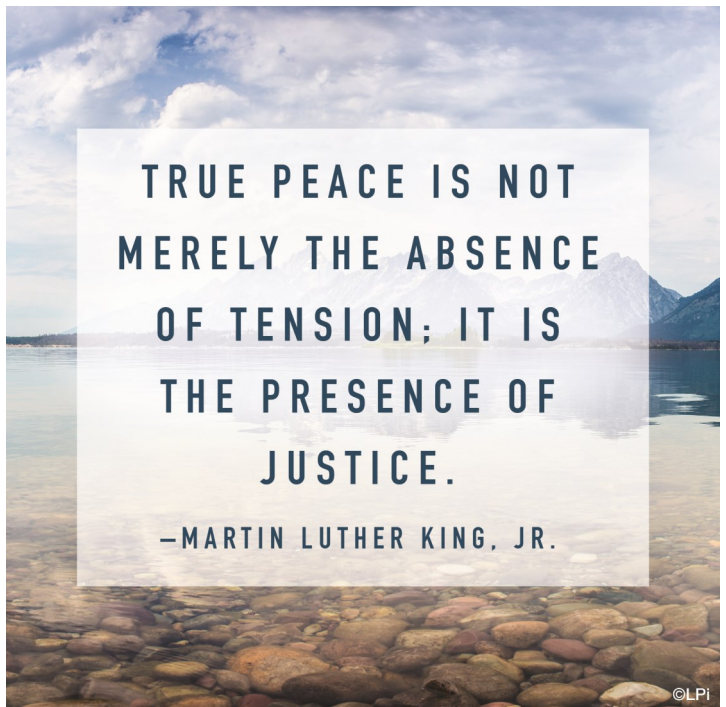
Share YOUR Faith



Help the Church in Latin America

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Next week, we will be collecting for the Church in Latin America. For many in Latin America and the Caribbean, a rising secular culture, difficult rural terrain, and a shortage of ministers, all present obstacles to practicing the faith. Your support for the collection provides lay leadership training, catechesis, priestly and religious formation, and other programs to share our Catholic faith with those who long to hear the Good News of Christ. To learn more about how your gifts make a difference, visit www.usccb.org/latin-america



HOLIDAY PARISH OFFICE HOURS



The Rectory Office will be closed tomorrow, **Monday, January 20th** in observance of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday. The office will re-open on Tuesday, January 21st at 9:00 a.m.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE



The American Red Cross Blood Drive will be at St. Leo's Lux Hall **THIS SUNDAY, January 19th**, from 8:00am to 12:00pm. With the winter and flu season here, please stop by and donate! There is always a need for blood!

2020 MASS INTENTION BOOK



The 2020 Mass Intention Book is open. **There are still plenty of dates available.** Please stop by the Parish Office and get your intentions. The Mass stipend is \$10.00.

ATTENTION RETIRED CATHOLICS!

The Ignatian Volunteer Corps is recruiting new volunteers!



IVC is an opportunity for adult men and women to offer their skills, wisdom and life experience in direct service to those in need. In return for a commitment of 1 or 2 days a week with a local non-profit the IVC program provides monthly guidance for personal reflection and prayerful conversations with fellow IVC volunteers.

Together, we hope to see the face of Christ in those we serve. Call IVC Cleveland Regional Director, Ginny Pippin, 216/870-3333, gpippin@ivcusa.org, www.ivcusa.org

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Mrs. Grosel's 2nd Grade Bulletin Board

OPEN HOUSE
 Sunday, January 26, 2020
 10:00 am - 1:00 pm
 All are Welcome!

**Preschool & Elementary School Open
 For Tours and Information**

St. Leo's PTC
Kick Off To Catholic School's Week
Family Movie Night
 Friday, January 24, 2020
 Doors open at 6:00
 Trivia before the Movie
 Movie Starts at 6:45 in Lux Hall



Bring blankets, pillows or chairs to sit on.
 pizza, popcorn, candy, juice and pop
 available at the concession stand.

All children **MUST** be accompanied by an adult.
PLEASE RSVP to school office - 216.661.2120

Please join us to . . .

**Tour the school • Meet the principal • Meet the teachers
 Apply for Cleveland vouchers • Apply for Fall enrollment**

- Safe and nurturing environment
- Before and after school care
- Tutoring and remediation programs
- Federal hot breakfast and lunch program
- Full day/part time pre-school program for three and four year olds.
- Cleveland voucher and EdChoice scholarships accepted

Now accepting applications for preschool - 8th grade

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www.leotheadgreat.org



The Cleveland Scholarship Program and EdChoice Scholarship Application Period
 This program provides new educational choices for children in kindergarten through twelfth grade. The program gives students the opportunity to attend private schools in Cleveland. The State will provide reimbursement for tuition to help pay the cost of attending these schools. Even if your child already attends one of these schools, you may be eligible to apply for the program.
The application period opens by February 1st. This is a valuable program that can aid parents in providing their children with quality education at no or very little tuition costs to them. All Information about scholarships available and the application process

will be available during the **Open House on January 26th.**
 If you live in Cleveland, you really need to get information on this valuable program. Do you live in Parma, or other surrounding areas? There are other Scholarship opportunities that you may qualify for. Please plan to attend the Open House or call the **School Office at (216) 661-2120** for more information.



INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Our relationships ground and define us. Understanding where we come from, who matters to us, and to whom we have an allegiance all frame and direct our lives. One unchangeable about who we are is that God formed us in our mother's womb. Unless understanding of ourselves begins with this solid fact about ourselves, our knowledge will always be incomplete. John the Baptist and Jesus knew who they were and where they came from. This allowed them to understand their purpose and express their identity. To whom do you matter? If your primary answer is God then you are on your way to knowing who you are. Each of us has a purpose and mission to fulfill. See God as your strength and get about the business of meeting life's challenges.

PARISH COMMUNITY CENTER

GREAT ROOM FOR RENT

The Great Room, located in our Parish Community Center is available to **rent for special events, all types of parties, meetings, funeral luncheons, etc.**

For information or to book, please contact Mina Rolando at 216-544-0190 or visit our parish website at leothegreat.org.

RECORD OF 2019 CONTRIBUTIONS



To receive a copy of your 2019 contribution statement, please email your request to mlhauck@leothegreat.org.

You can also stop at the information desk in the vestibule of the church after Mass or call the Rectory Office at 216-661-1006. Please indicate how you would like to receive your statement, eg. pick up in back of church, office, or mail.

CLUSTER CORNER

MARY QUEEN OF PEACE— This Sunday, January 19th - FREE Community Meal at 1:00pm in the Parish Center Cafeteria followed by The Blue Army Holy Hour at 2pm in the Chapel

ST. CHARLES BORROMEIO—Ladies Guild Day of Recollection, Monday, February 17th with guest speaker, Fr. Lou Thomas. His topic is "Everything you always wanted to know about the Catholic church and more!!" For more information call Pam Bennett at 440-773-3291.

ST. THOMAS MORE—Please join us every Tuesday at 7:00pm. in the Marian Chapel to pray the rosary for world peace.

