



ST. LEO THE GREAT

PARISH & SCHOOL

June 19, 2022

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MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKENDS

Saturday Vigil ~ 4:00PM

Sundays ~ 8:00AM and 11:00AM

WEEKDAYS

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday ~ 8:30AM

Thursday - Communion Service ~ 8:30AM

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

8:30AM and 7:00PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Individual confessions can be heard Saturdays from 3pm-3:30pm, Sundays from 10am-10:30am, or anytime by request or appointment.

NEW TO THE PARISH? WELCOME!

New parishioners and those moving from the parish or changing addresses 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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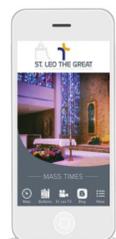
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THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

Then taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing over them, broke them, and gave them to the disciples to set before the crowd. - Lk 9:16

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Pregnancy Support

“Perhaps one of your friends has become pregnant unexpectedly. As someone who has been there, I encourage you to support your friend in her new journey of being a mother...Your support might be the only support she receives. Even if we never know how, the smallest things we do can change someone's life. You can make a difference in her life. Will you?” Learn ten tips at respectliffe.org/support-her.

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
“10 Ways to Support Her When She’s Unexpectedly Expecting”



“WE MUST BE CLOSE TO EVERY EXPECTANT MOTHER”
 —POPE ST. JOHN PAUL II

Pro-Life



Pro-Life Peaceful, Prayerful Witness by the Planned Parenthood Office, will meet on the corner of Brookpark & Broadview roads, Saturdays, 10:30 -11:30 am. Join us on the public sidewalk. Pray to end abortion. Questions, call Mike & Doris Peters, 216-659-3362.



DID YOU KNOW?

THE FIRE IN MANY IMAGES OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS REPRESENTS THE TRANSFORMATIVE POWER OF DIVINE LOVE.

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St. Vincent De Paul

HEAR THE CRY! God's people hear the cry of the poor! But are all of us listening? Your St. Vincent de Paul volunteers are committed to listening for the call of the Lord and cry of His beloved needy. Help your SVPD Outreach Volunteers give our neighbors that true sense of peace with a donation in the Poor Boxes or a check made payable to St. Leo's and put it in an the collection basket or take it to the rectory. We thank you for your help.

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PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...

Prayer REQUESTS

Mary Niec, Alivia Kobal, Taylor Corbett, Annamae Sironen, Glenn "Joe" Hess, Gary LaBuda, Jeanette Klaehn, Amelia Rebello, Marie Stankiewicz, Irma Zappitelli, Dianne Toronski, Anthony Arlia, Don Donelon, Larry Kuznik, John Sofcheck, Ireneo (Ernie) Santiago, Rob Blum, Sally Herman, Gary Skelley, Lee Rinaldi, Joe Lorkowski, Millie Ancin, Virginia Soflkancs, Evelyn Bastian, Mary Lou Neuendorf, Joseph Bublavy, Ana Mendoza, Marianne Kucinski-Powers, Denise Warnock, Edith Lysyj, John Geiger, Rosie Colucci, Buzzy Miano, Judy Bruzshinsky, Carol Broze, Greg Wasacz, Stan Wasacz, Joe Barr, Mary Ann & Doug Kiesel, Marcia Bailey, Jim & Gerry Tisch, MaryLou Durfee, Chris Grdosic, Fr. Vesely, Kathy Svoboda & Cecilla (CiCi) Choromanski

MASST INTENTIONS

- Monday, June 20th—Weekday
8:30am +Bill Hinton Jr. (Patty Hinton)
- Tuesday, June 21th —St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious
8:30am +Betty Clancy (Joan and Pat Berigan)
- Wednesday, June 22th—Weekday
8:30am +Terri Jean Herbert (Father Jim)
- Thursday June 23th— The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist
8:30am Communion Service
- Friday June 24th—The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
8:30am +Dennis Dina (Mary Ann Corlett)
- Saturday June 25th – The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary
10:00am +Rose Pelley (Robert, Son)
4:00pm +Mike Boron (Daughter & Granddaughter)
- Sunday, June 26th— 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00am People of the Parish
11:00am +Bill Sr. & Bill Jr. Hinton, Joseph "Joe" Mackey (Family)



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

Jeffrey Lindholm
St. Raphael, Bay Village
II Theology, St. Mary

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

First Reading: Genesis 14:18-20

Today's reading from the book of Genesis tells us all we know about an obscure king named Melchizedek. Abraham had just won a military victory and Melchizedek honors him with a meal of bread and wine. Over the course of time, this meal was seen as a distant foreshadowing of the Eucharist, which is why this passage was chosen for today's feast.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

The first letter to the Corinthians was written about 25 years after Christ's death and resurrection. Today's passage contains our earliest written account of what Jesus did at the Last Supper. It predates even the Gospels.

"...IN THIS WORLD I CANNOT SEE THE MOST HIGH SON OF GOD WITH MY OWN EYES, EXCEPT FOR HIS MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD."

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI



Readings for the week June 19, 2022

- Sunday: Gn 14:18-20/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/1 Cor 11:23-26/Lk 9:11b-17
- Monday: 2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18/Ps 60:3, 4-5, 12-13/Mt 7:1-5
- Tuesday: 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36/Ps 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 10-11/Mt 7:6, 12-14
- Wednesday: 2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-3/Ps 119:33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 40/Mt 7:15-20
- Thursday: Vigil: Jer 1:4-10/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5-6ab, 15ab and 17/1 Pt 1:8-12/Lk 1:5-17
- Day: Is 49:1-6/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15/Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80
- Friday: Ez 34:11-16/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [1]/Rom 5:5b-11/Lk 15:3-7
- Saturday: Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19/Ps 74:1b-2, 3-5, 6-7, 20-21/Lk 2:41-51



SUNDAY, JUNE 5, 2022

Sunday Collection.....\$6,020.00
WeShare.....\$2,649.00
Total.....\$8,669.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

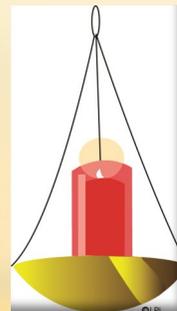
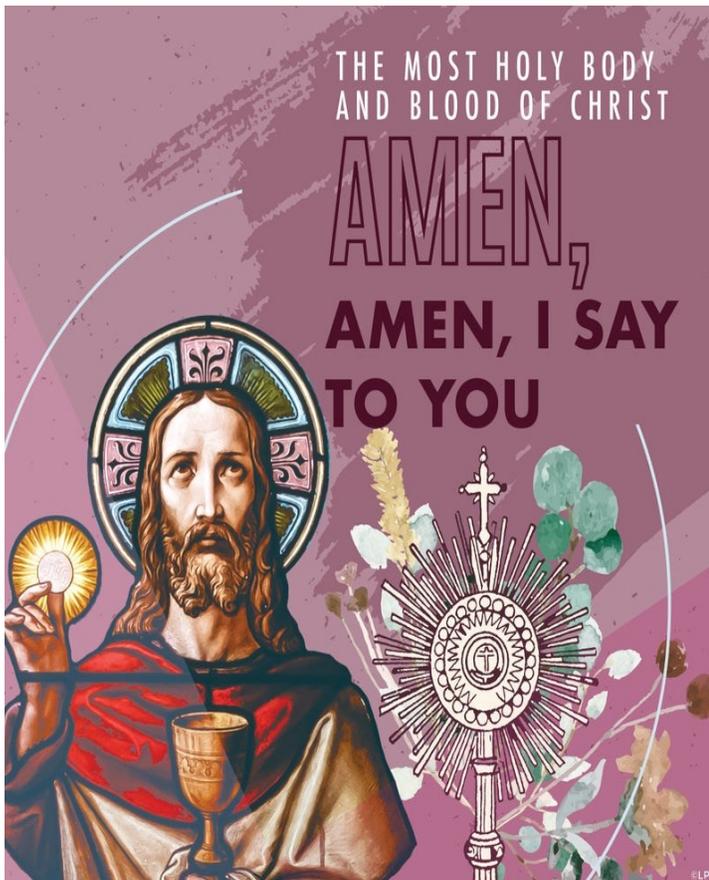
**GOSPEL MEDITATION -
ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE**

June 19, 2022 | The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Jesus went to those most in need. He forgave the sinner, ate with the outcast, defended, and fed those who were poor and hungry. He worked for true justice, risked being unpopular, willingly accepted suffering and death, and always stayed connected with his Abba, Father. Jesus also consistently reminded folks that God's compassion, love, and mercy trump everything, even the law. This is the Christ that the Eucharist calls us to be. As we look around our churches, our towns and cities, and our world, there are many people who need to see the face and body of Christ. Some of those most in need may be right within our families. But it is always in the poorest of the poor and those most vulnerable that we find the greatest need. There are many who cannot function on their own. When the gift of the Eucharistic Christ takes root in our hearts, we can more readily see the face of Christ in others.

Many people are vulnerable. Highest on that list are the homeless. They show us the face of Christ. Whatever the cause, to have no place to go and no place to call home takes a toll on the human spirit. For Jesus when there were hungry people, they were fed. God asks us to do the same ... feed people. There are many who are hungry physically, emotionally, and spiritually. Gifted by the Eucharistic presence of Christ, we can bring them Christ. Who are the hungry around us and how can we feed them?

When someone is hurting, you comfort them. When someone is hungry, you feed them. When someone needs clothes, you provide them. When someone is cold, you warm them. When someone is in prison, you visit them. With over a million people who are homeless and over a quarter of them children, it is important to ask the question, "why?" and strategize for ways to lessen or alleviate the problem. Nevertheless, we are not off the hook for responding to the immediate needs that present themselves at our doors. Whether a person's current station in life is self-imposed or the result of being victimized, they are sacred vessels. We cannot lock the door and send them away and still believe we bear the Eucharistic presence of Christ. It doesn't work like that.



SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTION

June 19 to July 3

**IN LOVING MEMORY
+William Hinton Sr. & Jr.
In loving memory from the
Hinton Family**

SENIOR GROUP...



OUR UPCOMING MEETING WILL BE WEDNESDAY, 6-22-2022. THIS WILL BE A GAME DAY SO REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR NICKELS. MEMBERS CAN START ARRIVING AROUND 11AM WITH LUNCH STARTING AT 12 NOON. GAMES WILL THEN FOLLOW AFTER A BRIEF MEETING. ONE MORE REMINDER THAT WE INCREASED OUR LUNCH FEE TO \$5.00 SO THAT WE CAN MAINTAIN THE NICE LUNCHES THAT WE HAVE ALL COME TO ENJOY.

ST. LEO THE GREAT- CLEVELAND, OHIO

Dear Parishioners,

On June 10th, I celebrated a Funeral Mass for Carol Philips, a parishioner of the parish who died this past November. Her husband of almost 50 years died about 10 years ago. Carol opened her home to a relative who lived there with her for several years. Please keep Carol and all of our faithful departed in your prayers.

This past Tuesday we celebrated the Mass of Christian Burial for Joan Dregne, a woman who was very community-minded, and a long time resident in Old Brooklyn. She was a person of faith who had a devotion to St. Christopher and to the Blessed Mother, as she prayed the rosary often. She sent her son Eric to our parish school and worked as a secretary. She enjoyed traveling with her friends and was active in our parish community, especially as a Eucharistic Minister. May she rest now in the peace of Christ.

Just a reminder that we will be celebrating a Memorial Mass at 10am this Saturday, June 25th, for longtime Parishioner Rose Pelley, who has lived in Pennsylvania during these past few years with her daughter. If you knew Rose, please join us as we pray for her and celebrate her long life of faith. A Franciscan priest who is a friend of the family will be presiding and I will be concelebrating.

I also wanted to let you know that Johanna Kinder, another longtime parishioner of St. Leo's, died last week and her funeral Mass was celebrated on June 17th at the Chapel at Jennings' Center on Granger Road, where she had lived these past few years. Johanna was married to her husband Tom for 60 years & he passed away a few years ago. May she and her husband rest in peace.

Though I have not cancelled the use of our live-streaming technology yet for weekend Masses, I did cancel the option to use close-captioning which allows you to read the text that displays on the screen as it transcribes what is being spoken. I did so because it was expensive (\$1200 a year) but mostly because it was very inaccurate since it is computer generated (it would have to be in order to transcribe the spoken audio instantaneously). If many people really relied on this and found it helpful, I would consider adding it back, but as several people pointed out, it does not recognize unusual biblical names or ecclesiastical ("church") words, and would often even display foul language (as if we would ever use such language in a liturgical setting!). It even called Bishop Malesic a very bad name once when Deacon Pat mentioned his name at the pulpit! So again, if you find this feature a necessity, let me know & we'll consider whether it's worth re-subscribing to it.

This past Sunday I was asked to visit a parishioner at Metro Hospital who had a stroke and was on life-support. I was happy to be there to give him the last rites, however the priest who was on call at the hospital also arrived at the same time, and I felt bad that his Sunday afternoon was unnecessarily interrupted. So I'll use this occasion to remind you that if a loved one is in need of the Anointing of the Sick or the last rites (and there is a difference between the two which I'll explain in next week's bulletin), **please ask the nurse in charge to contact the hospital or nursing home chaplain first.** Most have a Catholic Chaplain who is hired or assigned to this ministry which is meant to have someone available in short notice as the parish priest may not be available. Please only contact the parish if the attempt to get the chaplain was unsuccessful. Only one person should be in charge of this responsibility to avoid having more than one priest show up unnecessarily. If someone is at **home** and would like to be anointed or receive the last rites, then please call me at the rectory office.

We wish all the men of our parish a Happy Father's Day as we pray for them at each of our liturgies. I will be visiting my Dad & Stepmother this Sunday & sharing with them the experience of our pilgrimage to the Holy Land. Let us remember our father's with gratitude, whether they are living or deceased.

Fr. James Schmitz

BEREAVEMENT SHARING GROUP

Have you recently lost a loved one—a spouse, sibling, a parent, other relative or a close friend? Join the St. Leo the Great Bereavement Sharing Group. We are a group who have a common bond—the loss of someone close to us. All are welcome to come and share with us the first Wednesday of every month at 2:00 PM in the Parish Center. We meet for about an hour and share our feelings and memories of our loved ones. **The next meeting dates will be August 3, September 7, and October 5 2022.** Feel free to join us—no reservations needed.

**If you have any questions,
contact Joan Berigan at 216-661-1006 or by
email: jberigan@leothegreat.org.**

PRE-PLANNED FUNERAL

Do your loved ones know what your wishes are for your funeral Mass? Have you thought about the readings you'd like to have at your funeral Mass? If so, contact

Joan Berigan at the rectory (216-661-1006) or email her at jberigan@leothegreat.org for help in pre-planning your funeral Mass.

HOW YOU CAN CONTINUE TO SUPPORT US WITH YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS

We are grateful that so many of you have continued to contribute. Here are a few ways to help you with your contributions:

- 1) Mail your contribution envelope(s) to us, either for the week or the month. (St. Leo the Great, 4940 Broadview Rd., Cleveland, OH 44019)
- 2) Drop your contribution envelope(s) in the mail slot of the rectory office door.



- 3) Online Giving is available here at St. Leo the Great. Look for this icon on our website www.leothegreat.org to sign up. It's incredibly easy and you have many options: weekly, monthly or one-time contributions, the ability to use a checking/savings account direct withdrawal (you just need your account and routing numbers) or you can use a debit or credit card (Visa, MasterCard, American Express or Discover). It is simple and secure.

If you have any questions or need help, call the parish office at 216-661-1006 and we will gladly assist you.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENT



Sacred Vessels

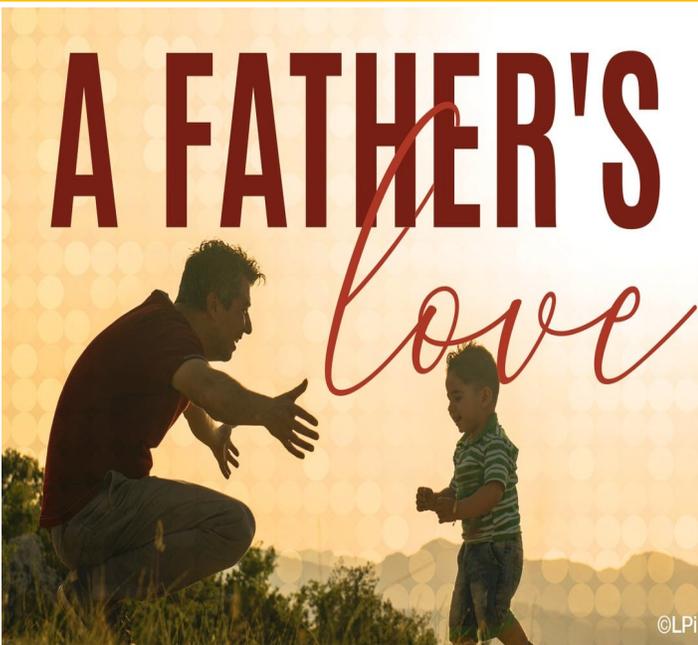
Have you ever paid attention to the purification of the sacred vessels after Holy Communion? If you haven't, I highly recommend doing so this Sunday. See the care with which the priest handles the chalice and the paten, pouring water into them to cleanse any loose particles of the Body and Blood of Christ. Observe the loving reverence he uses in wiping them dry with a special purificator. It's a ritual unto itself, and a powerful moment for reflection.

These vessels begin as earthly objects. They are made by human hands. There is nothing special about them — not until they go about the work for which they have been created. Until they contain the Body and Blood of Christ, they are only ordinary objects. But after they have carried within them the Eucharist, they are never the same. They will always be special and deserving of special care.

That's why partaking of the Eucharist is, for us, an evangelical undertaking. It is both a transformation and a declaration. When we accept this tremendous gift, we are proclaiming what we believe, and we are accepting the grace to follow through on that commitment.

When we are receiving the Eucharist, it is not possible for us to be passive. We become the vessel. We carry Christ into the world with us.

But do we act like it? Do we treat ourselves — our bodies, our souls — with the same respect as the priest cleansing the chalice? Do we treat one another with the reverence we would reserve for a sacred object? When we look at another person with anger or irritation or envy, do we acknowledge the change that we have willingly undergone by receiving Christ's Body and Blood into ourselves?



BUS TRIPS

RIVERS CASINO—Wednesday, August 17
\$48 per person, Casino Bonus: \$20 in slot play,
\$5 food credit
Reservation deadline: Thursday, July 7

ANNUAL TRIP TO AMISH COUNTRY—
Monday, September 26
Lunch at Berlin Farmstead—included
\$80 per person
Reservation deadline: Friday, August 12

Three days, two nights—Tuesday –Thursday, October 4-6
SOARING EAGLE CASINO & RESORT—
Overnight stay
Casino Bonus—\$30 premium play & \$40 dining gift card

FRANKENMUTH—Overnight stay
Complimentary evening snacks and drinks reception and
morning breakfast at the hotel. Zehender's famous chicken dinner included in the package.
Reservation deadline: Thursday, August 18



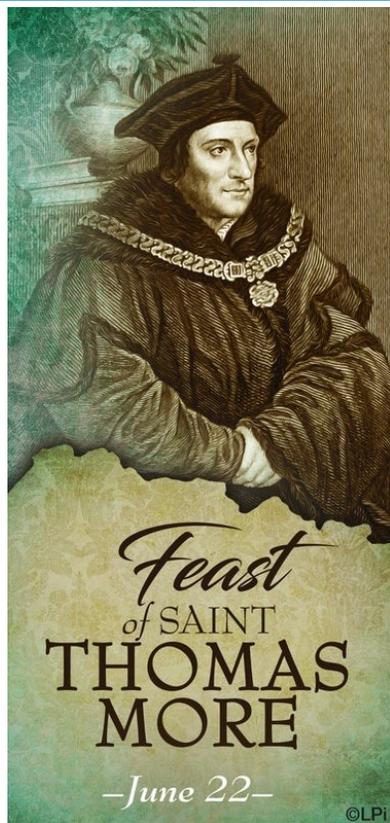
Contact Sandy Diaddario -
216-926-3123

St. Leo parishioner is looking for a part time, mature female caregiver for four hours a day, Monday through Thursday, 8am until 12 noon. Pay is negotiable. Perfect for a retired woman. Call Pat for specific details at 216-324-1912.

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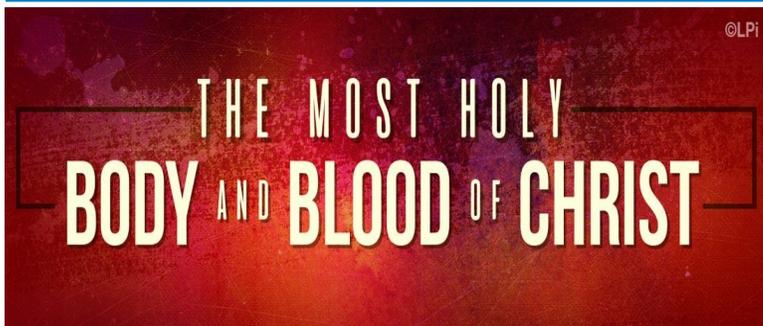


St. Thomas More | June 22

Sir Thomas More was a humanist and statesman in Tudor England. He is still widely known today as the author of *Utopia*. More was a prolific writer and theologian. A true martyr of the Church, he was beatified by Pope Leo XIII in 1886, and canonized by Pope Pius XI on May 19, 1935.

More was born in London in 1478, the son of Sir John More, a lawyer and judge. He attended Oxford where he studied Latin and Greek, as well as formal logic. He left Oxford in 1494 to train as a lawyer in London. After attaining the Bar, he spent time discerning a call to the priesthood. Though attracted to the Franciscan order More remained a lay Christian, continuing to fast, pray, and wear a hair shirt. He was married twice, the loving father of three daughters, a stepdaughter by his second marriage, and one son. More wrote many letters to his children when he was away on business and his daughters were known for their academic abilities, as they received the same education as his son, an anomaly at the time.

More rose to the Privy Council in 1514. He became the good friend and advisor to Henry VIII, and in 1521 he was knighted. In 1529 he was made Lord Chancellor of England. However, this appointment was the beginning of the end for the saint. He could not support the break with the Church in Rome when Henry failed to receive from the Pope the annulment of his first marriage to Katherine of Aragon to wed Anne Boleyn. More resigned as Lord Chancellor and continued to refuse to accept Henry as the head of the Church in England. Eventually he was imprisoned, tried, and sentenced to a traitor's death, to be hanged, drawn, and quartered. Henry commuted the sentence of his former friend to the more humane beheading. More was executed at Tower Hill, on July 6, 1535, before his death he famously proclaimed that he was "the king's good servant, but God's first."



**RAFFLE
WINNER**



**June 13, 2022
Paula DiLellis**