



ST. LEO THE GREAT
PARISH & SCHOOL

16th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 19, 2020

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Father James J. Vesely
Retired

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SCHOOL HOURS:

Monday through Friday/School Day ~ 8:00AM—2:45PM

Main Office ~ 7:30AM—3:30PM

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 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.



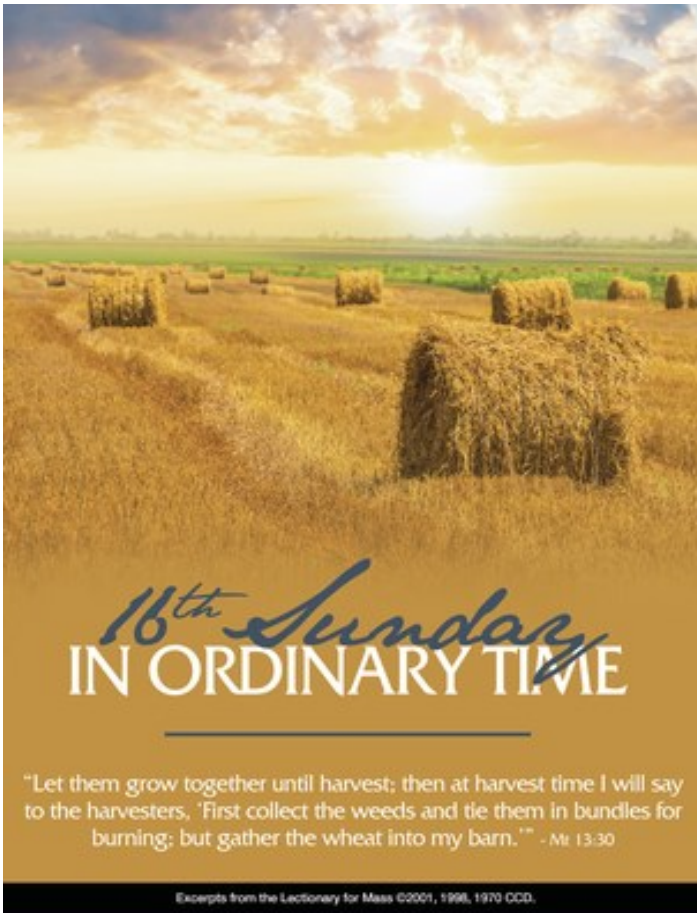
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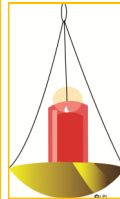
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INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Grace and sin are found together. As much as our hearts long for union with God, there is always that part of us that resists. As much as I wholeheartedly believe in God, there is a dimension of disbelief with which I also wrestle. Even though we may seek purity and integrity in all of our thoughts, words, and deeds, there is also the path toward weakness and sin that we find ourselves traversing. Just as weeds can easily overtake the best of gardens, so too can weakness and sin overtake and overwhelm a person. The call is to realize the power the weeds of sin have to choke us off from God's presence. While God allows the wheat and the weeds to exist together, we must keep our eyes fixed on God's mercy and forgiveness and resist the death that comes from giving way to sin and evil. In God's time, the eternal harvest will come, and we will no longer have to worry about the weeds. For now, we must be vigilant and regularly seek the assistance of the Master Gardener.



SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTION

July 19th to August 1st

In Loving Memory of Virginia Rescina
We Miss You, Love You
& Happy Birthday!

LOVE IS PATIENT  LOVE IS KIND



WE WELCOME

THEODORE PATRICK COOLEY
&
ROBERT ARTHUR KAPPLER, IV

as they are baptized this weekend.

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




Please join us in praying the rosary on Monday, July 20th, at 7:00pm.

Weather permitting, it will be held by the Marian shrine.

In keeping with current guidelines, please bring your own lawn chair (rather than using the benches) and wear a mask.

PLEASE REMEMBER ALBERTA IN YOUR PRAYERS.

In Loving Memory of Alberta A. Opalka

Born: August 22, 1934
Entered into Eternal Rest: June 30, 2020

Services
Tomon Funeral Home
Monday ~ July 6, 2020 at 10 a.m.
Deacon Pat Berigan Officiating

Burial: Brooklyn Hts. Cemetery
Lakeside Section - Lot 799

God saw you getting tired, and a cure was not to be. So he put his arms around you and Whispered, "come to ME". With tearful eyes We watched you, and saw you pass away. Although we loved you dearly, we could not Make you stay. A golden heart stopped Beating, hard working hands at rest. God broke our hearts to prove to us, He only takes the best.

TOMON & SONS FUNERAL HOME
 4772 Pearl Road ~ Cleveland, Ohio 44109
 216.741.6661

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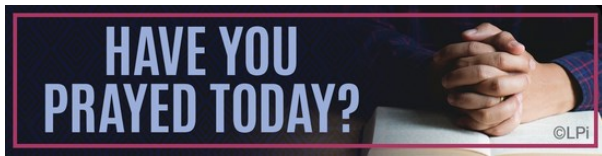


Ed Gorczyca, Bob McLaughlin, Annamae Sironen, John Risko, Glenn "Joe" Hess, Gary LaBuda, Jeanette Klaehn, Ron Vokac, Carol Rucinski, Pat Chopka, William and Amelia Rebello, Louise Horvath, Diane Kalus, Marie Stankiewicz, Irma Zappitelli, Dianne Toronski, Bill Hinton, Linda Debaltzo, Anna Mendoza, Anthony Arlia, Kathleen & Richard Svoboda, Charles Hakaim, Jeanne Karasek, Denise Sisley, Don Donelon, Larry Kuznik, Don Kasych, Antoinette Jakosh, Ralph Mlady, Ralph Rath, Walter Alflen, Joseph Mackey, Diana, and John Sofcheck.



WEEKDAY MASSES ARE NOW AT 8:30AM

Monday, July 20th - St. Apollinaris
8:30am Miquel Caraballo & Famiy (Enieda Ramos)
Tuesday, July 21st - St. Lawrence of Brindisi
8:30am +John & Ann Toronski (Jack & Dianne Toronski)
Wednesday, July 22nd - St. Mary Magdalene
8:30am +Stephen Daschner (Chris Rath)
Thursday, July 23rd - St. Bridget
8:30am Communion Service
Friday, July 24th - St. Sharbel Makhlūf
8:30am +Charles Choromanski (Daughter)
Saturday, July 25th - St. James
4:00pm People of the Parish
Sunday, July 26th– 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00am +Ann Hackstock (Daughter)
11:00am +Virginia Rescina (Rescina & Rolando Families)



GREAT SWEEPSTAKES WINNER!

MIKE PTAK

July 13, 2020

\$100.00 Winner



Don't forget to sign up for our **Great Sweepstakes weekly drawing.** Forms to sign up are available on our website. (www.leohegreat.org). Or just call the office 216-661-1006 and we will sign you up.

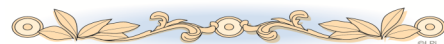


First Reading: Wisdom 12:13, 16-19

The book of Wisdom was written about 50 years before Christ. In one lengthy section of this book, the author looks back to the wonderful things God did for the Jewish people during the exodus. In today's passage from that section, the author speaks directly to God with words of praise.

Second Reading: Romans 8:26-27

We continue today to read from the eighth chapter of the letter to the Romans, in which Paul discusses the role of God's Spirit in our life. Today's brief reading gives us a remarkable insight into prayer.



Readings for the week of July 19, 2020

Sunday: Wis 12:13, 16-19/Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16/Rom 8:26-27/Mt 13:24-43
Monday: Mi 6:1-4, 6-8/Ps 50:5-6, 8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 12:38-42
Tuesday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 85:2-4, 5-6, 7-8 /Mt 12:46-50
Wednesday: Sg 3:1-4b /Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
Thursday: Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13/Ps 36:6-7ab, 8-9, 10-11 /Mt 13:10-17
Friday: Jer 3:14-17/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13 /Mt 13:18-23
Saturday: 2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6/Mt 20:20-28
Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52

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

Edward Linsky
Divine Word – Kirtland
Aspirant—Diaconate Program



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



Sunday, July 5th

Collection	\$ 6,810.00
WeShare(online)	\$ 2,301.50
Total	\$ 9,111.50
Father's Day.....	\$ 1,233.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT.

*For your might is the source of justice;
your mastery over all things makes you lenient to all.
(Wis 12:16)*

FROM THE
PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners,

Congratulations to Patrick & Gillian Cooley, married here in January of last year, whose son Theodore Patrick will be baptized this weekend at St. Leo's. May God continue to bless them as they begin their family.

Our parking lot has been patched to cover the holes that we get each year from the salt and abuse that comes as a result of the snow plowing truck in the winter. Our parking lot is in very good shape as we have done large sections of patch work every summer during the last few years. So this week a company will be putting a sealer on top which helps maintain it. It will be re-stripped as well and the handicapped spaces will be freshly painted to indicate those reserved spots.

It's always a hassle trying to schedule appointments with people. Someone emails or calls & asks to meet with me & I respond back to them asking for days & times they are available, then they leave me a message with that information & then I get back to them trying to match my schedule with theirs, and then they get back in touch with me to confirm and on & on it goes. But no more. We're now using a service which allows anyone to make an appointment with me, Deacon Pat or Joan Berigan quickly & easily. You click a link on our website & it shows you the availability of whomever you want to meet with, then you choose the day & time that works best for you & it's automatically put on our calendars. We can also quickly & easily text you a link if you ask us to in church & it makes the process so simple. This gives me the opportunity to say that any of us on staff are always happy to meet with you for whatever you need...baptism, marriage, funeral plans, counseling, spiritual direction, or any other reason. We often hear the comment, "I don't want to bother you because I know you're busy." But we are here to serve you and are always happy to give you of our time so please don't ever hesitate to reach out to us.

Mina Rolando, who is one of our part-time receptionists, has also been the Parish Center Coordinator since we opened up that space in the old convent a number of years ago for people to rent. She has done an excellent job in that position but is now looking to spend more time with her family so if you or someone you know may be interested in that position, please let me know. It would entail giving people information about the space and the services we offer either on the phone or in person, and taking care of all the details regarding the rental of that space. The time requirement varies depending upon the time of the year but it is a paid part-time position that would necessitate someone living close by. Many people rent out that room for things like baptism, graduation or birthday parties, funeral luncheons, showers and even small wedding receptions. We have a full service kitchen and the room also has a large television and drop down screen for use with a built-in projector. There are of course restrooms and the building has a ramp for wheelchair accessibility. Many parishioners make use of this space and we want to continue to allow its convenience to be appreciated by our parish community so let us know if you would like more information.

J. James Delmonico

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE
SUNDAY, JULY 19TH



The American Red Cross Blood mobile will be at St. Leo's Lux Hall on **this Sunday, July 19th from 8:00am till Noon**. Red Cross staff are required to take temperatures at the door and remain masked and gloved during the blood drive (changing them often). They have increased cleaning of the beds and equipment after every donation. Please consider donating due to the critical need for blood. All donors will have to be masked as well. If you don't have a face covering, one will be provided to you.

Walk ins are welcome. **Great news—Covid-19 antibody testing will be done on blood collected. You will be notified by the Red Cross of the results!** Thank you for your support. God Bless and stay healthy



Through the Unity Catholic Federal Credit Union's Giving Back Auto Loan Program St. Leo the Great has received a check for \$150.00. If a member purchases or refines a car through Unity Catholic, they will donate \$50 to our Parish.

Thank you to our parishioners who were part of this auto loan program.

FALL FESTIVAL

There have been a lot of inquiries regarding a Festival for this year. We are taking a "wait and see" approach and will make a decision based on government guidelines as we get closer to fall. If we are able to hold the Festival, it will likely be modified to conform to regulations. We will keep everyone posted. Thank you for your interest.

PARKING LOT

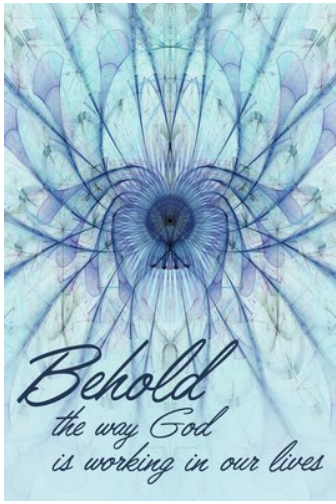
Heads Up!!! Just keeping you informed.

Our parking lot is in the process of being resurfaced. It is ok to drive on it, unless you see an area that is blocked off. This should cause little or no inconvenience.

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RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Do What Needs to Be Done



A friend recently confided in me that although he prayed frequently each day and was involved heavily in his parish, he did not sense much fruit coming from it all and was left feeling unsatisfied. I assured him he was not alone. I told him of a deceased pastor of mine who had spoken frequently about being in this type of situation. Even as a priest, he knew all too well of how we can feel like we are simply going

through the motions. It is precisely at those times that continuing to pray and practicing good stewardship is most important, because it would be easier to simply take a break and risk never coming back. He liked to say, "Do the drill," meaning just do what needs to be done.

We are all called to be mature disciples who answer the call of Jesus Christ regardless of the cost. We cannot choose when and where the call will come. We cannot schedule our stewardship in a way that is always most convenient for us. Even when the fruits of our faithful efforts seem hidden from us, we hold to the promise that we are never called to give of ourselves for nothing. God is working through us and in us. No matter how dry the land may seem, seeds are being planted to yield a harvest greater than we can ever realize. Stay strong and do the drill!

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

ST. CAMILLUS DE LELLIS



Saint Camillus de Lellis has an unusual story. Rejected by the Capuchins because of an ongoing medical condition, and against the advice of a friend, Saint Camillus founded a religious community on his own to care for the sick. These men proved to be invaluable during the plague, caring for the worst of its victims. Saint Camillus' persistence won out in the end.

**St. Camillus de Lellis is the Patron Saint of:
Hospitals, Nurses and the Sick**

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ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



.....and according to the old Gershwin song, "The Livin is Easy", does not unfortunately, apply to everyone. Hunger doesn't take a summer vacation. Make the rest of the summer a little easier for someone with a donation to our St. Vincent DePaul Poor Boxes or put your donation in an envelope marked SVDP and drop it in the collection basket or take it or mail it to the rectory office.

Please do not take a summertime break from giving. Your help is very much needed and definitely appreciated. THANK YOU!

GIFT CARD PROGRAM



The Gift Card Program is an excellent way to help support our Parish. A complete list of gift cards is available at the rectory office or on our website at leothegreat.org.

Gift Cards can be used for your everyday purchases, gifts, or as a simple thank you. **PLEASE SUPPORT THIS PROGRAM.**



Mary Queen of Peace will be hosting a **FREE COMMUNITY MEAL—TAKE OUT ONLY** this **SUNDAY, July 19th** from 1:00pm to 2:15pm. Drive up to the back doors of the Parish Center to pick up your meal. **Everyone is welcome to come and take a meal home!**

ONLINE GIVING

Online Giving is available here at St. Leo the Great. Look for this icon on our website (www.leothegreat.org) to sign up. If you have any questions or need help, call the parish office at 216-661-1006.



HOLY CROSS CEMETERY Pre-Planning Seminar



The Catholic Cemeteries Association invites you to attend a one hour pre-planning seminar on Wednesday, July 29, 2020, at 6:30pm. Come learn about your Catholic burial options, including options for cremated remains. Attendees will receive a personal reference guide and special discount coupon. We kindly ask that you RSVP to this event, so we can make arrangements for proper social distancing. Attendees are required to wear a facial covering throughout the duration of the seminar.

Holy Cross Cemetery -14609 Brookpark Rd.,
RSVP 216/641-7575 ext. 3

Kids Corner

READ THE
GOSPEL &
COLOR



As God's child, you are the wheat in God's field. As you love and trust God more, your faith will grow. You will see others around you who love God, too. God will be happy to see you growing up in God's love. As you grow taller and stronger, you will also notice others around you who ignore or hate God. God will get rid of those weeds. Then he will bring you into heaven.

PRAYER

God, help my love and faith to grow strong.

MISSION FOR THE WEEK

Help your parents in the garden. Watch how carefully weeds need to be pulled, so you don't pull up the good plants, too.

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3 EASY STEPS

TO KEEPING YOURSELF & OTHERS HEALTHY!

We are cautioned to be especially careful during the Coronavirus outbreak. Here are some simple ways to keep sickness away.



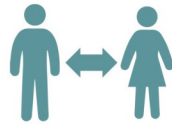
WASH YOUR HANDS

Wash your hands for at least 20 seconds using soap and water. If you can't wash your hands, use hand sanitizer frequently.



DON'T TOUCH YOUR FACE

Especially around the eyes, nose and mouth. If you must sneeze, use a tissue or your arm.



KEEP YOUR DISTANCE

Practice social distancing during this epidemic and stay away from large groups. Instead, call, email or check up on family and friends using social media.

S U M M E R

RECYCLE!

MAGAZINES * JUNK MAIL
NEWSPAPERS * BOOKS
NOTEBOOKS * SCRAP PAPER

Remember to bring
ALL RECYCLABLE PAPER
to your community bin during
Summer Break!



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