

3rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

'Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men. - Mt 4:19

January 26, 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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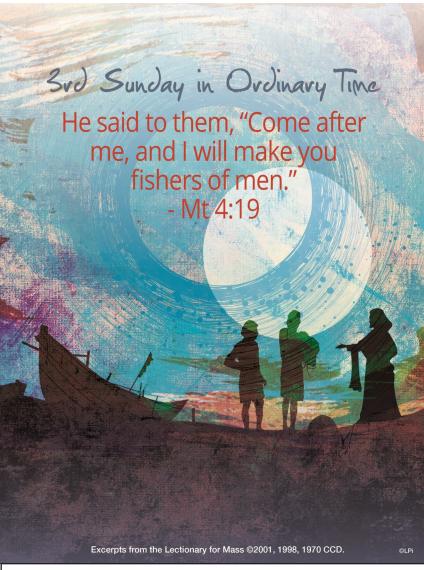


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CANDLEMAS -- FEBRUARY 2ND

Candlemas, the Feast of the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple, is celebrated on February 2nd. Since the seventh century, candles that will be used throughout the year are blessed at Mass to signify that Jesus is the light who came into the world to conquer sin and darkness.

In addition to blessing candles, which the parish will use throughout the year, you are invited to bring your own candles to be blessed at Mass on February 1st and 2nd.



FEAST OF ST. BLAISE

St. Blaise was a bishop and doctor in the early fourth century who was known for helping people with bones or other objects stuck in their throats. He is often depicted holding two crossed candles in his hand. His feast day is February 3rd. There will be a blessing of throats at all of the Masses the weekend of February 1st and 2nd.

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Do you feel overly oppressed or burdened by life's demands or feel unsettled and anxious about where you find yourself? Many walk through life carrying very heavy sacks on their shoulders and are weighed down by them. Moments of joy and light are far and few between, with darkness and disappointment being more the norm. God desires that we live in light and experience joy. Christ has revealed this to us. Often, we give the world and things we have created too much power over us. We lose our sense of playfulness and freedom and allow other people and things to define and influence us. We are asked to reclaim ourselves today and realize that we are being asked to spread the Gospel of joy. Are we able and willing to do this? ©LPi

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.

Baby bottles are available 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.

HOMEBOUND VISITS



Do you have a loved one confined to home or in a local nursing home? Would they like a visit

from the pastoral staff at St. Leo the Great? Contact Deacon Pat or Joan Berigan at the rectory(216-661-1006) and leave us the details.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...



Ed Gorcyka, Bob McLaughlin, i Annamae Sironen, John Risko, i Glenn "Joe" Hess, Gary LaBuda, i Jeanette Klaehn, Ron Vokac, Carol Rucinski, Pat Chopka,

Serena Jacobs, William & Amelia Rebello, Louise! Horvath, Diane Kalus, Marie Stankiewicz, Irma! ¹ Zappitelli, Marge Menge, Bill Hinton, Linda Debaltzo, ! Anna Mendoza, Anthony Arlia, Kathleen & Richard ! Svoboda, Sharon Kobal, George Aloshen, Mary Suder, !Charles Hakaim, Jeanne Karasek, Denise Sisley, Dorothy Forister & Don Donelon.



The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; upon those who dwelt in the land of gloom a light has shone. (Is 9:1)

GREAT SWEEPSTAKES



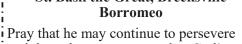
GARY GLATZHOFER

January 20, 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.

Luke Rose St. Basil the Great, Brecksville **Borromeo**





and that others may respond to God's call.

Parish Support

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Sunday, January 19th

Basket Collection\$	5,267.36
WeShare(online)\$	1,100.35
Total\$	6,367.71

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUTED SUPPORT!



Monday, January 27th - St. Angela Merici

7:30am +Joseph Hauck (Family)

Tuesday, January 28th - St. Thomas Aquinas

7:30am +Walter Milewski (Nancy Zola)

Wednesday, January 29th - Weekday

7:30am +Barbara Dudek (Family

Thursday, January 30 - Weekday

7:30am Communion Service

Friday, January 31st - St. John Bosco

8:30am +Jim Hocevar (Family)

Saturday, February 1st - Weekday

4:00pm +Benjamin Thomas (Family)

Sunday, February 2nd - Presentation of the Lord

8:00am People of the Parish 11:00am Intention Available

First Reading: Isaiah 8:23—9:3

Zebulun and Naphtali were two Jewish tribes who had settled in the northern area of the Holy Land. Eight centuries before Christ, this area experienced a bitter defeat at the hands of Assyria. The prophet Isaiah offers these defeated people hope by looking ahead to a day when they would be especially blessed. This northern area of the Holy Land was later known as Galilee, and Christians have seen Jesus as fulfilling this prophecy.

Second Reading: Corinthians 1:10-13

In his first letter to the Corinthians, Paul deals with issues the church faces in every age. After Paul had founded this community and moved on, he heard of polarizations among the Corinthian Christians. In today's passage, he speaks bluntly to them about these divisions.

Readings for the week of January 26, 2020

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

Mt 4:12-23

Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26/Mk 3:22-30 Tuesday: 2 Sm 6:12b-15,17-19/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Mk 3:31-35 **Wednesday:** 2 Sm 7:4-17/Ps 89: 4-5,27-28,29-30/Mk 4:1-20 Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Ps 132:1-2, 3-5, 11, 12, 13-

14/Mk 4:21-25

Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6a, 6bcd-7, 10-11/Mk 4:26-34

Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/

Mk 4:35-41

Next Sunday: Mal 3:1-4/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40

DONUT SUNDAY

Please join us for donuts and coffee this Sunday after the 8:00am & 11:00am Masses.



Dear Parishioners,

Next weekend we will be celebrating the feast of the Presentation of the Lord which is celebrated every year on February 2nd, but this year that happens to fall on a Sunday. We will have the blessing of candles so you are encouraged to bring with you next weekend any candles you would like to have blessed. You can just keep them with you in your pew and they will be blessed at the beginning of Mass. We will also have the blessing of throats at the end of each Mass next weekend as we customarily do on or near the feast of St. Blaise which is on February 3rd.

Monday, January 27th, is the feast of St. Angela Merici, the foundress of the Ursuline Order of Nuns. She wanted her religious community of sisters to be named after St. Ursula, hence they are known as the Ursuline's and they use the initials O.S.U. after their name which stands for the "Order of St. Ursula" (not Ohio State University!). Sister Erin, our previous Principal, is an Ursuline sister and she continues to send her greetings and prayers to the people & students of St. Leo's so please keep her in prayer as well.

This Friday, Deacon Pat & I will be attending the annual Clergy Night Dinner with the Knights of Columbus (K of C) at the seminary in Wickliffe (known as the Center for Pastoral Leadership). It's a good time for me to remind you to consider joining this wonderful fraternal organization if you are looking to make some new friends. They meet here at St. Leo's and have made us their home in the last few years and we are happy they are here. I believe I failed to mention that they very generously donated \$4000.00 to us when we had our new shrines built in the back of the church. This was a big help, especially when we learned that we had to pay for the removal of asbestos that was found in the paint of the old confessional ceilings (a very tiny trace amount, but the law requires this be removed with extensive safety precautions). I want to publicly thank them for their generosity to us and pledge our prayers to

All continues to go very well with our parish school. I know it's something most of you probably don't even think much about as they are not in session when the majority of parishioners are here but it's an important part of who we have been and are here at St. Leo's. We have the wonderful leadership of our Principal, Mrs. Denise Burns, who has continued to increase our enrollment significantly each year. Our teachers and staff are dedicated and I believe are the main reason why so many choose to send their children here for their education. Our school has a long and important history in our parish and we would not be the same without it so I want to express my appreciation to all those who continue to make it what it is. I celebrate Mass with the school community regularly and enjoy my visits to the children. We pray that they may grow, as the child Jesus did, in "wisdom, age and grace."

Jr. James / Schmitz

THIS WEEK AT ST. LEO THE GREAT



Monday, January 27th	
4:30pm 3rd Gr. Girls BB Practice	Lux
5:30pm 6th Gr. Boys BB Practice	Lux
6:30pm Confirmation Spirit Night	Parish Center
6:45pm PSR Class	School
7:00pm 5th Gr. Boys BB Practice	Lux
Tuesday, January 28th	
4:00pm 8th Gr. Boys BB Practice	Lux
5:30pm 5th Gr. Boys BB Practice	Lux
7:00pm 7th Gr. Boys BB Practice	Lux
7:00pm AA Group	Basement
7:00pm Parish Council Meeting	Rectory
Wednesday, January 29th	Ť
9:30am Catechetical Formation	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 30th	
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
Friday, January 31st	
3:00pm 3rd Gr Boys BB Practice	Lux
4:30pm 5th Gr Girls BB Practice	Lux
6:00pm 8th Gr Boys BB Practice	Lux
7:00pm Rosary	Church
7:30pm Recovery International	Basement
Saturday, February 1st	
7:30am CYO Basketball Site Center	Lux
2:45 to 3:30pm Confessions	Church
3:00pm Grapevine	Basement
Sunday, February 2nd	
11:00am CYO Basketball Site Center	Lux

SAVE THE DATE—TRAPPER JACK

Join us on Wednesday, March 25th, The Annunciation of the Lord, for a 50-minute presentation by Trapper Jack. The presentation will begin at 7:00 PM and will be in the church. There will be a time for questions and answers at the end of the presentation.

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.



We will be praying the rosary in the church this Friday, January 31st, at 7:00pm. Please join us.

PARISH COMMUNITY CENTER



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.



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 by email at iberigan@leothgreat.org for help in pre-planning your funeral.

GIFT CARD PROGRAM



We encourage everyone to participate in Our Gift Card Program, as it is an excellent, easy and convenient way to help support our Parish. There is great

potential in this program. Purchase cards for all needs, including everyday purchases, travel, and a wonderful way to say thank you to someone. A complete list of the gift cards is available at the Information Desk in the vestibule of the church, on the website or at the Rectory Office.

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.

COLLECTION FOR THE CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA



Our Collection for the Church in Latin America is this weekend. Many people in Latin America and the Caribbean do not have access to church programs and ministries because of a rising secular culture. difficult rural terrain, and a shortage of ministers. Your generosity makes it possible

for our brothers and sisters in Latin America and the Caribbean to share in the life of the Church and grow closer to Christ. Please be generous to the special collection! To learn more, please visit www.usccb.org/ latin-america.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



The St. Vincent de Paul Outreach Organization thanks you for your generosity to our monthly food collection. Your donations of food and staples help us to fill the bags of those we serve. Also, your generosity is appreciated by

the people we serve. All that you do for us is very much appreciated. THANK YOU.

REGISTER WITH US



Have you moved into the area recently, or have you been joining us for Mass? We would love to have you as a registered member of our parish family. Please stop at the information desk in the vestibule of the church, at the rectory office, or call 216-661-1006.

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.

BRING IT TO THE BIN



Did you know you can help our school earn \$\$? Just bring it to the bin. Bring your, Mail, Newspapers, Hard and Soft Bound Books, Phone books, Brown Paper

Bags, and Flattened Cardboard. Tell your family, friends and neighbors to save their paper too!

ATTENTION RETIRED **CATHOLICS!**

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The IVC is an organization of retired men and women Volunteer Corps who want to use their time Experience. Service. Reflection. and talents to help others.

IVC volunteers commit 1 or 2 days per week to work directly with organizations that address the issues that affect the poor. We gather monthly to socialize, prayerfully reflect on our apostolic work and discover the deeper meaning of the service we do. For additional information, please call Ginny Pippin, 216/870-3333, gpippin@ivcusa.org, www.ivcusa.org



Mrs. Lammer's 1st 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



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 scholarships accepted

4900 Broadview Rd. • Cleveland, OH 44019

- Full day/part time pre-school program for three and four year olds.
- · Cleveland voucher and EdChoice

Now accepting applications for preschool - 8th grade

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Monday, February 10th - 7:00pm VOSH 1414 RIVERSIDE DR., LAKEWOOD Fellowship, Food, & Fabulous Discussion for Adults 40 & Over



Marriage, Re-Marriage, and Life In-Between: Join us as Bill Boomer, Director of Marriage and Family Office in Cleveland Diocese, and his wife Leslie talk about navigating the various stages of relationships and the ups-n-downs of managing blended families.

\$12 per person - register in advance www.theologyontherocks.wixsite.com/west



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JESUS CHRIST OUR TEACHER AND FRIEND

Bishop Nelson Perez Speaking at 3:00pm Celebrating Mass at 4:00pm

Register online: www.cmfeo.com

CATHOLIC RENEWAL MINISTRIES PRESENTS

UNBOUND: FREEDOM IN CHRIST CONFERENCE!

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, MARCH 6 & 7, 2020

Catholic Renewal Ministries will host an Unbound: Freedom in Christ Conference on Friday and Saturday, March 6 & 7, 2020. Neal and Janet Lozano will be here in Cleveland to present the conference sessions. Unbound is a ministry of freedom and healing that helps us to release the Power of the Gospel into our lives. The conference involves times of prayer and worship, insightful teaching, and personal ministry. The conference will equip you to cooperate with God to overcome habitual sin, addictions, negative thoughts, resentments, and other spiritual difficulties. February 10th is the deadline for the discounted advance registration. Registration will close on February 25th. Plan to register early since space is limited. More registration, location, and schedule details and PayPal registration are available at crmweb.org. For any questions, please call CRM at 440-944-9445, or Marge Zampino at 216-990-0919; or email CRMUnboundConference@gmail.

CLUSTER CORNER

MARY QUEEN OF PEACE—Third Annual Marriage Retreat on Saturday, February 1st beginning after the 4:30pm Mass. This is an opportunity for married couples to spend some time together and enjoy a delicious dinner. Please sign up in advance.

ST. CHARLES BORROMEO—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—Our 14th Annual Mardi Gras will be held on Saturday, February 22nd from 5:30pm-Midnight. Tickets are \$25 and available in STM rectory.