



ST. LEO THE GREAT PARISH & SCHOOL

RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY

October 1, 2017

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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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RESPECT LIFE PRAYER

Dear God,
we see life cheapened every day
through abortion and other forms of abuse,
through terrorism, and other acts of violence,
and through neglect of children, the poor, and the elderly.
In a world of plenty, we can forget
that there is nothing more precious than human life.
Give us the grace to see how we can make a difference,
and encourage change in our culture.
When we are discouraged,
remind us of the Catholic monk Telemachus
who stopped the gladiator games with an act of charity.
Inspire us with the stories of Mary
and other mothers of unexpected pregnancies,
who knew that every child is a gift of God's grace
and is wanted by you in this world.
Encourage conviction in the hearts of those
who do not yet know or understand
that a desire for choice is no reason to end any life
and that you desire that all life
come only to a natural end in you.
Amen.



EMERGENCY COLLECTION FOR HURRICANE IRMA

The Catholic diocese of Cleveland has been asked by the leadership of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops to have an emergency collection for those impacted by Hurricane Irma.

In support of this major relief effort, a special collection will take place **THIS weekend, September 30/October 1, 2017.**

All Checks should be made payable to our Parish, St. Leo the Great with the memo marked Emergency Collection for Hurricane Irma.

LIVE THE LITURGY INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK



Saying and doing are two very different things. Often, we say we are going to do the right thing but then we do not. We get distracted by a self-focused concern, apathy, fear, and a number of other excuses. The choice to act with virtue is always before us. The ability to choose is one of God's gifts. Fully living the Gospel means that we choose to "practice what we preach." Faith without action serves no purpose.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION Friday, October 6th



Eucharistic Adoration begins after the 8:00 a.m. Mass and ends at 5:00 p.m. You are invited to spend some time with the Lord in a quiet, prayerful atmosphere. It will bring you peace.

ST. LEO THE GREAT—CLEVELAND, OHIO

PLEASE REMEMBER... Sarah Geier, Edward P. Gorczyca, Betty Jayne Glover, Bob McLaughlin, Stella Sugalski, Mary Jane Funta, Theresa Pauloski, Annamae Sironen, Ann Sazpansky, Larry Kuznik, Jo Hoffman, Anna Mendoza, John Risko, Glenn "Joe" Hess, Diane Soler, Muffie Bone, Theresa Truxall, Gary LaBuda, Jeanette Klaehn, Ruth Frohlich, Ron Vokac, Charles Hakain, Walter Milewski, Harriet Watson, Megan Sunyak, Kathy Koval, Dianne Holland, Harold Esterwood, Lisamarie Rivera, August Bublavy, Barbara Ann & Family and Larry Augustine, Jeanne Gascoigne & Michael Graham.



GREAT SWEEPSTAKES WINNER

Jeanette Coffman

\$100.00 - September 25th

CONGRATULATIONS!



Coming Soon...

Information concerning sign-up for our new Great Sweepstakes drawing.

2018 MASS INTENTION BOOK



The 2018 Mass Intention Book is now open. Each parishioner household may have 4 Mass Intentions (one weekend and three weekdays). The Mass stipend is \$10.00.

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

Joseph McCarron
Sacred Heart of Jesus, South Euclid
First Year, Borromeo



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



PARISH SUPPORT

Sunday, September 24th

Basket Collection.....	\$ 6,170.50
WeShare (online)	485.00
Total	\$ 6,655.50

Assessments (September).....	\$ 1,560.00
Capital Improvement (September).....	\$ 130.00



October 2nd to October 8th

Monday, October 2nd: The Holy Guardian Angels

7:30 a.m. +Edward Graves (Don Graves)

7:00 p.m. PSR Mass

Tuesday, October 3rd: Weekday

7:30a.m. +Julia Korczowska (Maria)

Wednesday, October 4th: St. Francis of Assisi

7:30a.m. +Eugene Zola (Mary Ann Corlett)

Thursday, October 5th: Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos

7:30a.m. To be announced

Friday, October 6th: St. Bruno, Blessed Marie Rose

Durochere

8:30a.m. Felice, Addolorata, Elisa, Maffalda
(John & Irma)

9:00a.m. to 5:00p.m. Eucharistic Adoration

Saturday, October 7th: Our Lady of the Rosary

4:00p.m. +Betty Kollar (Kollar Family)

Sunday, October 8th: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00a.m. +Russell Walker (Children)

11:00a.m. People of the Parish

First Reading: Ezekiel 18:25-28

Ezekiel was an Old Testament prophet who ministered to the Jewish people exiled in Babylon six centuries before Christ. In today's reading, he takes up a question we have probably asked ourselves: Is God fair or unfair in his dealings with people?

Second Reading: Philippians 2:1-11

Paul wrote from prison to his Christian converts in Philippi, a city in what is today north-eastern Greece. While he was in prison, the Philippians had sent someone to bring money for his support and to stay with him. Paul thanks them by quoting an early Christian hymn which he felt described Christ as a model for the way all Christians should live.

Readings for the Week of October 1, 2017

Sunday: Ez 18:25-28/Ps 25:4-9/Phil 2:1-11/Mt 21:28-32

Monday: Zec 8:1-8/Ps 102:16-23, 29/Mt 18:1-5, 10

Tuesday: Zec 8:20-23/Ps 87:1b-7/Lk 9:51-56

Wednesday: Neh 2:1-8/Ps 137:1-6/Lk 9:57-62

Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12/Ps 19:8-11/Lk 10:1-12

Friday: Bar 1:15-22/Ps 79:1b-5, 8-9/Lk 10:13-16

Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Ps 69:33-37/Lk 10:17-24

Next Sunday: Is 5:1-7/Ps 80:9, 12-16, 19-20/Phil 4:6-9/Mt 21:33-43



WEDDING BANNES

II Erin Moulton & Justin Payne

FROM THE
PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners,

I was not able to attend the dinner & Mass with Bishop Perez as planned this past week. A couple weeks ago I started to get the familiar pain that comes from kidney stones, as those at last week's 11am Mass know. By the grace of God I had no pain whatsoever while visiting my sister in Florida. But a day after I returned to Cleveland it returned. Maybe that's a sign I need to move to Florida! The X-ray that I took showed a large stone that needs to be blasted through lithotripsy but I need to wait to have that procedure done until this week or next. So a little prayer will be appreciated.

We received a letter from Bishop Perez which says, "The past month has presented us with a seemingly unprecedented number of natural disasters. The toll on human life, property, livelihoods, and faith communities is immense and the full extent will not be known for some time." After expressing his appreciation to the faithful of the Diocese for their generous support in our recent emergency collections for Hurricanes Harvey and Irma, he asks us to continue to help those also affected by the 7.1 magnitude earthquake in central Mexico. If you're in a position to make yet another donation, you can make a check payable to St. Leo the Great with a note in the memo section of the check that says, "2017 Calamities." We will be very attentive to this memo space so be sure the money from that check is given fully & specifically for this cause, and is not part of your donation to the parish. The parish will then send a single check to the Diocese for this recovery assistance. Again, your concern for our brothers & sisters who have felt the pain of these natural disasters is very much appreciated.

This Monday I will be celebrating a Mass with the PSR (Parish School of Religion) students and their teachers. We have many parishioners who volunteer their time each week to teach the faith to our children. This is in fulfillment of the command of Jesus that we "teach the Gospel to all so that they may be baptized in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit." I am always inspired by those who are willing to give of their time and effort for this opportunity to plant seeds of faith in our children and on behalf of the whole parish, I thank them all. We also encourage the parents strongly to let that faith be nourished by bringing their children to Mass on the weekends since that is at the heart of who and what we are as Catholics. There would be little fruit to speaking of the gift of the Eucharist to the children without their experience of it on a regular basis.

Fr. Jim Schmitz

THIS WEEK AT ST. LEO'S

October 2nd to October 8th

**Monday, October 2nd**

4:00 p.m. Grade School Volleyball Practice	Lux
4:00 p.m. Diocese Meeting	Great
6:45 p.m. PSR Classes	School
7:00 p.m. PSR Mass	Church

Tuesday, October 3rd

1:00 p.m. Lecture Series	Great
4:00 p.m. Grade School Volleyball Practice	Lux
4:00 p.m. Diocese Meeting	Great
6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts	Great
6:30 p.m. SVDP	Conference
7:00 p.m. Finance Meeting	Rectory

Wednesday, October 4th

4:00 p.m. Grade School Volleyball Practice	Lux
6:00 p.m. Cub Scout Parent Meeting	Basement
6:30 p.m. Girl Scouts #71720	Great
7:00 p.m. Choir Practice	Church

Thursday, October 5th

1:00 p.m. Women's Knitting	Great
4:00 p.m. Grade School Volleyball Practice	Lux
7:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus	Great

Friday, October 6th

9:00am to 5:00pm Eucharistic Adoration	Church
4:00 p.m. Grade School Volleyball Practice	Lux
7:30 p.m. Recovery International	Great

Saturday, October 7th

7:30 a.m. CYO Volleyball Site Center	Lux
10:00 a.m.. Blessing of the Animals	Marian Shrine
2:45 p.m. Confessions	Church
3:00 p.m. Grapevine	Great
6:00 p.m. 8th Grade Open Gym	Lux

Sunday, October 8th

11:30 a.m. CYO Volleyball Center	Lux
12:30 p.m. Couples for Christ	Great
5:00 p.m. Boys Open Gym	Lux
7:00 p.m. Coach Robinson Adult Open Gym	Lux

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS



St. Francis of Assisi loved all of God's creatures. In honor of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, there will be an animal blessing this **SATURDAY, OCT. 7TH**, at 10:00 a.m. in the area near the Marian shrine. Please bring your pets and join us for this special blessing.

Please remember that all pets must be on a leash or held **AND please, please** clean up after your pet. The Blessing will take place RAIN OR SHINE.

"All praise to you, O Lord, for these brother and sister creatures" (from the Canticle of the Creatures written by St. Francis of Assisi)

ST. LEO THE GREAT



**Friday, October 20th
(6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.)**

&

**Saturday, October 21st
(5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.)**

EARLY BIRD DRAWING...There is still one more chance to enter the Early Bird Drawing. **The next drawing will be October 1st. (that's this weekend!)** (All ticket stubs will be entered in the main drawing on October 21st.) Get your ticket stubs in and don't miss out on the next Early Bird Drawing.

ATTENTION FIT BIT USERES...Need to get your steps in? We are in need of people willing to deliver raffle tickets Delivering the tickets saves the parish hundred of dollars in postage. If you are interested, please call Nancy at 216-749-1472.

LAWN SIGNS...Have you seen the lawn signs popping up all over the neighborhood? If you would like a lawn sign for your lawn, there are still some remaining at the rectory office. (The metal posts can be returned after the festival.)

VOLUNTEERS...Volunteer sign up sheets are in the main vestibule. The Festival cannot be a success without your help. Please sign up.

ADOPT A BOOTH...Do you feel like doing more? Why not adopt a booth for both days with your family and friends? You provide the people to staff the booth, and we'll take care of the rest. If you are interested, please sign the sheet that says "Adopt a Booth" in the main vestibule of the church, and we'll contact you to answer your questions.

BAKERY NEEDED....Every year people look forward to the homemade desserts donated by parishioners and sold at the Festival. Please don't disappoint all those people who have a sweet tooth! We would greatly appreciate any donations of bakery for the Festival. Donations can be dropped off at the bakery table during the Festival weekend. Yummm!



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL—BLANKET SUNDAY "COVERS MANY NEEDS"...



Next weekend, October 7th and 8th is Blanket Sunday. When you come to Mass, simply put your cash or check donation in a Blanket Sunday envelope or an envelope marked "SVDP Blanket Sunday". Your money will go further through bulk purchases of blankets and other winter items for families, children, the elderly, homeless and other needy individuals in our own metropolitan area. So please give someone a blanket for the winter and give yourself a warm feeling. Thank You!



JOIN BISHOP PEREZ IN CELEBRATING FATIMA ANNIVERSARY MASS

All of the faithful of the diocese are invited to join Bishop Nelson J. Perez in a special Mass celebrating the closing of the anniversary celebration of the apparitions of the Blessed Mother at Fatima, Portugal in 1917. The Mass will be celebrated on **Saturday morning, October 7th at 10:00 a.m.** in St. John Cathedral in downtown Cleveland. Please join the bishop in this special moment honoring Our Lady, Saturday, October 7th, 10:00 a.m. at the Cathedral. Parking is available on the surface lot behind the Cathedral.

ROSARY

Please join us here at St. Leo's in honoring Mary with the recitation of the rosary at the Marian shrine at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 10th. Please bring a lawn chair as limited seating is available. In the event of inclement weather, the rosary will be said in Church.

ROSARY RALLY

Sunday, October 8th from 3-5PM at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, 3395 East 53 St. Cleveland (Broadway/East 55 area) for information call 216-641-2829.

2017 PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY CRUSADE

Please join us in praying for our nation on October 14th at 12:00 Noon. The Rally will take place in front of St. Columbkille Church, 6740 Broadview Rd., Parma. Please contact Isabel at 216-524-3163 for more information



HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION

HOLY NAME HIGH SCHOOL

OPEN HOUSE:

Sunday, October 8th - tours from 12:00pm to 3:00pm.

PLACEMENT EXAMS:

Saturdays Oct. 21st & Nov. 4th

(9:00am to 12:00noon)

Parent information session at 11:00am.

Wednesday, Nov. 8th (5:30pm to 8:30pm)

Parent information session at 7:30pm.

For more information call 440-886-0300 ext.145 or email: eyaya@holynamehs.com.

ST. EDWARD HIGH SCHOOL

OPEN HOUSE:

Oct. 15th & Nov. 5th (11:00am to 1:00pm)

Save time by pre-registering at sehs.net.

ADMISSION TESTS:*

Sat. Oct. 21st (9:00 a.m.), Wed. Oct. 25th. (5:30 p.m.) & Sat. Oct. 28th (9:00 a.m.)

***Pre-registration is required at sehs.net.**

- 8th grade boys only
- \$20 test fee payable on the date of the test
- Parent info. sessions held during each test.
- Accepting Cleveland Scholarship voucher

For more information call: 216-521-2204 or admissions@sehs.net.

PADUA FRANCISCAN HIGH SCHOOL

OPEN HOUSE:

October 29 from 1 p.m. – 4 p.m.

November 2 from 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.

Come see our new renovations! Meet our welcoming teachers, staff, students, coaches, and receive a personalized tour! Middle school students will receive a Padua pop socket while supplies last. Pre-register online at www.paduafranciscan.com

TRINITY HIGH SCHOOL

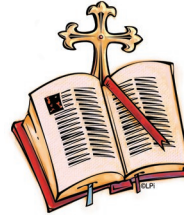
WALKING WITH THE SPIRIT RETREAT FOR 8TH GRADERS:



Trinity High School invites all eighth grade students to our annual "Walking with the Spirit" Eighth Grade Retreat at Camp Christopher, October 13-14.

Space fills up fast! For more information and to register, visit Trinity's website at www.ths.org/spirit, or call 216-581-1061.

LECTURE SERIES



Albert Einstein said that when we stop learning we die. Many Catholics perhaps feel they haven't been learning much about the Church and its teachings. St. Leo the Great Parish is offering a six week series of lectures by Lavinia Theodoli Spirito, a dynamic speaker who has a Master's degree in theology from the Augustine Institute in Denver, CO. Her talks are on CD's which are distributed by Catholic Way Bible Study (www.cwbs.org).

The series will begin on Tuesday September 19th, in the Parish Center from 1:00 until 3:00 pm. The six week topics will be as follows:

October 3 — "Angels"

October 10 — "History of the Catholic Church"

October 17 — "Saints Like Us"

October 24 — "Purgatory"

The talks are NOT dependent on each other. You can choose to attend any one of them, or all of them. All are welcome!

PLEASE NOTE...Topics are being adjusted due to the depth and length of the topics. Information concerning this adjustment will be forthcoming. If you have any questions, please call Chris Rath at 216-741-1536.

SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTION

October 1st to October 14th



In Memory of the Deceased Members
of the Ceccarelli Family

From Bob & Barb Ceccarelli

TAIZE

Get ready!! TAIZE is here!!

We are excited to fulfill your spiritual cravings. Won't you join us for a memorable experience with GOD?

Where: St Leo Parish

When: Oct 13th

Time: 7:00-8:00pm

Doors will open at 6:55pm

(It's part of the experience)

 **Prayer** ©LPI

St. Leo the Great Parish Festival

Friday, October 20 - 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
Saturday, October 21 - 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Food

Honey Hut Ice Cream
cotton candy
Italian sausage sandwiches
with onions & peppers
French fries*popcorn
pierogies*nachos
cabbage & noodles
soft pretzels
and much more!

Dining Specials

****Friday****

Corned Beef/Reuben
platter or sandwich

****Saturday****

Roast Pork
with dumplings
and gravy

Entertainment

****Friday****

6:00-10:00

The Amazing Superstars
(classic rock)

****Saturday****

5:00-7:00 - DJ Pat Daley
(polkas)

7:00-10:00

Backtrax

(all request oldies & more)

Games & More

Kiddie Games
\$5,000 Raffle
Games of Skill
Instant Bingo
\$ Wheels \$
Tailgate with Us -
Streaming the Big Games

4940 Broadview Road, Cleveland*(216) 661-1006

ST. LEO PRESCHOOL NEWS

Saint Leo the Great Preschool is having an Open House and Social on **Sunday, October 15th from 10:30am to 12:30pm**. Everyone is invited. Stop in to see what our Preschoolers are doing and join us for refreshments. There are a few openings left in our Part-time classes. St. Leo the Great Preschool is located in the Parish Center on the second floor. For more information call 216-661-5330.



2017 CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION CAMPAIGN



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Thank you for
your generosity
in last week's
collection for the

Catholic Communication Campaign. Because of your support, millions of faithful will have the opportunity to deepen their faith through daily resources on the internet, television, and radio, and in print media.

Remember, half of your donations are staying in our diocese to support local communication needs.

BUS TRIPS

CASINO TRIP... Friday, November 3rd—Presque Isle Downs & Casino, Erie PA (Casino bonus \$25 slot play)
Cost: \$32.00—Report 8:30am - Depart 9:00am - Return 5:00pm

MEDINA TRIP...Friday, December 8th Cost: \$75.00

JM Smucker Store & Café (Muffin & Coffee incl.), Root Candle (Shop/browse on own), Corkscrew Salon (Lunch included), Castle Noel (Included), Free time explore Medina Square—Dinner (on own), Medina Fairgrounds Christmas Lights (On own) Report 8:30am - Depart 9:00am - Return 8:15pm

Contact Joanne Todd at 440-526-3505 for more information or to book your trip.—**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

CLUSTER CORNER

MARY QUEEN OF PEACE—Join us for a Virtual Pilgrimage to Lourdes **this Tuesday, October 3rd at 7 pm**. It begins in the Parish Center and concludes in the Church and features an opportunity to touch a rock from the Grotto of Lourdes, official Lourdes water, Benediction, and a candlelight Rosary Procession.

ST. CHARLES BORROMEIO—St. Charles Holy Name Society welcomes Deacon Daniel Galla who will be addressing "Jewish Impact on Catholicism" **Thursday October 19th at 7:30pm**, Meeting is free and open to the Public with complimentary Beverages, Chips, Pretzels and various Pastries.

ST. THOMAS MORE—Join St. Thomas More's Spiritual Life Commission for **THE LIVING ROSARY** this **Thursday, October 5th at 7:00pm** in the church. The theme will be meditation on Luminous Mysteries of the Rosary.