



ST. LEO THE GREAT
PARISH & SCHOOL

ALL SAINTS

November 1, 2020

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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 after Mass by request or any time 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.



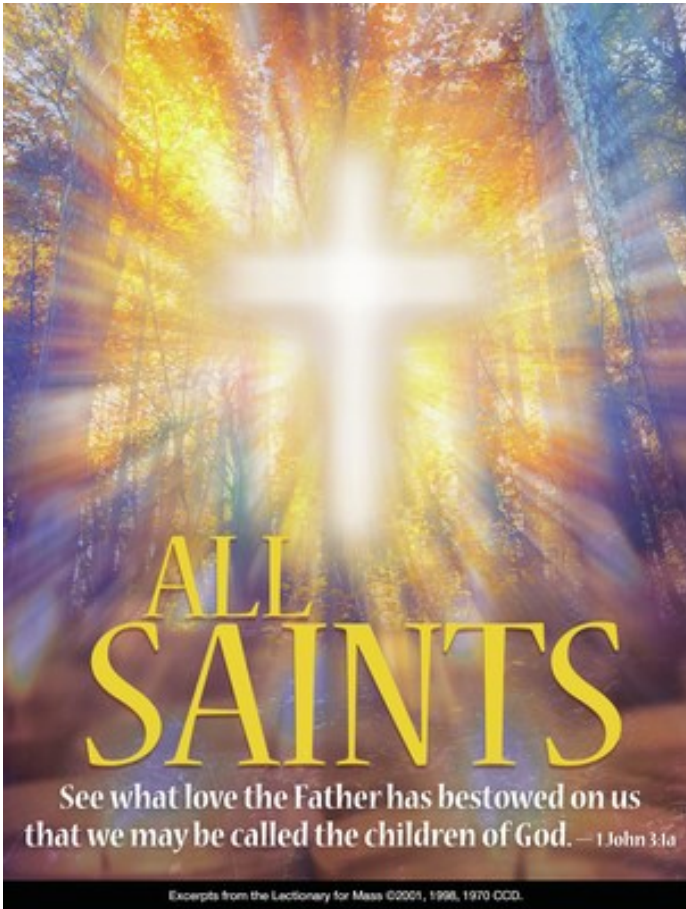
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**RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS
EVERYDAY SAINTS**

Growing up I thought saints were larger than life people with extraordinary stories. The thought that I could one day be revered as a saint by anyone seemed crazy. I wrote my essays on different saints every year in Catholic school right around All Saints Day. These were stories about people I had never met, and I assumed I would never meet anyone like them going forward.

Now that I am older, I realize that I was wrong back then and my immaturity of both mind and heart did not allow me to see that there are saints among us all the time. I have met many people in my life that I would call living saints. They are holy people who give of themselves to God and others in profound ways. Their relationship with Jesus is evident and they live their lives in ways that people witness the transformative power of love.

As a child I was wrong about saints, but even more importantly, I didn't fully realize that all of us are called to be saints! Me, a saint? Holiness is not something simply studied in books. It is the way of life we are all called to live. The call comes from Jesus Christ and each of us must respond. If we are still thinking like children, we may choose to stay silent and live accordingly. If we are more mature in our faith then we might not only respond, we might one day have a school child write a report about us.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

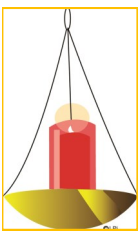
ALL SOULS' DAY

November 2nd is All Souls' Day – remembering all of our deceased family members and friends who have gone before us. We will remember the deceased throughout the month of November. Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon them.



Please join us in church on **Tuesday, November 10th**, the Feast Day of St. Leo the Great, the patron saint of our parish, as we say the rosary at 7:00pm. What is 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.

SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTIONS



The Sanctuary Candle is the candle next to the Tabernacle, which signifies the real presence of Christ within it. You can dedicate this Sanctuary Candle in memory of a loved one or for a special intention for two weeks; the name will be published in the bulletin so that your intention can be prayed for by everyone during that time.

We will start taking intentions for **2021 the week-end of November 14th/15th**. The donation for the candle will be \$10.00. Please only one request per family.

Please stop by the Rectory Office to request a Sanctuary Candle Intention.



Holy Hour



Join us in prayer for the election and for the country on **THIS Sunday, November 1st** at 7:00pm. in the church. If you can't attend in person, it will be live-streamed. Elections are always important as a means for shaping our country especially during this time of unrest and uncertainty. Please plan on joining us either in person or virtually on Sunday, November 1st at 7:00pm.

PLEASE BRING YOUR ROSARY.

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PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...



Bob McLaughlin, Annamae Sironen, John Risko, Glenn "Joe" Hess, Gary LaBuda, Jeanette Klaehn, Carol Rucinski, Pat Chopka, William and Amelia Rebello, Louise Horvath, Diane Kalus, Marie Stankiewicz, Irma Zappitelli, Dianne Toronski, Linda Debaltzo, Anthony Arlia, Kathleen & Richard Svoboda, Jeanne Karasek, Denise Sisley, Don Donelon, Larry Kuznik, Antoinette Jakosh, Ralph Mlady, Ralph Rath, Walter Alflen, Joseph Mackey, Diana, John Sofcheck, Roger Horvath, James Cook & Rob Blum.

GREAT SWEEPSTAKES WINNER!

PAT CHOPKA
October 26, 2020
\$100.00 Winner



Our last drawing for this year will be on the Feast of St. Leo the Great, Tuesday, November 10th.

We are pleased to announce our **NEW Great Sweepstakes weekly drawings will resume on January 1, 2021. We will begin selling tickets on Saturday, November 14th.** The drawing will go from January 1, 2021 thru November 10, 2021 (Feast of St. Leo). There will be (44) \$100 Weekly Drawings, (5) \$200 Special Drawings and (1) \$1,000 Super Drawing on the Feast of St. Leo on November 10, 2021.

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

JONATHAN GREEN
Holy Family Stow
First Year, Borromeo



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

Parish Support

Sunday, October 25th

Collection	\$ 4,578.00
WeShare(online).....	\$ 1,222.50
Total.....	\$ 5,800.50
World Mission Sunday	\$ 348.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!



- Monday, November 2nd** **ALL SOULS' DAY**
8:30am For All The Deceased
- Tuesday, November 3rd - St. Martin de Porres**
8:30am +Jim Hocevar (Family)
- Wednesday, November 4th - St. Charles Borromeo**
8:30am Victims of Human Trafficking (Parishioner)
- Thursday, November 5th - Weekday**
8:30am Communion Service
- Friday, November 6th - Weekday**
8:30am +Therese Mayfield (Jennie Shantery)
- Saturday, November 7th - Weekday**
4:00pm +Richard Bernhofer (Leo & Rita Hansen)
- Sunday, November 8th - 32nd Sun. in Ordinary Time**
8:00am People of the Parish
11:00am Fr. James Vesely (Happy Birthday)

First Reading: Revelations 7:2-4,9-14

The Book of Revelation is not intended to predict actual people and events in future times. The author was concerned only about people and events in that time and was given no privileged information about the future. In today's passage, the author encourages people of that time by presenting a vision of God's people enjoying heavenly life.

Second Reading: 1 John:3:1-3

In our first reading, we heard symbolic images of what heaven will be like. The author of our second reading also talks about what heaven will be like, but without attempting to give us any specific details.

Readings for the week of November 1, 2020

- Sunday:** Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a
- Monday:** Wis 3:1-9/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Rom 5:5-11/Jn 6:37-40
- Tuesday:** Phil 2:5-11/Ps 22:26b-27, 28-30ab, 30c, 31-32/Lk 14:15-24
- Wednesday:** Phil 2:12-18/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Lk 14:25-33
- Thursday:** Phil 3:3-8a/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 15:1-10
- Friday:** Phil 3:17—4:1/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Lk 16:1-8
- Saturday:** Phil 4:10-19/Ps 112:1b-2, 5-6, 8a and 9/Lk 16:9-15
- Next Sunday:** Wis 6:12-16/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 /1 Thes 4:13-18/Mt 25:1-13

After this I had a vision of a great multitude, which no one could count, from every nation, race, people, and tongue. They stood before the throne and before the Lamb, wearing white robes and holding palm branches in their hands. (Rev 7:9)



Dear Parishioners,

Once again I ask you to see the homepage of our website (leothegreat.org) for links that will offer you guidance from the Church as we approach the elections this Tuesday. You will find a YouTube video there which discusses a recent Pew Research Study that has been named “8 Facts about Catholics & Politics in the U.S.” as well as a letter to the people in the Diocese of Cleveland by Bishop Malesic who offers us an overview of the teaching of the bishops concerning how Catholics vote. I think you will find, as I have, a clear and concise understanding of how people of faith can and should approach this most important topic. You are always welcomed and encouraged to speak to myself, Deacon Pat or Joan Berigan, if you feel the need for more clarity with regard to Church teaching in this matter. You can even make an appointment with any one of us on our website and can choose the manner in which you would like to meet (in person or remotely via FaceTime or Zoom). We are always available to you in your spiritual needs.

A holy hour with the Blessed Sacrament exposed will take place this Sunday, November 1st, from 7pm until 8pm so that we might pray for the wisdom & guidance of the Holy Spirit to be given to us and to all Americans who will be voting. You can also join us remotely by watching the livestream on our website.

This weekend we celebrate the feast of All Saints on November 1st which this year falls on a Sunday (normally it is a holy day of obligation when it does not fall on a Saturday or Sunday). The day after, November 2nd, is the feast of All Souls where we pray for all of the faithful departed who are not yet members of the saints but who are being prepared by God to join them in the heavenly kingdom. We purchased a projector and large screen for use in the church and we intend to display on it this weekend the names of all those who have died in the parish during this past year (since last November 2nd). We ask you to keep them in prayer as we celebrate Mass this weekend.

October 1, 2020 marked the 35th anniversary of the opening of St. Leo the Great Preschool. To mark that anniversary, John & Jeanne Sabol have created a 12-minute presentation on the Preschool which can be viewed on our website & on our parish YouTube channel. It features a number of current and former parishioners and at least one future priest (see if you know who that is!). Be sure to check it out.

I want to thank Deacon Pat & Joan Berigan for making a generous donation toward our landscaping efforts, especially by the Marian shrine. We appreciate everyone’s generosity toward making our campus one that we can all enjoy.

I will be celebrating all of the weekend Masses (with Deacon Pat preaching at one of them each weekend) while Fr. O’Grady takes some time off for health reasons. He has been a great help to me and I know how much you appreciate him celebrating Mass with us every weekend so please keep him in your prayers and ask the Lord to bless him in every way.

Fr. James Schmitz



Question:

November is called the month of All Souls. More recently, it has been called the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed. Can you tell us more about this feast and the remembrances of this month?

Answer:

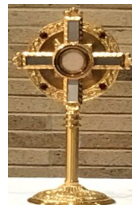
November 2nd, the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed, dovetails with November 1st, the feast of All Saints. The saints, our models of Christian living, are one with God in heaven. All the faithful departed are those who have died with hope and trust in a loving God who calls us to greater growth and development, even beyond death. This growth and development occurs in a state of being that we have traditionally called purgatory.

While the Western Church has emphasized the cleansing and purifying nature of purgatory, the Eastern Orthodox Church has emphasized the growth and development aspect of it. Today, belief in purgatory allows one who has died in Christ to continue growing and developing before meeting God face to face. God continually invites communion with these loved ones, but some feel the need to continue growing and developing before entering into full communion with God.

These November feasts vividly remind us of the rich reality known as the communion of saints. This belief stresses the strong affirmation that the church is always one in Christ. Death does not sever any of the bonds that unite us in Christ. That is why it is a fitting practice to pray for the dead and to ask them to pray for us. Just as we do that for each other when we are alive, so, too, do we continue that bond and concern for each other even beyond death.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Friday, November 6th



We will have Eucharistic Adoration this **Friday, November 6th beginning after the 8:30am Mass and ending at 5:00pm.** You are invited to spend some time with the Lord in a quiet, prayerful atmosphere. May God’s peace be with you during this time.

BULLETIN ARTICLES



Due to the upcoming holidays, please have all bulletin articles in two weeks in advance of the publish date. Articles can be dropped off at the rectory office or emailed to mlhauck@leothegreat.org. Thank you.

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WORLD MISSION SUNDAY



Thanks for your participation! Thank you for answering, "Here I Am, Send Me" to your baptismal call to witness for mission on World Mission Sunday! Our parish offered **\$348.00** to the Society for the Propagation of the Faith for the missionary work of the Church – a real blessing for the Missions! Please continue to pray for missionaries, and for the people to whom they bring the "Good News" of Jesus. May God bless you for your generous missionary spirit!

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15TH



The American Red Cross Blood mobile will be at St. Leo's Lux Hall on **Sunday, November 15th 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.

Please register online at redcross.org; walk ins are welcome. **Great news! Covid-19 antidote testing will be done blood collected. You will be notified by the Red Cross of the results!** Thank you for your support. God Bless and stay healthy.

PARISH COMMUNITY CENTER

GREAT ROOM FOR RENT

The Great Room, located in our Parish Community Center, is available to rent. (with social distancing in place)

For information or to book, please contact **Richard Czech at 216-269-1577** or visit our parish website at leothegreat.org.



MASS INTENTIONS

The 2021 Mass Intention Book is open. Please come to the Rectory Office where masks and social distancing will be required, and schedule your 2021 Masses. You may also call the Rectory at 216-661-1006 to schedule your intentions. Each parishioner household may have four Mass Intentions (one weekend and three weekdays). The Mass stipend is \$10.00.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

THANK YOU FOR BACK TO SCHOOL DRIVE AND BLANKET SUNDAY!



We would like to Thank You for your overwhelming donations to our "Back-to-School Drive and Blanket Sunday". We were able to donate the funds to St. Leo's to purchase needed school supplies and we will be purchasing essential bedding and other items for the winter months in our own metropolitan area with the Blanket Sunday funds. A sincere thank you to all of our parishioners who assisted with their donations and prayers.

THANKSGIVING DISTRIBUTION... This year the ST. VINCENT DE PAUL OUTREACH ORGANIZATION will be giving to our clients a gift card to purchase their Thanksgiving turkey and additional items to help make their thanksgiving

dinner more complete. Please consider a donation to help us with these expenses. Place your cash or check in an envelope marked "SVDP Thanksgiving" and drop it in the collection box or take it to the Rectory Office. You can also create or log into your WeShare account at leothegreat-weshareonline.org. There is an option to choose St. Vincent de Paul in addition to your weekly donation and indicate that the donation is for "Thanksgiving Dinner". We thank you very much for helping us make their Thanksgiving dinner more complete.

Have YOU been purchasing your...

Gift Cards



THE HOLIDAYS ARE COMING!

Are you planning on using gift cards for your shopping needs? If so, you can place your order in early to assure we have your favorite cards on hand.

Supplies may be limited as we try to keep our inventory to a minimum. Cards can be ordered and received in a couple of days.

PLEASE STOP BY OUR RECTORY OFFICE AND PURCHASE SOME TODAY!

School News

Meet our New
Junior High Teacher

Patrick Basista



Mr. Basista grew up in Bainbridge Township and attended St. Rita School and St. Ignatius High School. After transferring colleges, Mr. Basista found himself back in Northeast Ohio attending Cleveland State University. He finished with a Bachelors in History and Social Studies and a minor in Education. His family has always had boxer dogs, and the most current boxer they own is named Chole. Mr. Basista has fond memories of grade school, especially playing soccer and being a “star” player! His favorite food is Pizza and his favorite movies are *The Place Beyond the Pines* and *A Knight’s Tale*.

Truth be told, he never wanted to be a teacher until God bopped him over the head late in his college studies. Having taken on mentoring roles since high school, volunteering at various youth group events and retreats. Ultimately, he feels that teaching is a culmination of his many gifts and talents that God has given him. He most enjoys being a part of every students’ lives and positively impacting them beyond the curriculum he teaches. He feels that mentoring young people is one of his highest callings.

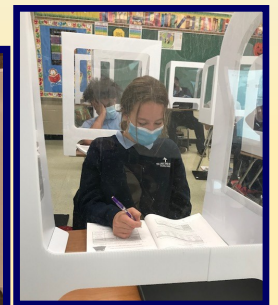
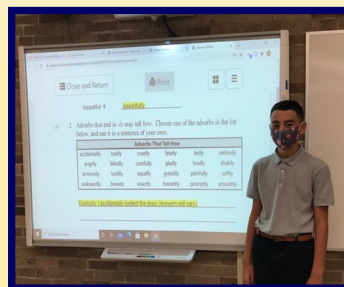
We are happy he chose to Teach!



Over the past two weeks, **Mrs. Lammers’ Third Grade** class has been studying the Rosary. The students started with making a rosary poster. Each student received their own rosary and they prayed the rosary at the Mary Shrine.



We peeked in on **8th Grade** during **Mrs. Simons’ English class**. A student was using the smart board to explain adverbs as students took notes. We are so proud of our students for being respectful and accepting of social distancing and wearing masks.





PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN



The Diocese of Cleveland's "Protecting God's Children" program is a continuing effort to instruct and inform everyone about the protection of children from sexual abuse. To report any past or present suspected inappropriate behavior toward children by priests, deacons, religious, lay ecclesial ministers or personnel associated with the Church, please contact the Diocesan Response Service Office at 216-334-2999 or via email at response_services@dioceseofcleveland.org.

You are also asked to immediately inform local authorities about inappropriate behavior.



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!

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