



ST. LEO THE GREAT PARISH & SCHOOL

32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

November 12, 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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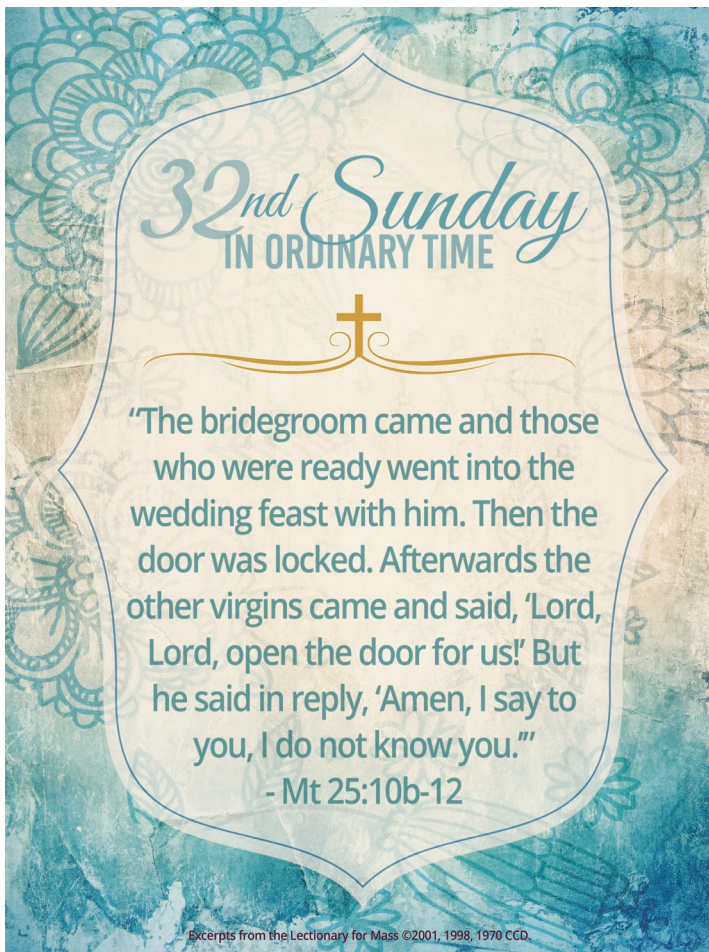


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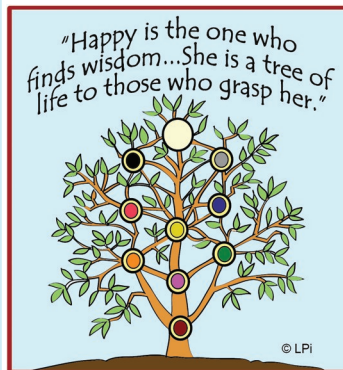
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"The bridegroom came and those who were ready went into the wedding feast with him. Then the door was locked. Afterwards the other virgins came and said, 'Lord, Lord, open the door for us!' But he said in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, I do not know you.'"

- Mt 25:10b-12

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LIVE THE LITURGY
INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

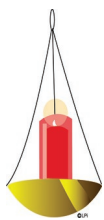


Are we ready and prepared for what life will ask of us? The answers to life's challenges, especially those that involve purpose, meaning, and happiness are not found in material things or by searching the Internet. Many things in life require a journey of the heart and the acquisition

of wisdom. When one acquires wisdom, one acquires priceless wealth. Sadly, pursuing wisdom is not valued by our world these days. Examining our lives, pondering the bigger questions, reflecting on where we have been and where we are going, are invaluable exercises that not only bring us wisdom but open our eyes to God's presence. Those who seek wisdom shall not be disappointed and will always be ready for whatever comes their way.



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 2018 next Sunday, November 19th**. The donation for the candle will be \$10.00.

Please stop by the Rectory Office or the Information Desk in the vestibule of the church to request a Sanctuary Candle Intention.



SANCTUARY CANDLE
INTENTION

November 12th to November 25th

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From Jeff, Monica & Tyler

**If one member suffers,
all suffer together.**

— 1 Cor 12:26 ESV



Remember in your prayers
Our brothers & sisters of First Baptist Church in Sutherland Springs, TX

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 Szapansky, 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, Lisa Marie Rivera, August Bublav, Larry Augustine, Miriam Fontaine, Grace Pauloski, and Irene Smith.



November 13th to November 19th

Monday, November 13th: St. Frances Xavier Carini

7:30 a.m. +Ruth Milla (Children)

Tuesday, November 14th: Weekday

7:30a.m. +Stan Kosiba (Rose)

Wednesday, November 15th: St. Albert the Great

7:30a.m. +Loretta Choromanski (Family)

Thursday, November 16th: St. Margaret of Scotland, and St. Gertrude

7:30a.m. To be announced

Friday, November 17th: St. Elizabeth of Hungary

8:30a.m. +Carmen Crea (Family)

All School Mass

Saturday, November 18th: The Dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter and Paul

4:00p.m. Seniors

Sunday, November 19th: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00a.m. People of the Parish

11:00a.m. +Eleuteria Cay (Juanito Duenas)

Knights of Columbus

GREAT SWEEPSTAKES WINNERS

Vicki Knisely

\$100.00 November 6, 2107 Winner

Mackenzie Prokop

\$1,000.00 St. Leo the Great Feast Day Winner

CONGRATULATIONS!



Don't forget to sign up for our **NEW Great Sweepstakes weekly drawing starting this Monday, Nov. 13th.**

Forms to sign up are available at the Information Desk in the vestibule of the Church, the Rectory Office or in the back of this bulletin. Don't miss your chance to win in this weekly drawing!

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

Sr. Marianne Giovingo, HMSS

Mercedarian Sisters

of the Blessed Sacrament

Novice

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



First Reading: Wisdom 6:12-16

The book of Wisdom was written by a teacher who lived in Alexandria, Egypt, a center for Greek philosophy in the ancient world. Fearful that the Jewish people might be captivated by this secular thought, the author contrasts it with the true wisdom of God. In today's passage, wisdom is personified as a woman.

Second Reading: Thessalonians 4:13-18

Paul wrote his first letter to the Thessalonians some 20 years before any of the Gospels were written. In the passage we're about to hear, we have the earliest written teaching about the resurrection. Some of the Thessalonians were worried about those who had already died. They expected the second coming of Christ very soon, and were concerned that those who had died would miss out on the resurrection.

Readings for the Week of November 12, 2017

Sunday: Wis 6:12-16/Ps 63:2-8/1 Thes 4:13-18 /Mt 25:1-13

Monday: Wis 1:1-7/Ps 139:1b-10/Lk 17:1-6

Tuesday: Wis 2:23--3:9/Ps 34:2-3, 16-19/Lk 17:7-10

Wednesday: Wis 6:1-11/Ps /Ps 82:3-4, 6-7/Lk 17:11-19

Thursday: Wis 7:22b--8:1/Ps 119:89-91, 130, 135, 175/Lk 17:20-25

Friday: Wis 13:1-9/Ps 19:2-5ab/Lk 17:26-37

Saturday: Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9/Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43/Lk 18:1-8

Saturday: Dedication: Acts 28:11-16, 30-31/Ps 98:1-6/Mt 14:22-33

Next Sunday: Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31/Ps 128:1-5/1 Thes 5:1-6/Mt 25:14-30



PARISH SUPPORT

Sunday, November 5th

Basket Collection.....\$ 8,374.50
WeShare (online) 1,660.00
Total\$10,034.50

All Saints.....\$ 1,568.00
All Souls.....\$ 983.00

Thank you for your continued support.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



Dear Parishioners,

Agnes Billick, 92, was a longtime parishioner of St. Leo's, whose 3 sons attended our parish school many years ago. She was born during the Depression and her father died at a young age. Her mother was also ill so at the age of 13, Agnes had to get her driver's license so that she could take care of her mother and drive her to her doctor's appointments. She missed so much of the childhood that many of us enjoyed and the carefree years of being a teenager. Her funeral was celebrated on November 3rd and we pray that she may now have the rewards of her labors.

Congratulations to Patrick Criscuolo who will be receiving his Eagle Scout Award this weekend. Patrick really showed his commitment to service and his leadership abilities when he organized a group to tear down an old deck that was behind the school building. They also prepared the ground there so that it could be used for a garden for our school children to use. Patrick has also been a faithful altar server and is a student at St. Ignatius High School. God bless him as he grows in God's grace.

We welcome Camden Combs into our Church community as he is baptized this Sunday. It is always a joy to welcome one of God's children into the Faith. Many blessings on him and his parents.

I will be on retreat this week from Sunday evening through Thursday at the Jesuit Retreat House in Parma. Please pray that it may be a means of God's grace as I recommit myself to the service of the good people of St. Leo's.

We continue to be saddened by the violence that exists in our country and throughout the world. We mourn the loss of 26 lives because of the shooting at a little church in Texas and pray not only for them but for the injured and those who mourn the loss of a loved one. While we may feel so helpless in such situations, we can ask for help in learning to be peacemakers in our lives so that others may not suffer as a result of the violence that can come from our words, actions or indifference.

On Friday we celebrated the feast of our patron, St. Leo the Great. We entrust our parish to him and seek his intercession that we may grow into a community of deeper faith, love and hope.

The parish staff celebrated the 89th birthday of Fr. Vesely this past Wednesday, November 8th. We'll plan to invite the whole parish next year to wish him a happy 90th! But let's not get ahead of ourselves...he's only 89 and has a whole year to go before the next milestone. May it be a year of health & happiness.

Fr. Jim Schmitz

THIS WEEK AT ST. LEO'S November 13th to November 19th



Monday, November 13th

4:00 p.m. 8th gr. boys practice	Lux
5:30 p.m. 5th gr. girls practice	Lux
6:45 p.m. PSR Classes	School
7:00 p.m. 3rd gr. boys practice	Lux

Tuesday, November 14th

8:30 SVDP Packing/Receiving	Church
3:00 p.m. 5th gr. boys practice	Lux
4:00 p.m. 4th gr. boys practice	Lux
5:30 p.m. 7th gr. boys practice	Lux
6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts	Great
7:00 p.m. 3rd gr. girls practice	Lux

Wednesday, November 15th

4:00 p.m. 6th gr. boys practice	Lux
5:30 p.m. 5th gr. girls practice	Lux
6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts #71720	Basement
6:00 p.m. Cub Scouts-Pack Meeting	Great
7:00 p.m. 3rd gr. boys practice	Lux
7:00 p.m. Choir Practice	Church

Thursday, November 16th

8:00 a.m. Diocese Nutrition Services Meeting	Great
1:00 p.m. Women's Knitting	Conference
3:00 p.m. 5th gr. Boys practice	Lux
4:00 p.m. 4th gr. boys practice	Lux
5:30 p.m. 7th gr. boys practice	Lux
7:00 p.m. 8th gr. boys practice	Lux

Friday, November 17th

4:00 p.m. 5th gr. boys practice	Lux
5:30 p.m. 3rd gr. girls practice	Lux
7:00 p.m. 6th gr. boys practice	Lux
7:30 p.m. Recovery International	Conference

Saturday, November 18th

10:00 a.m. Bitty Basketball Camp	Lux
2:45 p.m. Confessions	Church
3:00 p.m. Grapevine	Great
3:00 p.m. Couples for Christ	Lux

Sunday, November 19th

5:00 p.m. Boys Open Gym	Lux
7:00 p.m. Coach Robinson Adult Open Gym	Lux



We Welcome
CAMDEN JOSEPH COMBS
as he is baptized this weekend.
*May the blessings you receive from God
guide you throughout your life!*



HOLIDAY
OFFICE
HOURS

THANKSGIVING OFFICE HOURS
The Rectory Office will close at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 22nd and will be closed on Thanksgiving Day, and Friday, November 24th in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday. We will resume our normal hours on Saturday. (Noon to 5:30 p.m.)

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.

GIFT CARD CERTIFICATES

Retailer
Giant Eagle - \$25
Giant Eagle - \$100
Marathon - \$25
Marc's - \$25
Marc's - \$50
Shell - \$25
Speedway - \$25
Sunoco - \$50
Target - \$10
Target - \$25
Walmart/Sam's \$25
Walmart/Sam's \$100

The Gift Card Program is an excellent, easy and convenient way to help support your Parish so we encourage everyone to participate. There is great potential in this program. Purchase cards for all of your needs; everyday purchases, travel, gift giving and **THE HOLIDAYS!!!** Here are a few of our most popular gift cards. 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. **THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**

RECYCLE

RIVER VALLEY PAPER COMPANY



BONUS WEEK! America Recycles Day is November 15th. To celebrate, River Valley is giving us an extra \$5/ton during **Bonus Week, November 13th—17th, 2017.** Bring all your **PHONE BOOKS, MAGAZINES, JUNK MAIL, HOLIDAY CATALOGS, CARDBOARD, BOOKS, ALONG WITH YOUR PAPERS** to our paper bins by the Parish Center. **THANK YOU!**

BLOOD DRIVE



The American Red Cross blood drive will be at St. Leo's Lux Hall on Sunday, November 26th, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Support the Collection for the
CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

The Church's love for the poor . . . is a part of her constant tradition" (Catechism, 2444). Next week's Collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) needs your support. With the tradition of improving education, housing situations, and economic development, CCHD continues to make a positive impact in communities locally and nationwide. You can participate in this tradition on November 18-19. **Defend human dignity. Please give to the CCHD Collection.**

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



When the weather turns bad, people who are in need seem to drop out of sight and sometimes out of mind. Let others know that you care by helping our St. Vincent de Paul Outreach Organization bring light and hope into lives that seems dark with a donation in the Poor Boxes. All donations made will service all the families and individuals that we assist. Thank you again for your generosity.

THANKSGIVING DISTRIBUTION...



This year the St. Vincent de Paul Outreach Organization will be giving our Clients a gift card to purchase their Thanksgiving turkey. In addition to the gift card, we will be purchasing some additional items to help make their Thanksgiving dinner more complete. If you are able, please consider a donation to help with these expenses. Place your cash or check in an envelope marked "SVDP Thanksgiving" and drop it in the collection basket or take it to the rectory. We thank you very much for helping.

ST. LEO'S SENIORS CHRISTMAS CARDS



Members are requested to bring their Christmas cards to Church either on Saturday and Sunday, November 25th/26th or Saturday and Sunday, December 2nd/3rd. Drop them in the exchange box in the vestibule of the Church before or after the Masses. This will permit us to presort and arrange the cards for distribution at the Christmas Party on December 6th. Please keep them in alphabetical order with a rubber band around them.

"HELP THE HOMELESS"



Malachi Center on West 25th and Detroit Avenue provides many services to help the homeless men and women all year long. For Christmas the Center distributes duffle bags at the homeless breakfast.

The duffle bags are filled with personal items such as warm socks, gloves, hats, scarves, soap, deodorant, shampoo, razors, shaving cream, toothpaste, snacks, etc.

If you would like to help out and donate bags and/or items, please bring your donation to the rectory by December 3rd. Tag it **"Help the Homeless."**

Questions? Call Jeanne Sabol at 216-351-6247.



PUMPKIN CAROLING

Fun times were had when St. Leo's Junior High students, Pre-School students and our Maintenance Staff combined their talents for Pumpkin Caroling.



CONGRATULATIONS!

One of our 5th grade girls volleyball teams won the St. Mark's Tournament earlier this month.

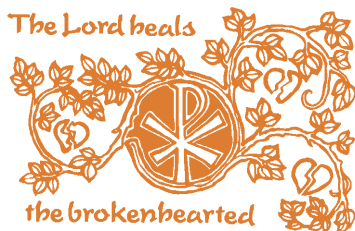
Great Going!!



HOPE FOR THE HOLIDAYS

When: Sunday, November 19th at 2:00p.m.

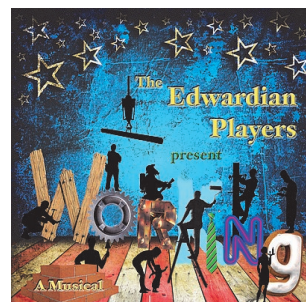
Where: Utopia Hall—St. Thomas More



St. Thomas More Ministry of Consolation is sponsoring a program to HELP ALL who are hurting through the loss of a loved one—especially during the Holiday Season. Our

Guest Speaker is Cassandra Zabor, from Zabor Funeral Home, and she will give a presentation on Grief Management to help us throughout the holidays. Please invite your family members and friends. If you have any questions, please call Peggy at 216-402-2773. A table with resources and booklets will be available for you. Coffee and Bakery will also be provided.

THE EDWARDIAN PLAYERS are presenting



"Working—A Musical" at St. Edward High School, 13500 Detroit Ave. in Lakewood on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, November 16, 17 & 18 at 7:30pm and Sunday, November 19th at 3:00pm. *"Working"* is a musical conceived and written by Stephen Schwartz

(*Godspell, Wicked, Pippin*) and Nina Faso. Based on a book by Studs Terkel, additional music is composed by James Taylor and Lin-Manuel Miranda (*Hamilton*). Cast members play multiple characters, each telling or singing about their jobs, hopes, wishes and dreams. For more information, please call 216-221-0793 ext. 201.

BUS TRIP

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, Report 8:30am

Depart 9:00am and Return 8:15pm

Contact Joanne Todd at

440-526-3505 for more information or to book your trip.



CLUSTER CORNER

MARY QUEEN OF PEACE—

“NightFire” on Friday, November 17th from 9:00pm to 11:30pm in the Church. Please spend time with us as we come to pray for Our Lord to reach those hearts most in need of Him.

ST. CHARLES BORROMEO—Stan Hywet “Deck the Hall” Spectacular! Sunday, December 10th 4:30-9pm. Adults \$30 Children 6-18 \$15 Under 6 Free. Questions contact Donna or Brian in the Parish Office. (440-884-3030)

ST. THOMAS MORE—Rosary for World Peace...Please join us every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. in the Marian Chapel to pray the rosary for peace.



Sharing your Christmas love

St. Leo's Adopt-A-Child Program is an ideal way to share your Christmas joy and love with others who are less fortunate.

Who are we helping?

Recipients of your Christmas gifts include families from our own parish community, St. Aloysius School, Maggie's Place, Catholic Charities Refugee Families and Malachi Center.

How can I participate?

To participate, you would purchase and wrap a \$15 gift for a needy child.

To obtain the names of these children, please call Jeanne Sabol at 216-351-6247 or Judi Westerburg at 216-642-0134. Or you can sign up in the church vestibule after Masses during the weekends of November 18-19 and November 25-26.

When is drop-off?

Gifts are to be wrapped, tagged and dropped off at the Parish Community Center from 3-7 p.m. Saturday, December 9. If you cannot drop off your gifts at this time, you may leave them at the Rectory anytime before December 8.

If you would like to help deliver gifts on December 10 from 10-11 a.m., we would greatly appreciate it.

Can I give money?

Monetary donations may be dropped in the collection basket or left at the Rectory. Please mark all contributions “Adopt-A-Child” and make checks payable to St. Leo the Great.

Once again, please take the time and opportunity to help others this Christmas season. Thank you and may God bless you.



First Catholic Slovak Ladies Association

Jr. Branch 014 is a sponsor of Adopt-A-Child this year and will donate up to \$600 in matching funds