

33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

November 19, 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 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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THANKSGIVING

There will be a special Thanksgiving Liturgy this **Thursday**, **November 23rd at 9:00 a.m.** All are encouraged to attend to give thanks for all the blessings we have received this past year. A special collection will be taken by the St. Vincent de Paul Outreach Organization of gifts of non-perishable food (canned or boxed goods) and money which will be donated to the hungry.

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 this 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.

LIVE THE LITURGY INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK



Every one of God's children is a unique creation with talents and gifts that are found in no one else. Each of us is asked to bring our special "twist" to life and to living the Gospel, leaving

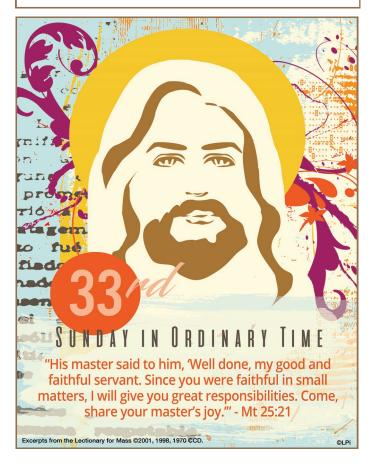
our impact on the world in a way that no one else can. Are we ever afraid to use our gifts or to be who we are? Fear can cripple us and prevent us from discovering the profound and creative ways in which we can become the person God meant us to be. We like our comfort zones and do not like to be stretched and challenged. Yet this is necessary if we are going to produce the fruit we are capable of producing and live the radical message of the Gospel. For serious Christians, the status quo has got to go!

ROSARY



Please join us in honoring Mary with the recitation of the rosary at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, November 27, 2017. We will be meeting in church -- please enter through the door closest to the weekday chapel. What is a 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.



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, Lisa Marie Rivera, August Bublavy, Larry Augustine, Miriam Fontaine, Grace Pauloski, Ann & Family, and Irene Smith.

Prayer is an act of love; words are not needed. Even if sickness distracts from thoughts, all that is needed is the will to love.

NEW GREAT SWEEPSTAKES WINNER!

Jerome Rodak

\$100.00 November 13, 2107 Winner

CONGRATULATIONS!



Don't forget to sign up for our **NEW Great Sweepstakes weekly.** Forms to sign up are available at the Information Desk in the vestibule of the Church, or the

Rectory Office. Don't miss your chance to win in this weekly drawing!

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

Riley Arnemann Blessed Sacrament Formation Program Senior, Borromeo



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



PARISH SUPPORT

SUPPORT Sunday, November 12th

Due to the early bulletin deadline for the Thanksgiving Holiday, financial figures will be listed in next week's bulletin.





November 20th to November 26th

Monday, November 20th: Weekday 7:30am +Bachraty Family (Family)

Tuesday, November 21st: The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:30am Theresa & Family

Wednesday, November 22nd: St. Cecilia

7:30am +Mary Pasela (Husband)

Thursday, November 23rd: THANKSGIVING 9:00am In Thanksgiving for the People of the Parish Friday, November 24th: St. Andrew Düng-Lac, and Companions

8:30am +Rosemarie & Joseph Hamski (Family)

Saturday, November 25th: St. Catherine of Alexandria 4:00pm +Fr. Anthony Muzic, Birthday (Fr. Jim Schmitz) Sunday, November 26th: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

8:00am + Margaret Olori (Sister Gloria Olori) 11:00am + Frank & Dorothy Grayshaw (Family)



First Reading: Proverbs 31:10-13

The book of Proverbs is a collection of wise sayings, compiled over a number of centuries. Today's passage is part of a lengthy poem which praises the virtues of a good wife and mother.

Second Reading: Thessalonians 5:1-6

Paul and the early Christians expected the immediate Second Coming of Christ. Today, as he concludes his first letter to the Thessalonians, Paul reminds them to be prepared for this. His message is encouraging, not frightening.



Readings for the Week of November 19, 2017

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

Monday: 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63/Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158/Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday: 2 Mc 6:18-31/Ps 3:2-7/Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday: 2 Mc 7:1,20-31/Ps17:1bcd,5-6,8b,15/Lk19:11-28 **Thursday:** 1 Mc 2:15-29/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15/Lk 19:41-44 **Friday:** 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59/1 Chr 29:10bcd-12/Lk 19:45-48 **Saturday:** 1 Mc 6:1-13/Ps 9:2-4, 6, 16, 19/Lk 20:27-40

Next Sunday: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/Ps 23:1-3, 5-6/1 Cor 15:20-

26, 28/Mt 25:31-46





Dear Parishioners,

Our next Faith Formation Session will be on Sunday, November 26th at 9am in the Parish Community Center. Please join us as we watch another wonderful video by Bishop Robert Barron on the life of Michelangelo & his tremendous influence on the Church.

We currently have 10 people signed up for the Tour of Italy trip for next October and we only have 4 spaces left. Please see me if you'd like more information on this great opportunity to get a taste of Italy (from a priest who has tasted a lot of Italy!).

We extend our sympathies to the family of Georgianne Mroczka whose Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on November 11th. Georgianne would drive long distances to be with her family for a special occasion or just to offer support to a friend. As we prayed for all the Faithful Departed on the feast of All Souls November 2nd, we continue to remember her and all deceased members of our parish who died, especially this past year.

The Knights of Columbus will be joining us for the 11am Mass this weekend so we welcome them and thank them for their good work in the Church. They are offering a scholarship to a seminarian & asked if I knew one that could use their support and so I recommended that Ryan Arto be the recipient as he spoke to our parish 3 weeks ago about his own vocation to the priesthood. Please be sure to thank the Knights for their generosity to the Church and for their support of seminarians. They also put on a Reverse Raffle last Saturday in Lux Hall which was enjoyed by many. Thanks to the parishioners who supported them in this fundraiser.

You may have heard that there is a Catholic radio station called "The Rock" and can be found at AM1260. You can get more information about it and listen to it live on their website found at http://am1260therock.com. We're very fortunate to have this Catholic station in the Diocese of Cleveland. In fact, Bishop Perez has already utilized this medium in order to speak to the people of the Diocese. You can support them on WeGiveCatholic on #GivingTuesday, November 28th. Again, more information is available on their website.

Since we're still paying some bills from our parish festival, we don't yet have numbers to share about our profit but will make that available to you soon. In the mean time, I give thanks to all those who organized, planned, worked at or enjoyed the festival last month. It was good to be with fellow parishioners & to enjoy the great food & entertainment. Looking forward to next year.

Please join us for our Thanksgiving Mass this Thursday at 9am. It's a great way to begin the holiday season and to put ourselves in the right frame of mind as we prepare for Advent & Christmas which are following close behind.

In. Jim Schmitz

THIS WEEK AT ST. LEO'S November 20th to November 26th



Monday, November 20th

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 21st

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
6:30 p.m. SVDP	Conference
7:00 p.m. Choir Practice	Church
7:00 p.m. 3rd gr. girls practice	Lux

Wednesday, November 22nd	
4:00 p.m. 6th gr. boys practice	Lux
5:30 p.m. 5th gr. girls practice	Lux
7:00 p.m. 3rd gr. boys practice	Lu

Thursday, November 23rd—THANKSGIVING Friday, November 24th

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 25th

2:45 p.m. Confessions	Church
3:00 p.m. Grapevine	Great
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Sunday, November 26th

8:30 a.m. Bloodmobile	Lux
9:00 a.m. Faith Formation	Great
5:00 p.m. Boys Open Gym	Lux
7:00 p.m. Coach Robinson Adult Open Gym	Lux

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Please join us for our Faith Formation Class NEXT Sunday, November 26th at 9:00 **a.m.** in the Parish Center.

BLOOD DRIVE



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

THANKSGIVING OFFICE HOURS



HOLIDAY The Rectory Office will close at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 22nd and will be closed on HOURS 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.)

"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,

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

PARISH COMMUNITY CENTER

GREAT **ROOM** FOR RENT

The Great Room in our Parish Community Center is available to rent for special events, parties, meetings. **funeral** luncheons, etc. For more information or to

book, please contact Mina Rolando at 216-544-0190 or visit our website at leothegreat.org.

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.

ONLINE GIVING IS HERE!



Online Giving is now 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.

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 There participate. is great potential in this program. Purchase cards for all of your needs. including evervdav purchases, travel, and gift giving

for 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!

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Thanksgiving is a time for loving and for sharing what we have with others, however meager it may seem. Each Thanksgiving your St. Vincent DePaul Outreach Organization works to help the needy. Please be generous this year with your donations to the Poor Boxes or put your donation in an envelope marked "SVDP Thanksgiving". The need is great. We thank you for your thoughtfulness!



REGISTER WITH US



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.

ST. LEO'S SENIORS CHRISTMAS CARDS



Members are requested to bring their Christmas cards to Church either the weekend of November 25th/26th or the weekend of 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 pre-sort 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.

BULLETIN ARTICLES



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

mlhauck@leothegreat.org. Thank you.

PARISH COUNCIL **MEMBERS**

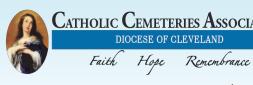
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CATHOLIC CEMETERIES ASSOCIATION - MONTHLY GRIEF SUPPORT **3rd SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH**



Please join us for an hour of learning and healing along your grief CATHOLIC CEMETERIES ASSOCIATION journey. Our Grief Support leaders are certified as Ministers of Consolation by the National Catholic Ministry to the Bereaved, Inc. Our Catholic-based support can be supplemental to your existing support groups. We meet the 3rd Sunday of every month at 3:00 p.m.,

except on holidays, then we meet the 4th Sunday. **The next Support Group is Sunday, November 19th** at St. Joseph Cemetery in Avon, Holy Cross Cemetery in Akron, and Holy Cross Cemetery in Brook Park.

November 19th Topic: FINDING GRATITUDE IN THE MIDST OF GRIEF.

No registration is required; Just come and join us. For more information, visit our website https://www.clecem.org/ Information/Bereavement.aspxor contact Rhonda at 216.930.4866 rabrams@clecem.org.

Support the Collection for the CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Our Holy Father, Pope Francis, said, "The measure of the greatness of a society is found in the way it treats those most in need, those who have nothing apart from their poverty." Please join in the Church's mission to help the most vulnerable among us at today's collection. Defend human dignity. Please give to the **CCHD** Collection.



CONGRATULATIONS! HIGH SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

TRINITY HIGH SCHOOL

Madalyn Eder—Merit Roll Madeline Gercak—Merit Roll Andrew Kenaga—First Honors Giuseppe Rolando–First Honors

HOLY NAME HIGH SCHOOL

Cameron Kalic—First Honors Audrianna Sadosky—Second Honors

LECTURE SERIES LENDING



Since the lecture series has ended, many people have asked about borrowing the CD's to listen to at home. The following topics are available to be signed out at the Rectory Office.

- 1. Why study Scripture, 1 hour
- Overview of Scripture, 2 hours
- Angels: Heavenly Witnesses, 3 hours
- Purgatory, 2 hours

The times are estimates but they are no longer than the times listed. The last 2 topics, History of the Church, and Saints Among Us will be offered as a group exercise during Lent. If you have any questions, please call the Rectory Office.

HOLIDAY MEAL ON WHEELS



Broadview Multi-Care Center will be providing Meals on Wheels to homebound seniors

for Thanksgiving this Year! Delivery will be on November 22nd, between the hours of 11:00am -1:00pm.

Please call Vinnie at 216-749-4010 ext. 190 **RSVP** for delivery

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

The Rectory Staff enjoyed a wonderful lunch at Sokolowski's while celebrating Fr. Vesely's 89th Birthday.





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.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

CLUSTER CORNER

MARY QUEEN OF PEACE...Prayers and Devotion to Our Lady of Fatima will be offered at the Blue Army Holy Hour THIS Sunday, November 19th at 2 pm in the Chapel. A social will follow. **CHARLES BORROMEO..**Stan Hywet "Deck the Hall" Spectacular! Sunday, Dec. 10th 4:30pm-9:00pm. - Adults \$30 Children 6-18 \$15 Under 6 Free. If you have any questions contact Donna or Brian in the Parish. (440-884-3030) ST. THOMAS MORE—Ministry of Consolation is sponsoring Hope for the Holidays — a program for handling the holidays in the midst of grief and loss — Sunday, November 19, in Utopia Hall at 2:00pm with guest speaker, Cassandra Zabor of Zabor Funeral Home.



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