



ST. LEO THE GREAT

PARISH & SCHOOL

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF UNIVERSE

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MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKENDS

Saturday Vigil ~ 4:00PM

Sundays ~ 8:00AM, 10:00AM and 12NOON

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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PLEASE REMEMBER.....Margaret Zisk, Sarah Grier, Edward P. Gorczyca, Carol Sladewski, Betty Jayne Glover, Bob McLaughlin, Stella Sugalski, Robert Holshue, Donna Mlady, Mike Manzo, Cheri Minch, Theresa Pauloski, Annamae Sironen, Carol Frisco, Dorothy Forister, Ann Szpansky, Larry Kuznik, Rosemarie Hamski, Jo Hoffman, Anna Mendoza, John Risko, Glenn "Joe" Hess, Dianne Soler, Muffie Bone, Theresa Truxall, Gary LaBuda, Mary Ras, Janene Catanese, Denise Rooks, Bernice Kilcoyne, Jeanette Klaehn, Donna Robertson, Theresa Kowal, Trudy Miller, Donald Kotarsky, Dave Zonneville, Nancy Miller, Larry Carrino, Ruth Frohlich, Carol Phillips, & Ashley Dayle.



GREAT SWEEPSTAKES
CONGRATULATIONS TO
THOMAS JANDROKOVIC
\$1,000.00 St. Leo the Great
Feast Day Winner

LYNNE & THOMAS RAIN
\$100.00 November 14th Winner

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

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

This week we pray for:
Robert McWilliams
Immaculate Conception, Kenmore
IV Theology, St. Mary



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



PARISH SUPPORT
Sunday, November 13, 2016

Sunday.....\$7,613.60
Assessments.....\$177.00
Capital Improvement.....\$138.00

Thank you for your continued support.



November 21st to November 27th

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

7:30 a.m. +Bob Glinka (Carol Glinka)

Tuesday, November 22nd: St. Cecilia

7:30 a.m. +Joseph Panik (Family)

Wednesday, November 23rd: St. Clement, St. Columban, & Blessed Miguel Agustin Pro

7:30 a.m. +Ed & Gerry Kruszynski (Skora Family)

Thursday, November 24th: St. Andrew Dūng-Lac & Companions—THANKSGIVING DAY

9:00 a.m. People of the Parish

Friday, November 25th: St. Catherine of Alexandria

8:30 a.m. +Fr. Anthony Muzic, Birthday (Fr. Jim Schmitz)

Saturday, November 26th: Weekday

4:00 p.m. +Victor & Mary Kuznic (Family)

Sunday, November 27th: First Sunday of Advent

8:00 a.m. +Reinaldo Ramos (Ralph & Loretta Mlady)

10:00 a.m. +Tyler Larson Hicker (Family)

12:00 p.m. People of the Parish

First Reading: 2 Samuel 5:1-3

The two books of Samuel describe a time early in Jewish history when the 12 tribes were forming one nation under a single king. After the death of Saul, their first king, the tribes decided upon a successor, as we will hear in the reading.

Second Reading: Col 1:12-20

In our age of space travel, there is sometimes speculation about Christ's place in the wider universe, particularly if life were found on other planets. Today's passage quotes an early Christian hymn which describes the kingship of Christ in cosmic terms.

Readings for the Week of November 20, 2016

Sunday: 2 Sm 5:1-3/Ps 122:1-5/Col 1:12-20/Lk 23:35-43

Monday: Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5/Ps 24:1-6/Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday: Rv 14:14-19/Ps 96:10-13/Lk 21:5-11

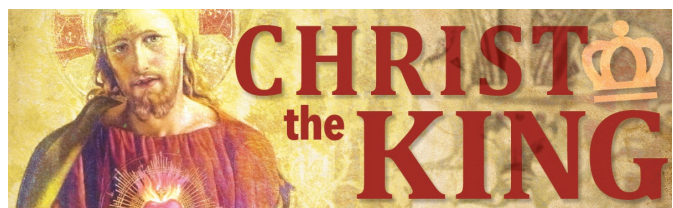
Wednesday: Rv 15:1-4/Ps 98:1-3, 7-9/Lk 21:12-19

Thursday: Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a/Ps 100:1-5/Lk 21:20-28

Friday: Rv 20:1-4, 11--21:2/Ps 84:3-6, 8/Lk 21:29-33

Saturday: Rv 22:1-7/Ps 95:1-7/Lk 21:34-36

Next Sunday: Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-9/Rom 13:11-14/Mt 24:37-44



FROM THE
PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners,

Today is the feast of Christ the King and brings to a close the liturgical year which ends earlier than our calendar year. We begin a new liturgical year next weekend with the First Sunday of Advent. But in-between these two liturgical moments we have a secular holiday which certainly has roots in our Christian faith. We seek to express on Thanksgiving our acknowledgement of all the blessings that come to us from above. So please consider joining us for our Thanksgiving Mass at 9am this Thursday. We'll even give you a loaf of bread for joining us! No lunchmeat or PB & J though...you're on your own for that. The collection taken up at this Mass will be given to our St. Vincent de Paul Society. Remember too that with our new electronic giving option available through our website, you can not only have your weekend collection deducted automatically from your checking/savings account or via a credit/debit card, you can also choose, as you wish, to contribute something to our second collections or to our St. Vincent de Paul Society as well. It's nice to keep cash in your wallet or purse & be able to make donations online as many do with all their other bills. Give it a try as it's a big help to the parish. I just realized this paragraph went from liturgy to Thanksgiving to money. Pretty smooth, I'd say.

We do our best to keep up with parishioners who are ill but it's very challenging. These days people are moved into and out of hospitals so quickly. And it often happens that when trying to visit someone in the hospital or nursing home, they are out of their rooms for a test or physical therapy. My hope is that people don't fall through the cracks and continue to remain connected to the Church and the sacraments. I try to prioritize my visits to those who otherwise do not have a priest available to visit them, and to those who are critically ill or in hospice. And we have parishioners who generously visit those in Parma hospital. However sometimes we are not informed when people enter or leave a hospital or nursing home due to privacy laws. Please remember that most hospitals and nursing homes have a chaplain assigned to them for anointing and visits, as well as Eucharistic Ministers who bring Holy Communion. But at the same time, we are happy to visit with anyone when these are not available to them. I've also mentioned that we have a part-time staff member named Robin Imbrigiotta who is available for visits to the sick and homebound. We prefer that the individual contact us themselves if they are able to do so as to respect their privacy and to make sure they are the ones requesting a visit. I hope to discuss our ministry to the sick & homebound with the Parish Council so that we may do our best in reaching out to them during a time they really need our support.

Fr. Jim Schmitz

THIS WEEK AT ST. LEO'S
November 21st to November 27th



Monday, November 21st

3:00 p.m. 4th gr. boys basketball practice	Lux
4:00 p.m. 8th gr. boys basketball practice	Lux
4:00 p.m. Parish Center Group Meeting	Great
5:30 p.m. 4th gr. girls basketball practice	Lux
6:45 p.m. PSR	School

Tuesday, November 22nd

8:30 a.m. All School Prayer Service	Church
2:45 p.m. Altar Server Training	Church
3:00 p.m. 5th gr. boys basketball practice	Lux
4:15 p.m. 3rd gr. boys basketball practice	Lux
5:30 p.m. 6th gr. boys basketball practice	Lux
6:30 p.m. SVDP	Francis
7:00 p.m. 7th gr. Boys basketball practice	Lux

Wednesday, November 23rd

4:00 p.m. 4th gr. girls basketball practice	Lux
5:30 p.m. 8th gr. boys basketball practice	Lux
7:00 p.m. Choir Practice	Church

Thursday, Nov. 24th—THANKSGIVING DAY

Friday, November 25th

4:00 p.m. 4th gr. boys basketball practice	Lux
7:00 p.m. 7th gr. boys basketball practice	Lux
7:30 p.m. Recovery International	Francis

Saturday, November 26th

2:45 p.m. Confessions	Church
3:00 p.m. Grapevine	Great

Sunday, November 27th

THANKSGIVING OFFICE HOURS



The Rectory Office will close at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 23rd and will be closed on Thanksgiving Day, and Friday, November 25th in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday. We will resume our normal hours on Saturday.

THANKSGIVING



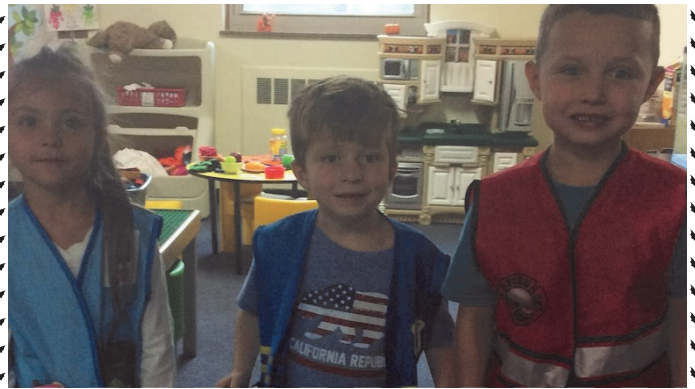
There will be a special Thanksgiving Liturgy this **Thursday, Nov. 24th, at 9:00 a.m.** All are encouraged to attend to give thanks for all the blessings we have received this past year. A special collection will be taken by the St. Vincent de Paul Society of gifts of non-perishable food (canned or boxed goods) and money which will be donated to the hungry. Anyone wishing to donate a turkey or a meal for a needy family may contact the St. Vincent de Paul Society through the Rectory.

ST. LEO THE GREAT—CLEVELAND, OHIO

PRESCHOOL

Our three and four year olds are hard at work in the preschool. Under the direction of Mrs. Susie, Mrs. Cherise, Mrs. Jennifer and Ms. Cindy our student are learning and growing in the ways of faith and kindergarten readiness. Early in the school year the students were learning how to be kind to each other and cooperate in the classroom setting. The students have caught on quickly and now know the routine and are learning their numbers, letters, shapes and sounds. This week in preparation for Thanksgiving, the student will be sharing a Thanksgiving Feast of turkey, popcorn, apples and carrots. In addition they have made some cool Thanksgiving crafts and are learning what it means to show gratitude and generosity in this month of November. Stay tuned to learn more about our wonderful Preschool program.

In gratitude and peace,
Mrs. Susie and Sr. Erin



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RECYCLE



RIVER VALLEY PAPER COMPANY
Bring all your PHONE BOOKS, MAGAZINES, JUNK MAIL, HOLIDAY CATALOGS, CARDBOARD, BOOKS, ALONG WITH YOUR PAPERS to our paper bins by the Parish Center. River Valley Paper Company is offering new pricing incentives effective November 1st. **THANK YOU!**

BLOOD DRIVE



The American Red Cross blood drive will be at St. Leo's Lux Hall **THIS Sunday, November 20th**, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. For those who are internet savvy, please register @ redcrossblood.org after you create a profile. It's easy! Registering is optional; it just helps with the staffing. Please stop by and donate!

ST. LEO SCHOOL ANNUAL PICK 40 IS BACK!

\$5.00 enters you in 40 Daily Drawings!
(36) \$100 drawings &
(4) \$500 Drawings
Tickets may be purchased in the
School or Rectory Office.

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.

CLOSING OF JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY



Join us at the Shrine Church of St. Stanislaus, 3649 East 65th St., for a celebration of Eucharistic Devotion marking the conclusion of the Jubilee Year of Mercy and the Feast of Christ the King **THIS SUNDAY, Nov. 20th at 4:30 p.m.** With its beautiful and moving music, traditional pageantry, and procession it promises to be very uplifting.

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, 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!**

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 information or to book, please contact Mina Rolando at 216-544-0190 or visit our website at leothegreat.org. There you will find information, prices, and forms.

INFORMATION DESK



For the convenience of our parishioners, we are bringing the rectory office to you after the weekend Masses. The information desk is located in the vestibule.

Listed are some of the things that are available:

- sponsor certificate pickup
- popular gift cards
- new parishioner registration forms
- Mass intentions
- Parish Community Center rental forms
- alumni association forms
- great sweepstakes tickets
- help with our website & mobile app
- choir and handbell choir sign-ups

Please feel free to stop by after Mass.

PLEASE NOTE OUR REVISED MASS SCHEDULE TO TAKE EFFECT JANUARY 1, 2017:

Saturday Vigil
4:00 p.m.

Sunday
8:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Monday through Wednesday
7:30 a.m.

(there will be a 7:30 Mass on Thursday according to Fr. Vesely's availability).

Friday
8:30 a.m.





The collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) provides funding for groups that make lasting change and uplift the poor in the United States. CCHS's grants improve education, support economic development, and create affordable housing in low-income neighborhoods. Help us continue to defend human dignity and build communities of solidarity. Please give to the CCHD Collection.

ST. LEO'S SENIORS CHRISTMAS CARDS



Members are requested to bring their Christmas cards to Church on Saturday, December 3rd, and Sunday, December 4th, and/or Saturday, December 10th, or Sunday, December 11th. 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 14th. Please keep them in alphabetical order with a rubber band around them.

BUS TRIPS

Tuesday, December 6th:

- ♦ **Wheeling Island Casino and Racetrack with \$25.00 free play**
- ♦ **Cracker Barrel Restaurant with \$20.00 gift card to be used for meal or gift shop.**
- ♦ **Oglebay to view Christmas Lights**

\$50.00 per person

Depart: 9:00 a.m. - Arrive Casino: 11:30 a.m.

Arrive Cracker Barrel: 4:45 p.m. and Arrive Oglebay Visitors Center - 6:30 p.m.

Return Home: 10:00 p.m.

Contact Joanne Todd at
440-526-3505
for more information
or to book your trip.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



Thanksgiving is a time for loving and for sharing what we have, however meager it may seem, with others. Each thanksgiving, your St. Vincent de Paul Outreach Organization works to help the needy. Please be generous this year with your donations to the Poor Boxes. The need is great. We thank you for your thoughtfulness!

THANKSGIVING TURKEYS...



If you are able to donate a turkey for the Thanksgiving holiday to the St. Vincent de Paul Outreach Organization, please deliver it to the Rectory Office by **TOMORROW, MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21st**. We will also be accepting donations of food at the Thanksgiving Day Mass. Whatever you are able to donate would be very much appreciated. The money from the offertory collection will go directly to the St. Vincent de Paul Outreach Organization so that we are able to continue to serve those in need, and the need is greater than ever. Thank you for helping us help others.

THANKSGIVING PIE DONATIONS FOR ST. AUGUSTINE...



St. Leo the Great as a parish, will be making donations of pies to St. Augustine's on November 23rd. All pie donations need to be delivered to Bernadine Vance's house, 1822 Alvin Avenue, between November 20th—22nd. Please call Bernadine at 216-661-9078 to let her know if you are interested in donating a pie or a monetary donation towards the purchase of pies for St. Augustine. The money can be put in an envelope marked "Pie Donation" and placed in the collection basket or taken to the Rectory. Also, please call to make arrangement for delivery of your pies on November 20th-22nd. Thank You!

CLUSTER CORNER

MARY QUEEN OF PEACE—The World Apostolate of Our Lady of Fatima... has a Holy Hour of Prayer on the 3rd Sunday of every month at 2:00 pm in the Lower Chapel at Mary Queen of Peace. Everyone is invited to join us

ST. CHARLES BORROMEO—Bus Trip... Sunday, December 11th 4:30-9:00 p.m. Stan Hywet "Deck the Hall" Spectacular. Adults \$25 Children \$15, under 6 Free. Family Friendly, Dazzle Light Show, animated Windows, Hot Cocoa, & Snacks. Contact Donna or Brian in the Parish Office 440-884-3030.

ST. THOMAS MORE—Women's Power of Prayer Day... All women are welcome on Saturday, December 3rd, from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. to take time out and witness how important prayer is. Registration forms are available at the rectory.



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 and Catholic Charities Refugee Families.

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 19-20 and November 26-27.

When is drop-off?

Gifts are to be wrapped and dropped off at the Parish Community Center from 3-7 p.m. Saturday, December 10. If you cannot drop off your gifts at this time, you may leave them at the Rectory anytime before December 9.

If you would like to help deliver gifts on December 11 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.

