



ST. LEO THE GREAT PARISH & SCHOOL

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,
KING OF THE UNIVERSE

November 26, 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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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE



“When did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? When did we see you ill or in prison, and visit you? And the king will say to them in reply, ‘Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me.’”
— Mt 25:38-40

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LIVE THE LITURGY INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK



OUR KING'S REQUEST:
to care for those in need

As the King of the universe, Christ does not desire earthly power or kingly admiration. What Christ our King desires is that we advocate and work for those most in need among us: the poor, the unfortunate, the forsaken, the abused, and the exploited. Providing for the basic needs of others is a human right that we must strive to fulfill. If someone is hungry, feed her. If someone is without shelter, provide one. If a person requires clothes, clothe him. When others are in harm's way, find them safety. When it comes to basic human needs, it does not matter WHY a person is in need; all that matters is that someone IS. That's where you and I, who are citizens of God's eternal kingdom, come in. What we do for the least of these, we do for God.

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. 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 26th to December 9th

In Loving Memory of Robert Funta
From Wife and Family

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. Please join us!

CHRISTMAS CONCERT



A Christmas Concert with the Daughters of St. Paul Choir will take place on Friday, December 8, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist, 1007 Superior Ave. The concert is free and open to all. No tickets or reservations required. Free secure parking at the Cathedral Plaza Garage—Rockwell Ave. & E. 9th Street. For more information call 216-696-6525 x.5510 or email gheislman@dioceseofcleveland.org.

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, Lisa Marie Rivera, August Bublavý, Miriam Fontaine, Irene Smith & Joann Holman.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Friday, December 1st



Eucharistic Adoration begins after the 8:30 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.

NEW GREAT SWEEPSTAKES WINNER!

Due to an early publishing deadline the \$100.00 November 20, 2107 Winner will be published next week.

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.

**Ryan Schmeltzer, OFM Cap.
Capuchin Franciscan Friars
Seminarist 2nd Year**



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



PARISH SUPPORT

Sunday, November 12th

Basket Collection.....	\$ 6,610.00
WeShare (online)	1,495.00
Total	\$ 8,105.00

Contribution figures for November 19th will be published next week.

Thank you for your continued support.



November 27th to December 3rd

Monday, November 27th: Weekday

7:30am Jerry Wilk (Grandma Jo)

7:00pm Rosary

Tuesday, November 28th: Weekday

7:30am +Ruth Milla (Children)

Wednesday, November 29th: Weekday

7:30am +Margie Greenfelder (Gladys Kazimer)

Thursday, November 30th: St. Andrew

7:30am To be announced

Friday, December 1st: Weekday

8:30am +Elaine Dudor (Family)

9:00am to 5:00pm Eucharistic Adoration

Saturday, December 2nd: Weekday

4:00pm +Stanley Kosiba (Friends)

Sunday, December 3rd: First Sunday of Advent

8:00am +Deceased Members of Cvitko Family (Joyce Fries)

11:00am People of the Parish

First Reading: Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17

Ezekiel preached to Jewish exiles at Babylon in the sixth century before Christ. They were a disappointed people and they blamed poor leadership for getting them into this mess. In this passage, Ezekiel uses a popular biblical image of God, that of a shepherd who cares for the sheep.

Second Reading: Corinthians 15:20-26, 28

In his first letter to the Corinthians, Paul addresses problems his converts in the community were experiencing. Some members had questioned the bodily resurrection of Jesus and their own resurrection as well. This passage is Paul's response.

Readings for the Week of November 26, 2017

Sunday: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/Ps 23:1-3, 5-6/1 Cor 15:20-26, 28/Mt 25:31-46

Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Dn 3:52-56/Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45/Dn 3:57-61/Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/Dn 3:62-67/Lk 21:12-19

Thursday: Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8-11/Mt 4:18-22

Friday: Dn 7:2-14/Dn 3:75-81/Lk 21:29-33

Saturday: Dn 7:15-27/Dn 3:82-87/Lk 21:34-36

Next Sunday: Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19/1 Cor 1:3-9/Mk 13:33-37

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.

FROM THE
PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners,

We prayed for Janet Rosby during the funeral services for her last week. And we continue to extend our prayerful support to the members of her family. She was very religious and was able to spend her last days at Holy Family Hospice on State Road. She was anointed by the chaplain there and I prayed the last rites for her. She was grateful to be helped by these prayers of the Church. May they speed her to God's peace.

While the repair work on our HVAC in the church is completed, there is still some work to be done on the computer system which controls it so the temperature in the church may fluctuate a little bit but hopefully you will find it to be neither too cold nor too warm. Personally I like the cooler temperatures of the low 60's but I know that the thinning of blood for some people makes those temperatures feel like they are in Alaska. But I try to get just the right balance to make as many people as comfortable as possible. At least we know that the repairs will allow us to stay warm as these cooler days approach. I'd hate to have a bonfire in the church to keep us from freezing. They can be really messy.

I was very grateful to be at the retreat for priests which took place at the Jesuit Retreat House on State Road in Parma. That has been one of the treasures of the Diocese for many decades. Amazingly, they have several acres of land which are hidden in the middle of Parma where many deer can be seen living in the woods. They just added a new wing which is both practical and beautiful. You may want to check out their website at jrh-Cleveland.org. They host the Pre-Cana program which engaged couples participate in as part of their pre-marriage preparation and they hold several retreats and conferences there throughout the year. You may want to just take a reflective walk through their woods or just sit in the quiet & peaceful atmosphere there. But do take advantage of this place of prayer and spiritual refreshment if you get the chance.

I ask you frequently to remember the sick and home-bound parishioners in your prayers and today I would ask you to especially pray for my brother-in-law Mike. By the time you read this (as I type it on November 15th), he will have had quadruple bypass surgery. His very serious heart disease took him and my sister by surprise and I know many of you are aware of how illness affects so many different aspects of our lives. It brings fear and worry as we are reminded of the fragility of life. Would you say a prayer for him right now so that I can tell him of your support? My sincere thanks.

Fr. Jim Schmitz

THIS WEEK AT ST. LEO'S
November 27th to December 3rd**Monday, November 27th**

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
7:00 p.m. Rosary	Church

Tuesday, November 28th

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

Wednesday, November 29th

11:00 a.m. Seniors	Great
4:00 p.m. 6th gr. boys practice	Lux
5:30 p.m. 5th gr. girls practice	Lux
6:30 p.m. Girl Scouts #71720	Great
6:30 p.m. 2nd gr. Parent Reconciliation Mtg.	School
7:00 p.m. Choir Practice	Church
7:00 p.m. 3rd gr. boys practice	Lux

Thursday, November 30th

1:00 p.m. Women's Knitting Group	Great
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, December 1st

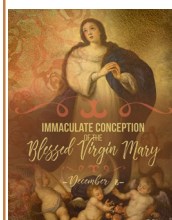
4:00 p.m. 5th gr. boys practice	Lux
5:30 p.m. 3rd gr. girls practice	Lux
7:00 p.m. 6th gr. boys practice	Lux
7:30 p.m. Recovery International	Conference

Saturday, December 2nd

7:30 a.m. CYO Basketball Site Center	Lux
2:45 p.m. Confessions	Church
3:00 p.m. Grapevine	Great

Sunday, December 3rd

11:30 a.m. CYO Basketball Site Center	Lux
7:00 p.m. Coach Robinson Adult Open Gym	Lux

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
DECEMBER 8TH

Friday, December 8th, is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception -- a holy day of obligation. The title "the Immaculate Conception" was bestowed upon the Blessed Virgin Mary because of the Church's belief that Mary was conceived without original sin since she was destined to be the Mother of God. Mary, the Immaculate Conception, is also the patron saint of the United States. The Masses scheduled for this holy day of obligation are 8:30 a.m. and 7:00 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, etc.

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.

BLOOD DRIVE



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

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 participate. There is great potential in this program. Purchase cards for all of your needs, including 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!**

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



THANK YOU! Thanksgiving is a time for loving and sharing what we have with others and because of your generous donations of food and money, your St. Vincent de Paul Outreach Organization was able to make this Thanksgiving holiday a little brighter for those we serve. Your response was very much appreciated. Thank You!!

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
2. Overview of Scripture, 2 hours
3. Angels: Heavenly Witnesses, 3 hours
4. 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.



Thank you for your contributions to the Collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD)! Your generous gifts will help CCHD end poverty in America through better education, improved housing, and economic development. Through CCHD and its beneficiaries, we manifest Catholic social teaching and carry out Jesus' mission to "bring glad tidings to the poor . . . to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free" (Lk 4:18).

REMEMBRANCE TREES



Ornaments in remembrance of loved ones will be available before and after all of the Masses the weekends of December 9th & 10th and 16th & 17th. Names of loved ones can be written on the ornaments and hung on the trees in the sanctuary for the Christmas season. The ornaments can be taken home at the conclusion of the Christmas season.

ST. LEO'S SENIORS MEETING



This Wednesday, November 29th, St. Leo's Seniors will meet in the Parish Community Center at 11:00 a.m. It will be our social meeting. **GAME DAY!!** Please join us for a fun afternoon.

Just a reminder to bring your Christmas Cards so they can be distributed at our Christmas Party on December 6th.

ST. LEO'S SENIORS CHRISTMAS CARDS

Members are requested to bring their Christmas cards to Church either the weekend of Nov. 25th/26th or the weekend of Dec. 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.



2018 MASS INTENTION BOOK



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

SHEPHERD ME, O GOD

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Marty Haugen

Refrain

Shep-herd me, O God, be - yond my wants, be -

yond my fears, from death in - to life.

1-3, 5 to Vss 1-3 5

4 to Verse 4 Final

life. life.

Verses 1-3

1. God is my shep-herd, so noth-ing shall I want, I
2. Gen - tly you raise me and heal my wea - ry soul, you
3. Though I should wan - der the val - ley of death, I

1. rest in the mead-ows of faith - ful - ness and love, I
2. lead me by path-ways of righ-teous-ness and truth, my
3. fear no e - vil, for you are at my side, your

to Re-frain

1. walk by the qui - et wa - ters of peace.
2. spir - it shall sing the mu - sic of your Name.
3. rod and your staff, my com-fort and my hope.

Verse 4

4. You have set me a ban-quet of love in the face of

to Re-frain

4. ha-tred, crown-ing me with love be-yond my pow'r to hold.

Verse 5

5. Sure-ly your kind-ness and mer-cy fol-low me all the days of my

to Re-frain

5. life; I will dwell in the house of my God for-ev - er - more.

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ADOPT-A-CHILD

Many names are still available for St. Leo's Adopt-a-Child for Christmas Program.
Please call so each child will receive a gift.

If you wish to purchase a gift for a needy child,
please call Jeanne Sabol at 216-351-6247 or
Judi Westerburg at 216-642-0134.

**GIFTS ARE TO BE WRAPPED AND DROPPED OFF AT
THE PARISH COMMUNITY CENTER
FROM 3–7 P.M. SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9th**

If you cannot drop off your gifts at these times, you may leave
them at the rectory anytime before December 8th.

Monetary contributions may be placed in the collection basket.
Please mark "Adopt-A-Child" check payable to St. Leo Parish.



This year we are very fortunate to have The First Catholic Slovak Ladies Association, Jr. Branch 014, as a sponsor of Adopt a Child. They will donate up to \$600.00 in matching funds. We are most grateful for their generosity.

CLUSTER CORNER

MARY QUEEN OF PEACE...Free concert—Crooked River Chorale, a repertory choir signing sacred and secular music from Akron, Ohio. They will offer "Sounds for the Season" on Sunday, December 3rd at 2 pm.

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

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!