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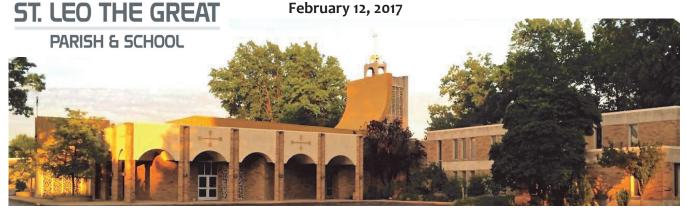
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SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

February 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 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, Dorothy Forister,

Ann Sazpansky, Larry Kuznik, Jo Hoffman, Anna Mendoza, John Risko, Glenn "Joe" Hess, Dianne Soler, Muffie Bone, Theresa Truxall, Gary LaBuda, Jeanette Klaehn, Theresa Kowal, Trudy Miller, Dave Zonneville, Larry Carrino, Ruth Frohlich, Carol Phillip, Ashley Dayle, Brett Bennett, & Michael Vendetti





GREAT SWEEPSTAKES WINNER

IRENE VENESKY \$100.00 - February 6th

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

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

Kristhian Guillen, OFM Cap. Capuchin Franciscan Friars Seminarian 1st Year



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



PARISH SUPPORT Sunday, February 5, 2017

Basket Collection\$	8,581.50
WeShare (online)\$	1,515.00
Total\$	10,096.50
Latin America	\$560.00

Thank you for your continued support!



February 13th to February 19th

Monday, February 13th: Weekday

7:30 a.m. +Mary Corona (Lenora Pastirik)

Tuesday, February 14th: SS. Cyril & Methodius

7:30 a.m. +Louis Chiappetta (Family) Wednesday, February 15th: Weekday

7:30 a.m. +Victor & Mary Ellen Stader (Miriam Fontaine)

Thursday, February 16th: Weekday

7:30 a.m. To be announced

Friday, February 17th: The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

8:30 a.m. Mike & Steven Gabel (Eva Shuss)

Saturday, February 18th: Weekday

4:00 p.m. Seniors

Sunday, February 19th: 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. People of the Parish

11:00 a.m. +Alfonso Nieves (Wife-Juanita)

(Rose Pelley will also be celebrating her 95th Birthday at the 11:00 a.m. Mass.)



First Reading: Sirach 15:15-20

The book of Sirach was written by a wise teacher who lived 200 years before Christ. Sirach ran a school for young people in Jerusalem. In today's passage, he urges his students to make the right choices in life.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 2:6-10

Paul continues to address the Corinthian community, who criticized him because, according to Greek standards, he lacked wisdom. To the Greeks, wisdom meant a certain pattern of logical reasoning that followed fixed forms. In this reading, Paul speaks of a wisdom that is far greater than this.



Readings for the Week of February 12, 2017

Sunday: Sir 15:15-20/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34/1 Cor 2:6-10/Mt 5:17-37

Monday: Gn 4:1-15, 25/Ps 50:1, 8, 16bc-17, 20-21/Mk

8:11-13

Tuesday: Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10/Ps 29:1a, 2, 3ac-4, 3b, 9c-10/

Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday: Gn 8:6-13, 20-22/Ps 116:12-15, 18-19/Mk 8:22-26

Thursday: Gn 9:1-13/Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23/Mk 8:27-33

Friday: Gn 11:1-9/Ps 33:10-15/Mk 8:34--9:1

Saturday: Heb 11:1-7/Ps 145:2-5, 10-11/Mk 9:2-13

Next Sunday: Lv 19:1-2, 17-18/Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13/1

Cor 3:16-23/Mt 5:38-48



Dear Parishioners,

As announced here last weekend, this Saturday, February 11th, we will celebrate the Anointing of the Sick during the 4pm Mass for those who are advanced in age or living with a serious illness. We'll invite you to come up with your palms up so that we can anoint you on your forehead and on the palms of your hands. If you usually receive Holy Communion on the tongue, don't stick it out at this time or you may get oil on your tongue.

On this World Day of the Sick weekend, please pray for Bob, Stan, Daniel, Sarah, Diane, Jeanette, Dorothy, Marie, Mike, Dennis, Carol, Jack, & Walter, all of whom I've visited or anointed or have been praying for myself as they struggle with illness. Please forgive me if I have forgotten to include your name but God knows who you are! May God's strength & peace be with them all.

This weekend we also have the annual Catholic Charities Appeal. Last weekend we heard Jesus tell us that we are light and salt for others, and the prophet Isaiah said that we must help the hungry, the naked, the oppressed and those without shelter. This is a very practical way for us to do just that! Be salt & light and fulfill the corporal works of mercy by your generosity through the Catholic Charities Agency, the largest of its kind throughout the world. We help thousands of people right here in the Cleveland area. Even if you can afford only a little, our small efforts and pledges still help greatly when combined with those of others. St. Leo's has a history of exceeding the goal given to us by the Diocese based upon our annual collection amounts, so let's keep our history intact. Remember the important words of Jesus: "You did it for me." More information can be found on our website and through our social media such as Twitter, Instagram, Facebook, etc. On Saturday, I'll shorten the procedure explanation as we anoint those who are ill but only because I trust that most know the simple procedure by now of filling out the pledge envelope. You can give a one time gift or have it deducted monthly from your checking/savings or credit/debit card account. It couldn't be simpler. My sincere thanks in advance for your continued generosity.

Our RCIA & Faith Formation Session next Sunday, February 19th, will be on the two Sacraments of Vocation: Matrimony and Holy Orders. Please join us at 9am in the Parish Community Center. Free coffee & donuts (the caffeine & sugar help to keep you awake as I talk).

This Tuesday, February 14th, is not only Valentine's Day but World Marriage Day. We ask God to bless those who are engaged, married, separated or divorced. May the God who is Love be with us in good times and in bad, in sickness and in health.

In. Jim Schmitz

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



Lux

Monday, February 13th 3:00 p.m. 4th gr. boys basketball practice

Lux 4:00 p.m. 8th gr. boys basketball practice Lux 6:45 p.m. PSR School 6:45 p.m. Girl Scouts #71821 Francis

Tuesday, February 14th

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

Wednesday, February 15th

4:00 p.m. 4th gr. girls basketball Lux 5:30 p.m. 8th gr. boys basketball practice Lux 5:30 p.m. Cub Scout Meeting Great

6:30 p.m. Girl Scouts #71720 Francis 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice Church

Thursday, February 16th

1:00 p.m. Women's Knitting Francis 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

Friday, February 17th

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

7:30 p.m. Recovery International Francis

Saturday, February 18th

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

Sunday, February 19th

9:00 a.m. Faith Formation/RCIA Great 12:30p.m. Couples for Christ Great 7:00 p.m. Coach Robison Adult Open Gym Lux

PLEASE NOTE: Our NEXT Faith Formation session will be held Sunday, February 19th at 9:00 a.m. in the Parish Center. Our session will be on the Sacraments of Vocation: Matrimony & Holy Orders.



RECTORY OFFICE CLOSED

Monday, February 20th, in observance of President's Day The Rectory Office will be closed on



ST. LEO THE GREAT SCHOOL NEWS

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR TOP THREE SPELLERS!



1st Place: Morgan Leary (center) 2nd Place: Conner Felty (left) 3rd Place: Ja'Varis Nolan (right)

Morgan will advance to the Cuyahoga County Scripps Spelling Bee on March 11, 2017

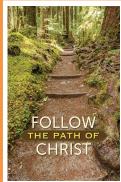
Faculty & Parent VS 8th Grade Basketball Game



Catholic Schools Week concluded with a friendly basketball game between the Faculty, Staff and Parents against the 8th Graders. It was a competitive game that showed strong character, athleticism and a wonderful spirit.

We are grateful for all who came out to support the teams!

KEEP UP TO DATE AND VISIT US AT WWW.LEOTHEGREAT.ORG



LIVE THE LITURGY INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

This week and next, Jesus presents challenges to Christians to go beyond the structures of the law and to engage in a deeper understanding of what it can mean to follow Christ. Are we ready to do that with our whole heart?

FISH DINNERS



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The fish dinners will be returning this year. Every Friday in Lent (except Good Friday), fish dinners will be served in Lux Hall between 4:30 and 7:00 p.m. Take out will be available as well. Look for the menu

and special features in the next few weeks. If anyone is interested in volunteering—setting up, preparing the food, serving the food, washing dishes, cleaning up—please call the rectory or send an email to nzola@leothegreat.org. If you can spare some time one or more of those Fridays, it would be appreciated. Thank you!

ROSARY



Please join us in reciting the rosary on Thursday, February 23rd at 7:00 p.m. in the church. In the event of severe weather, the rosary will be cancelled. All are invited to join us.

JAMES E. FLYNN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP



Apply Now, for the James E. Flynn Memorial Scholarship, sponsored by Unity Catholic Federal Credit Union.

This scholarship awards \$7,000 to support Catholic Education within the Diocese of Cleveland and Eparchy of Parma. We award:

- Four \$500 Scholarships to students Kindergarten through 8th grade
- Five \$1,000 Scholarships to students 9th-12th grade

The student must be a member of Unity Catholic Federal Credit Union. But don't worry it only takes \$5 to open a new member account and we will throw that in for you from February 1 to April 1, 2017.

Hurry the deadline for the Scholarship is April 1, 2017. You can get applications by visiting any office or on our website www.unitycatholiccu.org.



CONGRATULATONS

to the following students who made the Honor Roll:

TRINITY HIGH SCHOOL

Giuseppe Rolando Brianna Wamser

ST. IGNATIUS HIGH SCHOOL

Michael Kuznik, Patrick Criscuolo Charles Talarico

8TH GRADE CLASS FUNDRAISER WEDNESDAY, FEB. 15, 2017 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.



Please join us on February 15th at the Bob Evans Restaurant on Brookpark Rd. at 130th for an 8th Grade Fundraiser. Flyers will be available online on our Parish Website. You may also get a flyer at the Information Desk

in the Church, Rectory Office or School Office. A flyer must be presented to the cashier with the payment for your bill in order for the 8th Grade to get a 15% credit. The money raised will help the 8th Grade with their field trips. Thanks and God bless you for supporting the 8th grade class.

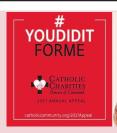
TAIZE PRAYER SERVICE

Saint Ignatius High School offers a Taize Prayer Service each month. The next one will be this Sunday evening, February 12, at 7:30pm, in St. Mary of the Assumption Chapel on the Saint Ignatius High School Campus (West 30th and Lorain, Cleveland). The 45-minute service, which features music, silence, candlelight, and Scripture, is a simple yet powerful experience of Christian prayer for young and old alike. Join us for a contemplative experience that has inspired the faithful all over the world. All are welcome!

CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

A Caregiver Support Group meets on the third Thursday of every month from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at Parma Care Center, 5553 Broadview Road, Parma. Our next meeting is Thursday, February 16th. Dinner is served at 5:00 p.m. and attendance is free. Please RSVP at 216-661-6800. We encourage all caregivers or someone supporting a caregiver to attend.

and Caregivers





2017 CATHOLIC CHARITIES ANNUAL APPEAL

The 2017 Catholic Charities Annual Appeal is underway with an in-pew commitment process taking place this weekend. This is not a special collection; rather, the Catholic Charities Annual Appeal represents the chance for all Catholics to make a significant pledge, payable in installments, to Catholic Charities, Diocese of Cleveland in order to support its mission of a society that stands united in its support of the "least among us." Many parishioners have received a letter from Bishop Thomas requesting their support. If you have not received this letter, please respond to the in-pew commitment process today! If you have received the mailing, please respond to it. There is a box on the in-pew envelope to indicate that you have responded by mail.

You did it for Me. Your support of the 2017 Catholic Charities Annual Appeal helps us to carry out the mission that Jesus entrusted to us: I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.' Please consider a generous gift that will change the lives of the 400,000 who are served each year in Northeast Ohio. Please pray for the success of the appeal, which provides for essential programs and services in need throughout all eight counties of the Diocese of Cleveland.

On behalf of the poor and needy of Northeast Ohio, thank you!

We invite you to view the stories of inspiration and more information at www.catholiccommunity.org/2017Appeal.

PARISH COMMUNITY CENTER

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.prices, and forms.

BUS TRIPS

Tuesday, March 21st—Saints Preserve Us Dublin, Ohio - \$80.00 per person

- Richens Timm Dance Academy-101 Irish Dance incl.
- ♦ Bogey Inn -Lunch & Saints Preserve Us Presentation
- Dublin Library-get guide for driving tour of Dublin
- ♦ Graeter's Ice Cream—ice cream included
- ◆ Depart 7:30 a.m.- Return 7:15 p.m. approx.

Contact Joanne Todd at 440-526-3505 for more information or to book your trip. **ALL ARE WELCOME!**



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



Jesus identifies himself with the needy person whom you assist. Remember His words: "I was hungry and you fed me". Our monthly food and staple collection for this month is next

weekend, February 18th and 19th. Our most needed items are canned corn, canned carrots, canned fruit, pancake syrup, jelly, cereal, tuna fish, rice and pasta sides, boxes of mashed potatoes, dish soap, bars of soap and toilet paper. Please help fill our food and staple needs. Thank you.

"SOCK AND UNDERWEAR DRIVE"...



The St. Vincent DePaul Outreach Organization will once again be having a "Sock and Underwear Drive" for men, women and children of all ages and sizes the weekend of March 4th and March

5th. Your donation will be sorted and turned over to the SVDP Ozanam Clothing Center to distribute to those in need. Cash donations would also be appreciated and can be dropped in the Collection basket with the envelope marked "SVDP Sock & Underwear Drive". Thank You.

SAVE THE DATE SATURDAY, APRIL 29, 2017



St. Leo the Great Athletics Annual Women's Reverse Raffle \$40.00 per person Doors open at 5:30pm Dinner 6:30pm Tickets on sale at Rectory

CLUSTER CORNER

MARY QUEEN OF PEACE—Blue Army Holy Hour...Sunday, February 19th at 1:00 p.m. to pray devotions to Our Lady of Fatima before the Blessed Sacrament.

ST. CHARLES BORROMEO—Ladies Guild Day of Recollection...Mon., Feb. 20th with Fr. Doug Brown speaking on "Our Lady of Fatima." We begin the day with Mass at 8:30am, and a continental breakfast. Please bring a brown bag lunch (coffee, tea and water will be provided). Our day ends with Benediction at 2:30pm. For more information, please call Pam Bennett at 440-888-1469

ST. THOMAS MORE—11th Annual Mardi Gras.. Saturday, Feb. 25th, from 5:30pm-Midnight. Tickets are \$25 or discounted for a whole table. \$10 tickets also available for admission after 8:00pm and DO NOT include dinner. Call the Rectory for ticket info.



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