



## ST. LEO THE GREAT PARISH & SCHOOL

6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

February 17, 2019

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Pastor  
**Father James J. Vesely**  
Retired

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Monday through Thursday ~ 9:00AM—7:00PM

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Saturday ~ Noon—5:30PM

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### SCHOOL HOURS:

Monday through Friday/School Day ~ 8:00AM—2:45PM

Main Office ~ 7:30AM—3:30PM

### 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.



### DOWNLOAD OUR MOBILE APP!

Read the latest bulletin, Pastor's blog and find other useful information on your mobile device.

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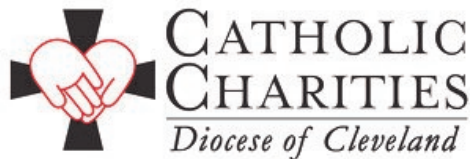


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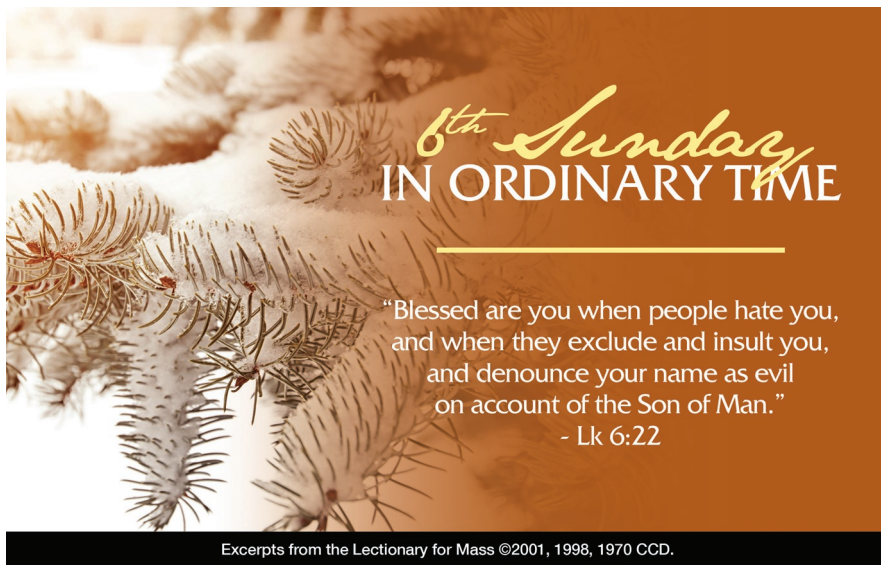




## 2019 ANNUAL APPEAL

Walk in Faith.  
Give in Joy.

The 2019 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 Perez 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. To give online visit [www.catholiccommunity.org/donate](http://www.catholiccommunity.org/donate) or call Karen Joyce at 216-696-6525 X 1910 or [kjoyce@catholiccommunity.org](mailto:kjoyce@catholiccommunity.org).



### LIVE THE LITURGY—INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Getting ahead in the world is something many see as important. Success, a comfortable life, and worldly securities are seen as what is needed to achieve happiness. Whether or not we like to admit it, these pursuits are operative in many of our lives. As much as we want to believe in the Gospel, we also find it hard not to cling to these other things. Unconditional trust in God must be first if we are going to perceive the kingdom of God. And while God does not want us to go out of our way to be miserable, Jesus clearly gives preference to those who are poor, hungry, weeping, marginalized, vulnerable, and despised. When people encounter these things, they touch God. It teaches us not to get too comfortable with our riches and that there is much more to true life than the stuff we find so important.

### WOMANKIND BABY BOTTLES

Please return your baby bottles to the church **THIS WEEKEND, February 16th/17th**. (If you prefer, checks should be made payable to *Womankind*.) The funds generated will help Womankind provide free prenatal care and support services to pregnant women in need. For more information about Womankind, check out their website at [www.womankindcleveland.com](http://www.womankindcleveland.com). Thank you.



### SANCTUARYCANDLE INTENTION



February 17th  
to March 2nd

**Dianne Holland**

Happy Birthday  
Grandma!

I Love & Miss You!

Love Always,  
Your Birthday Buddy, Brianne

### PLEASE REMEMBER RONALD IN YOUR PRAYERS.

*In Loving Memory*  
**RONALD PAUL URICH**  
*November 4, 1947 ~ February 4, 2019*



**FINAL RESTING PLACE**  
*Whitehaven  
Memorial Park  
Sec. E Lot 579  
Grave 4*

*The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; he leadeth me beside still waters. He restoreth my soul; he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for thou art with me. Thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies; thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.*

SCHULTE & MAHON-MURPHY FUNERAL HOME



## ST. LEO THE GREAT—CLEVELAND, OHIO

### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...



Sarah Geier, Edward P. Gorczyca,  
Betty Jayne Glover, Bob McLaughlin,  
Theresa Pauloski, Annamae Sironen,  
Jo Hoffman, John Risko, Glenn "Joe" Hess, Gary  
LaBuda, Jeanette Klaehn, Ruth Frohlich, Ron Vokac,  
Charles Hakaim, Walter Milewski, August Bublavsky,  
Carol Rucinski, Cara Prokop, Pat Chopka, Serena  
Jacobs, William Rebello, Cecilia Doris, Lori Stossell,  
Louise Horvath, Caitlin Soucek-Kacher,  
Elaine Houseknecht, Diane Kalus, Gloria Karich,  
Marie Stankiewicz, Irma Zappitelli, Eugene Parks,  
Rudy Dejelo, Dianne Toronski, Barb Miliam,  
Virginia Rescina and John Pahn.

*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.*

*Saint Teresa of Avila*



### GREAT SWEEPSTAKES WINNER!

**Arlene Sevic**

February 11, 2019—\$100.00 Winner

Don't forget to sign up for our **Great Sweepstakes weekly drawing**. Sign up forms are available at the Information Desk in the vestibule of the Church, or the Rectory Office.

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

**Mitchell Carson**

**St. Peter, North Ridgeville  
I Basselin, Theological College**

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



## Parish Support

### Sunday, February 10th

|                        |             |
|------------------------|-------------|
| Basket Collection..... | \$ 5,508.00 |
| WeShare(online).....   | \$ 845.00   |
| Total.....             | \$ 6,353.00 |
| Latin America.....     | \$ 585.00   |

**Thank you for your continued support!**



### Monday, February 18th: Weekday

7:30am +Maria Toro (Family)

### Tuesday, February 19th: Weekday

7:30am +Aramita Caraballo (Family)

### Wednesday, February 20th: Weekday

7:30am +Carol Sladewski (Lou)

### Thursday, February 21st: St. Peter Damian

7:30am Intention to be announced

### Friday, February 22nd: The Chair of St. Peter

8:30am +Helen Inez Franko & Alan Franko

(Sisters, Harriet & Wilma)

### Saturday, February 23rd: St. Polycarp

4:00pm Dianne & Jack Toronski

59th Wedding Anniversary

### Sunday, February 24th: 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am People of the Parish

11:00am +Denise Rooks (Frank & Judie Gruntkowski)

### First Reading: Jeremiah 17:5-8

In the last years before the crushing defeat of Jerusalem and the exile of many of its citizens to Babylon, Jeremiah watched the people destroying themselves through materialism and unfaithfulness to God. Here he sets before them a clear choice.

### Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1-12, 16-20

In last week's reading from first Corinthians, we heard the oldest written record of the Church's core tradition about Christ's resurrection. Today's passage follows directly from that, as Paul addresses concerns about our own resurrection.

### Readings for the week of February 17, 2019

**Sunday:** Jer 17:5-8/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4, 4, 6 /1 Cor 15:12, 16-20/Lk 6:17, 20-26

**Monday:** Gn 4:1-15,25/Ps 50:1&8,16bc-17,20-21/Mk8:11-13

**Tuesday:** Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10/Ps 29:1a and 2, 3ac-4, 3b and 9c-10/Mk 8:14-21

**Wednesday:** Gn 8:6-13, 20-22/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/Mk 8:22-26

**Thursday:** Gn 9:1-13/Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23/Mk 8:27-33

**Friday:** 1 Pt 5:1-4/Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6/Mt 16:13-19

**Saturday:** Heb 11:1-7/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 10-11/Mk 9:2-13

**Next Sunday:** 1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13/1 Cor 15:45-49/Lk 6:27-38

### DONUT SUNDAY



It's back! Please join us in the main church vestibule for donuts and coffee next Sunday, February 24th, after the 8:00 and 11:00 Masses.

Dear Parishioners,

Since spring training is just around the corner, we'll start it off by pinch-hitting for Fr. Schmitz. Fr. Schmitz's surgery went well. We've been in contact with him and he's in good spirits. Please continue to pray for a speedy recovery for him, and God willing, he's the next batter up! We would like to thank all who came for the Holy Hour last Sunday. It was well attended and a very moving experience. Thank you for your participation! Please continue to pray for all who are afflicted with cancer and other serious illnesses.

Have you ever considered what the Real Presence of Christ means to you? We would like to share some of our thoughts on Real Presence. First and foremost, Real Presence is Christ in the Eucharistic celebration at every Mass—that is Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity. Real Presence is found in each of us present whether in the congregation, the ushers, choir, altar servers, priest, deacon, Eucharistic Ministers, or lectors. We all play a role in bringing Christ to other in our own unique and special way.

For us, we have experienced the Real Presence of Christ because of each and every one of you. Your open arms, warm hearts and love for Christ and sharing that love with us has been a true affirmation of Christ being alive today. We are very happy to be a part of such a warm and welcoming parish community. We are all on this faith journey together. We're here to walk with you, pray for you and pray with you. Together we are the presence of Christ for each other and for our community, which expands beyond the boundaries of St. Leo the Great Parish.

Don't forget that the Catholic Charities Appeal is underway. Remember to make your pledge if you have not yet done so. If you have received a mailing from the diocese, please fill out that pledge card and return it to the diocese. If you threw it away, you will have the opportunity to make your pledge this weekend. The theme for the 2019 Appeal is *Walk in Faith, Give in Joy*. Catholic Charities supports many worthwhile programs within the Diocese of Cleveland. A gift to Catholic Charities could very well be a gift to one of your neighbors. We have heard of your past generosity here at St. Leo the Great and we hope that your generosity will continue.

We had the opportunity to interview the PSR Confirmandi and we were very impressed by their faith journey and responses to the questions. Please pray for all the Confirmandi from the school and PSR who will be celebrating their Confirmation on Saturday, March 2 at the 4:00 PM Mass. Bishop Nelson Perez will be the celebrant. All are welcome to come and celebrate with them.

We hope that this column wasn't a swing and a miss. Have a great week and God Bless!

Deacon Pat and Joan Berigan

## THIS WEEK AT ST. LEO'S

### Monday, February 18th—PRESIDENT'S DAY SCHOOL & PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

|                                      |     |
|--------------------------------------|-----|
| 3:00pm 3rd Gr. Boys B-Ball Practice  | Lux |
| 4:00pm 4th Gr. Girls B-Ball Practice | Lux |
| 5:30pm 6th Gr. Girls B-Ball Practice | Lux |
| 7:00pm 4th Gr. Boys B-Ball Practice  | Lux |

### Tuesday, February 19th

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| 8:30am SVDP Packing/Receiving             | Church   |
| 4:15pm 5th/8th Grade Boys B-Ball Practice | Lux      |
| 6:30pm Girl Scouts #71416                 | Basement |

### Wednesday, February 20th

|                                      |        |
|--------------------------------------|--------|
| 9:30am Parish Catechetical Leaders   | Great  |
| 3:00pm 3rd Gr. Boys B-Ball Practice  | Lux    |
| 4:00pm 4th Gr. Girls B-Ball Practice | Lux    |
| 5:30pm 6th Gr. Girls B-Ball Practice | Lux    |
| 6:30pm Choir Practice                | Church |
| 7:00pm 4th Gr. Boys B-Ball Practice  | Lux    |

### Thursday, February 21st

|   |            |
|---|------------|
| 1:00pm Woman's Knitting                   | Conference |
| 4:15pm 5th/8th Grade Boys B-Ball Practice | Lux        |

### Friday, February 22nd

|                                     |          |
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| 3:00pm 6th Gr. Boys B-Ball Practice | Lux      |
| 7:00pm Rosary                       | Church   |
| 7:30pm Recovery International       | Basement |

### Saturday, February 23rd

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|-----------------------------|----------|
| 7:30am CYO Site Center      | Lux      |
| 2:45 to 3:30 pm Confessions | Church   |
| 3:00pm Grapevine            | Basement |

### Sunday, February 24th

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| 11:30am CYO Site Center | Lux |
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### RECTORY OFFICE CLOSED

The Rectory Office will be closed this  
**Monday, February 18th,**  
in observance of President's Day.



### ROSARY

Please join us in praying the rosary in  
the church on Friday, February 22nd at  
7:00p.m.



### CONGRATULATIONS

To the following students  
who made Honor Roll

### HOLY NAME HIGH SCHOOL

Audrianna Sadosky

### TRINITY HIGH SCHOOL

Madeline Gercak, Daniel Palmer,  
& Alexis Pickett

## ST. LEO THE GREAT—CLEVELAND, OHIO

### FISH DINNERS



Join us for the fish dinners this year. Every Friday in Lent (except Good Friday), fish dinners will be served in Lux Hall between 4:30pm & 7:00pm.

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](mailto:nzola@leothegreat.org). If you can spare some time one or more of those Fridays, it would be appreciated. Thank you!

### LOBSTER DINNER



Once again we will have a special lobster dinner during the fish dinners this Lenten season. Please check the bulletin for more details.

### BOY SCOUT CLOTHING DRIVE



Boy Scout Troop 24 will be doing a Clothing Drive on Saturday March 30, 2019 in the parking lot from 9:00am—11:00am. They will accept gently used clothes, blankets, bedding, towels, stuffed animals, etc. Any questions, please contact Mike Robinson 216-409-3733.

### INFORMATION DESK



Please stop by and visit our Information Desk in the back of the church after all Masses on the weekends for the following:

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

## 40 DAYS FOR LIFE

From March 6th to April 14th, you are invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life—40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. Plan to join us at the Kickoff Rally at St. Columbkille Church on March 5 at 7pm with Bishop Nelson Perez as the Keynote Speaker. Contact John Noall at [clevelandpraysforlife@gmail.com](mailto:clevelandpraysforlife@gmail.com). or call him at 216-245-9744 for more information.

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



Let your heart and means dictate what to share. Your contributions will enable the St. Vincent de Paul Outreach Organization to deliver your message of good cheer to our needy neighbors. The Poor Boxes can be seen as the “bread boxes” of those less fortunate. Your help really does make a difference!

### PARISH COMMUNITY CENTER

#### GREAT ROOM FOR RENT

The Great Room, located in our Parish Community Center is available to **rent for special events, all types of parties, meetings, funeral luncheons, etc.**

For information or to book, please contact Mina Rolando at 216-544-0190 or visit our parish website at [leothegreat.org](http://leothegreat.org).



### ST. LEO THE GREAT ATHLETICS WOMEN'S REVERSE RAFFLE Saturday, April 27, 2019 CHINESE NEW YEAR

**\*\*GRAND PRIZE \$3,000.00\*\***

- ◇ Doors Open 5:30 PM
- ◇ Dinner at 6:30 PM
- ◇ Dinner-Open Bar-Sideboards and More!
- ◇ \$50.00 ticket \*21 and Over\*

#### TICKETS NOW AVAILABLE AT THE RECTORY

\*\*\*Tickets purchased by MARCH 1st will be entered into an EARLY BIRD DRAWING\*\*\*

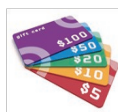
### HOMEBOUND



Do you have a loved one confined to home or in a local nursing home? Would they like a visit from the pastoral staff at St. Leo the Great?

Contact Deacon Pat or Joan Berigan at the rectory (216-661-1006) and leave us the details.

### GIFT CARD PROGRAM



We encourage everyone to participate in Our Gift Card Program, as it is an excellent, easy and convenient way to help support our Parish. There is great potential in this program. Purchase cards for all needs, including everyday purchases, travel, and a wonderful way to say thank you to someone. 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.

**PLEASE STOP BY AND  
SUPPORT THIS PROGRAM.**



## St. Leo the Great School Newsletter

Church Bulletin Edition



It's Coming Soon! Be Prepared!

St. Leo the Great PTC is  
hosting a  
**Community Garage  
Sale!**

St. Leo School Gym  
March 10, 2019

Interested in Selling your past  
treasures? Ready to clear out  
your attics and garages? Buy a  
spot from PTC for \$20 and keep  
all your profits!

More Information can be found  
in the Rectory or School Office  
or contact Heather Osborne at  
laurensmom113@yahoo.com

**Vendors are Welcome!**



### Kindergarten Character Day!

Both kindergarten classes participat-  
ed in character day. Students  
dressed like the character in their  
favorite book.

With so many great characters  
it was hard to pick a favorite!

Their love of reading really showed in  
their excitement to share their favorite  
book with everyone in class!



**Open Enrollment is NOW!**  
**Taking applications for New Students!**

**Preschool - 3 & 4 year olds**  
**Full Time or Part Time Days!**  
Preschool accepts the County Voucher



**Full Day Kindergarten**  
**Thru Grade 8**  
Accept Cleveland &  
EdChoice Scholarships

The Cleveland Scholarship Program and EdChoice Scholarship Application Period **IS OPEN NOW!**

This program provides new educational choices for children in kindergarten through twelfth grade.

**Don't Wait! Apply Now!**

### BUS TRIP

#### COLUMBUS—HOLLYWOOD CASINO

**TUESDAY, MARCH 19TH**-Cost: \$32.00 per person

Report: 8:30am Depart 9:00am —Arrive 12:00pm

Casino bonus: \$5 free slot play & \$5 food

Depart 5:00pm (rest stop enroute -on own)

Return: approx. 8:00pm



#### AMERICA'S HOMETOWN-WILLOUGHBY, OH

**Thursday, April 25, 2019** – Cost \$85.00 per person

Report: 8:00am—Depart 8:30am

Return: approx. 5:30pm

A step-on-guide will share with us history, culture & secrets of Little Town America. Lunch at Willoughby Brewing Company, Dessert at Baby Cakes Cupcake shop, Shopping time on little main street and end with a stop at the Irish Pub.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

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

### CLUSTER CORNER

**MARY QUEEN OF PEACE**—Join us this Sunday, February 17th at 2pm in the Chapel for our Blue Army Holy Hour with prayers and devotions offered for the intercession of Our Lady of Fatima.

**ST. CHARLES BORROMEO**—Ladies Guild Day of Recollection will be this Monday, Feb. 18th with Sr. Mary Ann Flannery, SC as our speaker. The topic will be "The Growth Mindset and Spiritual Maturity."

**ST. THOMAS MORE-TETÉLESTAI** "It is finished" will be presented by the Cleveland Performing Arts ministries here on March 22nd/23rd at 8:00pm and March 24th at 2:00pm. Free Admission-Donations Accepted.

## ATTENTION BUSINESS OWNERS. SELF-EMPLOYED AND FAMILIES!

Build your business and  
help us grow a vibrant  
faith community!

**Available**  
ADVERTISING SPACE



**Jason Novicky** from LPi, our bulletin printer, is in our office this week (2/11/19), securing new ads for our bulletin. Please consider purchasing an ad, sponsoring a charity, or in Memory of a Loved One. Your participation makes our bulletin successful, and you attract customers!

### BENEFITS OF ADVERTISING

- Local, targeted community advertising for **one full year, at one low price.**
- A FREE ad listing on **parishesonline.com.**
- FREE, professional ad design, and 4 free ad changes per year.

**Jason Novicky**  
216-258-6185 | jnovicky@4LPi.com



### *Women's Retreat*

### **Martha's Day Out Ladies Lenten Retreat**

St. Adalbert Church—Father Keller Center

66 Adalbert Street - Berea, Ohio

Monday, March 11, 2019—8:00am - 3:00pm

Speaker: Fr. Charles Butkowski, Pastor St. Adalbert Parish

Check in begins at 8:00am and includes continental breakfast. Catered luncheon will be served. The cost is \$20.00. To register please call St. Adalbert's Parish Office at 440-234-6830.