



ST. LEO THE GREAT PARISH & SCHOOL

4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

February 3, 2019

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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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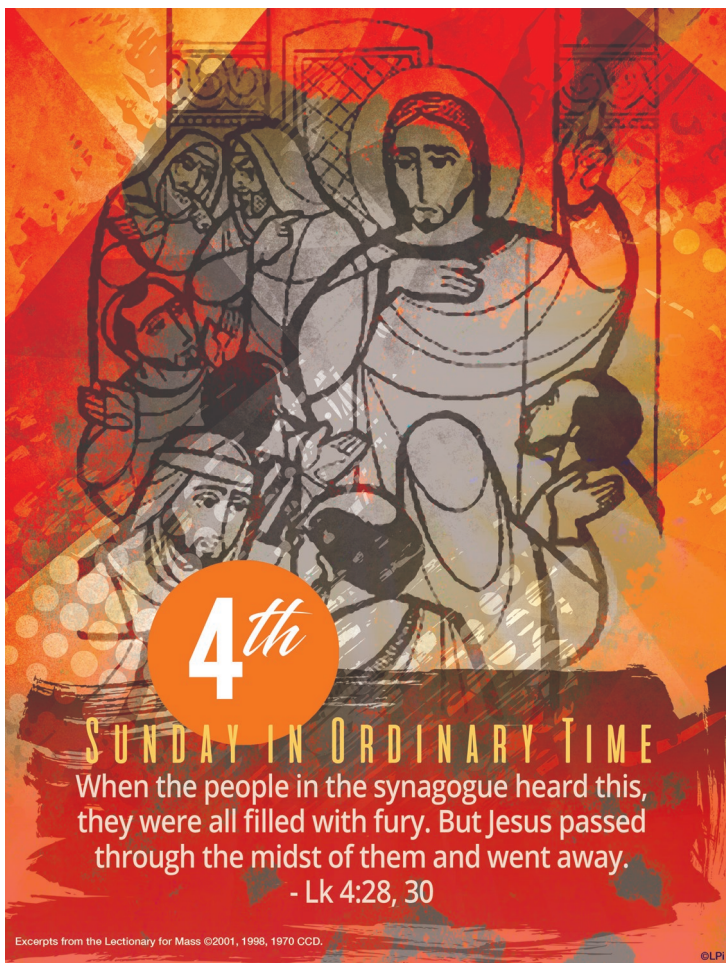


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LIVE THE LITURGY INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

No one wants to listen to a prophet, especially when the prophet is someone close to us. We have a hard time accepting that ordinary associations can develop the type and depth of wisdom that can not only positively change lives but profoundly challenge them. To many folks, Jesus was simply the son of Joseph, even though his words caught their attention and amazed them. After his words sunk in, they were infuriated and drove him out of town. Is Jesus simply the son of Joseph to us as well, or is he the God who knew us before we were formed in the womb? If he is God, then we need to heed his message and change our lives accordingly.



COLLECTION FOR THE CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA

Thank you for your generous support last week of the Collection for the Church in Latin America. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! Visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections and click "How to Give" on the left. Your gift makes a difference!

Walk in Faith. Give in Joy.

The 2019 Catholic Charities Annual Appeal will take place the **weekend of February 16th/17th** in our parish. Please refer to the insert in next week's bulletin which includes our parish's goal and an overview of the importance of Catholic Charities in our communities. This year's appeal theme is **Walk in Faith. Give in Joy**. Your generous support will transform the lives of others, to offer dignity, possibilities and companionship to those who are most vulnerable. Hear from three people whose lives have been transformed by you at www.catholiccommunity.org/videos.

As in the past, an in-pew commitment process will take place the **weekend, February 16-17**. All who have not received the mailing from Bishop Perez, or have not had a chance to respond to it, will be asked to consider making a generous pledge to support the ministries and services provided by Catholic Charities. If you have received the mailing, please respond generously.

For more information about the Appeal and how your gifts will be used to help others, visit www.catholiccommunity.org/2019Appeal or contact Karen Joyce at 216-696-6525 X 1910 or kjoyce@catholiccommunity.org.



WOMANKIND BABY BOTTLES



Once again our parish is participating in the Womankind Baby Bottle Fundraiser. We are doing this fundraiser at this time of the year to coincide with the Roe vs. Wade Ruling.

The baby bottles can be found at the entrances of the church. Please take the baby bottles home, fill them with your loose change, and return them to the church the weekend of 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. Thank you.

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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 and
Virginia Rescina



GREAT SWEEPSTAKES WINNER!

Gary Jr. and Heather Skelley

January 28, 2019—\$100.00 Winner

Don't forget to sign up for our **Great Sweepstakes weekly drawing**. Forms to sign up 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.

Timothy Rubeling
Capuchin Formation Program
First Year, Borromeo



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

Parish Support

Sunday, January 27th

Due to the inclement weather the contribution figures
for last weekend were not available at the time of
publishing.

Thank you for your continued support!



Monday, February 4th: Weekday

7:30am +Ann Szpansky (Joseph & Ann Marie Meyer)

Tuesday, February 5th: St. Agatha

7:30am +Brigida Samera (Cora Cancino)

Wednesday, February 6th: St. Paul Miki & Companions

7:30am +Lukesic Family (Family)

Thursday, February 7th: Weekday

7:30am Intention to be announced

Friday, February 8th: Weekday

8:30am +Vincent Triscari (Son, Shane Triscari)+-

Saturday, February 9th: Weekday

4:00pm +Alfonso Nieves (Juanita Nieves)

Sunday, February 10th: 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am People of the Parish

11:00am +Bernadette Lekan (Barbara Crawford)

First Reading: Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19

Today we hear about Jeremiah's call to be a prophet. It came when he was quite young. It also came at a time of turmoil when Babylon was in the process of conquering the entire Near East. That's why Jeremiah felt uneasy about the call. God, however, refused to take "no" for an answer.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13

We will recognize today's passage from first Corinthians as one that is often read at weddings. Actually, the context is not marriage, but squabbles in the Christian community in Corinth over whose spiritual gifts were most important. Paul goes to the heart of the matter.

Readings for the week of February 3, 2019

Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17/1 Cor 12:31-13:13

Monday: Heb 11:32-40/Ps 31:20, 21, 23, 24/Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday: Heb 12:1-4/Ps 22:26b-27, 28 and 30, 31-32/Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday: Heb 12:4-7, 11-15/Ps 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18a/Mk 6:1-6

Thursday: Heb 12:18-19, 21-24/Ps 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 9, 10-11/Mk 6:7-13

Friday: Heb 13:1-8/Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9abc/Mk 6:14-29

Saturday: Heb 13:15-17, 20-21/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Mk 6:30-34

Next Sunday: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8 /1 Cor 15:1-11

Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,
before you were born I dedicated you,
a prophet to the nations I appointed you. (Jer 1:5)

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



Dear Parishioners,

Remember back in November that I announced in the bulletin that we would have throat blessings after all the Masses? Somehow I was thinking we were celebrating the feast of St. Blaise on November 3rd, but everybody knows it's February 3rd, this Sunday. I was having some kind of time warp in my brain. But I'm better now & know that this weekend really is the feast of St. Blaise, so Deacon Pat & I will start blessing throats during the closing song. Here's the prayer we say: "Through the intercession of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from every disease of the throat and from every other evil, in the name of the †Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."

The JourneySong music books in the pews were purchased over 15 years ago. Though hardbound and sturdy, they prevent us from singing songs that have been written since that time. So we have ordered annual paperbound books called "Breaking Bread" hymnals that are in use in many parishes. They also include the Mass prayers & readings which may allow us to eliminate the Mass cards that are in the pews. I am hoping to keep the JourneySong books in the pews along with the Breaking Bread hymnals but I'm not sure if both books will fit. Let me know what you think of the new song books when they arrive & are put into the pews.

I was asked by one of our school teachers to show the "Reconciliation Rooms" to the 2nd graders who are preparing to make their first confession. Most of us know these rooms as the "confessional" but I used to think of them as the torture chambers when I was a kid. At that time, in the 1960's, there was no "face to face" option. The confessionals were typically very dark and small and you knelt before the screen waiting nervously for the priest to open that screen door. How times have changed. It's not scary anymore. I'll say more when the Diocese has our annual "Evening of Confession" next month.

I will be visiting with friends & my sister down south this week and I'm glad I'll have a chance to thaw out after our below zero temperatures this past week. I was visiting a nun friend of mine who is having cancer surgery this Wednesday (please say a prayer for her!) & she reminded me that the date of my surgery, February 11th, is the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, a title for Mary who appeared to St. Bernadette in Lourdes, France. Millions of people have made a pilgrimage there seeking healing of their illnesses, so I couldn't think of a better day for me to seek healing than on this feast day. So we pray, Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for all the sick.

Fr. Jim Schnitz

THIS WEEK AT ST. LEO'S



Monday, February 4th

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 Girl Scouts #71066	Basement
6:45 p.m. PSR Classes	School
7:00pm 4th Gr. Boys B-Ball Practice	Lux

Tuesday, February 5th

4:15pm 5th/8th Grade Boys B-Ball Practice	Lux
6:30pm Girl Scouts #71416	Basement

Wednesday, February 6th

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
7:00pm Girl Scouts #70220	Basement

Thursday, February 7th

1:00pm Woman's Knitting	Conference
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Friday, February 8th

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

Saturday, February 9th

7:30am CYO Basketball Site Center	Lux
2:45 to 3:30 pm Confessions	Church
3:00pm Grapevine	Basement
5:30pm to 8:30pm Sweetheart Dance	Lux

Sunday, February 10th

11:30am to 6:00pm CYO Basketball Site Center	Lux
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SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTION

February 3rd to February 16th



In Loving Memory of
Bill Kordick
Happy Heavenly Birthday

From: Your Wife

RECORD OF 2018 CONTRIBUTIONS



To receive a copy of your 2018 contribution statement, please email your request to mlhauck@leothegreat.org.

You can also stop at the information desk in the vestibule of the church after Mass or call the Rectory Office at 216-661-1006. Please indicate how you would like to receive your statement—pick up in back of church, office, or mail.

ONLINE GIVING IS HERE!



Online Giving is 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.

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SAVE THE DATE
SATURDAY,
APRIL 27, 2019

St. Leo the Great Athletics
Annual Women's Reverse Raffle
Tickets coming soon!

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.**

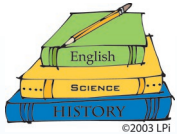
For information or to book, please contact Mina Rolando at 216-544-0190 or visit our parish website at leothegreat.org.

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. If anyone has any questions, please contact Mike Robinson 216-409-3733.



CONGRATULATIONS...
to the following students
who made the Honor Roll:

TRINTY HIGH SCHOOL

Connor DiSiena, Madalyn Eder, &
Giacomo Rolando & John Saplak

ST. IGNATIUS HIGH SCHOOL

Connor Gisztel, Tristan Holleran,
Alexander Nodge & John Novak

ST. JOSEPH ACADEMY

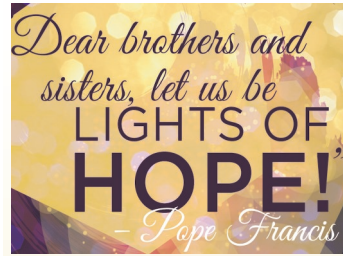
Alexis Januszewski, Hannah Nodge,
Kamyra Plicka, Marlena Noeth, Sarah Schubert,
Cecilia Stroemple, & Julianna Stroemple

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



Birthright is a pregnancy service that helps pregnant women and new mothers. We are currently seeking volunteers for our Lakewood office to answer the phones, make up infant layettes and help women find community resources. No experience is necessary and training is provided. If you are interested in helping us help the women and babies of our community, please call Toni Sabo at 216-228-5998 for more information.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



To be sure you Charitable donations are being used the way you intend them to be, please consider donating to your St. Vincent De Paul Outreach Organization throughout the year. We

are a volunteer organization that provides assistance to the needy in our area, whether it is due to job layoffs, illness or other misfortune. No questions are asked about religious affiliation, and everything is kept confidential.

The Organization prides itself on the fact that ALL donations go directly back to the people we serve. There is NO overhead, NO administration cost, and ALL services are volunteered, so Contributors can be assured their donations are being put to the best use.

Remember that people need help throughout the whole year. Of course, there is always a sharp increase for our services at this time of the year as the weather gets colder. Our Poor Boxes are located at the entrances of the Church. You can also put your donation in an envelope and mark it "St. Vincent de Paul". We thank you for your continued support.

JUMP START ON SPRING CLEANING



Cleveland Right to Life, Inc.,
"Treasures for Life Thrift Shop", 4427
State Rd. (at Ruby); 216-661-3000;
Open Monday thru Saturday, 10:00am
to 2:00pm, needs your donations of
new/gently used goods. God Bless!

Choosing Christ



Choosing Christ :A Lenten retreat for young adults in their 20's and 30's.

Do you desire to deepen your personal relationship with Christ? Do you need time for quiet, prayer and spiritual guidance in the presence of a young adult community? The **Choosing Christ Retreat** may be what you are looking for. This young adult gathering is being offered Friday, March 8, 7:00 p.m. until Sunday, March 10th at 2:00 p.m. It will be held at Bethany Retreat Center in Chardon, OH. The cost is only \$55. For more information or to register, visit charis.org/choosingchrist_2019_cleveland. For questions, contact Sr. Kate Hine, SND, khine@ndec.org.

St. Leo the Great School Newsletter

Church Bulletin Edition

Catholic Schools Week - 2019



Last week we kicked off Catholic Schools Week with the **NED show**. NED is a loveable cartoon character whose name is an acronym for *Never give up, Encourage others, and Do your best*. Students loved the assembly, especially the parts with the Yo-Yo's! On Friday evening, our PTC had **"Family Movie Night"** showing "The Incredibles 2" on a big screen in the gym. **Open House** was held on Sunday. It was well attended by new families interested in St. Leo's as well as current families coming to see their child's classrooms and teachers. Guests enjoyed Jack Frost donuts and coffee and were able to view the 6th and 8th Grade Science Fair along with the Book Fair in the



Learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed.



gym. Monday morning students brought their **"Special Guest"** to enjoy breakfast with them. Everyone enjoyed breakfast and spending the morning together. Later that day the students were thoroughly entertained by the St. Edward High School **"Trash Talkers"**. A unique percussion group comprised entirely of students from St. Edward High School - Part drumline, part Stomp, they perform all their musical pieces on recycled "instruments" like metal trash cans and plastic buckets. It was an **exciting performance!** Tuesday brought Magician and Illusionist, **David Anthony** to perform for the students. His unique show was entertaining and had the students and faculty AMAZED!

The Arctic Blast came in to Cleveland on Wednesday and Thursday, which cancelled other events that were planned. At the time of this writing - we are hopeful to be back to school on Friday for **Student Appreciation day** and the 8th Grade vs. Faculty Basketball game! All in all, Catholic Schools Week was a success!



CHRIST IN ME ARISE

Trevor Thomson



Christ in me a - rise and dis - pel all the dark-ness.



Christ in me a - rise with your pow - er and your strength.



Christ in me pour out your bless - ing and heal - ing.



Christ in me a - rise and I shall rise with you.



1. Be now my vi - sion; o - pen these eyes, show-ing me
2. Be now my foot-steps, lead-ing the way, tak - ing me



1. all that I must see, / On-ward to the king-dom,
2. where I must go. \



1, 2. you are the way. A - rise in me and I shall rise with you.



You know my heart and you know my ways, you who



formed me in my moth-er's womb. I live and move in you,



my whole be - ing thrives in you.

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Available Ad Space

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

Jason Novicky from LPi, our bulletin printer, will be in our office the week of **February 11th**, 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



BUS TRIPCOLUMBUS OHIO—HOLLYWOOD

CASINO Tuesday, February 12th

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

Cost: 32.00 per person

ALL ARE WELCOME!

Contact Joanne Todd at 440-526-3505

CLUSTER CORNER

MARY QUEEN OF PEACE—Bingo every Friday in the Parish Center. Doors Open 4:30pm. Food & snacks available.

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

ST. THOMAS MORE—Please join us every Tuesday at 7:00 pm. in the Marian Chapel to pray the rosary for world peace.