



ST. LEO THE GREAT PARISH & SCHOOL

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

March 12, 2017

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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.

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PLEASE REMEMBER... Margaret Zisk, Sarah Geier, Edward P. Gorczyca, Betty Jayne Glover, Bob McLaughlin, Stella Sugalski, Robert Holshue, Donna Mlady, Mike Manzo, Cheri Minch, Theresa Pauloski, Annamae Sironen, Ann Szpansky, Larry Kuznik, Jo Hoffman, Anna Mendoza, John Risko, Glenn "Joe" Hess, Diane Soler, Muffie Bone, Theresa Truxall, Gary LaBuda, Jeanette Klaehn, Dave Zonneville, Larry Carrino, Ruth Frohlich, Michael Venditti, Stanley Kosiba, Zbyszek Spolna, Mary Jane Funta & Anna Tulenew.

GIFT CARD CERTIFICATES



The Gift Card Program is an excellent and convenient way to help support your Parish. A complete list of the gift cards is available at the Information Desk in the vestibule of the church, on our website or at the Rectory Office. **THANK YOU!**



GREAT SWEEPSTAKES WINNER

JOSEPH A. DOBAY
\$100.00 - March 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.

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE



The American Red Cross Blood Drive will be at St. Leo's Lux Hall **this Sunday, March 12th**, from 8:30a.m. to 12:00p.m. Please stop by and donate!

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

Br. Ross Henley, OFM Cap.
Capuchin Franciscan Friars
Post-Novitate

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



PARISH SUPPORT
Sunday, March 5, 2017

Basket Collection.....	\$ 8,063.15
WeShare (online)	1,500.00
Total	\$ 9,563.15
 Ash Wednesday.....	 \$ 405.00
Black/Indian Mission.....	\$ 647.00

Thank you for your continued support!



March 13th to March 19th

Monday, March 13th: Lenten Weekday
7:30 a.m. +Theresa Anderson (Jack Manning)

Tuesday, March 14th: Lenten Weekday
7:30 a.m. Teri Kocevar (Colleen Stuczynski)

Wednesday, March 15th: Lenten Weekday
7:30 a.m. +Cecilia Graves (Don Graves)

Thursday, March 16th: Lenten Weekday
7:30 a.m. To be announced

Friday, March 17th: St. Patrick
8:30 a.m. +Heidi Millard (Friend)

Saturday, March 18th: St. Cyril of Jerusalem
4:00 p.m. Seniors

Sunday, March 19th: Third Sunday of Lent
8:00 a.m. People of the Parish
11:00 a.m. +Tyler Hicker (Jean & Gina)

First Reading: Genesis 12:1-4a

The first chapters of Genesis have very little historical foundation but they teach religious truths in parable form. Today we begin the 12th chapter which contains stories with identifiable historical roots. The first of these is the call of Abraham, who original name was "*Abram*".

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 1:8b-10

The second letter of Timothy, although probably written some 30 years after Paul's death, was written in his name. This was an acceptable practice at that time. It was not a forgery, but an acknowledged way of continuing someone's spirit and authority. In this passage, the author encourages the readers in the face of trial.

Readings for the Week of March 12, 2017

Sunday: Gn 12:1-4a/Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22/2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8-9, 11, 13/Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday: Is1:10,16-20/Ps 50:8-9,16bc-17,21,23/Mt23:1-12

Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14-16/Mt 20:17-28

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-4, 6/Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-21/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-4, 9-12/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Next Sunday: Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-9/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK...The transfiguration of



Jesus in today's Gospel serves as a foretaste of the Resurrection. Each Lent we are given this vision on the second Sunday to encourage us in our penitential practices so that we may come to celebrate Easter joy.

FROM THE
PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners,

We had a great crowd at our first Fish Fry this year. So thanks to all those who came to enjoy a good meal and thanks especially to all those very hard workers who spend hours here every week preparing the meal for so many others to enjoy. It's not just a great fundraiser but more importantly a time for us as a community to enjoy each other's company while also enjoying a great meal. This past Friday we had lobster tails to enjoy and next Friday, on St. Patrick's Day, we will have corned beef as one of our choices thanks to the dispensation of Bishop Daniel Thomas from the usual Friday of Lent no meat rule. Remember to join us in the Parish Community Center for a great video of Bishop Robert Barron speaking about our Catholic Faith. We have coffee & pastries available & will give everyone a free copy of his book which contains the message of the videos.

The number of people in our parish who are homebound continues to grow so we stand in need of Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist who are willing to bring them Holy Communion after one of our weekend Masses. If you help distribute Communion, please consider letting us know that you would be available for this important ministry. We limit your visits to just one or two people a weekend & it takes only a few minutes of your time as we try to connect you with someone who is close by your own home. Once you arrive at the home of the parishioner, you can read one of the readings for the day or pray the Lord's Prayer with them or a combination of these depending upon the circumstances but it's usually a short visit. If you would be interested in becoming a new Eucharistic Minister for this purpose, please be sure to let me know & I can give you more information & answer whatever questions you have. We want to do our best to make sure every parishioner has access to this Sacrament of Christ's presence and that we allow them to remain connected to our parish community especially when they are homebound and/or ill. Robin Imbriotta, our Minister to the Sick and I bring Communion to people every week but we're not able to cover everyone in need. Please consider helping with this important need.

A few years ago, Bishop Lennon began the annual practice of having one night during Lent when priests at every parish would be available for "confession" or the Sacrament of Reconciliation. It has proved to be very well received. So this Wednesday, March 15th, Father Vesely & I will be on our "confessionals" or Reconciliation Rooms from 5pm until 8pm. You can also be confident to find priests available for this wonderful sacrament at every other Catholic church in the Diocese of Cleveland as well so please take advantage of this opportunity to celebrate God's mercy before Easter.

Fr. Jim Schmitz

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



Monday, March 13th

6:45 p.m. PSR	School
6:45 p.m. Girl Scouts #71821	Francis

Tuesday, March 14th

9:30 a.m. Catechetical Leaders Course	Great
6:30 p.m. SVDP	Francis

Wednesday, March 15th

5:30 p.m. Cub Scouts	Great
6:30 p.m. Girl Scouts #71720	Francis
7:00 p.m. Choir practice	Church

Thursday, March 16th

1:00 p.m. Women's Knitting	Francis
4:15 p.m. Cohort Training	Great

Friday, March 17th-Parish Office Closes at Noon

4:30-7:00 p.m. Fish Dinners	Lux
7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross	Church
7:30-8:30 p.m. Lenten Mission "Catholicism"	Great
7:30 p.m. Recovery International	Francis

Saturday, March 18th

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

Sunday, March 19th

9:00 a.m. RCIA/Faith Formation	Great
1:00p.m. Teens Encountering Christ	Gr & Francis
7:00 p.m. Coach Robison Adult Open Gym	Lux

PLEASE NOTE: Our NEXT Faith Formation session will be held Sunday, March 19th at 9:00 a.m. in the Parish Center. We will be discussing the MASS.



welcome *all*

Save the Date: An Evening of Confession
at all Catholic churches in the diocese.
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15 | 5 - 8 PM



"God never tires of forgiving us." - Pope Francis

Experience God's Mercy

Join us on Wednesday evening, March 15th for the annual diocesan-wide "Evening of Confession." All churches in the diocese will have confessors available from 5:00-8:00 p.m. Experience God's loving mercy. In the words of Pope Francis, "God never tires of forgiving us." This is an excellent Lenten practice as we prepare for Easter.



The Rectory Office will close
at 12:00 p.m. NOON
Friday, March 17th - St. Patrick's Day.

SATURDAY, APRIL 29, 2017

St. Leo the Great Athletics presents

DISCO NIGHT—our Annual Women's Reverse Raffle.



- ◆ Grand Prize \$2,000
- ◆ \$40.00 per person
- ◆ Doors open at 5:30pm
- ◆ Dinner 6:30pm
- ◆ Basket Raffles, Door Prizes
- ◆ Open Bar, Sideboards & More
- ◆ Tickets on sale at the Rectory

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Sunday, April 9th—PALM SUNDAY



Our 44th Annual Pancake Breakfast will be held in Lux Hall from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Palm Sunday, April 9th.

Featuring this year: Banana Bread French Toast. Our regular Breakfast

includes pancakes, eggs, sausage, juice, and coffee. The pancakes are all you can eat! Cost for regular pancake breakfast for adults is \$5 and children are \$3. Continue the tradition or start a new one, bring your family after Mass.



CONFIRMATION

On Saturday, March 25th The Abbott, Rt. Rev. Gary A. Hoover will confirm 17 young men and women from our parish at the 4:00 p.m. Mass. Please keep these young men and women in your prayers as they take this step along their journey in faith.

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
- contribution statements

Please feel free to stop by after Mass.

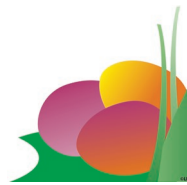
CONGRATULATIONS to the following students who made the Honor Roll.

PADUA HIGH SCHOOL



Justin Beckwith
Callie Burcham
Emmalee Clark
Addison Conroy
Brennan Conroy
Alainna Conroy
Nathan Hanzlick
Alyssa Lizzini
Esperanza Rivera
Jarrett Vah

PTC EASTER EGG HUNT



Please join us for an Easter Egg Hunt for children in grades Pre-K thru 5th on Palm Sunday, April 9th at 12:30 p.m. Pre-Registration is required. Forms will be available at School or the Rectory Office. Start with a Pancake Breakfast and join us for a great Egg Hunt. For more information or any questions, please contact Sarah Wolverton at 216-253-3297.

REGISTER WITH US



Have you moved into the area recently? Or have you been joining us for Mass? We would love to have you as a registered member of our parish family. It will take just a couple minutes of your time. Stop back at the information desk in the vestibule of the church, at the rectory office, or call 216-661-1006.

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.



WITNESS THE CATHOLIC FAITH
AS YOU HAVE NEVER SEEN IT BEFORE.

Video with Q & A from
7:30 to 8:30 p.m. each Friday of Lent
in the Parish Community Center.

Coffee and desserts will be available.

Free companion book will be distributed.

LESSON 3: *The Ineffable Mystery of God—That Than Which Nothing Greater Can be Thought*



Father Barron considers St. Anselm's description of God as "that than which nothing greater can be thought" and explains St. Thomas Aquinas' arguments which support the claim that God truly exists. He also speaks about the nature of God, as well as the challenging question of evil and the existence of God.



St. Leo Fish Dinners

Every Friday in Lent
March 3rd - April 7th
Serving 4:30 - 7:00 p.m.

Dinners - \$8.00

Baked Tilapia Almondine Dinner
Baked Seasoned Cod Dinner
Battered Fried Fish Dinner
Breaded Shrimp Dinner
Pierogi Dinner

Combo Meal - \$10.00

1 baked or 2 fried fish
with 3 pierogies

NEW! Salmon Patty Dinners

NEW! Fish Taco Platters

Dinners and Combo Meal include choice of baked potato
or fries, coleslaw or applesauce, roll & butter

Fish Sandwich - \$6.00

fried fish with cheese on
a Kaiser roll served with
fries and coleslaw

Kids Meal - \$4.00

choice of: fish/pizza/
mac & cheese/pierogi
with fries and drink
(age 10 & under please)

A la carte menu

Baked potato	\$2.00	French fries	\$2.00
Cheese pizza	\$2.00	Pierogies (3)	\$3.50
Mac & cheese	\$2.50	Cabbage & noodles	\$3.00
Side of fish	\$5.00	Soup of the day	\$2.00
(2 fried or 1 baked)		Dessert & Beverages Available	

St. Leo the Great Church - Lux Hall
4900 Broadview Road - Cleveland

HAVE A HEART—LEND A HAND



During Lent, St. Leo's is sponsoring our annual Have-a-Heart, Lend-a-Hand program to benefit 12 charities. Baskets of hearts are placed at all the church entrances. Please take a heart (or two) and purchase the item requested on it for the organization listed. Items can be dropped off in the school cafeteria during mass times the weekend of April 8/9. If you are unable to purchase anything, please take a heart and keep that organization in your Lenten prayers. If you have questions, please call Jeanne Sabol at 216/351-6247. Thank you for your generosity.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS



Please join us for Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent at 7:00 p.m.

School Stations of the Cross will be held on Friday, March 10th & 24th at 2:00 p.m.

"Shadow Stations" by the 8th grade students will be Friday, March 31st at 1:45 p.m.

WOMANKIND BABY BOTTLES



Once again our parish will be participating in the Womankind Baby Bottle Fund-raiser. There will be baby bottles 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 April 1st & 2nd. (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.

DISPENSATION FROM LENTEN ABSTINENCE ON FRIDAY, MARCH 17TH—ST. PATRICK'S DAY



Out of pastoral solicitude, Bishop Daniel Thomas has formally dispensed the faithful of the Diocese of Cleveland from the obligation to abstain from meat on the Memorial of Saint Patrick, Bishop, which will be observed this year on Friday, March 17. Those who choose to partake of meat on that day are encouraged to undertake another penance that day in the form of a corporal or spiritual work of mercy.

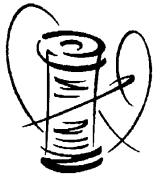
TRANSFIGURATION

- 1) Jesus took Peter James and John, To a mountain top so high
As they watched a light transcended, radiant Lord before their eyes
Transfigured upon that mountain, Dazzling face bright as the sun
- 2) Then came Moses and Elijah Oh my Lord how good this is
God's voice thundered from a bright cloud, this is My beloved Son
The disciples fell on the ground, frightened they were overcome
- 3) Jesus lovingly came toward them, Laying hands on them He said
Be not afraid My disciples, tell no one of what you saw,
Till the Son of Man arises, and people embrace My law, AMEN

ESPERANZA THREADS' FUNDRAISER

Esperanza Threads' **Third Annual 'Stitching the Future' Fundraiser** to support life-changing job training opportunities will happen on April 6. Enjoy appetizers from Gordon Square restaurants, good music and great Pick n' Choose and Silent Auction items at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church. Tickets are \$40. For more info: 216-961-9009 or

customerservice@esperanzathreads.com. (Info. will be posted soon: www.esperanzathreads.com).



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

It is not what we GIVE but what we SHARE that gives us life. A "gift" enriches the receiver, but something shared enriches everyone. Share what you have during this Lenten Season with your St. Vincent de Paul Outreach Organization. You will be richer for it. Next weekend, MARCH 11th & 12th, is our monthly food collection. We are especially in need of cereal, pork & beans, canned carrots, mixed vegetables, canned fruit, pancake syrup, peanut butter and jelly and bar soap. Whatever you donate will be very much appreciated.

Please note: Due to Easter, our food collection will be the second Sunday, April 8th and 9th next month.



SECOND WEEK OF LENT

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BUS TRIPS

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

- ♦ Richens Timm Dance Academy-101 Irish Dance
- ♦ 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.

Thursday, April 20th—Rivers Casino, Pittsburgh

- ♦ **Cost: \$31.00** — Depart - 9:00 a.m.
- ♦ Casino bonus: \$20 free play (subject to change or cancel without notice. **MUST HAVE DRIVER'S LICENCE OR STATE ID WITH YOU.**)
- ♦ 5:00 p.m. meal stop enroute home—on you own
- ♦ Depart 8:00 p.m. Return

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

ALL ARE WELCOME!



CLUSTER CORNER

MARY QUEEN OF PEACE—"Great Music in a Great Space"...concert series by the Western Reserve Chorale, this Sunday, March 12th, at 4:00pm in the Church. Come hear over 90 volunteer voices as they sing "Requiem for the Living" and "Mass in Time of War." This is a free concert with a free will offering.

ST. CHARLES BORROMEIO—Bus Trip...Join us on Sunday, March 19th for a trip to Presque Isle Casino. Cost is \$35/person with \$35 in play back money. All are welcome. Reservations are due by March 13th with check payable to St. Charles Ladies Guild. For more information please call Pat Lawler at 440-843-9186

ST. THOMAS MORE—2017 Mission-Lenten Venture in Faith; Fast, Pray, Give. The program dates are March 12, 13 & 14 starting each evening at 7:00 p.m. The program last about one hour each evening. Please join us as part of your Lenten activities.



ST. LEO THE GREAT
PARISH & SCHOOL

The Great Sweepstakes

\$30 per ticket for a full years participation.

You can W\$N Multiple Times November 14, 2016 thru November 10, 2017

DRAWING DATES—\$100

2016

November 14, 21 & 28
December 5, 12, 19 & 26

2017

January 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30
February 6, 13, & 27
March 6, 13, 20 & 27
April 3, 10, 17 & 24



2017 (con't)

May 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29
June 5, 12, 19 & 26
July 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31
August 7, 14, 21 & 28
September 4, 11, 18 & 25
October 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30
November 6

Special Drawings

DRAWING DATES—\$200

New Years Day 2017
President's Day 2017
Mother's Day 2017



Father's Day 2017
4th of July 2017

SUPER Drawings

DRAWING DATES—\$1000

Christmas Day 2016
Easter Sunday 2017



St. Leo's Feast Day 2017



ST. LEO THE GREAT
PARISH & SCHOOL

The Great Sweepstakes

Please Print

NAME: _____

CITY/STATE & ZIP _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE & EMAIL _____

Please return this stub with your payment of \$30. Please make checks payable to St. Leo the Great.

Questions? Please call the Rectory Office at 216.661.1006

or, visit our website at www.leothegreat.org