



FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT March 18, 2018

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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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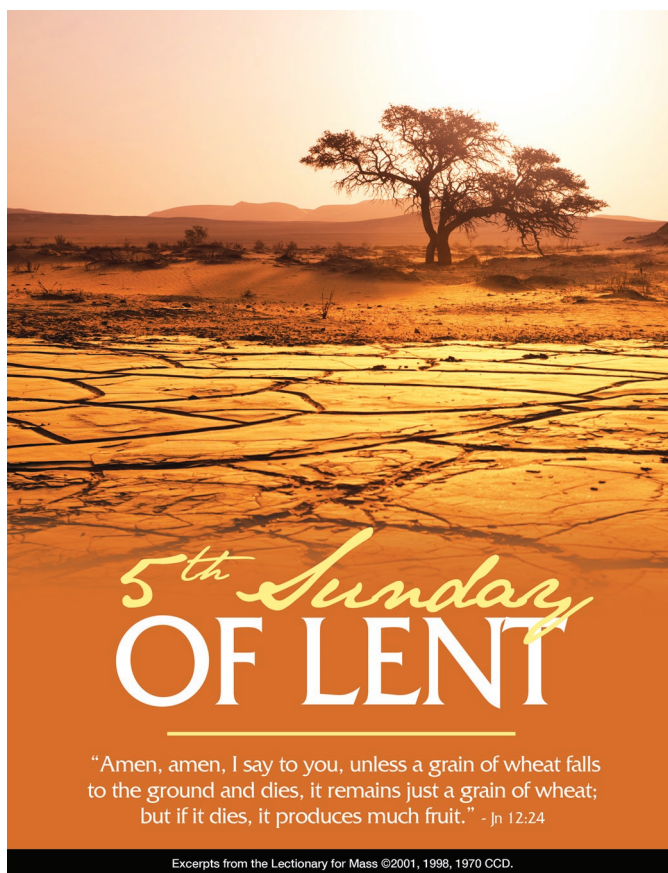
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**LIVE THE LITURGY
INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK**



We all fear losing that which is familiar. We fear dying. When our securities and familiarities are threatened, the anxiety of uncertainty can lead us into fear and despair. We have difficulty believing that new life comes from death. This is the basis of what it means to hope. There are no dead ends or final endings with God. Through his passion and death, Jesus opens up the possibility for new life and new beginnings for all believers. "Unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit." As our journey of Lent hastens to an end, the mystery of Christ's passion and death come before us to teach us valuable lessons both for this life and the next.



Monday, March 26th

Mass - 7:30 a.m.

Tuesday, March 27th

Mass - 7:30 a.m.

Confessions - 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon

Wednesday, March 28th

Mass - 7:30 a.m.

Confessions - 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Holy Thursday, March 29th

Morning Prayer at 7:30 a.m.

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00 p.m.

Followed by solemn exposition of the Eucharist

Good Friday, March 30th

Morning prayer at 7:30 a.m.

Passion Play - 12:00 Noon

Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Passion - 3:00 p.m.

Stations of the Cross - 7:00 p.m.

Holy Saturday, March 31st

Morning prayer at 7:30 a.m.

Blessing of Food - 12:00 Noon

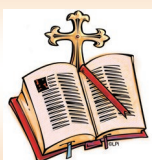
Solemn Easter Vigil - 7:30 p.m.

Easter Sunday, April 1st

Masses at 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.



LECTURE SERIES CONTINUES...



Please join us for our LAST Lecture Series THIS Tuesday, March 20th The session will be approximately an hour and a half, beginning at 1:00pm in the Parish Center. We will include notes on the talk and some time for discussion. Our topic this week: Saints Like Us, Part 2 of 2. If you have questions, please call Chris Rath at 216-741-1536.

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PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS.....



Sarah Geier, Edward P. Gorczyca, Betty Jayne Glover, Bob McLaughlin, Theresa Pauloski, Annamae Sironen, Ann Sazpansky, Larry Kuznik, Jo Hoffman, Anna Mendoza, John Risko, Glenn "Joe" Hess, Diane Soler, Muffie Bone, Gary LaBuda, Jeanette Klaehn, Ruth Frohlich, Ron Vokac, Charles Hakain, Walter Milewski, Harriet Watson, Megan Sunyak, Dianne Holland, August Bublavy, Miriam Fontaine, Irene Smith, Dennis Badar, Dagen McCormick, William Shinko, Carol Rucinski, Bernice Kilcoyne, Helen Lincheck, Danielle Lilley, Eugene Parks, Cara Prokop, Theresa Truxall & Pat Chopka

*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.*

GREAT SWEEPSTAKES WINNER!

Mr. & Mrs. Darren Laux

March 12, 2018—\$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.

**Sr. Marianne Giovingo, HMSS
Mercedarian Sisters
of the Blessed Sacrament
Novice**



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



PARISH SUPPORT

MARCH 11TH

Basket Collection.....	\$ 6,153.00
WeShare (online)	1,315.00
Total	\$ 7,468.00

Thank you for your continued support!



Monday, March 19th: St. Joseph

7:30am +Stanley Gierlach (Ela & John)

Tuesday, March 20th: Lenten Weekday

7:30am +Stella Sugalski (Family)

Wednesday, March 21st: Lenten Weekday

7:30am +Helen Vesely (Fr. James Vesely)

Thursday, March 22nd: Lenten Weekday

7:30am To be announced

Friday March 23rd: St. Turibius of Morgrovejo

8:30am +Helen Kerecman (Laura Murphy)

1:30pm Passion Play

7:00pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 24th: Blessed Oscar Romero

4:00pm +George Santana (Wife)

Sunday, March 25th: Palm Sunday

8:00am People of the Parish

11:00am +Stan Kosiba (Rose Kosiba)

First Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34

The prophet Jeremiah ministered at a difficult time in Jewish history. Jerusalem, their beloved capitol, had been destroyed, and most of the people taken captive to far-off Babylon. In this gloomy setting, Jeremiah expresses the conviction that the Lord will raise up a new leader from the line of David to restore and rebuild their homeland.

Second Reading: Hebrews 5:7-9

The Letter to the Hebrews was written to a Christian community that had become dispirited and whose faith was faltering. Jesus is presented in today's passage as a model of suffering and a source of strength in time of need.

Readings for the Week of March 18, 2018

Sunday: Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15/Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33

Monday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21/Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3: 52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 8:51-59

Friday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7/Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13/Jn 11:45-56

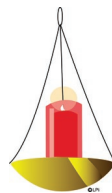
Next Sunday: Mk 11:1-10/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24/Phil 2:6-11/Mk 14:1-15:47

SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTION

March 18th to March 31st

**For my loving husband,
James Gabel**

From wife, Eileen Gabel



FROM THE
PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners,

Jerry Bresnahan and his wife Gail were married for 53 years, had 5 children & 20 grandchildren. I visited with them at their home and anointed them about 3 years ago and found them to be delightful people. I have since learned that they both worked in our school for several years as they wanted their children to attend Catholic school, and they were both active parishioners in other ways as well. Jerry, whose funeral Mass took place last Monday, was a Eucharistic Minister for 26 years so it was fitting that we would remember him and pray for him while celebrating the Eucharist that he both distributed and received when he was healthy and when he was ill. We extend our sympathies to Gail and to their children.

I have been having Mass at Mount Alverna on Tuesday mornings, substituting for Fr. Vesely while he is in rehab there, and he was able to concelebrate this past Tuesday. He is doing very well but the rehab is taking longer than what we originally thought (isn't that always the case?). So please keep praying for him that he may return to us soon.

Once again Lent seems to be flying by so fast. Next Sunday is Palm or Passion Sunday and that begins Holy Week. Please be sure to pick up some palms as you enter the church. We will bless them at the beginning of Mass & then you can take them home. You usually see them behind a crucifix on the wall. And according to ancient tradition, we have a wonderful Pancake breakfast in Lux Hall on Palm Sunday every year so please plan on joining us for that as well. Our last Fish Fry will be this Friday, March 23rd as we do not have a Fish Fry on Good Friday which will be March 30th.

Remember our other wonderful tradition of collecting items for children through our Have a Heart, Lend a Hand Lenten opportunity. You can bring the items to the School Cafeteria next weekend.

One last call for our Trip to Italy this October. The registrations are due in April so if you would like to join the 10 people from our parish who are already registered, please be sure to see or call me for more information.

We're hoping to give the church floor a good cleaning before Easter. You've heard the expression, "This floor is so clean you can eat off of it!" Well, we know many of you will be bringing Easter baskets of food to be blessed on Holy Saturday. You'll probably be tempted to eat it off the church floor it will be so clean. But don't do that. We want to keep it clean for Easter Day.

Fr. Jim Schmitz

THIS WEEK AT ST. LEO'S

**Monday, March 19th**

6:45pm PSR Classes School

Tuesday, March 20th

8:30am SVDP Packing/Receiving Church

1:00pm Lecture Series Great

6:00pm Girl Scouts Basement

6:30pm High School Girls Volleyball Lux

Wednesday, March 21st

9:30am Parish Catechetical Course Great

6:30pm Girl Scouts #71720 Basement

6:30pm Choir Practice Church

Thursday, March 22nd

1:00pm Women's Knitting Group Conference

6:30pm High School Girls Volleyball Lux

7:00pm Knights of Columbus Basement

Friday, March 23rd

1:30pm Passion Play Church

4:30 to 7:00pm Fish Dinners School

7:00pm Stations of the Cross Church

7:30pm Recovery International Basement

Saturday, March 24th

2:45pm Confessions Church

3:00pm Grapevine Basement

3:30 to 5:00pm Have a Heart-Lend a Hand Caf.

Sunday, March 25th

9:00am to Noon Have a Heart-Lend a Hand Caf.

9:00am to 1:00pm Pancake Breakfast Lux

10:00 to 11:00am PTC Easter Egg Hunt Outside P.C.

7:00pm Coach Robinson Adult Open Gym Lux

STATIONS OF THE CROSS



Please join us for Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent at 7:00pm. Different parishioners and parish organizations will lead this traditional Lenten devotion.



PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Sunday, March 25th—PALM SUNDAY

Our 45th Annual Pancake Breakfast will be held in Lux Hall from 9:00am to 1:00pm on Palm Sunday, March 25th.

Our Feature Item this year is Banana Bread French Toast (\$7.00).

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

Congratulations to the young men and women from our parish who were confirmed by Bishop Roger Gries last Saturday, March 10th.

YOU ARE MINE

David Haas

Verses



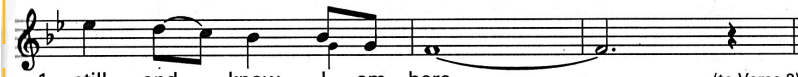
1. I will come to you in the si - lence,
2. I am hope for all who are hope-less,
3. I am strength for all the de - spair-ing,
4. am the Word that leads all to free-dom,



1. I will lift you from all your fear.
2. I am eyes for all who long to see.
3. heal - ing for the ones who dwell in shame.
4. am the peace the world can - not give.



1. You will hear my voice, I claim you as my choice, be
2. shad-ows of the night, I will be your light,
3. All the blind will see, the lame will all run free, and
4. I will call your name, em - brac-ing all your pain, stand



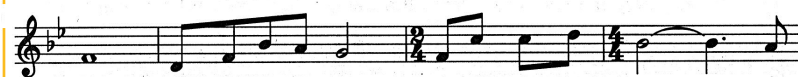
1. still and know I am here.
2. come and rest in me.
3. all will know my name.
4. up, now walk, and live!

(to Verse 2)
(to Refrain)
(to Refrain)
(to Refrain)

Refrain



Do not be a-fraid, I am with you. I have called you each by



name. Come and fol-low me, I will bring you home; I



love you and you are mine.

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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.

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 CARDS AVAILABLE FOR ALL YOUR EASTER SHOPPING



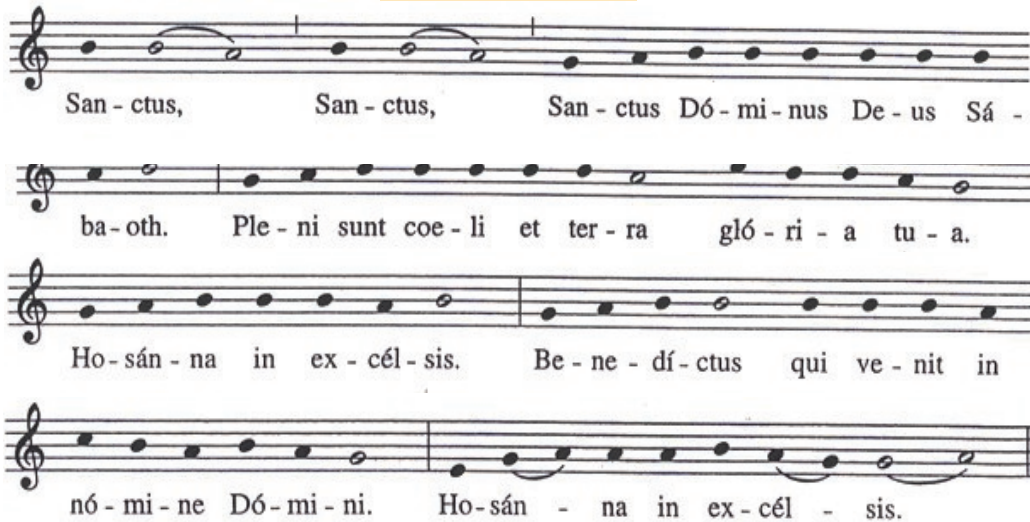
Our Gift Card Program is an excellent way to help support your Parish. A complete list of gift cards is available at the rectory office or on our website at leothegreat.org. Gift Cards can be used for Easter shopping, everyday purchases, gifts, or as a simple thank you. **PLEASE STOP BY THE OFFICE AND SUPPORT THIS PROGRAM.**

2018 MASS INTENTION BOOK

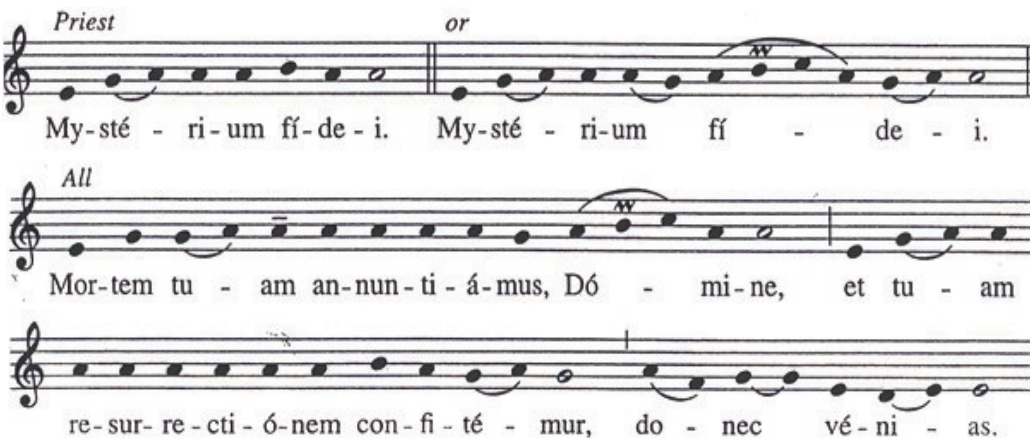


The 2018 Mass Intention Book is open. Each parishioner household may have 4 Mass Intentions (one weekend and three weekdays). The Mass stipend is \$10.00.

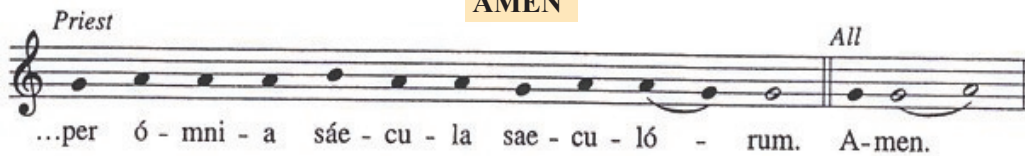
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POST CONSECRATIONEM



AMEN



BUS TRIPS

Meadows Racetrack Casino, PA-Wed., April 18th -\$32p/p

Report: 8:30am Depart:

9:00am

Arrive: 12:00pm - Bonus:
 \$25.00 free play (Subject to
 change or cancel without
 notice.)

Depart: 5:00pm - With rest
 stop enroute - on own

Return to St. Leo: Approx.
 8:00pm

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

**ALL ARE
 WELCOME!**



CLUSTER CORNER

MARY QUEEN OF PEACE

...Our monthly Blue Army
 Holy Hour will be held on this
Sunday, March 18th at 2pm
 in the Chapel.

**ST. CHARLES BORRO-
 MEO...**Ladies Guild High

Tea Party Saturday April 21st
 12:00 noon-3:30pm More info
 call Pat Lawler 440-843-9186
 or Pam Bennett 440-888-1469.

ST. THOMAS MORE...

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