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THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT March 19, 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 Geier, Edward P. i Gorczyca, Betty Jayne Glover, Bobi McLaughlin, Stella Sugalski, Donna! Mlady, Mike Manzo, Cheri Minch, Theresa Pauloski, Annamae Sironen,

Ann Sazpansky, Larry Kuznik, Jo Hoffman, Anna: Mendoza, John Risko, Glenn "Joe" Hess, Diane Soler, Muffie Bone, Theresa Truxall, Gary LaBuda, Jeanette i Klaehn, Dave Zonneville, Larry Carrino, Ruth Frohlich, Michael Venditti, Stanley Kosiba, Zbyszek! Spolna, Mary Jane Funta & Anna Tulenew.



INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK...Today Jesus meets the woman at the well. After her time with Jesus she tells others about this man who is able to see into the depths of a

person's life. Is Jesus that person for you? Have you allowed him into the depths of your life? Do you go out and tell others about this Jesus, as the Samaritan woman does? Do you share the good news by the way you live your life?



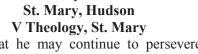
GREAT SWEEPSTAKES WINNER

LYNNE & THOMAS RAIN \$100.00 - March 13th

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

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

> **Anthony Simone** St. Mary, Hudson





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



PARISH SUPPORT Sunday, March 12, 2017

Basket Collection	\$ 6,320.25
WeShare (online)	400.00
Total	\$ 6,720.25

Thank you for your continued support!



March 20th to March 26th

Monday, March 20th: St. Joseph

7:30 a.m. +Jeanette Bublavy (August Bublavy)

Tuesday, March 21st: Lenten Weekday

7:30 a.m. +Helen Vesely (Fr. James Vesely)

Wednesday, March 22nd: Lenten Weekday

7:30 a.m. +Ben & Helen Koval (Tom & Loretta Koval)

Thursday, March 23rd: St. Turibius of Mogrovejo

7:30 a.m. To be announced

Friday, March 24th: Blessed Oscar Romero

8:30 a.m. Matthew Stuczynski (Colleen Stuczynski)

Saturday, March 25th: Annunciation of the Lord

4:00 p.m. People of the Parish

Sunday, March 26th: Fourth Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. +C. & L. Choromanski (Family) 11:00 a.m. +Vasi Family (Daughter & Family)



First Reading: Exodus 17:3-7

The book of Exodus tells of the Israelites' escape from Egypt and their wanderings in the wilderness. Their trials during that time, the way they faced them and the way God responded, provided future generations with food for thought whenever they faced difficulties.

Second Reading: Romans 5:1-2, 5-8

In writing to the Romans, Paul is dealing with a community he had not yet visited. Many Roman Christians were converts from Judaism who believed they would be saved by how they lived out the Jewish Law. Paul stresses here, as he does frequently in his writings, that Christians are saved not the Law, but by faith—faith in what Jesus accomplished by his dying and rising.



Readings for the Week of March 19, 2017

Sunday: Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-9/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 **Monday:** 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29/Rom

4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a

Tuesday:Dn 3:25,34-43/Ps 25:4-5ab,6,7bc,8-9/Mt 18:21-35 Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-9/Lk 11:14-23

Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17/Mk 12:28-34 **Saturday:** Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:3-4, 18-21ab/Heb 10:4-

10/Lk 1:26-38

Next Sunday: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-6/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41



DONUT SUNDAY

Please join us in the main church vestibule after the 8:00 and 11:00 Masses for donuts and coffee next Sunday, March 26th.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners,

We extend our sympathies to Jackie Stroemple on the death of her mother, Dorothy Ream. Dorothy is also the grandmother of students in our school. We celebrated her Funeral Mass this past Saturday and pray that she may be reunited with her husband, her only sister and all those she had known and loved in this life. We also offer our condolences to the mother of Kim Roth, Elizabeth Bushley, whose Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated last Friday at St. Richards Church. May Kim and Jackie experience the peace that comes from our faith in the promised resurrection of our loved ones.

I have failed to mention throughout these past months that we have 4 people who are preparing to enter the Catholic Faith at our parish this year at the Easter Vigil. Three of them are catechumens (unbaptized) and one is a candidate (baptized in another denomination but preparing to become Catholic by receiving Confirmation & the Eucharist). Their names are Lorice, Dianna, Mack & Holly. Please pray for them as they prepare for the Sacraments at the Easter Vigil. Some of their partners/spouses as well as parishioners have supported them during these past few months by their presence at the Faith Formation Sessions on Sunday morning. If you'd like to learn more about our Catholic Faith and support those seeking to become Catholic, please join us! We meet from 9am until 10am twice a month in the Parish Center. See the bulletin or website for dates & details.

In this bulletin you will find a letter from our Principal, Sister Erin, who has decided to leave St. Leo the Great School in favor of ministry in secondary education. Please pray as we begin to search for another principal who can carry on the mission of educating our children in the atmosphere of faith.

The wonderful fraternal organization of Catholic men known as the Knights of Columbus has recently connected with our parish community as they found it necessary to sell their building just north of us on Broadview Road. Someone will be speaking briefly this weekend about who they are so that they may extend the invitation to become a member. I have very fond memories of the years my dad belonged to the K of C and was very active in it. It provided him with friendships that have lasted many years, even to this day. It gave him the opportunity to be with other Catholic men who shared his values & religious faith. Please consider becoming a part of their fraternal community.

The food and attendance at our three Fish Fry's has been great so far! Thanks to all who enjoy working at them or eating the good food. Don't let Lent pass you by without stopping by for a great meal which you can eat here or carry out.

A. Jim Achmity

THIS WEEK AT ST. LEO'S March 20th to March 26th



Monday, March 20th

6:45 p.m. PSR School

Tuesday, March 21st

8:30 a.m. SVDP Packing/Receiving
5:30 p.m. Avon Meeting
6:30 p.m. SVDP
Francis
6:45 p.m. Girl Scouts #70220
Eylar

Wednesday, March 22nd

11:00 a.m. Seniors Great 7:00 p.m. Choir practice Church

Thursday, March 23rd

1:00 p.m. Women's Knitting Francis
6:30 p.m. Confirmation Practice Church
7:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus Great

Friday, March 24th

4:30-7:00 p.m. Fish Dinners
2:00 p.m. School Stations of Cross
7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross
7:30-8:30 p.m. Lenten Mission "Catholicism" Great
7:30 p.m. Recovery International
Francis

Saturday, March 25th

2:50 p.m. Confirmation Session with Abbot
2:45 p.m. Confessions
3:00 p.m. Grapevine
4:00 p.m. Confirmation Mass
5:00 p.m. Confirmation Reception

Great
Church
Lux

Sunday, March 26th

1:00 p.m. Teens Encountering Christ Gr & Francis 7:00 p.m. Coach Robison Adult Open Gym Lux

THIRD WEEK OF LENT

PLEASE NOTE: Please join us **this Sunday** for our RCIA/Faith Formation session which will be held at 9:00 a.m. in the Parish Center. We will be discussing the MASS.



Next Saturday, March 25th The Abbot, 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.

ROSARY



Please join us in reciting the rosary on Monday, March 27th 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.

"I thank my God whenever I think of you and every time I pray for you I pray with joy" ~ Saint Paul

March 13, 2017

Dear St. Leo the Great Community,

Over the last several months I have been discerning where God is calling me to serve as I continue my ministry in education. After much prayer and reflection I have discerned that I am being called to return to secondary education and, therefore, have accepted a position in the Guidance Department at Cleveland Central Catholic High School for the 2017-2018 School Year.

Please know this was not an easy discernment or decision. For the last two years, you, the faithful community of St. Leo the Great have welcomed me, formed me and challenged me to greatness. You eagerly welcomed me into this community and together we have accomplished much, building on the foundation of the leaders who have gone before us for the advancement of excellence in Catholic education.

I believe I have contributed to the St. Leo the Great School and Parish legacy and have served faithfully. I have freely chosen this next road on the journey with the support and wisdom of my sisters and family. I trust I am following the call of the Spirit in accepting this next ministry opportunity. Be assured of my steadfast commitment and faithfulness as we finish the 2016-2017 school year.

I am grateful for our time together; it has indeed been blessed. St. Leo's will always hold a special place in my heart.

In gratitude and peace,

Lister Erin

Sister Erin



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 4: Our Tainted Nature's Solitary Boast— Mary, the Mother of God



This lesson correlates the Catholic Faith's testimony to the revelation of God in Christ with the vivid practices of reverence offered to his mother. Mary is explained as "an on-going presence, an actor in the life of the church."



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, 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



Don't forget to bring your Womankind baby bottles (filled or not) the weekend of April 1st and 2nd. The funds generated will help Womankind provide free prenatal care and a full range of support ser-

vices to pregnant women in need. For more information about Womankind, check out their website at www.womankindcleveland.com. Thank you.

LOBSTER DINNER AT FISH DINNER ADVANCE SALE ONLY



Did you miss the first one? You're in luck! We're going to have another lobster dinner on **Friday, March 31st**. IN ADDITION TO THE REGULAR FISH DINNERS, we will be serving lobster dinners on Friday,

March 31st, from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in Lux Hall. ALL LOBSTER DINNERS WILL BE AVAILABLE BY ADVANCE SALE ONLY. The lobster dinner will consist of an 8 oz. lobster tail with baked potato or fries, coleslaw or applesauce, and roll with butter – for \$17.00. The regular selections for the fish dinner will be available for purchase. ALL Lobster dinner tickets can be purchased at the rectory through Monday, March 27th. Don't delay – get your tickets now!

PANCAKE BREAKFAST Sunday, April 9th-PALM SUNDAY



Our 44th Annual Pancake Breakfast will Greakfass 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.

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.

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

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.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



MEMORIES...When today's adult parishioners were school children we often made a small sacrifice during Lent to help the poor. If you would like to relieve the spirit of those hap-

py, carefree days, the St. Vincent de Paul Outreach Organization will gladly accept your donations in the poor Boxes. We accept cash or checks made payable to St. Leo the Great. Act now during Lent, a special time for Almsgiving.

SUMMER VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



St. Leo the Great along with St. Thomas More and Mary, Queen of Peace Parishes will be presenting Summer Vacation Bible

School. St. Thomas More will be the host location. VBS will be open to all children (day school and PSR) entering Kindergarten through 5th grade for the 2017/2018 school year. This year's program will take place from July 10th-14th from 9am -12noon so be sure to mark your calendars. Stay tuned for further details regarding registration and volunteer opportunities. Contact Mary Perry, mperry@leothegreat.org if you are interested in volunteering.

ST. LEO'S SENIORS



Wednesday, March 22nd St. Leo's Seniors will meet in the Parish Center at 11:00 a.m. Join us for some fun and fellowship as we celebrate St. Patrick's Day with our corned beef sandwiches, games, etc.

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.

information or to book, please contact Mina Rolando 216-544-0190 or visit our website leothegreat.org. There you will find information, prices, and forms.

BROOKLYN-PARMA KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 2803



We are officially at St. Leo the Great Church and we are reaching to gentlemen who are 18 + who are interested in joining the Knights of Columbus. If there are any

gentlemen who would like to be a part of an organization who does great things for family, church, and community please contact Brian M. Tierney at 216-398-8911 or tierney.brian@ymail.com for further information.

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.

RETROUVAILLE

A Lifeline for Troubled Marriages Retrouvaille Weekend – April 21-23, 2017

Has your marriage become unloving or uncaring – your relationship cold, distant – thinking about a separation or divorce? Are you already separated/divorced but both of you want to try again? Then the Retrouvaille program may help.

RETROUVAILLE (rediscovery), which is supported by the Catholic diocese of Cleveland but open to couples of all faiths, consists of a weekend experience for couples and six follow up sessions. A registration fee of \$150 is required to confirm your reservation. For more information concerning the program, or to register, please call Marce or Liz Gliha at 440.357.6580 or 1.800.470.2230, or go online to www.helpourmarriage.org.

BUS TRIPS

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
- Return 8:00 p.m.

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

ALL ARE WELCOME!

THE EDWARDIAN PLAYERS PRESENT "GUYS AND DOLLS"



The Edwardian Players are presenting "Guys ad Dolls" at St. Edward High School, 13500 Detroit Ave. in Lakewood on Friday and Saturday,

March 31/April 1, April 7/8 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, April 9 at 3:00 p.m. *This musical fable of Broadway is appropriate for, and loved by, all audiences, young and old.* For more information, please call 216-221-0793, ext. 201.

ANNUAL CANDLELIGHT VIGIL



Golubski Deliberato Funeral Home will host its Annual Vigil Light Ceremony in Garfield Hts. Civic Center on Sunday, April 9, 2017 at 3:00 p.m. Residents within the community who have experienced a loss in their lives are encouraged to attend this free Vigil Light Ceremony. We open this invitation to not only those families we have served, but to

every family who has experienced a difficult time.

The evening service will include a guest speaker. Since seating limited we ask that you call Golubski Deliberato Funeral Home at 216-883-3900 for reservations or questions. You may also call to reserve a Vigil Light even though you are unable to attend.

MALACHI CENTER'S SOUP FOR THE SOUL Thursday April 6, 2017



- * Renaissance Cleveland, Public Square
- * Complimentary Valet Parking
- * Enjoy delicious soups and sandwiches prepared by Cleveland's favorite chefs.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 216-771-3036

CLUSTER CORNER

MARY QUEEN OF PEACE—A special Lenten program entitled "Call of the Crucified Heart: Relics of the Passion" comes to Mary Queen of Peace on Wednesday, March 29th at 6:30pm. This is a unique traveling exhibit and presentation that brings to us real relics from the Passion of Jesus.

ST. CHARLES BORROMEO—Save the Date!.. Saturday, April 22nd for St. Charles Ladies Guild's Hi-Tea Party from 12Noon—3:30pm Lower Parish Hall for ages 10-99. Entertainment by the Singing Hands. "Bring your own tea cup & saucer" Lite luncheon, raffles, prizes galore!

ST. THOMAS MORE—Bingo...Come enjoy a night of Bingo. Every Wednesday doors open at 5pm, Instants at 5:30pm and early birds begin at 6:30pm.