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PALM SUNDAY

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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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So they brought the colt to Jesus and put their cloaks over it. And he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from the fields. - Mk 11:7-8

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

LIVE THE LITURGY INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK



Today some of the most poignant themes of human life come into clear central focus: the feeling of being praised and honored, fear, anxiety, betrayal, despair, doubt, uncertainty, trust, hope, sadness, separation, suffering, death, determination, and courage. These are the emotions and realities that every human being wrestles with often. Jesus, the Son of God, encounters them all. As we journey through life, we have to confront the existential meaning of each of these things. How do they fit into the bigger picture? Jesus shows us most clearly that even those things we fear the most lose their power when we discover that we are being led to new life. Suffering is redemptive. Sin and death give way to grace and life and God's unconditional love conquers all. May we see in Jesus' Way of the Cross the path of truth we all must follow.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Go In Peace...
After the recessional hymn reach into your pocket or purse for a contribution to assist those in need and place it in the St Vincent de Paul Outreach Organization Poor Boxes. Your contribution will be used to help bring peace to a neighbor. "Lent is a special time for almsgiving."
THANK YOU.



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.

WE REMEMBER...

In Memory Of **Mary Loar**

June 13, 1923
March 13, 2018

Mass of Christian Burial
10:00 am Fri. Mar 16, 2018
St. Leo the Great Catholic
Church

Father James Schmitz

Interment

All Saints Cemetery
Sec 3 Lot 376 Grave 2

The Hail Mary

Hail Mary full of grace the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now, and at the hour of our death.

Yurch Funeral Home

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PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS.....



Sarah Geier, Edward P. Gorczyca, Betty Jayne Glover, Bob McLaughlin, Theresa Pauloski, Annamae Sironen, Ann Szpansky, 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, Eugene Parks, Cara Prokop, Theresa Truxall, Pat Chopka and Marie Fijalkobich

HOLY WEEK OFFICE HOURS

The Rectory Office hours are as follows:



Good Friday: CLOSED

Holy Saturday: 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday: CLOSED

Easter Monday: CLOSED



GREAT SWEEPSTAKES WINNER!

John Sabol

March 19, 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.

Nicholas Grismer
St Barnabas, Northfield
Sophomore, Borromeo



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



PARISH SUPPORT

MARCH 18TH

Basket Collection.....\$ 6,884.00
WeShare (online) 900.00
Total\$ 7,784.00

Catholic Relief.....\$ 723.00

Thank you for your continued support!



Monday, March 26th: Monday of Holy Week

7:30am +C. & L. Choromanski (Daughter)

Tuesday, March 27th: Tuesday of Holy Week

7:30am +Vasi Family (Lovano Family)

11:00am to Noon—Confessions

Wednesday, March 28th: Wednesday of Holy Week

7:30am +Ralph Young (Friends & Family)

1:00 to 2:00pm—Confessions

Thursday, March 29th: Holy Thursday

7:30am Morning Prayer

7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

Friday March 30th: Good Friday

7:30am Morning Prayer

12:00 (Noon) Passion Play

3:00pm Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Passion

7:00pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 31st: Holy Saturday

7:30am Morning Prayer

12:00 (Noon) Blessing of Food

7:30pm Solemn Easter Vigil

Sunday, April 1st: Easter Sunday

8:00am People of the Parish

9:30am People of the Parish

11:00am People of the Parish

First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7

Chapters 40-55 of the Book of Isaiah contain the message of a prophet who spoke to God's people during their exile in Babylon. Several times the prophet speaks about a servant who will one day deliver God's people. Because the Servant is portrayed as suffering, Christians have traditionally identified Jesus with him.

Second Reading: Philippians 2:6-11

In the years following Christ's death and resurrection, Christians began to develop the prayers and hymns that would become part of their rituals. In today's passage from the letter to the Philippians, Paul appears to be quoting an early Christian hymn celebrating the dying and the rising of Christ.

Readings for the Week of March 26, 2018

Monday: Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14/Jn 12:1-11

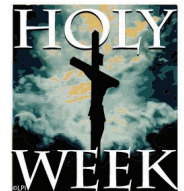
Tuesday: Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 & 17/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 & 33-34/ Mt 26:14-25

Mass of the Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15

Holy Saturday: Vigil: Gn 1:1--2:2/Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35/Gn 22:1-18/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11/Ex 14:15--15:1/Ex 15: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18/Is 54:5-14/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13/Is 55: 1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6/Rom 6:3-11/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23/ Mk 16:1-7

Easter Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 Col 3:1-4/Jn 20:1-9



FROM THE
PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners,

Mary Loar has been in a nursing home since I've been pastor here at St. Leo's so I did not know her personally. But at her funeral Mass on March 16th, we celebrated Mary's long life of 94 years. She was also married for 67 of those years and when her husband Glenn was baptized and confirmed at St. Leo's about 18 years before he died, they also had their marriage blessed here. Mary loved to come to church & so we need to pray for her who prayed with us. She has 3 children & several grandchildren who honored her memory. May she rest in God's peace.

Don't forget about our annual Pancake Breakfast which will be available in Lux Hall between the 8 & 11am Masses on Sunday. Just be careful the pancakes don't make you too drowsy during the 11am Mass or I'll have to scream at the pulpit to wake you up.

Though I still have the taste of corned beef in my mouth from St. Patrick's Day, I still think about the great food served at our Fish Fry's this Lent & express my gratitude to all who worked hard to make them possible, especially those behind the scenes who set up, worked in the kitchen or at the carry-out in the cafeteria, and of course those who served at the line. God bless you all for allowing us the opportunity to enjoy a good meal and each other's company again this year.

Last Saturday we celebrated the 65th Wedding Anniversary of Giovanni (John) & Irma Zappitelli at the 4pm Mass. Yes, we blessed these two Italians on St. Patrick's Day! But they are wonderful people (aren't all Italians?) who were born in Italy & came to the United States after they were married. We are very blessed to have them as members of the parish for many years and their presence is enjoyed by the members of the St. Leo's Seniors. God's blessings on them!

If you would like to take advantage of the gift of God's mercy before Easter, we will be hearing confessions this Tuesday at 11am and this Wednesday at 1pm. The Mass of the Lord's Supper will be at 7pm on Holy Thursday and the Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Passion will be at 3pm Good Friday. We will also have the student's Passion Play on Friday at Noon and Stations of the Cross Friday evening at 7pm. Please note that our Easter Vigil Mass will be an hour and a half earlier this Holy Saturday, beginning at 7:30pm (and of course there will be no confessions or 4pm Mass on Saturday afternoon). The Food Blessing will take place at Noon on Holy Saturday. We will be adding an additional Mass on Easter Sunday so Mass will be at 8am, 9:30am and 11:00am. We look forward to having you join us for the great feast of the Resurrection.

Fr. Jim Schnitz

THIS WEEK AT ST. LEO'S

**Monday, March 26th**

6:45pm PSR Classes

School

Tuesday, March 27th

11:00am Confessions

Church

6:00pm SVDP

Conference

6:30pm High School Girls Volleyball

Lux

Wednesday, March 28th

11:00am Seniors

Great

1:00pm Confessions

Church

6:30pm Choir Practice

Church

Thursday, March 29th—No School

1:00pm Women's Knitting Group

Conference

6:30pm High School Girls Volleyball

Lux

Friday, March 30th—No School

12:00 Noon Passion Play

Church

3:00pm Passion of our Lord

Church

4:00pm Choir & Musicians Practice

Church

7:00pm Stations of the Cross

Church

7:30pm Recovery International

Basement

Saturday, March 31st

12:00 Noon Blessing of Food

Church

3:00pm Grapevine

Basement

Sunday, April 1st

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land.

Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines.

The wars, unrest and instability have been especially hard on Christians. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection provides humanitarian aid to refugees.

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HAVE A HEART—LEND A HAND



All items purchased for the **Have a Heart—Lend a Hand Lenten program** can be dropped off in the school cafeteria **this weekend** when you come to mass. **The drop-off times are Saturday, March 24, from 3:30 to 5**

p.m. and Sunday, March 25, from 9 a.m. to Noon. God bless you for your generosity. If you have any questions, please call Jeanne Sabol at 216-351-6247.

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.



Akron Children's Hospital/Project Ed Bear is collecting Easter baskets and educational items for children battling cancer. Per their request, St. Leo's Kindergarten Class has made cards for the children and generously donated a large amount of the following items that has filled 2 large boxes: crayons, journals, stickers, Hatchimals, coloring books, toy cars, stuffed animals, Peeps, chocolate bunnies and jelly beans.

The generosity and thoughtfulness of the children and families of St. Leo the Great is much appreciated!!

CHILDREN'S SHOES NEEDED



The West Side Catholic Center needs new or gently used children's shoes for the spring and summer season. Please bring your donation to the Have-a-Heart collection **THIS SATURDAY AND SUNDAY, March 24th and 25th** at mass times in the school cafeteria. Thank you.

THANK YOU!!!!



We'd like to thank everyone who came to our fish dinners this year. We hope you enjoyed the food as much as we enjoyed serving you. We especially extend our appreciation to the many volunteers who made this possible. It was a lot of hard work and long hours and you came back week after week. A special thank you to the students who helped out, and the Cub Scout families who helped clean up. We are very grateful to the maintenance staff who helped with set up, cooking, serving, and cleaning up. A big **THANK YOU** to all — see you next year!



ST. LEO THE GREAT ATHLETICS WOMEN'S REVERSE RAFFLE

Saturday April 21, 2018

MARDI GRAS

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

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

ALL TICKETS SOLD!

KIDS RESALE



St. Leo the Great Parent Teacher Community is ready to host its first Kids Resale. The Kids Resale will be held on **Saturday, April 14, 2018, from 8:00 am to 12:00 Noon** at the school. In addition to clothing, the event will feature sports equipment, toys, games, books, music equipment, computer stuff, furniture and shoes.

Admission is \$5.00 for the early-bird shoppers from 8:00 am – 9:00 am

\$1.00 for entrance from 9:00 am – 12:00 Noon.

Cash sales only. Please, no bills larger than \$20.00. Small bills appreciated at the door. For more information contact Heather Osborne by email laurens_mom113@yahoo.com or by phone at 216-336-4758.

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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.



PARISH COMMUNITY CENTER

GREAT
ROOM
FOR
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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.

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 for you to support our 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.**



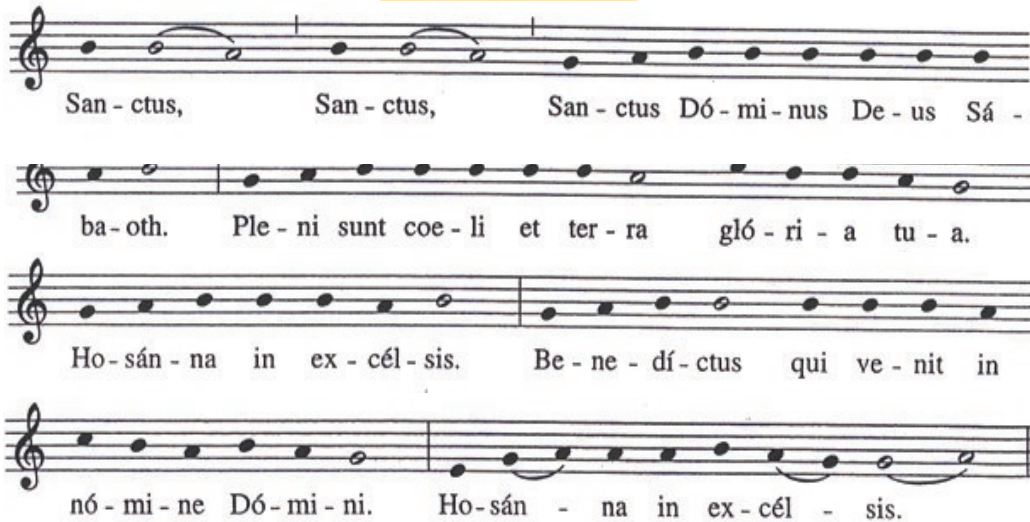
The Edwardian Players are presenting "The Hunchback of Notre Dame" at St. Edward High School Friday & Saturday, April 13, 14, 20 & 21 at 7:30pm and Sunday, April 22 at 3:00pm. *Based on the Victor Hugo novel and songs from the Disney animated feature, "The Hunchback of Notre Dame" tells the story of Quasimodo, the deformed bell-ringer of Notre Dame, and his struggle to gain acceptance into society.* For more information, please call 216-221-0793, ext. 201.

SENIORS

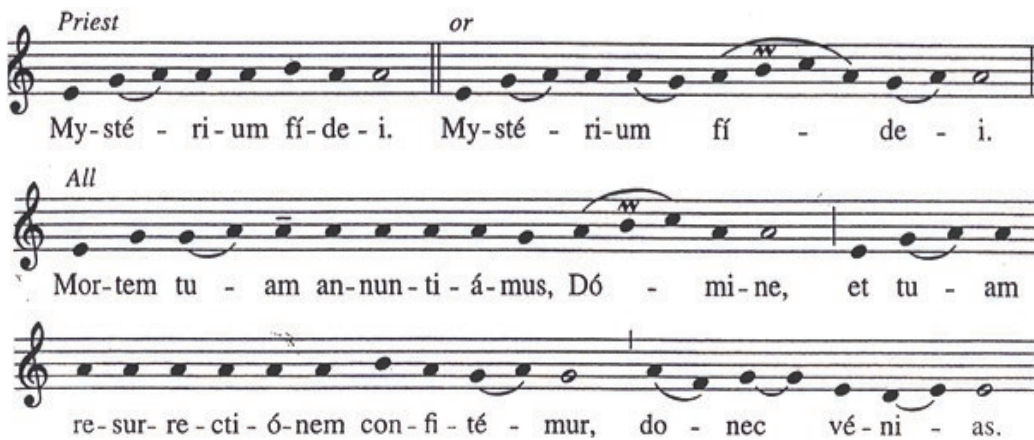
On Wednesday, March 28th the St. Leo's Seniors will meet at 11:00 a.m. in the Parish Center. This is our social meeting. Please join us for fun and games.



SANCTUS



POST CONSECRATIONEM



AMEN



BUS TRIPS

Meadows Racetrack & Casino, PA

Wed., April 18th -\$32 p/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

...Tenebrae Service on Wed. March 28th at 9:00pm in the Church

ST. CHARLES BORROMEO...

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...

Women's Guild Spring Style Show on Saturday, April 18th. Doors open 11:00am. Purchase tickets at Rectory - \$10.00. (not sold at the door)