



ST. LEO THE GREAT
PARISH & SCHOOL

3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

March 7, 2021

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MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKENDS

Saturday Vigil ~ 4:00PM

Sundays ~ 8:00AM and 11:00AM

WEEKDAYS

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday ~ 8:30AM

Thursday - Communion Service ~ 8:30AM

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

8:30AM and 7:00PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Individual confessions can be heard
after Mass by request or any time 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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useful information on your mobile device.

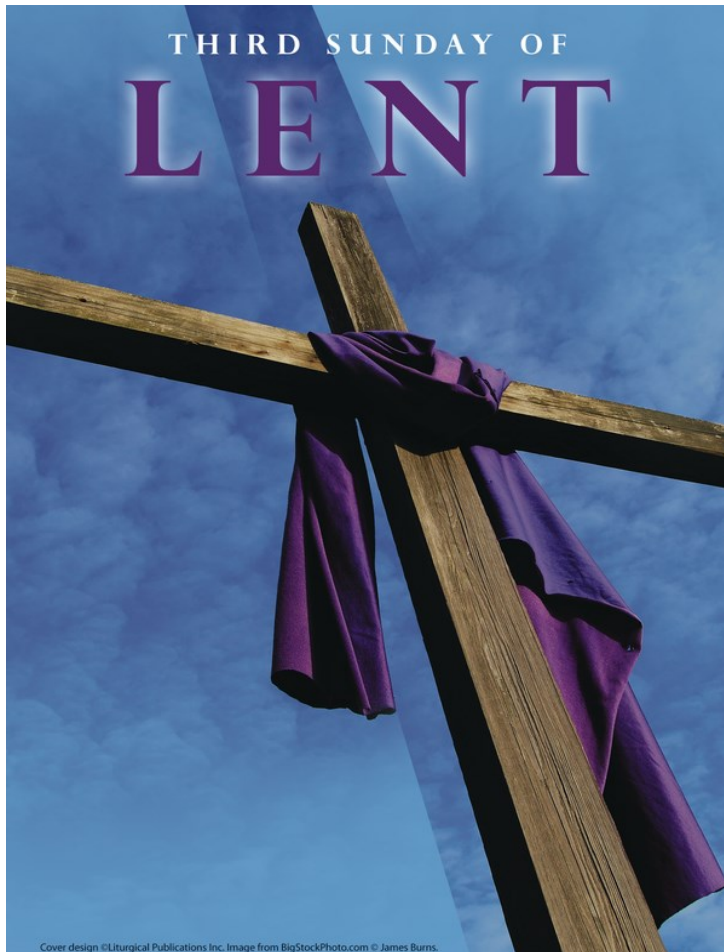
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In Loving Memory Of
Steven L. Plevelich

May 7, 1965 - February 21, 2021

Services

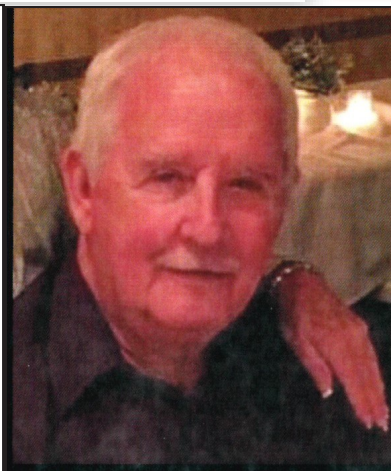
Faulhaber Funeral Home
February 26, 2021, 11:00 AM

Final Resting Place

Brooklyn Heights Cemetery
Section Roselawn, Lot 595A

I'd like the memory of me
to be a happy one.
I'd like to leave an afterglow
of smiles when life is done.
I'd like to leave an echo
whispering safely down the ways.
Of happy times and laughing times
and bright and sunny days.
I'd like the tears of those who
grieve to dry before the sun,
Of happy memories that I leave,
when life is done.

Donald A. Faulhaber Funeral Home
(440) 526-7315



In Loving Memory Of
Neal S. Strodbeck
November 29, 1939
February 23, 2021



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



Please pray for peace in our world, but remember "peace" also means not being hungry. Help your St. Vincent de Paul Outreach Organization with a donation to our monthly food and staple collection next weekend March 13th and 14th. We are especially in need of INSTANT MASHED POTATOES, SPAGHETTI SAUCE, SOUP, TUNA FISH, RICE & NOODLE SIDES, RAMEN NOODLES, CANNED FRUIT, CEREAL, PEANUT BUTTER & JELLY, DISH SOAP AND BAR SOAP.

EASTER DISTRIBUTION... This year the St.



Vincent de Paul Outreach Organization will be giving our clients a gift card to purchase their Easter ham and additional items to help make their Easter dinner more complete. Please consider a donation to help us with these expenses. Place your cash or check in an envelope marked "SVDP EASTER" and drop it in the collection box or take it to the Rectory Office. We thank you very much for helping us make their Easter dinner more complete. Thank you!

STATIONS OF THE CROSS



Please join us for Stations of the Cross every **Friday during Lent at 7:00pm either in Church or at home. They will be live-streamed every week.** Please go to our website: leothegreat.org and click on the link. Fr. Jim or Deacon Pat will be leading them this year. They will include some music as we want more people to take advantage of this wonderful prayer opportunity which helps us to unite our sufferings to those of Christ. Please consider experiencing this unique prayer that has such a long tradition in our church.

2021 MASS INTENTIONS



Our 2021 Mass Intention book is now closed. We no longer have any intentions left for this year. The 2022 book will not be open until September.

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PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...



Annamae Sironen, Glenn
"Joe" Hess, Gary LaBuda,
Jeanette Klaehn, Carol
Rucinski, William & Amelia
Rebello, Louise Horvath,

Diane Kalus, Marie Stankiewicz, Irma Zappitelli,
Dianne Toronski, Linda Debaltzo, Anthony Arlia,
Jeanne Karasek, Denise Sisley, Don Donelon, Larry
Kuznik, Antoinette Jakosh, Joseph Mackey, John
Sofcheck, Roger Horvath, James Cook, Cherie Seitz,
Ireneo (Ernie) Santiago, Rob Blum, Chuck
Pacanovsky, Ron Horvath, Sally Herman, & Arlene
Gerda.



WE WELCOME

Dominic Hunter

as he is baptized this weekend.

*May the blessings you received from God
guide you throughout your life!*

GREAT SWEEPSTAKES WINNER

RAY ZELENY

March 1, 2021—\$100.00 Winner



Don't forget to sign up for our **Great Sweepstakes weekly drawing**. Forms to sign up are available at online at leothegreat.org or at the Rectory Office.

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

Anne Rollick
Apostolic Sisters of St John
Discernment



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

Parish Support

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21ST

Collection \$ 4,579.00
WeShare(online) \$ 2,105.00
Total \$ 6,684.00

Ash Wednesday \$ 1,054.00

THANK YOU
FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!

THIRD WEEK OF LENT

Monday, March 8th - St. John of God

8:30am +Stan Pelley (Wife, Rose)

Tuesday, March 9th - St. Frances of Rome

8:30am +Koval Family (Tom & Loretta Koval)

7:00pm Rosary

Wednesday, March 10th - Lenten Weekday

8:30am +Margaret Koziol (Family)

Thursday, March 11th - Lenten Weekday

8:30am Communion Service

Friday, March 12th - Lenten Weekday

8:30am +Frances Szymanski (Daniel Szymanski)

7:00pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 13th - Lenten Weekday

4:00pm +Virginia Rescina (Family)

Sunday, March 14th - Fourth Sunday of Lent

8:00am People of the Parish

11:00am Giovanni & Irma Zappitelli

68th Wedding Anniversary

First Reading: Exodus 20:1-17

A covenant is a solemn agreement between two parties in which each promises something. The book of Exodus recounts how the Jews escaped from slavery in Egypt and made a covenant with God on Mount Sinai. The heart of that covenant is this: God promises to accept the Israelites as his people. On their part, they must promise to keep God's commandments.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:22-25

Paul wrote to his Corinthian converts about the difficulty in preaching about a crucified savior. To *Jewish* people who looked for a powerful Messiah performing spectacular signs, it seemed unacceptable that the Messiah would suffer and die. To *Gentiles*, it seemed entirely absurd that someone who died such a humiliating death could be the savior of the world.

Readings for the week of March 7, 2021

Sunday: Ex 20:1-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 1/1 Cor 1:22-25/Jn 2:13-25

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4/Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9/Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, /Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 11:14-23

Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17/Mk 12:28-34

Saturday: Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab/Lk 18:9-14

Next Sunday: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 /Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21

Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.
(Ps 19)

Dear Parishioners,

I extend our parochial sympathy to Sharon Strodbeck and to her 4 children on the passing of her husband and their father Neal or "Nique" as he was known to many. I met Neal a few years back when he was asked to be a Confirmation sponsor for his grandson, also named Neal. He shared with me his faith and how he enjoyed reading the Old Testament and listened to people talk about the Bible. So at his funeral Mass I expressed the hope that he read from the Old Testament book of Wisdom, a popular passage that his wife chose for his funeral wherein the scriptures say, *"The souls of the just are in the hand of God...and they are in peace."* Neal has a connection with my family because he is my brother-in-law's uncle. I'm glad that I had the opportunity to know & visit with him and his wife Sharon. May they both be filled with peace.

And here we are into March, a month that I welcome even though we're never sure if it will really enter like a lion and exit like a lamb. So far it seemed to enter like a lamb so let's hope it goes out the same way. The weather seems to be warming up and we are seeing the melting of the white stuff so let's hope the trend continues until we see the sun more than part-time.

Congratulations to the parents of Dominic Hunter who will be baptized this Saturday. May they express their gratitude to God by raising him in the practice of the faith, which is also God's gift to us.

This Monday, March 8th, we will have our 3rd Zoom meeting, open to all parishioners, where we continue our discussion of the book, "Forming Intentional Disciples." I've spoken in homilies about this book which I read last year and which stresses the importance of being raised in the Catholic Faith not just through cultural norms like receiving the sacraments and getting a religious education, but of developing a personal relationship with the Lord who invites us into friendship. It is a surprising and sad fact that so many Catholics were not taught this all-important dimension of faith, much to the neglect of Church leaders like myself. Instead we so focused on the rules of religion (all of which are still important and necessary) without the underlying foundation of knowing the Lord personally and experiencing his love. That's what this book (and our discussion) is all about. You need not have read the book (though it's free for anyone who would like one...just contact the rectory office), nor do you need to have followed our discussion from the beginning. Just join us, either live Monday evening from 6:30-7:30pm or watch it any time on demand based on your schedule and convenience. All you need to do to join us is go to our website and click the link. You do not need to be familiar with Zoom at all if you're just going to watch the video on demand...again, just click the link on our website after the discussion has taken place. Deacon Pat and Joan & I are doing what we can to encourage and nurture your relationship with the Lord so that you may know what we continue to experience each day: the joy of knowing we are loved, forgiven and guided in every moment of our lives.

Fr. James Delmitty



THE DISCIPLE MAKER INDEX SURVEY IS OPEN!

Please help us participate by completing a 10-15 minute survey as soon as possible.

Go to: <https://portal.catholicleaders.org/dmi/surveydtxc51t675>

There are also opportunities to complete the survey after daily and Sunday Mass. You can obtain a paper copy of the survey in the **Rectory office** during regular business hours.

The survey will only be **available from now through March 21**. It will ask you to reflect on your own spiritual growth and enable you to provide feedback on our parish's efforts to help you grow. All responses will be confidential and the parish will only receive information about the community as a whole.

We are trying to get the highest response rate possible. This information will be invaluable to Fr. Jim and our various ministries as we plan for the future and strive to be the best disciples we can be. We will receive the results this spring/summer at which time we will share what we have learned with the entire parish.

THANK YOU for helping with this important project!



ROSARY

Please join us in church this Tuesday, March 9th, as we say the rosary at 7:00pm.

What is a rosary? The rosary is the recitation of the Hail Mary, Our Father and other traditional prayers in a particular order.

Don't own a rosary? Don't know how to say the rosary? Please join us anyway, and we will provide you with what you need.

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Listed below are the needs of organizations that will be recipients of your generosity. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, we cannot place baskets of hearts by the church doors as we have done in the past. Please purchase the items you wish and bring them to the church or rectory by Wednesday March 24th.

Remember to label the bag or container with the organization's

name. Rectory Office hours: Monday thru Friday, 9:00am to 3:00pm; Saturday, Noon to 5:30pm and Sunday, 9:00am to 12:30pm.

If you have any questions please call Jeanne Sabol at 216-351-6247.

The following organizations will be recipients of your generosity:

♥ Birthright

Gift Cards for Target, Walmart, Marc's, Kohls

♥ Broadview Multicare

Adult Coloring Books, Word-Search Books, Colored Pencils, Crayons, Markers, Large-Piece Jigsaw Puzzles, Stuffed Animals, Playing Cards, Nail Polish, Body Wash

♥ Catholic Charities Refugee Families

Toilet Paper, Light Bulbs, Batteries, Alarm Clocks, Sponges, Toilet Brushes and Cleaner, Twin/Full Size Sheets, Tall Kitchen Wastebaskets, 13-Gal. Garbage Bags

♥ Holy Family Hospice

Paper Towels, Napkins, Toilet Paper, Kleenex, Bleach, Lestoil, Disinfectant Wipes, Toothpaste/Tooth Brushes

♥ Joseph House of Cleveland

Bath Towels, Washcloths, New Men's Underwear and Socks, Children's Socks (age 4-12), Laundry Detergent, Toilet Paper

♥ Malachi House

Gift Cards: Walmart, Target, Giant Eagle, Save-a-Lot, Home Depot, GFS, Dave's Market, Amazon

♥ Malachi BackDoor Ministry

Canned Tuna/Chicken, Ground Coffee, Green Beans, Corn, Sweet Peas, Chicken Noodle Soup, Beef/Chicken Gravy, Grits

♥ Parma Care Center

Diet or Regular Cans of Pop, Large-Print Word Search Books, Markers, Colored Pencils, White Card Stock, Men's Aftershave, Men's/Women's Body Wash, Shampoo, Large-Piece Jigsaw Puzzles, Women's Hair Accessories, Medium-Size Handheld Mirrors

♥ Providence House

Applesauce, Canned fruits: Peaches, Pears, Fruit Cocktail Cookies, Graham Crackers, Diapers, Sizes 5, 6, Unscented Baby Wipes, Paper Towels, Liquid Hand Soap
Gift Cards: Target, Walmart

♥ St. Colman's

Shampoo, Dedorant, Bar Soap, Razors, Toilet Paper, Laundry/Dish Detergent, Sturdy Reuseable Shopping Bags

♥ St. Leo/St. Vincent dePaul Outreach

Bar Soap, Boxed Scalloped Potatoes/Instant Mashed Potatoes, Canned Fruit, Canned Tuna, Dish Detergent, Pancake Mix/Syrup, Peanut Butter and/or Jelly, Cereal, Baked Beans, Spaghetti Sauce, Rice and Noodle Side Dishes

♥ West Side Catholic Center

Deodorant, Bar Soap, Shampoo, Toothpaste/Tooth Brushes, Cereal, Ground Coffee, Pots/Pans, New Children's Shoes, New Socks and Underwear—Men, Women, Children



GIFT CARD PROGRAM



Buying our gift cards is an excellent way to help support our Parish. A complete list of gift cards is available at leothegreat.org. Gift Cards can be used for your grocery needs, drugstore items, gasoline, or for **HAVE A HEART DONATIONS!**
PLEASE SUPPORT US.



Catholic Charities
DIOCESE OF CLEVELAND

2021 ANNUAL APPEAL

Thank you to all who participated in Catholic Charities In-Pew weekend at St. Leo the Great! Because of your support, over 400,000 individuals will receive help and hope through the programs and services made possible by people like you. If you have not had a chance to make a gift, please visit CatholicCommunity.org/ Donate, text CCHOPE to 41444, or mail your donation to the Catholic Community Foundation at 1404 E. 9th St, Cleveland OH 44114.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE



The American Red Cross Blood-mobile will be at St. Leos Lux Hall on Tuesday, March 16th from 4pm-8pm. **Please note the day and time change for this drive only.** Red Cross staff are required to take temperatures at the door, remain masked and gloved during the blood drive (changing them often) and increased cleaning of the beds and equipment after every donation. Please consider donating due to the critical need for blood. All donors will have to be masked as well. If you don't have a face covering, one will be provided to you. Please register online at redcross.org. Walk ins will not be accepted. Thank you for your support. God Bless and stay healthy.

BRINGING AMERICA BACK TO LIFE CONVENTION MARCH 12TH & 13TH

Bringing America Back to Life
Pro-Life Convention

The Bringing America Back to Life Convention is the premier Diocesan-wide pro-life event: 2 jam-packed days filled with the nation's top speakers, workshops, and exhibitors. To discover more about this must-see event, to view the impressive line-up of speakers, and to register, visit www.bringingamericabacktolife.org or call (440) 281-1502. **Join us as we Bring America Back to Life!**

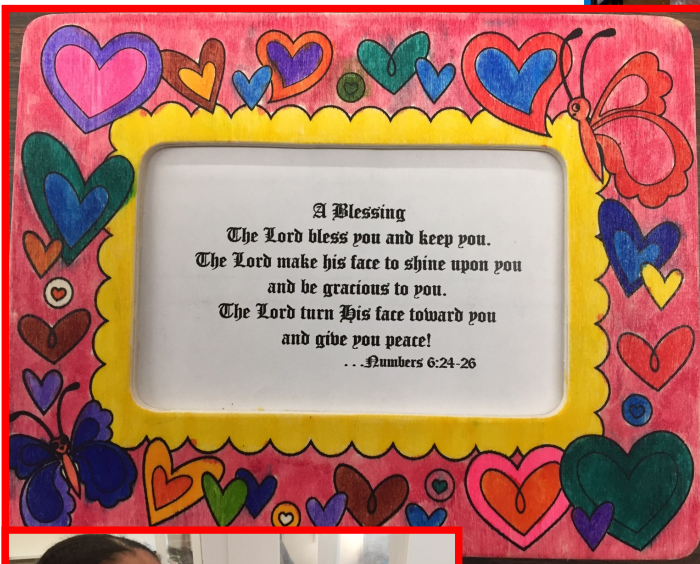


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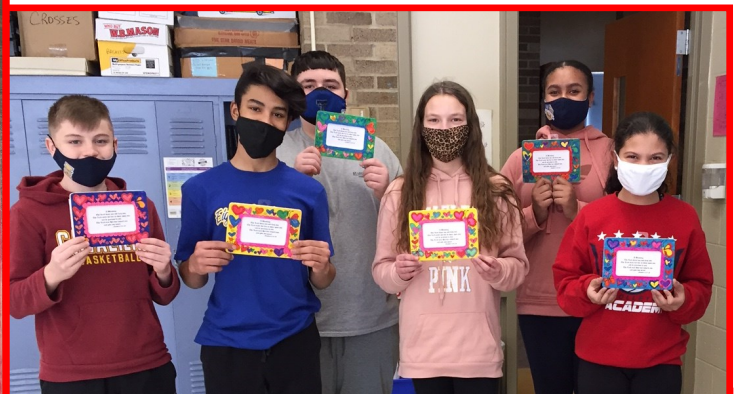


Our Kindergarten, 1st & 2nd Grade Teachers celebrated the "100th Day of School" on Feb. 24th.

Students brought in "100" of anything, played many games and just had fun with "100" for the day! Many thanks to our hardworking faculty for making it a special day!



A Blessing
The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face to shine upon you
and be gracious to you.
The Lord turn His face toward you
and give you peace!
... Numbers 6:24-26



Students in 8th Grade Religion Class were busy making **Special Valentines** that were delivered to the residents at **Mt. Alverna & Broadview Multi-Care.**

What a special act of kindness & love!





St. Leo Fish Dinners

TAKE OUT ONLY

Fridays - February 19th to March 26th

Serving 4:30 - 7:00 p.m.

Dinners - \$8.00 choice of:

Baked Tilapia Almondine
Baked Seasoned Cod
Battered Fried Fish
Breaded Shrimp
Pierogies

Includes:

Choice of baked potato or fries,
coleslaw or applesauce,
roll and butter

\$10.00 Combo Meal-add 3 pierogies

Weekly Specials - Fish Tacos, Seafood Empanadas, Salmon Patty Dinner

Fish Sandwich - \$6.00

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

Kids Meal - \$4.00

choice of: fried 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 Available	

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



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2020 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

To receive a copy of your 2020 contribution statement, please email your request to mlhauck@leothegreat.org. You can also call the Rectory Office at 216-661-1006.

Please indicate how you would like to receive your statement — pick up in the office, e-mail or mail.



NEXT SUNDAY,
MARCH 14TH

REGISTER WITH US

Have you moved into the area recently, or have you joined us for Mass? We would love to have you as a registered member of our parish family. Please stop by at the rectory office, go online at leothegreat.org or call the Rectory Office at 216-661-1006.



