



## ST. LEO THE GREAT PARISH & SCHOOL



April 21, 2019

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### SCHOOL HOURS:

Monday through Friday/School Day ~ 8:00AM—2:45PM

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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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## EASTER SUNDAY

The other disciple also went in, the one who had arrived at the tomb first, and he saw and believed. - Jn 20:8

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### LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Alleluia! Christ is risen! We are called, by how we live our lives, to celebrate the risen Christ. How do we do that? Our faith in the resurrection gathers us here today to celebrate this incredible event. The good news is that the doors of eternity are open! We can now understand that the fullness of who we are will be discovered when we one day meet God face-to-face in heaven. Our faith in the truth of who God is and who we are affects how we live our lives and the decisions we make. We are called to love our neighbor...to love those who hurt us...to work on behalf of the poor and the weak...to be people of justice, integrity, and hope... to practice compassion and mercy above anything else. Our lives are meant to be oriented around the axis of the Gospel. Are they?

### DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY 2019 COMMUNION RITE POSTURE RENEWAL RECOMMENDED PROCEDURES



Beginning Divine Mercy Sunday, we will be changing our Communion Rite posture to reflect the original policy, first established in 2003. We will remain

standing after the Lamb of God, throughout the distribution and reception of Holy Communion and the singing of the Communion Hymn, until the end of the distribution of Holy Communion. Once the last person has received Holy Communion and the Communion Hymn ends, we may kneel or sit for private prayer.

*The Gospel is very clear:  
we need to go back there, to see  
Jesus risen, and to become  
witnesses of his resurrection ... It  
is returning to our first love ...*

—POPE FRANCIS

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## ST. LEO THE GREAT—CLEVELAND, OHIO

### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...



Edward P. Gorczyca, Betty Jayne Glover, Bob McLaughlin, Theresa Pauloski, Annamae Sironen, Jo Hoffman, John Risko, Glenn "Joe"

Hess, Gary LaBuda, Jeanette Klaehn, Ruth Frohlich, Ron Vokac, Charles Hakaim, Walter Milewski, August Bublav, Carol Rucinski, Cara Prokop, Pat Chopka, Serena Jacobs, William Rebello, Cecilia Doris, Lori Stossell, Louise Horvath, Elaine Houseknecht, Diane Kalus, Gloria Karich, Marie Stankiewicz, Irma Zappitelli, Eugene Parks, Dianne Toronski, Barb Miliam, Steve Kostrubanic, Marge Menge, Bill Hinton, Kathy Suchocki & Brindley Ann Loudon.



### SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

**Monday, April 22nd: Monday - Octave of Easter**

7:30am +Bill Skora (Feichtner Family)

**Tuesday, April 23rd: Tuesday - Octave of Easter**

7:30am +Ann Hackstock (Mary Piechowski)

**Wednesday, April 24th: Wednesday - Octave of Easter**

7:30am +Florence & Edward Bacso (Family)

**Thursday, April 25th: Thursday - Octave of Easter**

7:30am +Sara Schmitz (Fr. James Schmitz)

**Friday, April 26th: Friday - Octave of Easter**

8:30am +Joseph Krakora (Joe & Joan Krakora)

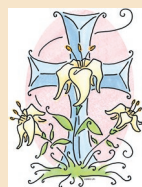
**Saturday, April 27th: Saturday - Octave of Easter**

4:00pm +Martin Fontaine (Miriam Fontaine)

**Sunday, April 28th: Divine Mercy**

8:00am People of the Parish

11:00am +Joey Lombardo (Family)



### EASTER OFFICE HOURS

The Rectory Office hours are as follows:

**Easter Sunday: CLOSED**

**Easter Monday: CLOSED**

### GREAT SWEEPSTAKES WINNER!

**Barbara Craighead**

**April 15, 2019**



Don't forget to sign up for our **Great Sweepstakes weekly drawing**. Sign up forms 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.

**Deacon David Stavarz**  
**St. Francis de Sales, Akron**  
**V Theology, Saint Mary**



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

### PARISH SUPPORT



Due to early publication of this week's bulletin, our financial information will be available next week.

**Thank you for your continued support!**

### First Reading: Acts 10:34a, 37-43

The Apostle Peter was originally skeptical about preaching the gospel to non-Jews. But one day, the Holy Spirit summoned him to preach to a Gentile—the pagan army officer Cornelius and his household. Today's passage is a portion of Peter's sermon, which summarizes the life and ministry of Jesus.

### Second Reading: Colossians 1:3-4

The letter to the Colossians depicts Christ as the only mediator between God and the world. A previous passage of the letter presented baptism as the way we are united with Christ. The author will today remind us of the heights to which Christ has raised us, and then call upon us to live up to this.

### Readings for the week of April 21, 2019

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

**Monday:** Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Mt 28:8-15

**Tuesday:** Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 & 22/Jn 20:11-18

**Wednesday:** Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:13-35

**Thursday:** Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:35-48

**Friday:** Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2 & 4, 22-24, 25-27a/Jn 21:1-14

**Saturday:** Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21/Mk 16:9-15

**Next Sunday:** Acts 5:12-16/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24/Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19/Jn 20:19-31

### DONUT SUNDAY



Please join us in the main vestibule of the church for donuts and coffee next Sunday, April 28th after the 8:00am and 11:00am Masses.

FROM THE  
PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners,

I must begin this column by welcoming all of you who are with us today to celebrate this great feast of the Resurrection. To those who are faithful parishioners throughout the year and to those who are visiting with us from another parish or another place, we want you to know how good it is to have you here today. And most especially, we warmly welcome those who may have been raised Catholic and/or those who live in the area but who no longer practice the faith with regularity. We extend to you the peace of Christ, who extended his peace to his apostles the first time he appeared to them after he was raised from the dead. We speak of "practicing Catholics" because all of us, even the best of us, are still (& always will be) practicing how to relate lovingly to God and to each other. Together we offer this prayer of thanks for the hope given to each of us by the death and resurrection of Christ. It is that hope that allows us to live in a world that is so rife with conflict and despair.

Last week we invited everyone to take home with them a free book we have purchased called "What I love about being Catholic." It's not the kind of book you need to read cover to cover, but one you can just open and read one page or two at a time as it offers reflections on how the Catholic faith has helped people in the struggles of life. I hope it inspires you as it has me, to appreciate more deeply what Catholicism has to offer us. If you did not receive one last week, please be sure to take one (or more) home with you today. Perhaps you know of a family member or friend who may benefit from it.

Every year many parishioners work hard to make Lent and Easter special times for us here at St. Leo's...those who provide opportunities for almsgiving such as through our Have a Heart, Lend a Hand program (thanks to all for your great generosity!), those who practice many hours in the music ministry, those who make our beautiful church even more so by flowers, the children who acted in the Passion Play, and those who minister in some way, in any way, quietly but faithfully throughout the year. Our gratitude to all of you.

In the midst of joy and gratitude, I must also acknowledge the sadness of many who are grieving the loss of a young (32 year old), faith-filled woman named Caitlin Kacher, the daughter of Tim Soucek of our parish. She fought a battle with cancer for many months and did so courageously. She and her husband Todd were married here almost 4 years ago and she spoke of how it was the happiest day of her life. We were especially touched to see so many students from Avon High School (where she enthusiastically taught Spanish) who were here at her funeral last Monday to grieve and pray with us. But our grief reminds us, most especially on this particular day, that we always have hope because of how Christ accepted his death for the sake of us all. May Caitlin rest in joy and peace.

*Fr. James Schmitz*



THIS WEEK AT ST. LEO'S

<b>Monday, April 22nd—No School</b>	
7:00pm Torres Bball Open Gym	Lux
<b>Tuesday, April 23rd—No School</b>	
7:00pm St. Leo Girls HS Volleyball	Lux
<b>Wednesday, April 24th—No School</b>	
11:00am Seniors	Great Church
6:30pm Choir Practice	
<b>Thursday, April 25th—No School</b>	
1:00pm Woman's Knitting	Conference
4:30pm 6th gr. Girl's Volleyball	Lux
7:00pm St. Leo Girls HS Volleyball	Lux
7:00pm Knight of Columbus	Basement
<b>Friday, April 26th—No School</b>	
7:30pm Recovery International	Basement
<b>Saturday, April 27th</b>	
2:45 to 3:30pm Confessions	Church
3:00pm Grapevine	Basement
5:30pm Women's Reverse Raffle	Lux
<b>Sunday, April 28th</b>	

ROSARY



Please join us on Friday, April 26th, as we say the rosary in the church at 7:00pm. 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.



IN LOVING MEMORY



**Caitlin  
Marie  
Kacher**

July 2, 1986 -  
April 9, 2019

**Interment**

Holy Cross Cemetery  
**Sec: 29 Lot: 1753 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.  
*Amen.*

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### HAVE A HEART—LEND A HAND

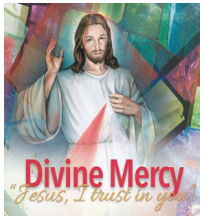
To the St. Leo Parish Community,

Thank you to everyone who donated so generously to the Have a Heart, Lend a Hand Lenten program. It shows that the spirit of Christ is alive and well at St. Leo. Thank you to all those who helped sort and deliver donations to the 11 organizations we supported this year. The love of Christ will touch all the lives that were touched by your outpouring of love.

May God bless you,  
Jeanne Sabol



### DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY



This week we celebrate the joy of Our Lord's Resurrection, the triumph over sin and death. Another feast follows next Sunday, the Feast of The Divine Mercy, a day set apart by the Church in response to the request Jesus gave to Saint Faustina in 1931.

On one occasion Our Lord appeared to Sister Faustina clothed in a white garment with two large rays, one red, and the other pale. He asked her to paint an image according to the pattern she saw with the inscription: Jesus, I trust in you.

On Good Friday we began the Novena and Chaplet of Divine Mercy. It is requested to be said daily until the Feast of Mercy. Pamphlets for this devotion are available at all the doors of the church.

Next Sunday, April 28th, a special program for Divine Mercy Sunday will be held at Mary Queen of Peace Church. There will be Confessions from 1pm to 2:30pm, a talk by Dr. Catherine Moran about the connection between Fatima and Divine Mercy at 1:30pm, the chaplet at 2:30pm, reposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 2:45pm, Holy Mass at 3:00pm followed by a reception in the Marian Lounge.

### FISH DINNER THANK YOU



A big THANK YOU to everyone who helped with the fish dinners this year. A big THANK YOU to everyone who attended. We had another successful year thanks to all of you.

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



The generosity of your donations to the Poor Boxes in the church and your very generous donation of food are greatly appreciated and certainly a sign of your desire to help those who are

struggling during these difficult economic times. Our organization uses these funds to purchase food and provide other emergency assistance to those in need. Let us keep in mind and prayer those who are struggling just to keep food on the table and roof over their heads. Poor Boxes are located at the exits of the Church. If you would like to make a donation to the St. Vincent de Paul Outreach Organization by check, please make the check out to St. Leo the Great and mark on the memo line or envelope for St. Vincent de Paul. Your check can also be put in the poor Boxes or placed in an envelope and mark it St. Vincent DePaul. Every penny counts. We thank you!

### SENIORS



St. Leo's Seniors will meet this Wednesday, April 24th at 11:00 a.m. in the Parish Center. This meeting will be our Easter Celebration. Please join us for fun and bingo!

### 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](http://www.leothegreat.org)) to sign up. If you have any questions or need help, call the parish office at 216-661-1006.

### HOMEBOUND



Do you have a loved one confined to home or in a local nursing home? Would they like a visit from the pastoral staff at St. Leo the Great? Contact Deacon Pat or Joan Berigan at the rectory (216-661-1006) and leave us the details.



## St. Leo the Great School Newsletter

Church Bulletin Edition



In keeping with the Lenten Season, St. Leo School 5th Grade students presented their Annual re-enactment of the **Passion of Christ.**



May God bless this beautiful day filled with joy, hope and faith.  
Wishing you a Happy Easter.  
Warm wishes for all the wonderful things this special time can bring.  
Wishing you and your family a blessed and Happy Easter!  
Blessings,  
Mrs. Burns



**ST. LEO THE GREAT  
ATHLETICS  
WOMEN'S REVERSE RAFFLE  
Saturday, April 27, 2019  
CHINESE NEW YEAR**

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

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

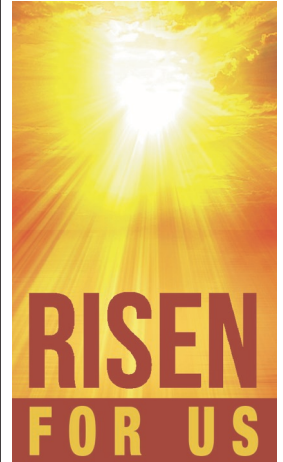
**ONLY DINNER TICKETS ARE LEFT—\$25.00  
THEY AVAILABLE AT THE RECTORY.**

**PARISH COMMUNITY  
CENTER**

**GREAT  
ROOM  
FOR RENT**

The Great Room, located in our Parish Community Center is available to **rent for special events, all types of parties, meetings, funeral luncheons, etc.**

For information or to book, please contact Mina Rolando at 216-544-0190 or visit our parish website at [leothegreat.org](http://leothegreat.org).



**CATHOLIC CEMETERIES ASSOCIATION MONTHLY GRIEF SUPPORT  
MEETING—NEXT SUNDAY, APRIL 28TH AT 3:00PM**



Please join us for an hour of learning and healing along your grief journey. Our Grief Support leaders are certified as ministers of Consolation by the National Catholic Ministry to the Bereaved, Inc. Our Catholic-based support can be supplemental to your existing support groups. **The next Support Group is April 28<sup>th</sup>** at St. Joseph Cemetery, Avon (temporary trailer office); Holy Cross Cemetery, Akron (office); and Holy Cross Cemetery, Brook Park (office). **The topic for April will be: "No Eye Has Seen...Wonderful Things God Has Prepared for You."** No registration is required; Just come and join us. For more information, visit our website <https://www.clecem.org/Information/Bereavement.aspx> or contact Rhonda at 216.930.4866 [rabrams@clecem.org](mailto:rabrams@clecem.org).

**CLUSTER CORNER**

**MARY QUEEN OF PEACE**—Bingo every Friday in the Parish Center. Doors open at 4:30pm with food & snacks available.

**ST. CHARLES BORROMEO**—Pilgrimage to MOTHER ANGELICA & RHODA WISE HISTORIC SITES on Thurs., April 25th, 7:30am to 6:00pm. Registration is now open. (\$45.00 p/p with hot lunch & snacks incl.) Questions? Contact Brian Pelcin in the Parish Office. (440-884-3030)

**ST. THOMAS MORE**—Join us on Friday, April 26th at 7pm in the church for a night of worship and praise of Our Lord.

**BUS TRIP**

**MEADOWS RACETRACK & CASINO  
Meadow Lands, PA**



**Thursday—May 30, 2019** Cost \$40.00 per person

Report: 8:00am—Depart:8:30am —Return:8:00pm

Casino bonus: \$25 free play *(Subject to casino policy & may change or cancel without notice.)*

**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

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