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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.

DOWNLOAD OUR MOBILE APP!

Read the latest bulletin, Pastor's blog and find other useful information on your mobile device.

Instagram @leothegreatorg

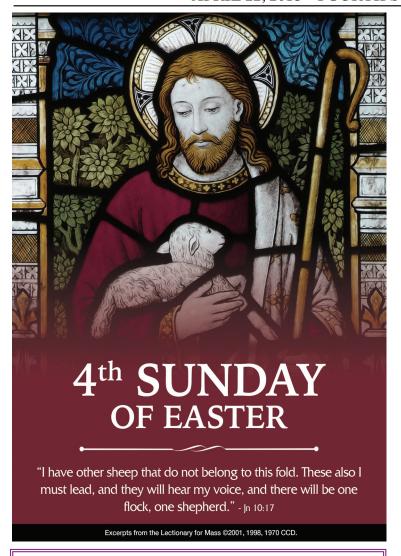


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Please remember our recently deceased parishioners in your prayers.

In Loving Memory of Juanita J. Gallo September 24, 1941 – April 7, 2018

Mass of Christian Burial St. Leo the Great Catholic Church Friday – April 13, 2018 at 11:30 a.m.

Burial Ohio Western Reserve National Cemetery Seville, Ohio

AFTER GLOW

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 soflly 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.

TOMON & SONS FUNERAL HOME 4772 Pearl Road ~ Cleveland, Ohio 44109 216-741-6661 In Memory Of

Daniel Sholtis

January 3, 1935 April 8, 2018

Service

10:00 am, Fri, Apr 13, 2018 St. Leo the Great Catholic Church Father James Schmitz

Interment

Holy Cross Cemetery Sec 40 Lot 6215 Grave 1

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

LIVE THE LITURGY INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

There is something comforting about knowing that we are in someone's care. Children can feel this most easily when surrounded by the embrace of a mother or father. All is well. Jesus is the Good Shepherd. We don't have to figure out all of the complexities of life. All we need to do is allow Jesus to be the true shepherd of our lives: to point us in the right direction, lead us to the best pasture, and keep us safe from harm. So many things in the world can hurt us, and we can quickly find that we are on the road to despair. Keeping focused on Jesus, remaining close to him, allows us to develop the gifts and talents God has given us and discover the key to true happiness. Jesus welcomes me with all of my doubts and fears, limitations and sins.

SUPPORT the CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL

Next week, we will take up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Right now, over 40 percent of dioceses in the United States are considered home mission territory because they are unable to fund the essential pastoral work needed in their communities. Your support of this appeal helps ease the struggle of these dioceses. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/home-missions.

ROSARY



Please join us for the recitation of the Rosary on Friday, April 27th, at 7:00 pm in the church. Please enter through the doors closest to the rectory. 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.

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 us at 216-661-1006.

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, Dennis Badar, Dagen McCormick, William Shinko, Carol Rucinski, Bernice Kilcoyne, Eugene Parks, Cara Prokop, Pat Chopka, Kathleen Gorsky, Rita Murell, Virginia Rescina, Serena Jacobs, Marty Lane, Rickey Aldridge, Donald & Dorothy Friedl, Rose Diliberto & Dorothy Pazdernik.



GREAT SWEEPSTAKES WINNER!

Pat & Andy Chopka April 16th—\$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.

Charles Bulger
St. Mary of the
Immaculate Conception, Avon
First Year, Borromeo

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



Sunday, April 15th

Basket Collection\$	6,709.52
WeShare (online)	1,075.00
Total\$	7,784.52

Capital Improvements (March).....\$ 790.00

Thank you for your continued support!



Monday, April 23rd: St. George, St. Adalbert 7:30am +Howard Ballash (Cousin-Louise Tupper) Tuesday, April 24th: St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen

7:30am Intention Available

Wednesday, April 25th: St. Mark

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

Thursday, April 26th: Easter Weekday

7:30am To Be Announced

Friday April 27th: Easter Weekday

8:30am +Walter & Mary Kulwicki (Kulwicki Family)

Saturday, April 28th: St. Peter Chanel 4:00pm Jerry & Linda DeBaltzo (50th Wedding Anniversary)

Sunday, April 29th: Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:00am People of the Parish 11:00am Joe & Joan Krakora

(50th Wedding Anniversary)



To Jerry & Linda DeBaltzo and Joe & Joan Krakora who will be celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversaries next weekend.



First Reading: Acts 4:8-12

Early in the Acts of the Apostles, Peter and John healed a lame man who sat begging each day at the temple gate. This miracle led to their arrest, and they were brought before the Sanhedrin. In today's passage, we hear Peter speaking boldly about Jesus to these Jewish leaders. In these few sentences, Peter presents the very heart of the Christian message.

Second Reading: 1 John 3:1-2

During this Easter Season, we are reading from the first letter of John. Today's passage reminds us about something both John and Paul emphasized: Jesus has made it possible for us to be God's sons and daughters, not just in some future life, here and now.



Readings for the Week of April 22, 2018

Sunday: Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29/1 Jn 3:1

-2/Jn 10:11-18

Monday: Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4/Jn 10:1-10 Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 10:22-30 Wednesday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/Mk 16:15-20 Thursday: Acts 13:13-25/Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, & 27/Jn 13:16-20 Friday: Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab/Jn 14:1-6

Saturday: Acts 13:26-53/Ps 2:0-7, 8-9, 10-11ab/Jfi 14:1-6 **Saturday:** Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Jfi 14:7-14 **Next Sunday:** Acts 9:26-31/Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32/1 Jfi

3:18-24/Jn 15:1-8



Dear Parishioners,

Last Friday, April 13th, we had 2 funerals of longtime parishioners. Daniel Sholtis has been here since the days of Fr. Lux, our first pastor. Daniel took very good care of his wife Margaret who has since passed as well as of his son, also named Daniel, whose funeral Mass we celebrated just 3 years ago this same month. Daniel was an avid fan of Ohio State and was happiest when golfing with his grandson. May he join his wife and son in the praise of God.

We also said goodbye to Juanita Gallo who, along with her husband Joe, have also been members of the parish for many years. Joe is a faithful usher at the 8am Sunday Mass and has not been able to be with us for several months as he needed to stay home to take care of his wife in her illness. What a source of strength and comfort he was to her. Juanita and Joe also have a son, Joey, whose 2 sons Tyler & Trenton Juanita also enjoyed so much. May Juanita now find the healing of body and soul in God's kingdom.

This Saturday we celebrate the 25th Wedding Anniversary of Pete & Advia Turlop and on Sunday, the 60th Anniversary of Ralph & Tannie Cosiano. It's a joy to share in this special occasion with them and we wish them all many more years of happiness.

I've been wanting to give you an update on Fr. Vesely but wanted to wait until we met with those in charge of his care at Mount Alverna. While Father Vesely's walking has improved guite a bit with the physical therapy he has been given, he still has swelling and occasional pain in his knee. They want him to use a walker instead of a cane for the sake of stability, but this also prevents him from driving. Though Fr. Vesely would very much like to return to St. Leo's (as much as we would like him to return), the recommendation was that he look into the option of assisted living. They believe that an apartment will open for him soon there at Mount Alverna and we were able to see it. It's directly across from a large room for visitors which would be very convenient as Father gets a lot of visitors from the parish! I, as well as others, would still be able to pick him up to go out to dinner and he would continue to be of great help to the residents there as something of a live-in chaplain. He has been celebrating Mass there once a week for several years and so many know him. Even during these past few weeks, he has been able to pray with and anoint people who need the ministry of a priest. It seems it would be the best option for him. While things are still to be sorted out, I ask for your continued prayers for him. He enjoys so much the cards and visits he has received, so thank you for reaching out to him. I will keep you abreast of what is happening but wanted you to know where things stand at the moment.

In. Jim Schmitz

THIS WEEK AT ST. LEO'S April 23rd to April 29th



Monday, April 23rd

6:45pm PSR School

Tuesday, April 24th

6:30pm High School Girls Volleyball Lux 6:30pm SVDP Conference

Wednesday, April 25th

11:00am Senior's Meeting Great 6:30pm Choir Practice Church

Thursday, April 26th

1:00pm Women's Knitting Group
5:30pm Fall Sports Signups
6:30pm High School Girls Volleyball
7:00pm Knights of Columbus
Conference
Lux
Basement

Friday, April 27th

7:30pm Recovery International Basement

Saturday, April 28th

10:00 am Scouts-Pinewood Derby
2:45 to 3:30pm Confessions
3:00pm Grapevine
Cafeteria
Church
Basement

Sunday, April 29th

7:00pm Coach Robinson Open Gym

IT'S BACK! - DONUT SUNDAY



Please join us in the main church vestibule after the 8:00 and 11:00 Masses for donuts and coffee next Sunday, April 29th.



2018 ANNUAL APPEAL

THANK YOU!

Lux

Because of your support, Catholic Charities is able to address the most pressing social issues facing our

diocese; poverty, homelessness, addiction, loneliness, the elderly and the disabled. As of March 31, a total of 35,544 donors have pledged \$9,315,960 toward a goal of \$12.5M.

Here at St. Leo the Great Parish, 208 parishioners have pledged \$41,016 toward our parish goal of \$60,937 That is 67.31% of our overall goal!

Your financial support will make a lasting difference in transforming the life of another, bringing help and hope to the poor and forgotten. Thank you on behalf of those served by Catholic Charities.

If you have not yet donated, please consider a generous gift to the Catholic Charities Annual Appeal. Contact Karen Joyce at 216-696-6525 ext. 1910 to make a gift by phone or make a secure gift at www.catholiccommunity.org/donate.

We invite you to view the stories of transformation and see the faces of those impacted by your generosity. Please visit: www.catholiccommunity.org/2018appeal.

ST. LEO THE GREAT SCHOOL ART SHOW



Come to our Art Show on Wednesday, May 9th at 7:00pm and check out what St. Leo students have been working on in art class this year! There will be an assortment of artwork, ranging from grades K-8. Artworks will include paintings, drawings, collages, as well

as some 3D artwork. Students have learned about different techniques, ideas, concepts and art history that ties into their own artwork. Featured artwork will include: Kindergarten Animal artwork, 1st grade Van Gogh Sunflowers, 2nd grade Van Gogh Starry night and Monet's outdoor garden, 3rd grade Spring Bird artwork & Monet's water lilies, 4th grade Barn artwork, abstract artwork, and tissue paper rose windows, 5th grade Scratch art & Pop art artwork, 6th grade Perspective cities and Georgia O'Keefe flowers, 7th grade Abstract art and scaled candy wrapper drawings, 8th grade scaled selfportraits and painted ceiling tiles. Come see all of the hard work, talent and creativity that our students have put into art this year!

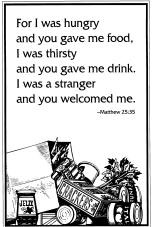


GIFT CARDS AVAILABLE



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 SPRING shopping, everyday purchases, gifts, or as a simple thank you. PLEASE STOP BY THE OFFICE AND SUPPORT THIS PROGRAM.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

St. Vincent DePaul Outreach Organization thanks you for your generosity to our monthly food collection. Your donation of food and other staples help us to fill the bags for those we serve. Those we serve also extend their heartfelt thanks to you. Your generosity is very much appreciated.

SENIORS

On Wednesday, April 25th, 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.



BLOOD DRIVE



The American Red Cross Blood Drive will be at St. Leo's Lux Hall on Sunday, May 6th, from 8:30am BLUDDRIVE to 12:00pm. Blood supplies are very low based on winter emergencies

and the flu. Please register @ redcrossblood.org after you create a profile. It's easy! Registering is optional; it just helps with the staffing. Please stop by and donate!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



Do you have some extra time? Do you have a need to give back? Find your place to give with love and compassion-

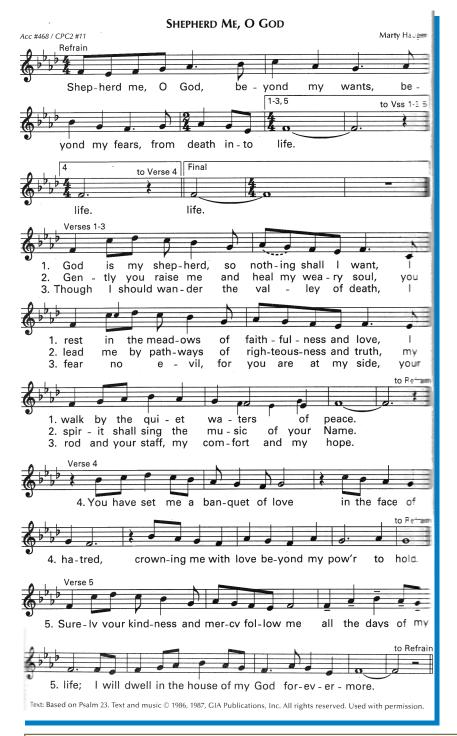
by being a volunteer at University Hospital Hospice. For information regarding upcoming training classes please contact Sharon Secure, 440-743-4943.

PARISH COMMUNITY CENTER

GREAT ROOM

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

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



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.

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 sign-ups

Please feel free to stop by after Mass.



COME CELEBRATE WITH US!



AM 1260 The Rock is celebrating the third anniversary of our first day on the air. The

Mass of Thanksgiving will take place on Friday, May 11th at 7pm at the Conversion of St. Paul Shrine, 4120 Euclid Ave. Cleveland. Bishop Nelson Perez will be the main celebrant for this mass and Fr. Douglas Brown, pastor at Mary Queen of Peace and chaplain of AM 1260 The Rock, will be concelebrating. We hope you join us as we give thanks for three years of God's blessings upon AM 1260 The Rock and as we pray for the intentions of our listeners and benefactors.

BETHLEHEM CHRISTIAN FAMILIES



We are proud to introduce ourselves as the "Bethlehem Christian Families", from the Holy Land We have come to the United States representing the Christian wood carvers of Bethlehem that rely on tourism to support their families.

Due to the bad situation and the interruption of the tourist trade, 500 hundred families of the Holy Land are in danger of having to leave their homes in search of work. Our mission is to bring and sell the Olive Wood Carvings to Catholic Churches in the

United States to help the Christian families remain in their homes an support their families. These Christians who make their livelihood through the selling of their hand carved Love Wood religious items are depending on us to bring these beautiful carving, such as, Nativity Scenes, Crucifixes, Picture of the last Supper, and several other religious items to you. You can look over these carvings that will be available **next weekend**, **April 28th & 29th after all the masses.**



CALVARY CEMETERY—PLANNING SEMINAR—SPECIAL PRICING

The Catholic Cemeteries Association invites you to attend a 1-hour pre-planning seminar on Saturday, April 28, 2018 at 1 p.m. Learn in a group or discuss one-on-one with a Family Service Representative and receive a free Personal Reference Guide. Light Refreshments will be served. Calvary Cemetery – 10000 Miles Avenue, Cleveland - RSVP 216/641-7575 ext. 2

50 YEARS

50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The annual 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration will be held on Sunday, July 29, 2018 at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist. Reservations will be accepted for couples married 50 years (married in 1968). Couples who are celebrating other significant anniversaries (55 or over) or have missed previous celebrations are welcome to register and attend. **Seating is limited in the Cathedral. The number of guests will be determined by the seating capacity and total number registered.**

DEADLINE: Monday, June 25, 2018-to include Jubilee couples' names in worship aid. **Firm deadline.** In early or mid-July, registered couples will receive an emailed letter with instructions and driving/parking details.

Please call Mary Lou at the Rectory Office at 216-661-1006 or register online at www.ccdocle.org/mfm and click on "Register for the 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration".

CLUSTER CORNER

MARY QUEEN OF PEACE...Join us for a prayer service dedicated to all those touched by cancer on Saturday, May 5th at 7pm in the church. Anointing of the sick will be available. Call 216-749-2323 for more information.

ST. CHARLES BORROMEO...A multi-media drama of the Life & Times of Mother Angelica on Tuesday, May 1st 7-8:30pm. Call Joan Kuczek 440-884-0388 with questions. Open to all.

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

BUS TRIPS

Weenies in the Woods, Erie PA—Wed. May 30th Report: 7:45am Depart: 8:15am Cost: \$85.00

Tom Ridge Environmental Center, bird watching at the Presque Isle State Park with a naturalist-bring binoculars, picnic luncheon, dessert stop (make your own sundae), and end the day with a train ride around Waldamere Park.

Return to St. Leo: Approx. 6:15pm

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

ALL ARE WELCOME!

