



# ST. LEO THE GREAT

## PARISH & SCHOOL

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

April 7, 2019

**Father James P. Schmitz**  
Pastor  
**Father James J. Vesely**  
Retired

4940 Broadview Road  
Cleveland, Ohio 44109



### PARISH STAFF:

216.661.1006

**Father James Schmitz, Pastor**  
jschmitz@leothegreat.org

**Deacon Patrick & Joan Berigan**  
pberigan@leothegreat.org  
jberigan@leothegreat.org

**Mary Lou Hauck, Office Manager**  
mlhauck@leothegreat.org

**Brenda Basalla, Business Manager**  
bbasalla@leothegreat.org

**Mickey Stitt, Music Director**  
mstitt@leothegreat.org

**Mary Piechowski, Associate Musician**  
mpiechowski@leothegreat.org

### RECTORY/OFFICE HOURS:

Monday through Thursday ~ 9:00AM—7:00PM

Friday ~ 9:00AM—3:00PM

Saturday ~ Noon—5:30PM

Sunday ~ 9:00AM—12:30PM

### SCHOOL STAFF:

216.661.2120

**Denise Burns Principal**  
dburns@leothegreat.org

**Eileen Breitmeyer, School Secretary**  
ebreitmeyer@leothegreat.org

**Jennifer Robinson, Preschool Director**  
jrobinson@leothegreat.org

**Joann Deranek, Director of Religious Education (DRE)**  
jderanek@leothegreat.org

**Cindy Funari, Tuition Manager**  
cfunari@leothegreat.org

### SCHOOL HOURS:

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

Main Office ~ 7:30AM—3:30PM

### 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.



### DOWNLOAD OUR MOBILE APP!

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

Instagram @leothegreatorg 

Facebook—leothegreatorg 

Twitter @leothegreatorg 



**Monday, April 15th**

Mass at 7:30am

Confessions - 6:30pm to 7:30pm

**Tuesday, April 16th**

Mass at 7:30am

**Wednesday, April 17th**

Mass at 7:30am

Confessions - 11:00am to 12:00Noon

**Holy Thursday, April 18th**

Morning Prayer at 7:30am

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00pm

Followed by solemn exposition of the Eucharist

**Good Friday, April 19th**

Morning Prayer at 7:30am

Passion Play at 12:00Noon

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

Stations of the Cross at 7:00pm

**Holy Saturday, April 20th**

Morning Prayer at 7:30am

Blessing of Food at 11:30am

Solemn Easter Vigil at 7:30pm

**Easter Sunday, April 21st**

Masses at 8:00am, 9:30am and 11:00am

**JOSEPH HOUSE**



Joseph House operates a clothing bank ministry to serve Catholic Charities refugee families and area residents in the St. Clair/Superior Avenue neighborhood.

Currently there is a need for new or gently used tennis shoes or flat walking shoes for men, women and children and new or nearly new towels.

Please bring your donations to the school cafeteria on Palm Sunday weekend during the Have a Heart collection 4/13, 3:30-5:00pm, or 4/14, 9am to noon. Thank you for any help you are able to provide.



All items purchased for the Have a Heart—Lend a Hand Lenten program can be dropped off in the school cafeteria next weekend when you come to mass.

The drop-off times are Saturday, April 13, from 3:30 to 5:00pm and Sunday, April 14, from 9am to 12noon.

If you still would like to participate in the program and haven't done so, the baskets of hearts will be at all the church entrances until next Sunday.

God bless you for your generosity. If you have any questions, please call Jeanne Sabol at 216-351-6247.



**PLEASE REMEMBER  
MARGARET MARY AND JAMES  
IN YOUR PRAYERS.**

IN LOVING MEMORY



*Margaret Mary Witkowski*

Sunday, September 6, 1925 -  
Monday, January 21, 2019

In Memory Of

**James F. Hovecar  
August 19, 1941  
March 28, 2019**

Funeral Mass, April 1, 10:00 AM  
St. Leo the Great Parish  
Interment, Holy Cross Cemetery  
Section 29 Lot 3815 Grave 2

The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want. In verdant pastures He gives me repose; Before restful waters He leads me; He refreshes my soul. He guides me in right paths for His name's sake. Even though I walk in the dark valley I fear no evil; for You are at my side, with Your rod and Your staff that give me courage. You spread a table for me in the sight of my foes. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Only goodness and kindness follow me all the days of my life; And shall dwell in the house of the Lord for years to come.

**ZABOR FUNERAL HOME  
5680 Pearl Rd.  
Parma, Ohio  
884-5035**

## 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 Bublavy, Carol Rucinski, Cara Prokop, Pat Chopka, Serena Jacobs, William Rebello, Cecilia Doris, Lori Stossell, Louise Horvath, Caitlin Soucek-Kacher, Elaine Houseknecht, Diane Kalus, Gloria Karich, Marie Stankiewicz, Irma Zappitelli, Eugene Parks, Dianne Toronski, Barb Miliam, Steve Kostrubanic, Marge Menge, Bill Hinton and Kathy Suchocki.

*Prayer is an act of love; words are not needed.  
Even if sickness distracts from thoughts, all that is  
needed is the will to love.*

*Saint Teresa of Avila*

### GREAT SWEEPSTAKES WINNER!

**Mike Litteria**

**April 1, 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 Michael Petkosek**  
**St. Peter, Lorain**  
**V Theology, Saint Mary**



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

### Parish Support

**Sunday, March 31st**

Basket Collection.....	\$ 6,418.00
WeShare(online).....	\$ 780.00
Total.....	\$ 7,198.00

Capital Improvement (March, 2019).....\$ 1,574.75

**Thank you for your continued support!**



### Monday, April 8th: Lenten Weekday

7:30am +Vance & Kloczek Families (Bernadine & Family)

### Tuesday, April 9th: Lenten Weekday

7:30am +Mary Panacik (Family)

### Wednesday, April 10th: Lenten Weekday

7:30am +Langa Family (Bob & Rose Zarko)

### Thursday, April 11th: St. Stanislaus

7:30am Intention to be announced

### Friday, April 12th: Lenten Weekday

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

### Saturday, April 13th: St. Martin I

4:00pm Seniors

### Sunday, April 14th: Palm Sunday

8:00am +William Lagodney, Sr. (Wife & Son)

11:00am +Bill Kordick (Wife & Children)

### First Reading: Isaiah 43:16-21

This section of the book of Isaiah contains the words of a prophet who addressed God's people exiled in Babylon (located in modern-day Iraq). He encourages them that one day they will be free to return home to Jerusalem. This journey will be through the desert, but God will transform this barren wasteland to ease their passage home.

### Second Reading: Philippians 3:8-14

The city of Philippi was located in what is today northeastern Greece, a country where Olympic-type games were popular. Paul draws upon this image to motivate the people to keep pressing forward in their spiritual growth.

### Readings for the week of April 7, 2019

**Sunday:** Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11

**Monday:** Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Jn 8:12-20

**Tuesday:** Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21/Jn 8:21-30

**Wednesday:** Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Jn 8:31-42

**Thursday:** Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 8:51-59

**Friday:** Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7/Jn 10:31-42

**Saturday:** Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13/Jn 11:45-56

**Next Sunday:** Lk 19:28-40/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24/Phil 2:6-11/Lk 22:14-23:56

*Will I follow the path of Jesus?*

FROM THE  
PASTOR'S DESK



Dear Parishioners,

Last Monday Jim Hovevar was laid to rest after we celebrated his funeral Mass. He was the brother-in-law of our parishioner, Doris Neylon who is very active in the parish as a Mass Coordinator for the 11am Mass on Sunday. So we extend to her and to Elaine, Jim's wife of 44 years, our sympathies. Their two children, Kevin and Laurie, attended our parish school many years ago. May the Lord raise up all who died in the hope of the resurrection.

As you can see, we have put a hard cover on the Breaking Bread books that we recently purchased which replaced our Journey Song books. I believe they will be easier to handle and less prone to tearing the paper covers on the song books. Please treat them with care so that we will be able to use them for many years.

A couple of pews toward the back of the church were wet from a leak we have in the ceiling. The company who installed the new roof on the bell tower, Parish Center and part of the school will also be replacing the church roof as soon as the weather is favorable. It was originally scheduled to be done last fall with the other roofs but inclement weather prevented that from happening. It will be good to know that the roofs on all of our parish buildings will have been replaced.

Our last Fish Fry will take place this week so if you have not yet had one of our delicious meals, this is your last chance. There are so many parishioners who continue to give many hours to this work and so I encourage you to thank them. Though our primary purpose in having these Fish Fries is for the building up of our community, we do make a very healthy profit from them as well. I continue to thank each of you who work so hard so that others may enjoy a good meal.

Though Holy Week doesn't begin until next Sunday with our celebration of Passion or Palm Sunday, I'll just point out that we will have confessions on Monday of Holy Week (April 15th) from 6:30-7:30pm and on Wednesday (April 17th) from 11am-Noon. On Easter we will again have 3 Masses (besides the Easter Vigil Mass at 7:30pm) and these will be at 8am, 9:30am & 11am. Please see the bulletin for other Holy Week liturgies.

I was pleased to hear from my doctor that the results from my first blood work after the surgery were very good as there is no sign of cancer. I need to have this checked every 3 months for a couple of years but the first one is probably the most important. I feel that my energy level is back to where it was originally though other side effects of the surgery can take 12-18 months to get back to normal. I'm only 2 months in & have quite a way to go which can become tiresome but I have to remain grateful that all turned out as best as I could hope for. My thanks are especially directed toward you and St. Peregrine & Our Lady of Lourdes. Let us continue to pray for those still struggling with illness, especially cancer.

*Fr. James Schmitz*

THIS WEEK AT ST. LEO'S



**Monday, April 8th**

6:45pm PSR	School
3:00-8:30pm Athletic V-ball Open Gym/ Fall Sports Signups	Lux

**Tuesday, April 9th**

8:30am SVDP Packing/Receiving	Church
7:00pm St. Leo Girls HS Volleyball	Lux

**Wednesday, April 10th**

9:30am Parish Catechetical Leaders Course	Great
11:00am Seniors	Great
5:00pm 6th gr. Girls Volleyball	Lux
6:30pm Choir Practice	Church

**Thursday, April 11th**

1:00pm Woman's Knitting	Conference
4:30pm 6th gr. Girl's Volleyball	Lux
7:00pm Knights of Columbus	Basement
7:00pm St. Leo Girls HS Volleyball	Lux

**Friday, April 12th**

4:30pm to 7:00pm FISH DINNERS	Lux
7:00pm Stations of the Cross	Church
7:30pm Recovery International	Basement

**Saturday, April 13th**

9:00am Jesus Day	School & Church
2:45 to 3:30pm Confessions	Church
3:00pm Grapevine	Basement
3:30 to 5:00pm Have a Heart-Lend a Hand	Caf

**Sunday, April 14th**

9:00am to Noon Have a Heart-Lend a Hand	Caf
9:00am to 1:00pm Pancake Breakfast	Lux
12:00 Noon PTC Easter Egg Hunt	Outside PC
12:30pm Couples for Christ	Great

**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.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**



Please plan on joining us for Stations of the Cross this **Friday, April 12th at 7:00pm in the Church**. Deacon Pat will be leading them this week. Please consider experiencing this unique prayer that has such a long tradition in our church.

## ST. LEO THE GREAT—CLEVELAND, OHIO

### LAST FISH FRY THIS FRIDAY



## St. Leo Fish Dinners

Every Friday in Lent

March 8th - April 12th

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  
**Special! Empanadas**  
**Special! Salmon Patty Dinners**  
**Special! 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

### GIFT CARDS AVAILABLE FOR ALL YOUR EASTER SHOPPING



Our Gift Card Program is an excellent way to help support your Parish. A complete list of gift cards is available at the rectory office or on our website at [leothegreat.org](http://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.**



To celebrate Earth Day we will be receiving an extra \$5/ton during Bonus Week, **April 14th to April 20th** from River Valley Paper. Please bring ALL recyclable paper from Spring Cleaning to our bins located between the school and parish center. This includes catalogs, magazines, newspapers, junk mail, hardbound & softbound books, notebooks, and scrap paper.

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

**GO IN PEACE...**After the recessionary hymn, please 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 in need. "Lent is a special time for almsgiving."



### PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Sunday, April 14th—PALM SUNDAY



Our Annual Pancake Breakfast will be held in Lux Hall from 9:00am to 1:00pm on Palm Sunday, April 14th. Make your plans to join us.

### SENIORS

Plan on joining us this Wednesday, April 10th at 11:00am in the Parish Community Center. We will have a speaker from the Catholic Cemetery Association. Please plan on joining us for this informative talk.



**CATHOLIC CEMETERIES ASSOCIATION**  
DIOCESE OF CLEVELAND  
*Faith, Hope, and Remembrance*

### CONGRATULATIONS

To the following students  
who made Honor Roll

### TRINITY HIGH SCHOOL

Connor DiSiena, Madalyn Eder,  
Madeline Gercak, Jillian Kalic,  
Daniel Palmer, Alexis Pickett  
& Giacomo Rolando



**alzheimer's association®**

### LIVING WITH ALZHEIMER'S

Join us on Tuesday, April 16th from 6:00pm to 7:00pm at Mount Alverna Village, 6765 State Road, to learn about Alzheimer's disease from a person who is living with it. This program is open and FREE to the community. Seating is limited and refreshments will be provided. Please call 800.272.3900 (24/7 Helpline) to register.





**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\*

**TICKETS ARE 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).

**CLUSTER CORNER**

**MARY QUEEN OF PEACE**—Bingo every Friday in the Parish Center. Doors Open 4:30pm. Food & snacks available.

**ST. CHARLES BORROMEIO**—Ladies Guild Hi Tea Party...ages 10 to 99...Sat. May 18th...12 Noon to 3:30pm with Denise Dufala as Guest Speaker. Purchase tickets at St. Charles Parish Office.

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

**CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION**



Thank you for your generous support of The Catholic Relief Services Collection and for helping Jesus in disguise. Your contributions make a difference for the poor and marginalized around the world. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! Just visit [www.usccb.org/nationalcollections](http://www.usccb.org/nationalcollections).

**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.

**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.

**BUS TRIPS**

**America's Hometown Trip—Thursday, April 25th  
HAS BEEN CANCELLED**

**MEADOWS RACETRAC & 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.