



**SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER  
DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY  
April 8, 2018**

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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.

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# *2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday* OF EASTER

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“Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed.” - Jn 20:29BC



## ST. LEO THE GREAT—CLEVELAND, OHIO

### 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, Irene Smith, Dennis Badar, Dagen McCormick, William Shinko, Carol Rucinski, Bernice Kilcoyne, Eugene Parks, Cara Prokop, Theresa Truxall, Pat Chopka, Marie Fijalkovich, Kathleen Gorsky, Rita Murell, & Virginia Rescina.



### **Monday, April 9th: The Annunciation of the Lord**

7:30am +Ruth Milla (Children)

### **Tuesday, April 10th: Easter Weekday**

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

### **Wednesday, April 11th: St. Stanislaus**

7:30am +Stella Sugalski (Family)

### **Thursday, April 12th: Easter Weekday**

7:30am People of the Parish

### **Friday April 13th: St. Martin I—All School Mass**

8:30am +Vance & Klocek Family (Bernadine & Family)

### **Saturday, April 14th: Easter Weekday**

4:00pm +William LaGodney (Wife, Son & Family)

### **Sunday, April 15th: Third Sunday of Easter**

8:00am People of the Parish

11:00am +Bill Kordick (Wife)

### **GREAT SWEEPSTAKES WINNER!**

**Kevin Pozek**

Easter Sunday—\$1,000.00 Winner

**Will Williams**

April 2nd—\$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.

### **First Reading: Acts 4:32-35**

Luke wrote a two-volume work: Volume One was his Gospel; Volume Two was the Acts of the Apostles which describes the life of the church after the Resurrection of Jesus. Every year, during the seven weeks of the Easter Season, the first reading is taken from the Acts of the Apostles. In today's passage, Luke gives an idealized description of early Christian community life.

### **Second Reading: 1 John 5:1-6**

Today and for the remaining Sundays of the Easter Season, our second reading will be taken from the first letter of John. It was written about 100 A.D., and is one of the last New Testament books to be composed. This letter was written in the tradition of the apostle John and thus bears his name. Today's passage from near the end of this brief letter treats the fundamentals of Christian life: faith, love and the commandments.

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

**Luke Rose**

**St. Basil the Great, Brecksville  
Fist Year, Borromeo**



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

### **Readings for the Week of April 8, 2018**

**Sunday:** Acts 4:32-35/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24/1 Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:19-31

**Monday:** Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8, 8-9, 10, 11/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38

**Tuesday:** Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Jn 3:7b-15

**Wednesday:** Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 3:16-21

**Thursday:** Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20/Jn 3:31-36

**Friday:** Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15

**Saturday:** Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/Jn 6:16-21

**Next Sunday:** Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9/1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48



### **PARISH SUPPORT**

**PALM SUNDAY  
MARCH 25, 2018**

Basket Collection.....	\$ 9,199.68
WeShare.....	\$ 925.00
Total.....	\$ 10,124.68
Easter Flowers.....	\$ 1,172.00

**Thank you for your continued support!**

FROM THE  
PASTOR'S DESK



Dear Parishioners,

In the name of the parish community, I extend our gratitude to all those parishioners who helped in any way with the liturgies of Holy Week. Thanks to all our liturgical ministers: ushers, altar servers, Eucharistic ministers & lectors. Thanks to all who decorated the church so beautifully. Thanks to our Mass coordinators who work every week in setting up and cleaning up for our weekend Masses. Thanks especially to all those in the music ministry who worked so hard to provide us with beautiful and meaningful music all week. They work so well together and really help us lift our hearts to God in prayer. And finally thank you all for your generous Easter donations which are a tremendous help to our parish budget.

Fr. Vesely & I also thank you for the cards and edible gifts that help us to enjoy the days following Easter. You are thoughtful and kind.

Helen Lincheck's funeral Mass took place last Tuesday. She was married for exactly 50 years (her husband John died sadly on the day they celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary in our church). Helen's daughter, parishioner Jan Norris and Helen's son John took great care of their mother during the many years she suffered from dementia and needed constant help. What love they showed their mother in the daily sacrifices they made for her. Helen was devoted to her family and to her faith. May she enjoy forever the friendship of the Risen Christ.

On Easter we passed out a little white book called a "Mass Journal." It has some brief reflections on the left hand side of each page but just lines on a blank page on the right. We encourage you to bring it to Mass with you and to write down a word or a phrase that struck you during the Mass so that you might reflect on it later in the day or during the week. So often God speaks us not only in silence but in what we hear and see and experience but we're not always aware of how he reaches out to us. Jot down anything that may be food for thought, whether it's the words of a song or prayer, something in the scripture readings or homily, or just something you see that you never really noticed before. Many people in other churches have found this to be useful in helping them really pay attention to everything that is happening at Mass so that it may become more fruitful and meaningful to them. We'll try to keep pencils in the pews throughout the Easter season and keep some on the tables in the church as well.

Our Easter celebration goes on for 50 days for the Lord's resurrection has eternal meaning for our lives. The Risen Lord will continue to speak to us in these days. Let us listen attentively to him.

*Fr. Jim Schnitz*

THIS WEEK AT ST. LEO'S  
April 9th to April 15th



**Monday, April 9th**

6:45pm PSR

School

**Tuesday, April 10th**

6:30pm SVDP

Conference

6:30pm High School Girls Volleyball

Lux

**Wednesday, April 11th**

9:30am Parish Catechetical Class

Basement

11:00am Seniors

Great

6:00pm Cub Scouts-Den Meeting

Basement

6:30pm Choir Practice

Church

**Thursday, April 12th**

1:00pm Women's Knitting Group

Conference

6:30pm High School Girls Volleyball

Lux

7:00pm Knights of Columbus

Basement

**Friday, April 13th**

8:30am All School Mass

Church

7:30pm Recovery International

Basement

**Saturday, April 14th**

8:00am Kid's Resale Day

School

9:00am Jesus Day-2nd Grade Parish Center & Church

2:45 to 3:30pm Confessions

Church

3:00pm Grapevine

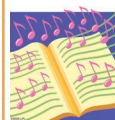
Basement

**Sunday, April 15th**

7:00pm Coach Robinson Open Gym

Lux

**SCHOOL MASS PRACTICE**



The school community will practice hymns/songs fifteen minutes before Mass begins on Friday, April 13th. We ask those who attend daily Mass to use the side chapel for silent prayer, if they choose, during practice and to sit in the side pews before Mass begins. Thank You.

**LIVE THE LITURGY  
INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK**



What does it take to believe that something is real? We live in an age of computer technology complete with things like Photoshop and other programs that can enhance photographs, create realistic images, and mimic artistic renderings. When looking at a picture of something, we find ourselves wondering if what we are seeing is real or just the result of technological creativity. Early believers came to believe because of what they witnessed in these new communities of faith. They saw people authentically living out Jesus' command to love and to show mercy. What do people witness when they see us in action?

## ST. LEO THE GREAT—CLEVELAND, OHIO

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



The St. Vincent de Paul Outreach Organization food and staple collection to assist those in need is next weekend, April 14th/15th. Items that we are most in need of are CANNED CARROTS, CEREAL, ASSORTED CRACKERS, BAKED BEANS, RAMEN NOODLES, MAYONNAISE, JELLO AND KLEENEX. Because of YOU we are able to ensure others do not go without. Thank you very much for your donations.

### 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.

### 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.

### KIDS RESALE



St. Leo the Great Parent Teacher Community is ready to host its first Kids Resale. The Kids Resale will be held on this **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: [laurensmom113@yahoo.com](mailto:laurensmom113@yahoo.com) or by phone at 216-336-4758.

### CEMETERY Planning Seminar—Special Pricing

The Catholic Cemeteries Association invites you to attend a 1-hour pre-planning seminar on Saturday, April 14, 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. Holy Cross Cemetery – 14609 Brookpark Rd, Brook Park **RSVP 216/641-7575 ext.3.**

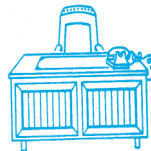
### SENIORS



On Wednesday, April 11th, St. Leo's Seniors will meet in the Parish Community Center at 11:00 a.m. We will have our election of officers at this meeting.

Afterwards we will be entertained by a Magician. Hocus Pocus, come and see what happens!

### 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.

Listed are 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.

### GIFT CARDS AVAILABLE FOR ALL YOUR SHOPPING NEEDS



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](http://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.**

### THINK SPRING



Bring ALL RECYCLABLE paper from Spring Cleaning to our recycle bin! That includes Catalogs & Magazines, Newspapers, Junk Mail, Hardbound or Soft-bound Books, Notebooks & Scrap Paper.

### PARISH COMMUNITY CENTER

**GREAT ROOM FOR RENT**

The Great Room in our Parish Community Center is available to **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](http://leothegreat.org). There you will find information, prices, and forms.



### BE THE LIGHT



As we celebrate the joy of this Easter Season and the light of the Risen Christ, mark your calendars and plan to join us this summer at The FEST – our 18<sup>th</sup> annual Catholic Family

FESTival – Sunday, August 5, 2018. Come and hear the best of Christian artists: TobyMac, Big Daddy Weave, Mandisa, and We are Messengers. There are plenty of Gospel-based activities and interactive displays, along with rock walls, BMX shows, and so much more. You will also want to check out the Marc's Mom's Relaxation Station. It's the perfect family day and a great opportunity to help your family celebrate the Light and Love of the Lord. The FEST is a great day of faith, family and fun – all for FREE. For more information, go to: [www.theFEST.us](http://www.theFEST.us).

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

#### 18th ANNUAL KENTUCKY DERBY PARTY SATURDAY, MAY 5th



Join us for the best Kentucky Derby Party in town and help fight hunger in Cleveland at the same time. St. Vincent de Paul Society's 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Kentucky Derby Party is Saturday, May

5th from 4-8PM at Great Lakes Brewing Company Tasting Room, 2701 Carroll Avenue, Cleveland. Enjoy the Run for the Roses on the large screen, horse betting, a hat contest, silent auction, 50/50 raffle, mouth-watering authentic Derby fare, convenient valet parking, refreshing mint juleps and Cleveland's own Great Lakes Brewing Company craft beer. Admission is \$65 (before April 8, 2018) and \$75 (after April 8, 2018). Tickets for the 50/50 raffle cost \$10 each or three for \$20 (winner need not be present). For details call 216-696-6525 x2520 or visit [www.svdpcle.org](http://www.svdpcle.org).

### THE BEST OF EASTERN CANADA



Join Fr. Rob Ramser as we travel to Montreal, Quebec City, Ottawa and more from April 28-May 5,

2019. We will tour historic Montreal including Notre Dame Cathedral & St. Joseph Oratory, explore the streets of Old Quebec City including a visit to St. Ann de Beaupre and see the natural wonder of Niagara Falls & Rockport. Price is \$3,129 per person (based on double occupancy. For more information please contact Fr. Rob Ramser at 330.460.7311 or [rramser@stambrose.us](mailto:rramser@stambrose.us)



Today is Divine Mercy Sunday, a universal feast of the Church, which falls on the Sunday after Easter requested by Jesus himself to Saint Faustina, as recorded in her diary, and established by St. Pope John Paul II.

Over and over again Our Lord expressed His desire to St. Faustina that the whole world be told of His mercy, and He promised to defend throughout their lives those who proclaim His mercy.

"From all My wounds, as from streams, mercy flows for souls. From this fountain spring all graces for souls. The flames of compassion burn Me. I desire greatly to pour them out upon souls. Speak to whole world about My mercy" (1190, Diary of St. Faustina)

St. Leo the Great does not hold a Holy Hour on Divine Mercy Sunday, however there is a program today at Mary Queen of Peace, located at 4423 Pearl Rd. There will be Confessions from 1 to 2pm; Rosary at 2pm, Holy Mass at 2:30pm; the Divine Mercy Chaplet in Song at 3:30pm; and a reception at 3:45pm.

### POLISH AMERICAN PRIEST'S ASSOCIATION

The Polish American Priests Assoc. will be holding their 28th National Convention in Cleveland from April 9th-13th. All are welcome to attend the Solemn Convention Mass to be held on Thursday, April 12th at 5pm at the Shine Church of St. Stanislaus, 3649 E. 65th St. and the F. Leopold Moczygemba award Banquet which immediately follows at the Tremont City Side Ballroom. Please call 326-341-9091 for ticket information. We hope you will join us for this unique and memorable event!



POLISH AMERICAN PRIESTS ASSOCIATION  
**PAPA**



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.



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

#### MONTHLY GRIEF SUPPORT—3rd SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH

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. We meet the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of every month at 3:00 p.m., except on holidays, then we meet the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday. **The next Support Group is Sunday, April 15<sup>th</sup>** at St. Joseph Cemetery in Avon, Holy Cross Cemetery in Akron, and Holy Cross Cemetery in Brook Park.

**April 15<sup>th</sup> Topics:** “Your New Normal/Embracing the Journey”  
and “Preparing the Hidden Grievers for Mother’s Day”

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...**Divine Mercy Sunday, April 8th-Confessions 1 to 2pm, Rosary at 2pm, Mass at 2:30pm and chanting of Chaplet at 3:30pm.

**ST. CHARLES BORROMEIO...**Ladies Guild High Tea Party Sat., 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 by April 23rd. (not sold at the door)

#### 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!**