



## ST. LEO THE GREAT PARISH & SCHOOL

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

May 28, 2017

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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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**PLEASE REMEMBER...** Sarah Geier, Edward P. Gorczyca, Betty Jayne Glover, Bob McLaughlin, Stella Sugalski, Donna Mlady, Cheri Minch, Theresa Pauloski, Annamae Sironen, Ann Szpansky, Larry Kuznik, Jo Hoffman, Anna Mendoza, John Risko, Glenn "Joe" Hess, Diane Soler, Muffie Bone, Theresa Truxall, Gary LaBuda, Jeanette Klaehn, Ruth Frohlich, Stanley Kosiba, Ron Vokac, Charles Hakain, Walter Milewski, Doug Burcham, Morgan Sisley & Elizabeth Woisnet



We Welcome  
**ALEKSANDRA ROSE HOLLAND**  
**HUNTER NATHANIEL HOLLAND**  
as they are baptized this weekend.

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



#### GREAT SWEEPSTAKES WINNER

RUTH MALEWSKI  
\$100.00 - May 22nd

**CONGRATULATIONS!** Don't forget to sign up for our **Great Sweepstakes**. Forms are available at the Information Desk in Church or the Rectory Office.

#### OFFICE CLOSED



The Rectory Office will be closed on Monday, May 29th in observance of Memorial Day.

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

**Garrett Guerrieri**  
**Diocese of Youngstown**  
**Pre-Theology, St. Mary**



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



#### PARISH SUPPORT

**Sunday, May 21st**

Financial Information was not available at the time of publishing. The information will be included in next weeks bulletin.

**Thank you for your continued support!**



**May 29th to June 4th**

#### **Monday, May 29th: MEMORIAL DAY**

9:00 a.m. +Deceased Members of the Armed Forces

#### **Tuesday, May 30th: Easter Weekday**

7:30 a.m. Anniversary of August & Jeanette Bublavý

#### **Wednesday, May 31st: Visitation of Blessed Virgin Mary**

7:30 a.m. +Mike Manzo (Family)

#### **Thursday, June 1st: St. Justin**

7:30 a.m. To be announced

#### **Friday, June 2nd: SS. Marcellinus & Peter**

8:30 a.m. +Michael & Victoria Rubacha (Family)

9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration

#### **Saturday, June 3rd: St. Charles Lwanga & Companions**

4:00 p.m. +Ed Rompala (Rompala Family)

#### **Sunday, June 4th: PENTECOST SUNDAY**

8:00 a.m. +Mr. & Mrs. Michael Karasek (Jeanne Karasek)

11:00 a.m. People of the Parish



#### **First Reading: Acts 1:1-11**

Today's passage takes us back to the beginning verses of the Acts of the Apostles and sets forth the themes that Luke is going to develop throughout this, the longest book of the New Testament. His major theme is the role of the Holy Spirit, who enables the apostles to be effective witnesses to Jesus. The Holy Spirit is mentioned 57 times in the Acts of the Apostles.

#### **Second Reading: Ephesians 1:17-23**

Ephesus was an ancient city located on the western coast of what is today Turkey. Paul visited there several times. Today's passage, which is near the beginning of the letter to the Ephesians, is a prayer asking God's blessings upon that community. Many thoughts in this prayer are connected to today's feast of the Ascension.



#### **Readings for the Week of May 28, 2017**

**Sunday: Ascension** Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-9/Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20

**Monday:** Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab,4-5acd,6-7ab/Jn 16:29-33

**Tuesday:** Acts 20:17-27/Ps 68:10-11, 20-21/Jn 17:1-11a

**Wednesday:** Zep 3:14-18a /Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6/Lk 1:39-56

**Thursday:** Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11/Jn 17:20-26

**Friday:** Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab/Jn 21:15-19

**Saturday:** Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4-5, 7/Jn 21:20-25

**Next Sunday:** Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13/Jn 20:19-23

FROM THE  
PASTOR'S DESK



Dear Parishioners,

Sunday we will be celebrating the baptisms of Aleksandra & Hunter Holland during the 11am Mass. We welcome these twins as the newest members of the Church and pray that they may have the example of faith through the many family members who love them.

We pray for Hortense Loughhead, a parishioner, whose Graveside Service took place this weekend. May she Rest In Peace with all our departed faithful.

For the past year, Dr. Robin Imbrigiotta has been visiting the sick and homebound members of our parish. Those who have received a visit from her have been inspired by her deep faith. She is also a good listener & provides wise words of support & encouragement. Robin recently accepted an offer from the Visiting Nurse Association to work in their Hospice Department in Downtown Cleveland. This is a wonderful opportunity for her but sadly means that she will not be able continue her ministry at St. Leo's. If that becomes possible for her again in the future, she will let us know because she really enjoyed that ministry here. We extend our congratulations and our thanks to her and pray that we may find another gifted person to help minister to our sick and homebound.

Please join us at 9am for the Memorial Day Mass we will celebrate on Monday. We remember and honor all those who have gone before us, especially those who died in the service of our country. Besides Memorial Day, the last day of school also signals for us the beginning of summer. And Friday was the last day of school for our children. Enjoy the time you spend with family & friends or even just relaxing by yourself. Try to stay in good humor. I'll try to help you with that by sharing some quotes that I've been collecting for several years now. Many are funny, some are wise, and all remind us the simple truths of life and faith. Here's one to start: "Laughter is a foretaste of heaven." Isn't that a great quote? When we laugh, we remember that we are destined for a life of nothing but joy and that it will never be taken away from us. So here's another quote that made me chuckle: "The good Lord didn't create anything without a purpose. But mosquitoes come close." I do have to say that when I lived in Mississippi one summer, I saw someone wear a T-shirt that had a mosquito on it & said, "Mississippi State Bird." So at least for them it had a purpose. Sorry I don't have a source for these particular quotes. If I do have the source, I'll of course give them credit. But if I have no source, pretend they come from my own humorous imagination. I need to have a purpose too.

*Fr. Jim Schmitz*

THIS WEEK AT ST. LEO'S

May 29th to June 4th



**Monday, May 29th**

MEMORIAL DAY—OFFICE CLOSED

**Tuesday, May 30th**

6:30 p.m. SVDP

Francis

7:00 p.m. Parish Council

Rectory

**Wednesday, May 31st**

7:00 p.m. Choir Practice

Church

**Thursday, June 1st**

1:00 p.m. Women's Knitting

Francis

7:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus

Great

**Friday, June 2nd**

7:30 p.m. Recovery International

Great

9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration

Church

**Saturday, June 3rd**

2:45 p.m. Confessions

Church

3:00 p.m. Grapevine

Great

**Sunday, June 4th**

1:00 p.m. Teens Encountering Christ Eylar & Francis

THE ASCENSION OF JESUS INTO HEAVEN...



ASCENSION

urges us not to let ourselves be hampered by things that burden and encumber us, but to abandon ourselves instead to the will of God which draws us heavenward.

—St. Pope John XXIII,  
*Journey of a Soul*

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

**Friday, June 2nd**



Eucharistic Adoration begins after the 8:30 a.m. Mass and ends at 5:00 p.m. You are invited to spend *some* time with the Lord in a quiet, prayerful atmosphere. It will bring you peace.

MEMORIAL DAY MASS

**MAY 29th**



A 9:00 a.m. liturgy will be celebrated on Memorial Day, May 29th.

Weather permitting, the 9:00 a.m. liturgy will be followed by a flag-raising ceremony led by the Cub Scout Troop. Please plan to attend.

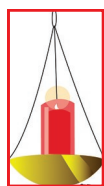


## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



The Lord calls each of us to share our faith by committing ourselves to life and becoming involved in the lives of our brothers and sisters. One small way to find involvement is to help the St. Vincent DePaul Outreach volunteers by donating money in the Poor Boxes. Without YOU, the St. Vincent de Paul Outreach Organization simply could not exist here at St. Leo's. We THANK YOU for answering the call.

## SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTIONS



The Sanctuary Candle is the candle next to the Tabernacle, which signifies the real presence of Christ within it. You can dedicate this Sanctuary Candle in memory of a loved one or for a special intention for two weeks; the name will be published in the bulletin so that your intention can be prayed for by everyone during that time. The donation for the candle is \$10.00.

Please stop by the Rectory Office or the Information Desk in the vestibule of the church to request a Sanctuary Candle Intention.

Sanctuary Candle: May 28th – June 10th  
In Loving Memory of Thomas Kinder  
From: Johanna Kinder

## PARISH COMMUNITY CENTER

**GREAT  
ROOM  
FOR RENT**

The Great Room in our Parish Community Center is available to **rent for special events, parties, meetings, funeral luncheons, etc.** For more information or to book, please contact Mina Rolando at 216-544-0190 or visit our website at [leothegreat.org](http://leothegreat.org).



**CONGRATULATIONS  
TO ALL 2017  
GRADUATES!**

Do not follow where the path may lead.  
Go, instead, where there is no path  
and leave a trail.

Ralph Waldo Emerson, American poet, 1803-1882



## PLENARY INDULGENCE FOR THE CENTENNIAL OF THE FATIMA APPARITIONS

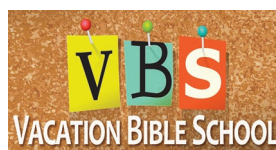
The Apostolic Penitentiary has granted a plenary indulgence for the centennial anniversary of the Fatima apparitions. The indulgence can be gained by the faithful on the 13th of each month, from May to October 2017 by visiting an image of Our Lady of Fatima and devoutly participating there in any celebration or prayer in honor of the Virgin Mary, pray the Our Father, recite the Profession of Faith (Creed) and invoke Our Lady of Fatima. Invocation to Our Lady of Fatima can be made with the following prayer:

*O God, who chose the Mother of your Son to be our Mother also,  
grant us that, persevering in penance and prayer for the salvation of the world,  
we may further more effectively each day the reign of Christ. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.*

For more information about indulgences, please visit [www.dioceseofcleveland.org/worship](http://www.dioceseofcleveland.org/worship)

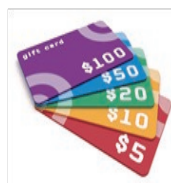
We will have a document entitled "Indulgences and our Spiritual Life" on the tables by the doors of the church for additional information on indulgences.

## SUMMER VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



St. Leo the Great along with St. Thomas More and Mary Queen of Peace Parishes will be presenting Summer Vacation Bible School. St. Thomas More will be the host location. VBS will be open to all children (day school and PSR) entering Kindergarten through 5th grade for the 2017/2018 school year. This year's program will take place from July 10th-14th from 9:00am -12:00 noon so be sure to mark your calendars. **Registration Forms are available in the Rectory Office and should be returned by June 20th.** Contact Mary Perry, [mperry@leothegreat.org](mailto:mperry@leothegreat.org) if you are interested in volunteering.

## GIFT CARD CERTIFICATES



The Gift Card Program is an excellent way to help support your Parish. A complete list of the gift cards is available at the rectory office or on our website.

### INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK



Ascension of the Lord

At the Lord's Ascension the disciples were given very clear instructions, "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you." These are instructions for us as well. We have been given a purpose and a mission as believers and followers of Jesus Christ. Our celebration reminds us to take time for prayer. Prayer can deepen our awareness not only of who we are but of the Holy Spirit bringing Christ's mission to fulfillment. With this knowledge, we can believe more deeply and then act on that belief.

### FEST 2017

#### The Perfect Family Fun Day

##### This Summer



As we celebrate Memorial Day and enter into the summer season join thousands from across our region for a day of faith, family and fun (all for FREE) at The FEST. Mark your summer calendar for Sunday, August 6, 2017 and join us in Wickliffe. Come and hear the best national Christian artists: *Laura Story, Matt Maher, Crowder and for King and Country*. There are great displays, lots of activities for the kids, games and fun. It is the perfect family day. All the details can be found at: [www.theFEST.us](http://www.theFEST.us). It's the highlight of the summer. Join us at The FEST. Special thanks to our friends who allow us to keep The FEST FREE and open to all: Marc's, Sherwood Foods, PNC Bank, Notre Dame College, and Advance Ohio.

### NEW CATHOLIC TELEVISION PROGRAM FOR YOU EVERY DAY



Be inspired by a new Catholic television program for every day living that will motivate you to achieve your hopes and dreams as you live a life of power, impact, freedom and purpose. It provides practical ways of living life to the fullest and helping you make faith a part of your daily life.

Bruce Downes The Catholic Guy Television program is seen by millions of people whose lives have been changed by his down-to-earth approach.

DIRECTV Ch 371, DISH Ch 258,  
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EVERY DAY

8:30am (EST) - 7:30am (CST) - 5:30am (PST)

For more information go to [BruceDownesTheCatholicGuy.com](http://BruceDownesTheCatholicGuy.com) where you can watch the program daily.

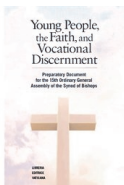
### WALK FOR PARKINSON'S



Someone in the United States is diagnosed with Parkinson's disease every 9 minutes. Here in Ohio it is estimated that there are 30,000-50,000 people. Many more are affected as family members, friends, co-workers, and care partners. Please join the National Parkinson Foundation Ohio Moving Day Cleveland, a Walk for Parkinson's taking place on Saturday, June 17th from 12:30-4:00 p.m. at Wade Oval in University Circle.

REGISTER A TEAM TODAY AT [www.MovingDayCleveland.org](http://www.MovingDayCleveland.org). For more information contact, Laura Gasbarro from National Parkinson Foundation Ohio at [lgasbarro@parkinson.org](mailto:lgasbarro@parkinson.org).

### PRE-SYNOD SURVEY ON YOUTH



The Catholic bishops of the world are planning to meet in October 2018 for the 15th Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops. The theme of this gathering is "Youth, Faith and Vocational Discernment." In preparation for this major synod on youth, Pope Francis wants to gather input from the Catholic faithful. Consequently, the Diocese of Cleveland has made available a survey questionnaire to gather information on the current state of the young in our diocese that will be included as part of the pre-synod discernment document. The survey can be found on the diocesan website home page, [www.dioceseofcleveland.org](http://www.dioceseofcleveland.org). All are invited and encouraged to participate by taking this short survey. The bishops of the United States pray that the results of this survey will help them more fully understand the experience of young people in our Church and in our country -- their hopes, dreams, fears and struggles -- so that the synod may bear fruit in offering more insight and direction to our ministry with young people.

## ST. LEO THE GREAT—CLEVELAND, OHIO

### PARISH GUIDE BOOK

We are starting to work on the 2017 Guide Book. If you do not want your name, address, and/or phone number printed in the Guide Book, please fill out this form and return it to the rectory or place it in the collection basket. You may also fill out this information online at our website or mobile app. Thank you!

Family Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

 Church  
Directory

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### 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION



The annual 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration will be held on Sunday, July 30, 2017 at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist. Reservations will be accepted for couples married 50 years (married in 1967). 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.

**Date & Time:** Sunday, July 30, 2017 at 2:30 p.m. Mass

**Place:** Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist

Please call Mary Lou at 216-661-1006 or email her at [mlhauck@leothegreat.org](mailto:mlhauck@leothegreat.org) to register

### 2017 CYO Fall Sports Signups



It is hard to believe but as we approach the final weeks of the 2016/2017 school year, it is time to focus on our CYO 2017 Fall Sports Programs. St. Leo's offers volleyball and cross country Day School & PSR students in grades 3 - 8. Signups will be every Wednesday in May from 5pm-6:30pm in the athletic office. Fee is \$85 for Volleyball and \$65 for Cross Country. Practice for each sport will begin Tuesday August 1, 2017. Volleyball practice will be in the school gym, times are TBD and cross country will be at various locations around the area, times TBD.



We look forward to student and parent involvement to make our programs a success.

### BUS TRIPS

#### Thursday, June 15th—The Meadows

- Meadows Racetrack & Casino in Meadow Lands, PA
- Report 8:30 a.m. - Depart - 9:00 a.m.
- Arrive at Casino at 12:00 p.m. - Depart at 5:00 p.m.
- Return - approx. 8:00 p.m.
- **Cost: \$33.00 (Casino Bonus: - \$25.00 free play)**

#### Thurs. July 20th—Cuyahoga Valley Train Ride

- Hartville Lunch and Shopping
- Tour Chocolate Factory (Harry London)
- Cold Stone Creamery
- Report 7:30 a.m. - Depart - 8:00 a.m.
- Return - approx. 5:15 p.m.
- **Cost: \$60.00**

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

**ALL ARE WELCOME!**



### CLUSTER CORNER

**MARY QUEEN OF PEACE—Bingo...** Every Friday in the air-conditioned Parish Center. Doors open 5:30 p.m., early bird at 7:00 p.m. Food and snacks are available.

**ST. CHARLES BORROMEIO—Pentecost Campfire & Vigil...** Sat. June 3rd - 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. at the small parking lot adjacent to the Parish Activities Center. Music, Scripture & Evening Prayer, Fun & Games, Drinks & Snacks. Weather Permitting. Please bring chair or cushion. Questions – call Brian Pelcin at 440-884-3030. All are Welcome

**ST. THOMAS MORE—Bingo...** is held every Wednesday in the gym. Doors open at 5pm and early birds begin at 6:30pm.

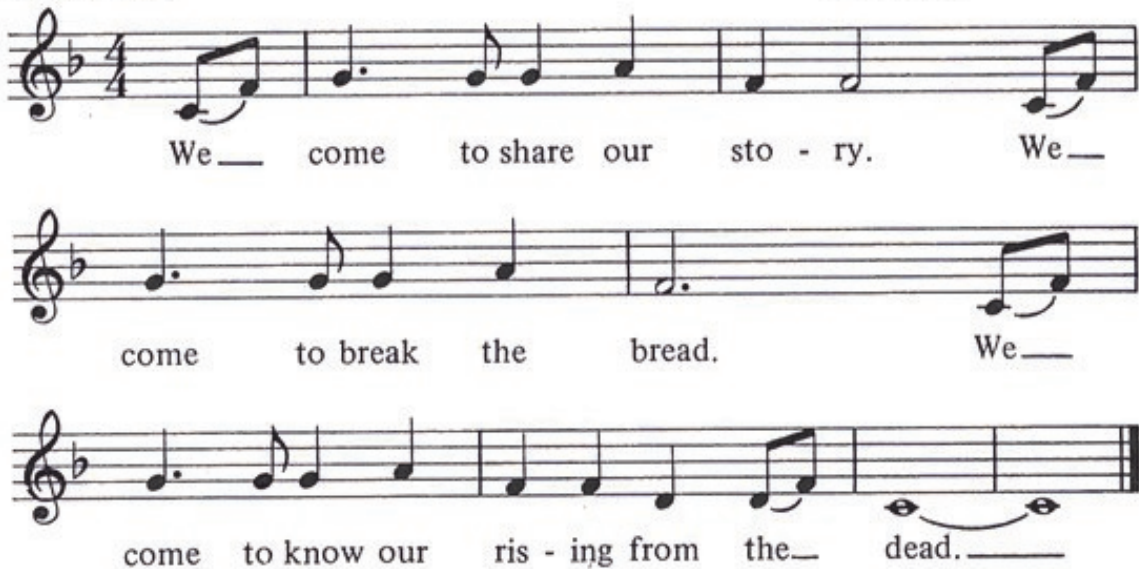




## SONG OF THE BODY OF CHRIST

David Haas

Traditional Hawaiian



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