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THE NATIVITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST
June 24, 2018



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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 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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Nativity of SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

They made signs, asking his father what he wished him to be called. He asked for a tablet and wrote, "John is his name," and all were amazed. - Lk 1:62-63

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

LIVE THE LITURGY INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK



As we celebrate today's feast, we are reminded that God creates and fashions each one of us with intent and purpose. We are not random accidents. We are special creations and wonderfully made. Each of us brings a unique twist to the one shot at life that we are given. As people of faith and children of God, we are asked to use our specialness to announce God's kingdom. Each of us reveals a unique part of God's face. Each day presents opportunities to communicate our faith to others and to reveal God's mercy. We have the means to point the way to Christ. How can we show Jesus to others today?



Practicing our Catholic faith can be difficult in today's culture. Listen to AM 1260 The Rock on Saturdays at 1 PM (*LIVE*) and 11 PM (*encore*) for "Call Me Catholic," and join host Peggy Normandin for conversations about the blessings and challenges of embracing a Catholic identity in the modern world. For information or to download a complete AM 1260 The Rock program schedule, visit www.am1260therock.com.



ASKING QUESTIONS???



Have you or someone you know been asking **life changing questions**? What is the **purpose of life**? **Why are we here**? Does life seem **empty and unfulfilling**? Is the new Parish Life Coordinator an **okay person**? These questions, and more, can be answered.

Coming soon, to a parish near you (Hint: It's this parish), RCIA, a journey to discover answers with others and grow in wisdom. You might even obtain seven new neat gifts! For more information, please contact Nathan at the rectory office (216-661-1006).

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, August Bublavsky, Miriam Fontaine, Dennis Badar, Dagen McCormick, William Shinko, Carol Rucinski, Bernice Kilcoyne, Eugene Parks, Cara Prokop, Pat Chopka, Kathleen Gorsky, Serena Jacobs, Rickey Aldridge, Donald & Dorothy Friedl, Theresa Truxall, Jennifer Callahan, Bill Hinton & Stone Minch.

*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! LOOK AND SEE WHO WON

Mary Ann Corlett
June 18th—\$100.00 Winner



Please sign up for our **Great Sweepstakes weekly drawing**. The sign up forms are available at the Information Desk in the vestibule of the Church, or at the Rectory Office.

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

Jack McLinden, SJ
Society of Jesus
III Philosophy



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



Sunday, June 17th

Basket Collection.....	\$ 9,736.50
WeShare (online)	980.00
Total	\$ 10,716.50

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!



Monday, June 25th: Weekday

7:30am +Joe Lovano (Family)

Tuesday, June 26th: Weekday

7:30am +Andrew & Angela Chopka (Andy & Pat Chopka)

Wednesday, June 27th: St. Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop

7:30am +Linda Piazza (Friends)

Thursday, June 28th: St. Irenaeus

7:30am To be announced

Friday June 29th: SS. Peter & Paul

8:30am +Brian Murray (Joyce Krakora)

Saturday, June 30th: The First Martyrs of the Holy

Roman Church

4:00pm +Alice & Tony Golubski (Jack & Dianne Toronski)

Sunday, July 1st: 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am People of the Parish

11:00am In Memory of Jake, Katie & Bruce (Skora Family)

First Reading: Isaiah 49:1-6

The book of Isaiah in four different places speaks of a mysterious servant of God. In today's passage, the servant is described as called from his mother's womb. The parallel with John the Baptist is clear.

Second Reading: Acts 13:22-26

In the Act of the Apostles, Paul gives several major speeches. Today's passage is a small part of one of those speeches. It was chosen for this feast because it refers to John the Baptist.

Readings for the Week of June 24, 2018

Sunday: Is 49:1-6/Ps 139:1-3, 13-14, 14-15/Acts 13:22-26/
Lk 1:57-66, 80

Monday: 2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18/Ps 60:3, 4-5, 12-13/Mt 7:1-5

Tuesday: 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36/Ps 48:2-3ab, 3cd
-4, 10-11/Mt 7:6, 12-14

Wednesday: 2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-3/Ps 119:33, 34, 35, 36, 37,
40/Mt 7:15-20

Thursday: 2 Kgs 24:8-17/Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9/Mt 7:21-29

Friday: Acts 12:1-11/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Tm 4:6-8, 17-
18/Mt 16:13-19

Saturday: Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19/Ps 74:1b-2, 3-5, 6-7, 20-21/
Mt 8:5-17

Next Sunday: Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11, 12,
13 /Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15/Mk 5:21-43 or 5:21-24, 35b-43

DONUT SUNDAY



Please join us this weekend in the main
vestibule after the 8:00am and the 11:00am
Masses for coffee and Jack Frost Donuts.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



Dear Parishioners,

Bob Terry had been in a wheelchair for the past 3 years but is now free to walk with the Lord. We celebrated his life & funeral Mass last Saturday and extend our sympathies to Shelley Aigner and to his two living children. He was always smiling when Shelley brought him to Mass & I am glad he was able to pray with us even though his prayer was from his heart. May he and all the faithful departed rest in God's peace.

Pope Francis has chosen 14 men to be the newest cardinals in the Church and will elevate them this Friday, June 29th, on the feast of Sts. Peter and Paul. One of them is his chief aide in helping the homeless and poor in the city of Rome. He has also named prelates who are in Iraq & Pakistan where Christians are a minority. You're probably wondering when I will "receive the red hat" as we say (the Pope gives the new cardinals a red "biretta" or hat that they wear for certain occasions). I have a black biretta but I'm not counting on it ever turning red. While I like to visit Rome (as I will be in October with some parishioners), I don't really want to work there. Daily pasta would be great but I'd have to buy a lot of new clothes. Speaking of Pope Francis, when we had our last school Mass, I asked the children if they knew what well-known person was about to be married (Prince Harry). One of them answered with great enthusiasm: "Pope Francis!" Now that would have been a wedding people would have tuned in to watch!

I've been a bit negligent sharing some of our parish's history with you as I've promised as we celebrate our 70th anniversary. So here's a bit of history from our beginning: The first Mass of the parish was celebrated at the Ben Franklin Auditorium on Sunday, October 17, 1948. There was a simple announcement in the bulletin of Our Lady of Good Counsel that spoke of the birth of St. Leo's and gave the parish boundaries. The Diocese had already bought land from Alvin to Portman on the other side of Broadview, close to Schaff Road. It was all empty & full of weeds. But Fr. Lux didn't think it was a suitable place & so he spotted the land where the church currently sits but said that it was a swamp. And the woman who owned the land would never sell to a Catholic! But Fr. Lux had connections & he had someone else buy the land from her! He bought the land right up to the railroad tracks (on the other side of 480 now), knowing that a highway would be going through (he later sold the land to the State so they could build 480 & that helped pay for the church). Our first Pastor was a shrewd and clever businessman as well as a prayerful priest.

Fr. Jim Schmitz

THIS WEEK AT ST. LEO'S



Monday, June 25th

Tuesday, June 26th

6:30pm SVDP

Conference

Wednesday, June 27th

11:00am Seniors

Great

Thursday, June 28th

1:00pm Women's Knitting Group

Conference

7:00pm Knights of Columbus

Basement

Friday, June 29th

7:30pm Recovery International

Basement

Saturday, June 30th

2:45 to 3:30pm Confessions

Church

3:00pm Grapevine

Basement

Sunday, July 1st

8:00am to 12noon Bloodmobile

Lux Hall



SUPPORT THE WORKS OF THE HOLY FATHER

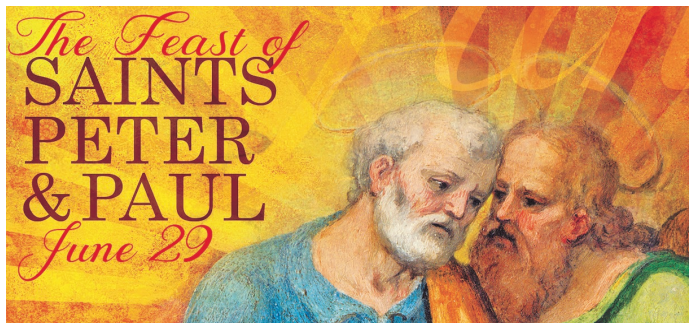
Next week, we will take the Peter's Pence Collection, which provides Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world. The proceeds benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Please be generous. For more information, visit www.usccb.org/peters-pence.

BULLETIN ARTICLES



Please see the following deadlines for the bulletin due to the upcoming 4TH OF JULY holiday and VACATION.

- June 27th (12:00noon) for the July 8th bulletin
- July 2nd (12:00noon) for the July 15th bulletin

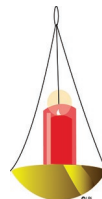


SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTION

June 24th to July 7th

In Loving Memory of Jim Pauloski

Jack & Grace





SAVE THE DATE!

Please save the date for the parish picnic. Rain or shine it will be held on **Sunday, July 22nd**, from 12:00noon to 3:00pm. Enjoy a relaxing afternoon with your family and fellow parishioners.

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, 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.

DID YOU KNOW?

You may be able to double the money you already donate

to St. Leo if you work for a company that provides a Matching Gift Program?

Several local and national companies offer a Matching Gift Program, also known as a Matching Fund or Matching Donation. It is a charitable gift made to a non-profit organization on the request of the employee.

Listed below are just a few examples of companies that increase your philanthropic efforts:

- Sherwin Williams
- Progressive Insurance
- KeyBank Foundation
- PNC Bank
- Lubrizol Foundation



If your company offers this program, they (your employer) will match your donation. This means that all the charitable donations you already make so generously to us, will be doubled by your employer. For instance, if you donated \$1000 to St. Leo last year, your employer will donate, or match, the same. Your donation of \$1000 just became \$2000.

Please call Brenda at the Rectory Office or email bbasalla@leothegreat.org for more information. As always, thank you for your continued support of our Parish Community.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



TWO LITTLE WORDS: "THANK YOU"

Those two words seem so inadequate. They do, however, express the appreciation of those you have helped to feed. For them, your St. Vincent DePaul Outreach Organization says "THANK YOU". Your generosity is very much appreciated.

SOCK AND UNDERWEAR DRIVE: "THANK YOU"

The St. Vincent de Paul Outreach Organization would like to say "thank you" for your donations to our "Sock and Underwear Drive". Thank you very much to those who donated socks and underwear and for the money, with which we were able to purchase additional items for SVDP Ozanam Center. The SVDP Ozanam Center located at 2145 Broadview Road was extremely appreciative of the donations and said "Thank you very much."



Can You Help Our Seniors Have Summer Fun?

The annual Family Festival for the St. Augustine Health Campus takes place on Saturday, July 21st from 11:00am to 2:00pm on the grounds of St. Augustine Manor at West 78th & Detroit. Many volunteers will be needed to help throughout the day so our elderly and disabled residents can enjoy an afternoon of fun activities and summer-themed foods. We need you to be the hands and feet of Christ to help make this day special for our deserving residents. Please contact Mary Gagen, Volunteer Manager, at 216-939-7601 or mgagen@st-aug.org.

St. Leo the Great has given you one less thing to worry about.

Change the frequency or the amount of your donation with a few easy clicks, right from your computer. No forms, envelopes, pens needed!



SET UP YOUR DONATION ONLINE TODAY & LEAVE YOUR CHECKBOOK AT HOME FOREVER

- 1 Visit leothegreat.weshareonline.org and click on any collection.
- 2 Select your donation amount and frequency.
- 3 Enter in your account and payment information.

If you have questions, e-mail Brenda Basalla at: bbasalla@leothegreat.org



BLOOD DRIVE

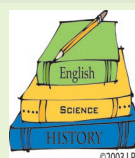
The American Red Cross blood drive will be at St. Leo the Great Lux Hall on **Sunday, July 1st**, from 8:00am to 12:00pm.

Please register at RedCrossBlood.org after you create a profile. Its easy! Registering is optional; it just helps with the staffing. Please stop by and donate!



ST. AUGUSTINE HUNGER CENTER'S 3RD ANNUAL SR. CORITA GOLF OUTING/BENEFIT

Join us on Saturday, July 21st at Ridge Top Golf Course, Medina. Items still needed for Silent Auction & Chinese Raffle. **GOLFERS & DONORS** contact Richard Slosarat at 216-406-8164 or email at st.auggolf@wowoway.com or visit www.sistercorita.golf.org



CONGRATULATIONS...

to the following students
who made the Honor Roll:

HOLY NAME HIGH SCHOOL

Cameron Kalic
Audrianna Sadosky
Caitlyn Tunney
Avery Rivera
Victoria Troche

ST. JOSEPH ACADEMY

Julianna Stroemple	Alexis Januszewski
Marlena Noeth	Cecilia Stroemple
Hannah Nodge	Rhiannon Bossone
Anna Schubert	Alexia Alonso
Sarah Schubert	Davenia Gomez

SENIORS

This Wednesday, June 27th, St. Leo's Seniors will meet in the Parish Community Center at 11:00am. This is our social meeting, so please join us for a fun filled get together.



AN AMAZING FAMILY DAY



Are you looking for an opportunity for your family to grow in faith this summer – all for FREE? Join us for a family retreat day on Sunday, August 5th at the 18th Annual FEST, beginning at noon at the Center for Pastoral Leadership in Wickliffe. Outdoor Mass, Adoration, praise and worship (with *We are Messengers*, *Mandisa*, *Big Daddy Weave*, and *TobyMac*)... and more...it will inspire and engage the whole family! Moms don't forget to sign up for your mom's give-away bag...thanks to our friends at Marc's. Go to: www.theFEST.us/moms to register in advance. See you at The FEST – a great day of faith, family & fun.

50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION – **deadline MONDAY, JUNE 25th**



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".

"[Religious] freedom remains one of America's most precious possessions. And, as my brothers, the United States Bishops, have reminded us, all are called to be vigilant, precisely as good citizens, to preserve and defend that freedom from everything that would threaten or compromise it."

- Pope Francis



Serving Others in God's Love

Religious Freedom Week
June 22–29, 2018

People of faith are committed to **serving others in God's love** in healthcare, child welfare, migration and refugee resettlement, education, and more. **Religious freedom protects the space** in which we can continue to serve. Religious Freedom Week begins June 22, the Feast of Sts. Thomas More & John Fisher. Join Catholics across the country to **pray and act** for the freedom to serve faithfully and with integrity. **Learn more at www.usccb.org/ReligiousFreedomWeek!**



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CLUSTER CORNER

MARY QUEEN OF PEACE... Save the date for SummerFest 2018 which will be held on Saturday, July 28th from 1:00 to 9:00pm.

ST. CHARLES BORROMEO... Save the date for our 2018 Homecoming Carnival which will be held from Wednesday July 11th to Sunday, July 15th. Fun for All!

ST. THOMAS MORE FESTIVAL... this Sunday, June 24th 12pm to 7pm with Food, DJ, Music, Games of Chance, Raffle Tickets, Instant, 50/50 Raffle & More. Fun for the whole family!

BUS TRIP

Tuesday, August 7, 2018

Mountaineer– West Virginia

- Report: 8:30am Depart 9:00am
- Cost: \$30.00 p/p—due July 17th
- Return to St. Leo: Approx. 6:45pm
- Casino Bonus: \$20 free slot play. (Subject to casino policy and may change or cancel without notice.)
- No Refunds—Replacements Only

ALL PASSENGERS MUST HAVE A DRIVER'S LICENSE, OR A STATE ID WITH THEM.

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

ALL ARE WELCOME!

