



## ST. LEO THE GREAT PARISH & SCHOOL

THE MOST HOLY  
BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

June 6, 2021

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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, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday ~ 8:30AM

Thursday - Communion Service ~ 8:30AM

#### HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

8:30AM and 7:00PM

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Individual confessions can be heard  
after Mass by request or any time 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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# *The Most Holy* BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST

He said to them, “This is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed for many.” - Mk 14:24

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## INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

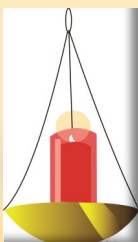
As we gather today to reaffirm our faith in the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist, we are reminded that we are also the Body of Christ. The mission of the Gospel calls us to be Christ for others. There is so much brokenness and pain in our world. Many people are lost and feeling lonely, marginalized and oppressed, victimized and abused. Every time we receive the Body (and Blood) of Christ, we are asked to become what we eat. Are we willing to step aside from our preoccupations and concerns so that we can be Christ for others? The power and presence of Christ in the Eucharist becomes present in us. In receiving this transforming presence of Christ, we can truly effect change in the lives of those we meet. We can show them God’s unconditional, ever-present love and the beauty that can come from loving others. We are given the grace to become temples of justice and peace, carrying God’s sacred Presence within us wherever we go.

## SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTION

June 6th to June 19th

## IN LOVING MEMORY WALTER ALFLEN

Love, Agnes



## REGISTER WITH US

Have you moved into the area recently, or have you joined us for Mass? We would love to have you as a registered member of our parish family. Please stop by at the rectory office, go online at [leothegreat.org](http://leothegreat.org) or call the Rectory Office at 216-661-1006.



# Welcome





## ST. LEO THE GREAT - CLEVELAND, OHIO

### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...



Annamae Sironen, Glenn "Joe" Hess, Gary LaBuda, Jeanette Klaehn,, William & Amelia Rebello, Louise Horvath, Marie Stankiewicz, Irma Zappitelli, Dianne Toronski, Linda Debaltzo, Anthony Arlia, Jeanne Karasek, Denise Sisley, Don Donelon, Larry Kuznik, Antoinette Jakosh, Joseph Mackey, John Sofcheck, Roger Horvath, Ireneo (Ernie) Santiago, Rob Blum, Ron Horvath, Sally Herman, Frank Gerda, Lorice Yurek, Gary Skelley, Lee Rinaldi, Joe Lorkowski, Millie Ancin, Tim Franklin & Herb Mayview.

### WE WELCOME

#### Logan Kirby

as he is baptized this weekend.



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

### GREAT SWEEPSTAKES WINNER

#### BOB RUIZ

May 24, 2021—\$100.00 Winner



Don't forget to sign up for our **Great Sweepstakes weekly drawing.** Forms to sign up are available at online at [leothegreat.org](http://leothegreat.org) or at the Rectory Office.

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

**William Reed**  
St. Helen, Newbury  
Second Year, Borromeo



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



### SUNDAY, MAY 23RD

Collection .....	\$ 3,944.00
WeShare (online) .....	\$ 1,520.00
Total .....	\$ 5,464.00

**THANK YOU  
FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!**



### Monday, June 7th - Weekday

8:30am Fr. James Schmitz - Anniversary of Ordination

### Tuesday, June 8th - Weekday

8:30am +Ray & Florence Blados (Family)

### Wednesday, June 9th - St. Ephrem

8:30am +Nicholas Caruso (Anita Skryp)

### Thurs., June 10th - Weekday

8:30am Communion Service

### Friday, June 11th - The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

8:30am +Kozlowski & Neroni Families (Family)

### Saturday, June 12th - The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

4:00pm +Matthew Stuczynski (Colleen)

### Sunday, June 13th - 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am People of the Parish

11:00am +Mrs. Mildred Handlovic and David Handlovic (Family)

### First Reading: Exodus 24:3-8

Today's passage from the book of Exodus describes the covenant between God and the Israelite people. A covenant is a solemn agreement made between two parties and was usually sealed in blood. In ancient times, blood was considered the source of life. To sprinkle two people with the same blood bonded them as closely as if they were blood relatives.

### Second Reading: Hebrews 9:11-15

On Yom Kippur, the high priest sacrificed a goat on the altar in the temple. Then he took some of the blood into the holiest place in the temple sanctuary where only he was allowed to go. There, he sprinkled that blood as a renewal of the covenant made at Mount Sinai, and prayed that God would forgive the sins they had committed during the previous year. This ritual is the back-drop for today's reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

### Readings for the week of June 6, 2021

**Sunday:** Ex 24:3-8/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16, 17-18/Heb 9:11-15/Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

**Monday:** 2 Cor 1:1-7/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 5:1-12

**Tuesday:** 2 Cor 1:18-22/Ps 119:129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 135/Mt 5:13-16

**Wednesday:** 2 Cor 3:4-11/Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 8, 9/Mt 5:17-19

**Thursday:** 2 Cor 3:15—4:1, 3-6/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Mt 5:20-26

**Friday:** Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 /Eph 3:8-12, 14-19/Jn 19:31-37

**Saturday:** 2 Cor 5:14-21/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 /Lk 2:41-51

**Next Sunday:** Ez 17:22-24/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 /2 Cor 5:6-10/Mk 4:26-34

*I will take the cup of salvation,  
and call on the name of the Lord. (Ps 116)*

## ST. LEO THE GREAT- CLEVELAND, OHIO

Dear Parishioners,

Our Memorial Day Mass at our Marian Shrine worked out very well last Monday. Though it was early in the day (9am), and only about 60 degrees, there was no wind so it was quite comfortable, though people brought jackets just in case. We had a nice group of people there & I wanted to let you know that besides some benches that are always there, we have chairs available in the Parish Center which we can use if you are unable to bring one yourself. We have a wireless microphone & speaker setup so everyone could hear well over the 480 traffic so plan on having more civil holiday Masses out there in the future, especially for the July 4<sup>th</sup> & Labor Day Masses when we can expect warm weather. We are even able to live-stream the liturgy outside so you can always join us remotely if that works better for you, but of course there's nothing like actually being there.

As of this past week, all COVID restrictions put in place well over a year ago have been lifted, with the exception of receiving the Blood of Christ through the Communion Cup (but as you know we receive the full presence of Christ through the sacred host alone). Though masks are no longer required, they will remain available at the doors of the church for those who wish to wear them, and we will respect your choice to do so. The pews that were taped off have been cleaned of the dust they collected & so you may sit wherever you wish. The cry room is now opened again as well. While we will have the Sign of Peace, it is recommended that you shake hands only with the people of your own family or household, which isn't a bad practice anyway during cold & flu season. New music books have been ordered & we hope to have them back in the pews soon but by all means, sing away if you know the words to the songs we will be using. We continue to remember & pray for all those who did not escape the effects of COVID. Thank you again for your wonderful cooperation during the time of restrictions and especially for your continued financial contributions, which are always very much appreciated so that we can continue our mission as a community of faith. Welcome back to all those who are joining us again, and please spread the word to those who are sick or homebound that live-streaming of our liturgies will remain in place for those who can't be with us physically for any reason.

We welcome Bailey Milcinovic who has been teaching in our Preschool this past year but has also been updating our Facebook, Twitter & Instagram accounts. She will now be in charge of updating & publishing our parish bulletin each week so her name and email address can be found on the front cover of the bulletin under the title of Social Media Manager. We welcome and encourage you to send her any pictures and/or videos you have taken at parish or school events so that they may be shared through our social media. As we thank Mary Lou Hauck for her work as Office Manager these past few years, we also thank Betty Clancy, Mary Lynn Haldi, Amy Mackey & Cindy Kosiba, all of whom will be sharing the responsibility of answering phones and taking care of those who come to our rectory office.

Congratulations to Nara Lin Elizabeth Manson who will be receiving her First Communion this weekend & Congratulations to the parents of Logan Kirby who will be baptized on Sunday. May God continue to bless us all.

*Fr. James Schmitz*

### BEREAVEMENT SHARING GROUP

St. Leo the Great is starting a Bereavement Sharing Group. If you have lost a spouse, a parent, a sibling, or close friend, you might be interested in joining us to share with others your feelings, sorrows and grief. We will begin meeting Wednesday, August 4th at 2:00pm in the Parish Center. Come and share with others who are sharing in the pain from the loss of a loved one. Watch the bulletin for further details, or contact Joan Berigan at [jberigan@leothegreat.org](mailto:jberigan@leothegreat.org) for details.

### PRE-PLANNED FUNERAL

Do your loved ones know what your wishes are for your funeral Mass? Have you thought about the readings you'd like to have at your funeral Mass? If so, contact Joan Berigan at the rectory (216-661-1006) or email her at [jberigan@leothegreat.org](mailto:jberigan@leothegreat.org) for help in pre-planning your funeral.

### HOW YOU CAN CONTINUE TO SUPPORT US WITH YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS

We are grateful that so many of you have continued to contribute. Here are a few ways to help you with your contributions:

- 1) Mail your contribution envelope(s) to us, either for the week or the month. (St. Leo the Great, 4940 Broadview Rd., Cleveland, OH 44019)
- 2) Drop your contribution envelope(s) in the mail slot of the rectory office door.
- 3) Online Giving is available here at St. Leo the



Great. Look for this icon on our website [www.leothegreat.org](http://www.leothegreat.org) to sign up. It's incredibly easy and you have many options: weekly, monthly or one-time contributions, the ability to use a checking/savings account direct withdrawal (you just need your account and routing numbers) or you can use a debit or credit card (Visa, MasterCard, American Express or Discover). It is simple and secure.

If you have any questions or need help, call the parish office at 216-661-1006 and we will gladly assist you.



## ST. LEO THE GREAT - CLEVELAND, OHIO

### CATHOLIC RENEWAL MINISTRIES' 38TH ANNUAL SUMMER CONFERENCE



All are invited to attend **Catholic Renewal Ministries' 38th Annual Summer Conference** to be held on **Saturday, July 10<sup>th</sup>**, at SS. Cosmas & Damian Parish, Twinhaven Reception Center, in Twinsburg. This year's theme is "Give New Signs Work New Wonders".

The conference will run from 8:30 am to 3:45 p.m., and the Vigil Mass will be celebrated at 4:00. Our featured speakers will be Ralph Martin and Peter Herbeck from Renewal Ministries in Ann Arbor, Michigan, Fr. Michael Stalla, and Fr. Bob Franco. Matt Fafrak will lead us in contemporary praise music throughout the day.

At Twinhaven, the capacity is limited, so register early. Online access is also planned. SS. Cosmas & Damian is located at 10419 Ravenna Rd., Twinsburg 44087. The onsite registration will close on July 3rd or when capacity is met. Please check the CRM website, [www.crmweb.org](http://www.crmweb.org), for more conference information, registration details/forms, & information about the online access as it is posted.



All Saints Federal Credit Union is running a Balance Transfer Promotion, which applies to new and existing accounts!

**Transfer any credit card debt that you have onto an All Saints FCU Visa Credit Card at 0.99% APR for 12 months.** This promotion runs from **June 1, 2021, through August 31, 2021.** Visit or call any of our three branch locations at 216-524-0414, 216-587-0631, or 440-888-3663; for hours, addresses, phone numbers, and additional information, please visit our website at [www.allsaintsfcu.com](http://www.allsaintsfcu.com).

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL "NOTICE!SUMMERCHANGES"



This message on a store front or on a flyer usually means shorten summertime hours will be in effect. Not with your St. Vincent de Paul Outreach Organization though. Suffering is a year round problem. Your help with food, money, water is still very much needed. Our food collection is next weekend, June 12th & 13th. We are in need of **BAKED BEANS, SWEET POTATOES, SCALLOPED POTATOES, MACARONI & CHEESE, ASSORTED PASTAS, SPAGHETTI NOODLES, CANNED PASTA, STUFFING MIX, ASSORTED CANNED TOMATOES, CRANBERRY SAUCE, CANNED FRUIT, PEANUT BUTTER & JELLY, PANCAKE SYRUP, RAMEN NOODLES, SOUPS AND DISH-WASHING SOAP.** Please don't take a summer vacation from helping.

### GIFT CARDS AVAILABLE FOR ALL YOUR 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, everyday purchases, gifts, or a simple thank you. **PLEASE STOP BY THE OFFICE & SUPPORT US.**

### ST. THOMAS MORE 75TH ANNIVERSARY RAFFLE



## RAFFLE TICKETS

Tickets for the 75th Anniversary Raffle are being sold after Masses in the main vestibule or at the rectory. Tickets are \$75 each with only 750 tickets being sold. Prizes are \$7500, \$2021 and \$1946. Drawing is August 1, 2021.



### Pre-Planning Seminars

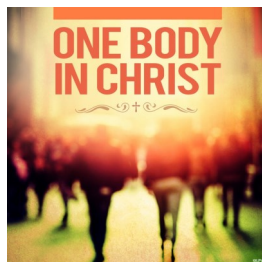
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CATHOLIC CEMETERIES ASSOCIATION  
DIOCESE OF CLEVELAND

### ST. JOSEPH CEMETERY – Pre-Planning Seminar

The Catholic Cemeteries Association invites you to attend a 1-hour pre-planning seminar on Saturday, June 12, 2021, at 1 p.m. Come learn about your Catholic burial options, including options for cremated remains. Attendees will receive a personal reference guide and special Savings Certificate. We kindly ask that you RSVP to this event at St. Joseph Cemetery 32789 Detroit Rd., Avon. **RSVP 216/641-7575 ext. 8.** Please know the CCA follows the current CDC guidance regarding COVID-19 protocols.

## RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS We Can Prepare the Upper Room



We all know that person, don't we? Hey, maybe we've even been that person.

"I have a great relationship with God, but I don't go to church regularly. God and I are on good terms. I can talk to Him just fine on my own."

There isn't anything false in these statements. It's important to have an intimate, even conversational prayer relationship with God. But the problem with this attitude is that it implies that churches don't matter. Community worship doesn't matter. Today, we are reminded exactly why that is so untrue. Why we need our parishes, our priests, and each other.

The Body and Blood of Christ — that's what it's all about. If it's not about that, it's not about anything. If we don't have the Eucharist, we're just like the ancient priests, making sacrifices that don't have the power to redeem anybody.

Where do we receive the Body and Blood of Christ? For most of us, it's in our parishes. The altar of sacrifice is also the table we gather in front of, as a family, to become one with Christ in the truest and realest way possible, recreating the scene in the Upper Room over and over again every time Mass is celebrated.

The disciples were commissioned by Christ to prepare the Upper Room for the Last Supper. How can we take up that work ourselves? How can we strengthen the bonds in our spiritual family? How can we serve our parish, always remembering that the table is not meant to be set only for two?

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

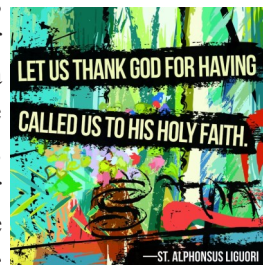
## WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

**Question:** Why are some saints honored as "patron saints"?

### Answer:

Each person is unique and each of us has different gifts, interests, talents, and, yes, even struggles and areas where we need to grow. This is no less true of those holy women, men, and children who have been canonized or beatified.

Because we believe that the saints and blessed are both models of faith and intercessors, Christians have looked to certain holy people as role models and heavenly protectors for occupations, spiritual charisms, and even places. Although the Church sometimes names a person as a patron saint (e.g. Saint Philip Neri as the patron of Rome, Saint Clare of Assisi as the patroness of television, or Saint Aloysius Gonzaga as the patron of youth and young adults), more often it is popular devotion that inspires lay Christians to turn to a particular saint or blessed for heavenly help and support. This is how, for example, Saint Cecilia came to be honored as the patroness of musicians, Saint Toribio Romo as patron of migrants coming into the United States, and Saint Gertrude of Nivelles as patroness of cat lovers. Although there are official and unofficial lists of patron saints, we should always feel free to ask any and all the saints to give us their patronage and protection in whatever it is that we need.



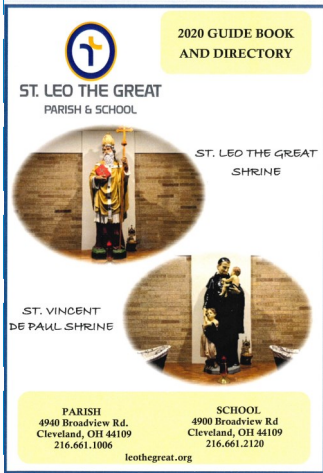
## COVID-19 VACCINES FOR HOMEBOUND INDIVIDUALS

**The City of Cleveland in partnership with the Western Reserve Area Agency on Aging and Cuyahoga County has launched a COVID-19 vaccination program for individuals who are homebound.**



For individuals who have not received a COVID-19 vaccine yet due to being homebound or bedridden, Cuyahoga County and the City of Cleveland have a vaccination program to vaccinate individuals in their home. A homebound person includes those who need the help of another person, a walker or a wheelchair to leave their home, or their medical provider believes that their health or illness could get worse if they leave their home, therefore, they do not typically leave their home. To check eligibility and register yourself or a loved one, please contact the Western Reserve Area Agency on Aging as they are providing screening for eligibility at 216-621-0303.

# GBP Guide Book Publishing



## PARISH GUIDE BOOK & DIRECTORY ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITY

We are in the process of updating our annual Guide Book & Directory for the church. This book will contain everything pertinent to our church: the various ministries, organizations, committees, activities, functions and events (plus a complete directory of all members). This book is being provided and mailed directly to each family at no cost to our church, and it is again being subsidized by local businesses that advertise. If you own or manage a business and would like to find out about advertising in our book, please call the Rectory Office (216-661-1006).

## UPDATE MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION FOR PARISH GUIDE BOOK WHICH IS GOING TO PRINT IN JUNE PLEASE RETURN YOUR INFORMATION ASAP

Now is the time to update your membership information for our parish database and the 2021 Guide Book & Directory. If you want to update your information **or do not want your name, address, and/or phone number printed in the 2021 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: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Do not print my name.

☐ Do not print my phone number.

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☐ This is my **updated** information.



