



ST. LEO THE GREAT

PARISH & SCHOOL

July 10, 2022

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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 Saturdays from 3pm-3:30pm, Sundays from 10am-10:30am, or anytime by request or appointment.

NEW TO THE PARISH? WELCOME!

New parishioners and those moving from the parish or changing addresses 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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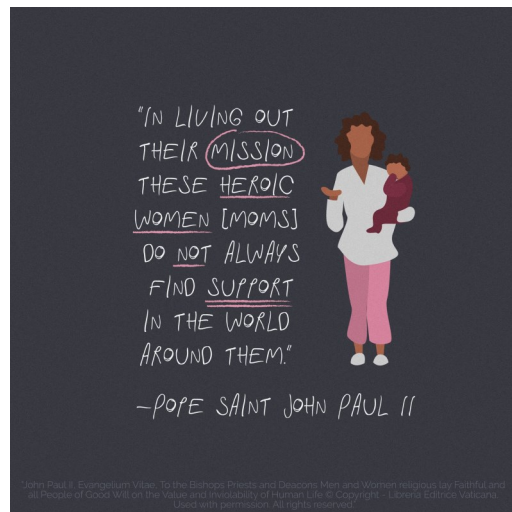




Expectant Mothers Considering Adoption

"Maya discovered she was pregnant six months into her freshman year of college. When her son was born, she placed him with a very kind adoptive family; she 'just knew they were the right choice.' Now, years later, Maya emphasizes the importance of offering ongoing support to expectant mother considering adoption." Learn how at respectlife.org/mothers-considering-adoption.

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "Accompany Expectant Mothers Considering Adoption"



Honor Roll Students

Congratulations to our former St. Leo the Great students who have earned academic merits for the end of the school year at Trinity High School.



Connor Siena, First Honors
Jullian Kalic, First Honors
Alexander Norris, First Honors
Lauren Osborne, Merit Roll
Daniel Palmer, Second Honors
Giacomo Rolando, First Honors
John Saplak, Second Honors
Carter Steele, Second Honors
Jordan Thompson Seay, First Honors



Pro-Life Peaceful, Prayerful Witness by the Planned Parenthood Office, will meet on the corner of Brookpark & Broadview roads, Saturdays, 10:30-11:30 am. Join us on the public sidewalk. Pray to end abortion. Questions, call Mike & Doris Peters, 216-659-3362.



St. Vincent De Paul

Christmas in July

Remember how good you felt at Thanksgiving and Christmas when you helped provide food and other staples for families during the holidays? People are hungry year round. Let us help celebrate "CHRISTMAS IN JULY" with gifts of food and other staples. Please bring your items to church the weekend of July 16th and 17th and place them by the St. Vincent de Paul statue.

Did you know?

**July is the
Month of the
Precious Blood**

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PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...

Prayer REQUESTS

Mary Niec, Alivia Kobal, Taylor Corbett, Annamae Sironen, Glenn "Joe" Hess, Gary LaBuda, Jeanette Klaehn, Amelia Rebello, Marie Stankiewicz, Irma Zappitelli, Dianne Toronski, Anthony Arlia, Don Donelon, Larry Kuznik, John Sofcheck, Ireneo (Ernie) Santiago, Rob Blum, Sally Herman, Gary Skelley, Lee Rinaldi, Joe Lorkowski, Millie Ancin, Virginia Sofkancs, Evelyn Bastian, Mary Lou Neuendorf, Joseph Bublav, Ana Mendoza, Marianne Kucinski-Powers, Denise Warnock, Edith Lysyj, John Geiger, Rosie Colucci, Buzzy Miano, Judy Bruzshinsky, Carol Broze, Greg Wasacz, Stan Wasacz, Joe Barr, Mary Ann & Doug Kiesel, Marcia Bailey, Jim & Gerry Tisch, MaryLou Durfee, Chris Grdosic, Fr. Vesely, Kathy Svoboda, Thomas C. Gilles, Matt Pauloski & Cecilla (CiCi) Choromanski

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

Christopher Martin
St. Paschal Baylon, Highland Heights
First Year, Borromeo



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

Attention St. Leo Seniors

Come and join us this Wednesday July 13, 2022 for our annual picnic. Please start arriving around 11 am at the parish community center. Our picnic lunch begins at 12 noon followed by our meeting. We then end our nice afternoon with some Bingo! Hope to see you all there.



SUNDAY, JUNE 26, 2022

Sunday Collection.....\$8,184.50
WeShare.....\$1,475.00
Total.....\$9,659.50

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



Monday, July 11th—St. Benedict, Abbot
8:30am + Deceased of Rath, Grayshaw and Kuntz Family (Chris Rath)
Tuesday, July 12th —Weekday
8:30am +Ed and Helen Wolff (Tom and Mary Thornton)
Wednesday, July 13th—Weekday
8:30am +Loretta Zola (Family)
Thursday July 14th— Saint Kateri Tekawitha, Virgin
8:30am Communion Service
Friday July 15th—Saint Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
8:30am +Carmen Crea (Family, Nina)
Saturday July 16th – Weekday
4:00pm +Mariam and Martin Fontaine (Rita Santana)
Sunday, July 17th— 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00am + Thornton and Wolfe Families (Tom and Mary Thornton)
11:00am +Dennis Dina (Amy Gongs)

First Reading: Deuteronomy 30:10-14

The events in this reading take place as the Israelites are camped on the shore of the Jordan River, ready to enter the Promised Land. Moses makes it clear to the people that they are expected to remain faithful to the Lord after they have settled in their new land.

Second Reading: Colossians 1:15-20

Today and for three more Sundays, the second reading will be from the letter to the Colossians. This letter responds to a widespread belief that God ruled the world through the mediation of angels who were given their own powers. The author quotes an early Christian hymn that emphasizes that Jesus is the one and only mediator between God and the world

Readings for the week July 10, 2022

Sunday: Dt 30:10-14/Ps 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36, 37 or Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [9])/Col 1:15-20/Lk 10:25-37

Monday: Is 1:10-17/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 10:34—11:1

Tuesday: Is 7:1-9/Ps 48:2-3a, 3b-4, 5-6, 7-8/Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday: Is 10:5-7, 13b-16/Ps 94:5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 14-15/Mt 11:25-27

Thursday: Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19/Ps 102:13-14ab and 15, 16-18, 19-21/Mt 11:28-30

Friday: Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8/Is 38:10, 11, 12abcd, 16/Mt 12:1-8

Saturday: Mi 2:1-5/Ps 10:1-2, 3-4, 7-8, 14/Mt 12:14-21

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

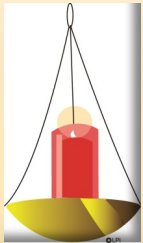
July 10, 2022 | 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time



We can learn a great deal from Mister Rogers. Remember him? He was the gentle soul who found his way into living rooms worldwide starting as far back as 1968. Mister Rogers' Neighborhood was a beloved program that celebrated and exalted people, especially children. He taught us that we are neighbors and that everyone has a place. Everyone matters. He had a vision, born of his relationship with God that highlighted every human life's innocence, beauty, and uniqueness. To that end, he called us to be responsible for each other, saying nothing different than what Jesus said. Viewers quickly learned that life is not just about me.

"We live in a world in which we need to share responsibility. It's easy to say, 'It's not my child, not my community, not my world, not my problem.' Then there are those who see the need and respond. I consider those people my heroes (Fred Rogers)." It is so easy to look the other way. After all, I'm not the one who needs to leave home out of fear and try to find somewhere safe. I am not the one who is hungry and without shelter or food. I am not the one who has a child being bullied or ridiculed because of the way they dress or act. I am not the one being threatened with violence or unable to find meaningful work. The distress and agony of our neighbors are our distress and agony. We cannot walk by it with an attitude of indifference, especially if we call ourselves believers. When we no longer care, we have suffocated our souls. This is a great sin.

God's law "is something very near to you, already in your mouths and in your hearts; you have only to carry it out." We all have a need for love and acceptance. That's why Mister Rogers' television show was so popular. It spoke to something deeper, something sacred about humanity. God didn't give us his law in a book. He wrote it on our hearts. We know what we need to do. It's a matter of choice. Love is sacred. When we love another human being, especially without regard for ourselves, it is a holy moment. These moments are often missed due to our self-serving agendas and rules.

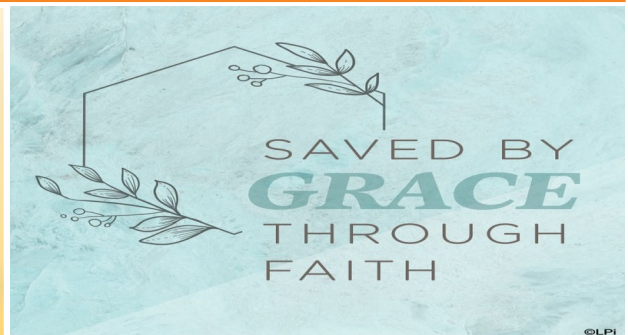


SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTION

July 3 to July 17

IN LOVING MEMORY

+Caitlin Soucek Kacher
From Family



Attention Retired Catholics! *The Ignatian Volunteer Corps is recruiting!*

Would you like to make a significant contribution with your life to the lives of others? The Ignatian Volunteer Corps (IVC) is an opportunity for adult men and women to share their life skills and wisdom in direct service to the poor. IVC volunteers work in local social service and educational programs. A guided process of reflection helps IVC volunteers discover the deeper meaning of the work they do and see the face of Christ in their experiences. Become a "Contemplative in Action." Call Kim Strauss, IVC Director at 440-823-6093 or e-mail kstrauss@ivcusa.org. And visit www.ivcusa.org *Share your lifetime of experience - Get the experience of a lifetime!*



Pro-Life Group

The Pro-life group is planning its next meeting on Wednesday, July 20 at 1:00 pm in the Parish Center. Please note the date is now the THIRD Wednesday of the month, beginning in July. We will start at 1:00 pm.

All are welcome! We are discussing various life issues, including end-of-life issues such as euthanasia. In addition to discussion, we also pray, and last month we were praying to an end of all the gun violence which has been happening recently.

If you have any questions about the meeting or its content, please contact either Dennis Badar at 216-398-2830 or Chris Rath at 216-741-1536.



ST. LEO THE GREAT- CLEVELAND, OHIO



Dear Parishioners,

We welcomed Kiera Hruby into our Catholic Faith last Sunday through holy baptism. May she be taught the ways of faith through her parents and godparents.

Congratulations to Kay Rama & Angel Saaverdra who are being married this weekend by a visiting Filipino priest. May the Lord grant them many happy and holy years together.

While our summer maintenance crew is busy cleaning the school building and working on many different projects, we have made plans to have the cafeteria windows replaced this summer. The windows throughout the school building are really showing signs of their age and are not efficient in keeping the cold air out in the winter or the cool air in during the summer. You will see a big difference once they are installed on the northern wall of the cafeteria which faces the parking lot. We are also having the gym windows replaced as many of them are cracked, have holes, and again are terribly inefficient due to their age. We are replacing them with glass block so that we can let light into the gym (and hence remove the blue curtains that currently cover the windows & which are always hanging improperly as they are hit with basketballs, etc.). We will replace the windows on the north side of the gym (facing the entrance of our property off of Broadview) this summer & the ones on the south side of the gym next summer. These are expensive projects but ones we don't want to put off any longer. Gratefully our budget permits this thanks to your continued generous contributions and to the continued number of students in our school (which we predict will continue to remain around 300). This is also in anticipation of the 75th Anniversary of our parish which we will begin to celebrate this fall. More on that in upcoming weeks.

I'm still working on gathering photos from our pilgrimage to the Holy Land that I can post on our website. But I'm also planning my next trip to Europe which I would like to open up to others who would be interested in joining me. The only disappointment in our trip to Israel was the food..not the quality of it but the type of food that is somehow digested regularly by those who live there. I learned that 75% of the Mediterranean meal is made up of vegetables. This is a true affront to carnivores everywhere. I can deal quite happily with corn on the cob, potatoes (actually a vegetable but not always thought of as one) and even fruits like bananas (especially when in a pie). But the meat served in Israel was pretty scarce (and served at odd times, such as hot dogs for breakfast). Again, the hotels put on a beautiful spread, appreciated by most of the tourists I'm sure, but thank God we stopped at a McDonald's once during the week so that I could fondly remember what real American food tastes like (the size of their burger by the way was 10 times the size & weight of a burger from the same place here in the States..and we have pictures to prove it!). Anyway, I certainly survived those days of fasting (helped by their surprise meal of lasagna for me!), but I did miss my daily pasta. So I figured I better make up for this diet deficiency by planning another trip to the pasta capital of the world...Italy. I'm looking at taking this trip in March of 2023 and it will begin in Venice. From there we will make our way to Padua (to celebrate Mass at the famous church of St. Anthony of Padua) and then perhaps a day or two in Florence, along with a day in Assisi, before heading to Rome for a good 4 days. The itinerary is flexible & can change according to the desires of those wishing to accompany me, but I'm comforted knowing that wherever we go there, pasta will be plentiful. More details will be forthcoming, but let me know of your interest. Anticipated cost for our 11 day trip will be below \$4000 per person. Time to make up for lost travels during the pandemic years.

Fr. James Schmitz

BEREAVEMENT SHARING GROUP

Have you recently lost a loved one—a spouse, sibling, a parent, other relative or a close friend? Join the St. Leo the Great Bereavement Sharing Group. We are a group who have a common bond—the loss of someone close to us. All are welcome to come and share with us the first Wednesday of every month at 2:00 PM in the Parish Center. We meet for about an hour and share our feelings and memories of our loved ones. **The next meeting dates will be August 3, September 7, and October 5 2022.** Feel free to join us—no reservations needed.

**If you have any questions,
contact Joan Berigan at 216-661-1006 or by
email: jberigan@leothegreat.org.**



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 for help in pre-planning your funeral Mass.

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 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.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENT



What Jesus Doesn't Say

"If Jesus wanted us to (fill in the blank), he would have said so."

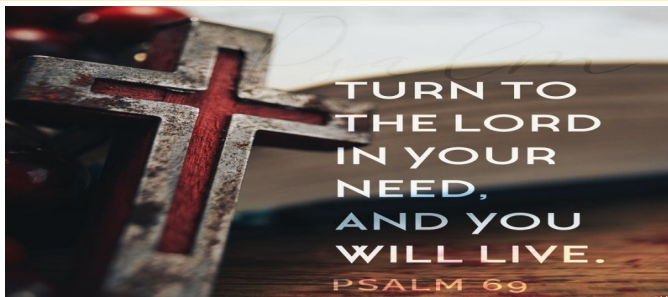
We hear this argument applied to every controversial topic under the sun — and even some not-so-controversial topics, too. Whenever someone is trying to make a case for a decision they have already made, they call in Jesus' scriptural silence on the matter as their expert, unimpeachable witness.

And sure, there's much Jesus doesn't talk about in the Gospels. But by this logic, we would have to assume that Jesus doesn't care, for instance, if we drive well over the speed limit (he doesn't discuss cars and highways in the Bible) or what we do online (he never mentions the Internet or websites at all!), when we know that certainly is just not the case.

Like the scholar of the Jewish law who challenges Jesus to define who exactly his "neighbor" is, we can argue semantics all we want. But if we rest in prayer and look deep into our hearts, we know what path we need to take, and it's usually not the easy one.

I find that I do this plenty in ways that are far more subtle. I lament that the situation facing me is not sufficiently "black and white." I become frustrated by the shades of moral grey and toss up my hands, claiming I don't know what the right answer is, insisting that I can't be blamed for the ramifications of whatever decision I make.

What I need to be doing in these situations is asking God for His guidance, even if it makes me nervous. I need to be like the scholar. He was brave enough to ask, even though I think he knew he wouldn't particularly like the answer. Let's strive for that same courage.



Blood Drive

The American Red Cross Bloodmobile will be at St. Leo's Lux Hall on Sunday, July 17th from 8-Noon. Please consider donating due to the critical need for blood. Schedule your appointment at redcrossblood.org. Walk ins will not be accepted due to scheduling issues. Thank you for your support. God Bless and stay healthy.

RAFFLE WINNER



July 5, 2022

Dolores King

BUS TRIPS

ANNUAL TRIP TO AMISH COUNTRY—

Monday, September 26

\$80 per person

Lunch at Berlin Farmstead—included

Shop/Browse: Ashery Country Store

Hershberger Bakery & Farm Market

Miller Bakery

Hillcrest Orchard

Kauffman Bakery

Heini's Cheese

Reservation deadline: Friday, August 12

Three days, two nights—Tuesday–Thursday, October 4-6

SOARING EAGLE CASINO & RESORT—

Overnight stay - October 4

Casino Bonus—\$30 premium play & \$40 dining gift card

FRANKENMUTH—Overnight stay—October 5

Complimentary evening snacks and drinks reception and morning breakfast at the hotel. Zehender's famous chicken dinner included in the package.

Visit—Silent night Chapel and Bronner's Christmas light display

Shop/Browse: Bronner's and River Place Shop

Reservation deadline: Thursday, August 18

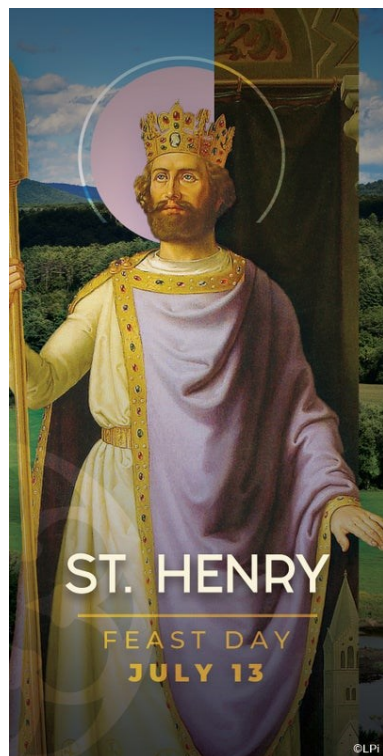
CHRISTMAS SHOPPING IN AMISH COUNTRY

Monday, November 14

\$80 per person



Contact Sandy Diaddario -
216-926-3123



St. Henry | July 13

Saint Henry was born in 972 to Henry, Duke of Bavaria, Germany, and his wife Gisela of Burgundy. Saint Henry's early life was permeated with Christianity, among those who guided his education was Bishop Wolfgang of Ratisbon, who became a saint himself. In 995, Saint Henry succeeded his father as Duke of Bavaria, and in 1002, upon the death of his cousin, Otho III, he was elected emperor. In 1014, Saint Henry undertook the long journey from Germany to Rome to be crowned Holy Roman Emperor by Pope Benedict XIII.

In 1022 Saint Henry assisted Pope Benedict VIII in holding the Council of Pavia, which promoted clerical celibacy and sought to end simony (the buying and selling of ecclesiastical goods and offices). During his reign, Saint Henry used his wealth and position for the Church. He confirmed Benedict's authority over Rome, was a patron of churches and monasteries, supported the Cluniac Reforms, restored episcopal sees, and founded the Diocese of Bamberg where he built a cathedral.

Saint Henry was married to Cunigunde of Luxembourg, to whom he was incredibly devoted. Although disputed by some historians, some stories of the couple's marriage report they took vows of chastity because their union was childless.

Saint Henry died in July of 1024 and was canonized in 1146 by Pope Eugene III.



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For the 2022-2023 School Year



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