



## ST. LEO THE GREAT PARISH & SCHOOL

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July 18 , 2021



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### RECTORY/OFFICE HOURS:

Monday through Friday ~ 9:00AM—3:00PM

Saturday ~ Noon—5:30PM

Sunday ~ 9:00AM—12:30PM

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### SCHOOL SUMMER HOURS:

Main Office Open in July by Appointment

[www.leothegreat.org](http://www.leothegreat.org)

### 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.

### DOWNLOAD OUR MOBILE APP!

Read the latest bulletin, Pastor's blog and find other useful information on your mobile device.

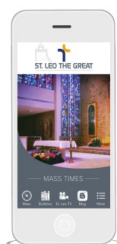
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# TAKE COURAGE

THE FEST 2021

## The FEST 2021

**Sunday, August 8 at 12:00 noon**

**Held at Brookside Reservation, 3900 John Nagy Blvd, Cleveland, Ohio**

This year, The FEST is a virtual AND in-person event – and, WE'RE MOVING! To limit the number of attendees at this year's event for the safety and comfort of all, admission tickets will be sold for \$10 – Thank you so much for your continued support. We will continue to release more information about The FEST in the coming weeks, stay tuned!



**Amish Country Bus Trip**  
**Monday, September 13, 2021**  
**\$80.00 per person**

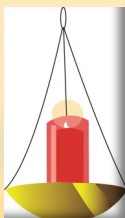
Contact Sandy Diaddario at 216-926-3123 to book your reservation!  
More information to follow soon!

### SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTION

July 18th to July 31st

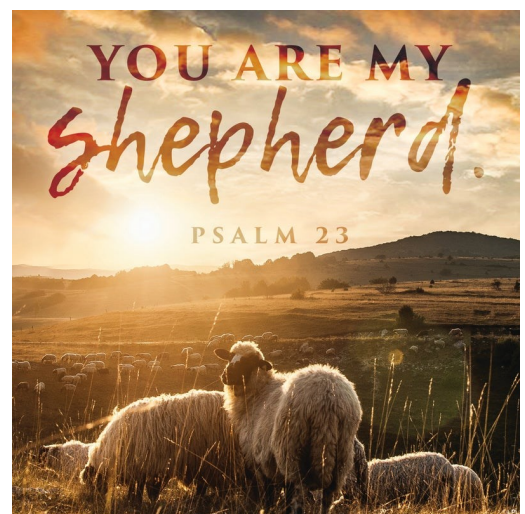
**IN LOVING MEMORY**  
**David Day Sr.**

**Love, Dorothy Day & Family**



### 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.



## ST. LEO THE GREAT - CLEVELAND, OHIO

### Prayer REQUESTS

#### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...

Mary Niec, Agnes Alfin, Alivia Kobal, Taylor Corbett, Annamae Sironen, Glenn "Joe", Hess, Gary LaBuda, Jeanette Klaehn, William & Amelia Rebello, Louise Horvath, Marie Stankiewicz, Irma Zappitelli, Dianne Toronski, 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.



#### WEDDING BANNS

**II Christina Giangrande & James Hefner**

#### GREAT SWEEPSTAKES WINNER



July 4, 2021—John Halupnik  
**\$200.00 Winner!**

July 6, 2021—Eileen Kovacik  
**\$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.

**Kevin Bertleff**  
**Diocese of Youngstown**  
**II Theology, Saint Mary**



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



#### SUNDAY, JUNE 27TH

Collection .....	\$ 5,712.00
WeShare (Online).....	\$ 1,477.00
Total.....	\$ 7,189.00

#### SUNDAY, JULY 4TH

Collection.....	\$ 6,843.00
WeShare (Online).....	\$ 2,331.93
Total.....	\$ 9,174.93

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!**

### MASST INTENTIONS

#### Monday, July 19th - Weekday

8:30am The Kuhel Family (Rosalie Zupancic)

#### Tuesday, July 20th - Weekday

8:30am +Cynthia Piechowski (Mary & Eric Piechowski)

#### Wednesday, July 21st - Weekday

8:30am +Stephen Daschner (Family)

#### Thurs., July 22nd - Saint Mary Magdalene

8:30am Communion Service

#### Friday, July 23rd - Weekday

8:30am +Nicholas Simpnic (Robert & Barbara Ceccarelli)

#### Saturday, July 24th - Weekday

4:00pm +Jim Hocevar (Family)

#### Sunday, July 25th - 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am People of the Parish

11:00am +Virginia Rescina (Family)

#### First Reading: Jeremiah 23:1-6

The prophet Jeremiah preached some 500 years before Christ, at a time when unworthy kings ruled the Jewish people. He looked to the day when God would raise up a good shepherd from the House of David. Later, the Gospel writers emphasized that Jesus was born of the House of David, and Christians have seen him as the fulfillment of this prophecy.

#### Second Reading: Ephesians 2:13-18

Our second reading is from the letter to the Ephesians. Ephesus was a community made up of Jewish people who had become Christian, and Gentiles who had become Christian. In this part of the letter, the author is addressing Gentiles—people who were once “far off” from the true God, but have “come near”. As a result, both Jews and Gentiles are together as one “new person”, namely the Body of Christ which is the Church.

#### Readings for the week of July 18, 2021

**Sunday:** Jer 23:1-6/Ps 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6 [1]/Eph 2:13-18/Mk 6:30-34

**Monday:** Ex 14:5-18/Ex 15:1bc,-2, 3-4, 5-6 [1b]/Mt 12:38-42

**Tuesday:** Ex 14:21—15:1/Ex 15:8-9, 10 and 12, 17 [1b]/Mt 12:46-50

**Wednesday:** Ex 16:1-5, 9-15/Ps 78:18-19, 23-24, 25-26, 27-28 [24b]/Mt 13:1-9

**Thursday:** Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [2]/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

**Friday:** Ex 20:1-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [cf. Jn 6:68c]/Mt 13:18-23

**Saturday:** Ex 24:3-8/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15 [14a]/Mt 13:24-30

**Next Sunday:** 2 Kgs 4:42-44/Ps 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18 [cf. 16]/Eph 4:1-6/Jn 6:1-13





Dear Parishioners,

I am writing this on the evening before my trip to Florida, knowing that I'm probably not going to be wanting to do it while on vacation, so this needs to be submitted before I leave. I am all packed & ready to go but I have to admit that trying to get emails answered, phone calls made, and the desk cleared, besides packing & going through the hassle of airport security, makes me wonder at times if it's worth the hassle. This is especially true as I get older, and I'm pushing 61 (or rather it's pulling me!). On the other hand, how blessed we are to live in a time of history when we can get on a plane & fly to the southern most part of the country within just a few short hours. It took days for the Holy Family to travel (on foot mostly, with perhaps the help of a camel or donkey) just to travel a few miles every year to the Temple, which they were required to make as an annual pilgrimage. And that was without the distraction of cell phones, social media and all the other things that tend to help us pass the time quickly. So I try to just be grateful for the opportunity rather than complain about the hassle (you didn't hear me complaining, did you?). The other hard part is leaving Michaela & Abby for a week & entrusting them to the care of others. But again, I'm grateful that others are willing to help with that too. So hopefully by the time you read this (I'll be arriving back in Cleveland near midnight on Saturday the 17<sup>th</sup>), I'll be celebrating the two Masses on Sunday morning (the 18<sup>th</sup>), and thank Deacon Pat in advance that he will be preaching so that's one less thing for me to do before my return.

This weekend we welcome our friends from Bethlehem (originally...they live in the States now) who will be selling beautiful olive wood pieces, made by the people in the Holy Land. Please support them (plus save yourself the time of looking for gifts for others) since you'll actually be supporting their families in the Holy Land who continue to struggle, especially as a result of COVID.

Our trip to the Holy Land, by the way, is still on and I am really looking forward to that experience next May. We are in the midst of planning an informational meeting to take place in the coming weeks, but I also need to tell you that spots for this pilgrimage will be limited to about 30 people right now & we already have several people lined up from other parishes who are interested in joining us. Several of you expressed interest to me last year & I have a list of who you are, but please let me know again of your intentions to go so that I can keep track of availability. I have a sister & brother-in-law who are going and I'm anxious to share this journey with them as well. You'll see posters in the church soon about this trip & we'll have informational brochures available as well, including the cost.

Before leaving on vacation, Deacon Pat & Joan Berigan & I were able to take Father O'Grady out to dinner. It was great to see him & he is doing pretty well but he is not strong enough to celebrate Mass on his own. We celebrated two special occasions with him: his 88<sup>th</sup> birthday on July 4<sup>th</sup> (they have fireworks for him every year) and his 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary as a priest. He was ordained on May 20, 1961. I sent him your love and prayers & he sends the same to you as well.

*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.



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.

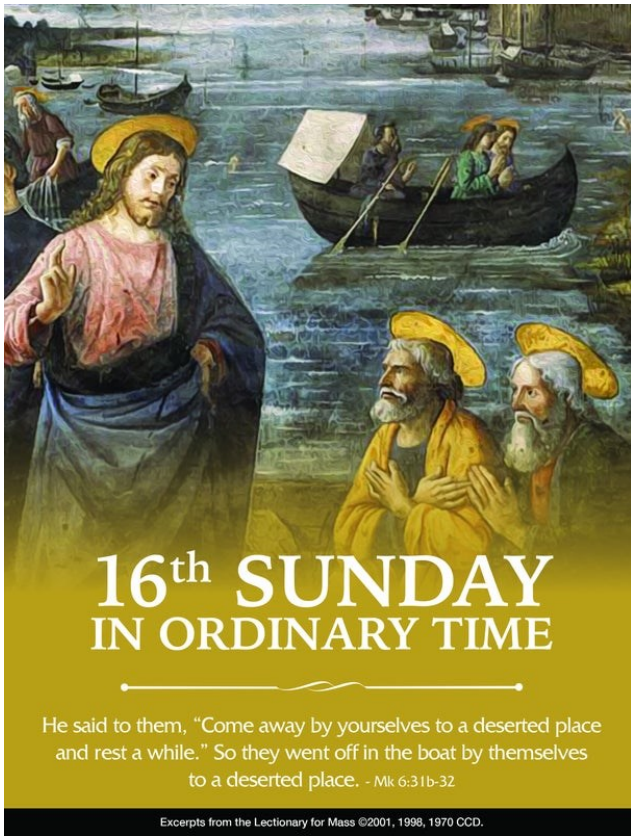
- 3) Online Giving is available here at St. Leo the



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



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### 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 [leohegreat.org](http://leohegreat.org). Gift Cards can be used for, everyday purchases, gifts, or a simple thank you. **PLEASE STOP BY THE OFFICE & SUPPORT US.**



**American  
Red Cross**

The American Red Cross Bloodmobile will be at St. Leos Lux Hall on Sunday, July 19th, 8a-Noon. Please consider donating due to the critical need for blood. Only non-vaccinated donors need to wear a mask. Please register online at [redcross.org](http://redcross.org).

Walk ins will not be accepted.

Thank you for your support. God Bless and stay healthy.

### 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.



**Society of  
St. Vincent de Paul**  
Diocese of Cleveland

As you sit on the porch enjoying a warm summer evening or taking a stroll around the neighborhood, please take a moment to offer a prayer for the individuals and families that we serve in our parish. Pray that they might have the strength and courage that they need as they struggle to make ends meet and to provide nourishment for their families. For them, your St. Vincent de Paul Outreach Organization says, "THANK YOU VERY MUCH!"



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CATHOLIC COMMUNITY  
FOUNDATION

The *Heart of a Shepherd* initiative is an extraordinary endeavor designed to strengthen and better meet the needs of the Saint Mary and Borromeo Seminaries, its seminarians, and our newly-ordained and retired clergy. In addition, this effort will aid our parishes in recovery from the economic impact of the pandemic.

**Learn more at [catholiccommunity.org](http://catholiccommunity.org) or the link will be provided on our website [leothegreat.org](http://leothegreat.org)**

## Cluster Corner

**MARY QUEEN OF PEACE:  
2167492323**

Raffle Tickets are available in the parish office for the raffle that will be held on Sunday, August 8th. 1st Prize: \$3,000, 2nd Prize: \$1,500 and 3rd Prize: \$500.

**ST. CHARLES BORROMEO:  
4408843030**

Summer 2021 Raffle St. Charles will not be holding their Carnival this year, but they are still having a raffle. Tickets are available at the office. The drawing is Sunday, August 15th and the prizes are: Grand Prize 2021 GMC Terrain, 2nd Prize \$5,500 New Roof and 3rd Prize \$3,500.



**EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS**

### The Steward's Work Is Never Done

Woe to the shepherds who mislead and scatter the flock! When you hear these strong words from the Old Testament, you're probably thinking, thank goodness I don't have any sheep — dodged that bullet. Nobody misled here! No flock scattered on my watch! However, we are all shepherds of a kind, called to tend our own sheep: our families, our parishes, our communities.

But it's exhausting. Don't we all sometimes just want to take a break from being a steward? The excuses are so familiar: we're tired, we've done enough, we've given all we can, what more does the parish (or my spouse, or my kids, or my boss, or my friends, or my community) want? We give ourselves permission to be selfish. So, what if the flock scatters just a little?

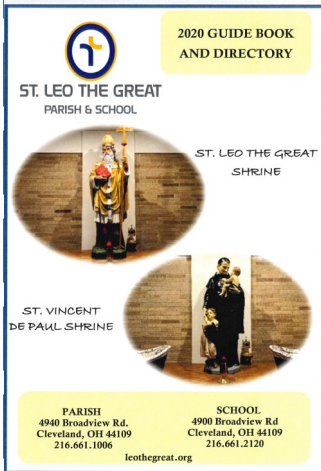
Jesus gets that. We can just imagine him weary with exhaustion, can't we? We see him on his boat, attempting to sneak away for a quick break — maybe just a chance to eat a bite of food in peace. He is God, but he was still human, after all. Even the most dedicated shepherds need to sleep. But people couldn't leave him alone. They were hungry for him. They needed what he could offer, and they needed it now.

As tough as it is, that's the example we are tasked with imitating. Everyday Stewardship demands accountability. It demands our showing up even when we are tired. It demands that we look at our lives, our time, our energies, our talents, our hearts, our bank accounts and think: where do I still have more to give?

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



# 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.

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☐ This is my **updated** information.

## GUIDE BOOK INFORMATION DUE BY AUGUST 15, 2021

