



ST. LEO THE GREAT PARISH & SCHOOL

13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 2, 2017

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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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JULY 2, 2017—13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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, Ron Vokac, Charles Hakain, Walter Milewski, Doug Burcham, Elizabeth Woisnet, & Lisa Rivera, Janet Meadows, and Harriet Watson.



July 3rd to July 9th

Monday, July 3rd: St. Thomas, Apostle

7:30a.m. +Barbara Bauer (Ernestine Wisnieski)

Tuesday, July 4th: INDEPENDENCE DAY

9:00a.m. Blessings on our Country

Wednesday, July 5th: St. Anthony Zaccaria & St. Elizabeth of Portugal

7:30a.m. +Lionberger & Sosahr Families (Morna)

Thursday, July 6th: St. Maria Goretti

7:30a.m. To be announced

Friday, July 7th: Weekday

8:30a.m. +Ann & John Toronski (Jack & Diane Toronski)

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

Saturday, July 8th: Weekday

4:00p.m.+Mik, Jean & Don Vohnout

(Tom & Loretta Koval)

Sunday, July 9th: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00a.m. +Richard Wisnieski (Family)

11:00a.m. People of the Parish



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Friday, July 7th



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.

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

Matthew Solarz
Glenmary Home Missioners
Pre-Theology



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

First Reading: 2Kings 4:8-11, 14-16

Elisha, who lived about 800 years before Christ, succeeded the great prophet Elijah, and was noted for his miraculous deeds. Today we hear of one such deed performed in gratitude for the hospitality given to him and his servant Gehazi.

Second Reading: Romans 6:3-4,8-11

In a previous section of his letter to the Romans, Paul taught that we sinners are reconciled to God through the death and resurrection of Jesus. Now Paul notes that we experience this dying and rising when, in the immersion form of baptism, we are symbolically "buried" in the water and emerge to new life.

Readings for the Week of July 2, 2017

Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a/Ps 89:2-3, 16-19/Rom 6:3-4, 8-11/Mt 10:37-42

Monday: Eph 2:19-22/Ps 117:1bc-2/Jn 20:24-29

Tuesday: Gn 19:15-29/Ps 26:2-3, 9-12/Mt 8:23-27

Wednesday: Gn 21:5, 8-20a/Ps 34:7-8, 10-13/Mt 8:28-34

Thursday: Gn 22:1b-19/Ps 115:1-6, 8-9/Mt 9:1-8

Friday: Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67/Ps 106:1b-5/Mt 9:9-13

Saturday: Gn 27:1-5, 15-29/Ps 135:1b-6/Mt 9:14-17

Next Sunday: Zec 9:9-10/Ps 145:1-2, 8-11, 13-14/Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-30



2017 MASS INTENTION BOOK



The 2017 Mass Intention Book still has openings for this year. Each parishioner household may have 4 Mass Intentions (one weekend and three weekdays). The stipend is \$10.00.



PARISH SUPPORT

Sunday, June 25th

Basket Collection.....\$ 5,848.51
WeShare (online)\$ 460.00
Total\$ 6,308.51

Father's Day\$ 1,874.00

Assessments (June).....\$ 1,148.00

Capital Improvement (June).....\$ 57.00

Thank you for your continued support

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



Dear Parishioners,

Last Saturday we offered a Memorial Mass for Paul Potosky, a parishioner who would help us during our Parish Festivals. We extend our sympathy to his family and pray that he may find eternal rest.

This Tuesday is July 4th and so the rectory office will be closed but the church will be open for 9am Mass that morning. Please join us as we give thanks to God for our national blessings and pray for our national needs.

A parishioner suggested I look into the possibility of getting cushions for the pews that are reserved for the handicapped. I did find that putting a pew-long cushion was very easy to do as it just rests on the seat of the pew. However it was also suggested that some people may not find it helpful as it prevents them from sliding forward on the pew in order to stand up. It's another one of those things where some may find it helpful and others may not. So if you sit in one of the front pews on either side of the church, please let me know if you are in favor of or against this cushy for your tushy. In my last parish, I was told that the founding pastor did not win the favor of the parish when he was asked if they could put cushions on the pews. He suggested (at the pulpit) that he thought the women had enough padding on them that they were not in need of anything more on the plain, wooden pews. Due to the drop in the collection that Sunday, they wouldn't have been able to afford them anyway!

Here's a quote that is timely for the 4th of July. In the journal or diary of King George of England on July 4th, 1776, it was written: "Nothing interesting or important happened today." Of course he was trying to downplay the significance of the signing of the Constitution. But we know over 200 years later just how interesting & important that day was, not only for the people of the United States but for the whole world. How easily we can pretend to be blind from the things that happen in our world. So let us all be sure to be acutely aware of God's many blessings to us this summer...the beauty of nature, the warmth of the sun, the light of these long days, and the opportunities to be with family & friends. Go to Cedar Point (as the parish staff just did). Go fishing. Take a ride to the park on Sunday. Have a picnic. Use the freedom we have been given to bless our Creator and to use well the time he has given us to enjoy what he has made.

Fr. Jim Schmitz

THIS WEEK AT ST. LEO'S

July 3rd to July 9th



Monday, July 3rd – Rectory Office Closed

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Wednesday, July 5th

Thursday, July 6th

1:00 p.m. Women's Knitting

Great

7:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus

Great

Friday, July 7th

7:30 p.m. Recovery International

Great

Saturday, July 8th

2:45 p.m. Confessions

Church

3:00 p.m. Grapevine

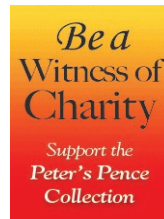
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Sunday, July 9th

12:30 p.m. Couples for Christ

Great

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION



Thank you for your generous support in last week's Peter's Pence Collection! As a parish, we collected \$714.00. Our contributions will be combined with those from our brothers and sisters around the world to help Pope Francis provide essential relief to people in need. If you missed the collection, it is not too late to give, visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections, and click on the "How to Give" link on the left.

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. They make great graduation or wedding/baby shower gifts. **THANK YOU!**



There will be an **Independence Day Mass** on **Tuesday, July 4th at 9:00 a.m.** Begin your holiday celebration by attending Mass and giving thanks for the many freedoms with which we have been blessed.

The **Rectory Office** will be closed on **Monday, & Tuesday, July 3rd and 4th** in observance of the holiday.

GOD Bless AMERICA

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July 1, 2017

Dear St. Leo the Great Parish Community,

It is hard to believe that July is upon us as we look to the 2017-2018 School Year. As we begin our 67th year serving the Old Brooklyn community and beyond, the future is bright under the direction of Mrs. Denise Burns who will be assuming the role of Principal for the next school year. Mrs. Burns and I have met several times to ensure a smooth transition and I know Mrs. Burns embodies the educational philosophy, gifts and skills to carry on the St. Leo mission of fostering excellence in Catholic education.

Classes concluded at the end of May and we have utilized June to complete a few projects around the school campus. We have been able to touch up all the paint throughout the building, strip and wax the floors and do general maintenance to ensure a clean and inviting learning environment for our students, faculty and staff.

In addition, we are excited to share with you that through the collaboration of CMSD Auxiliary Services and Title I we are deploying 10 new smartboards in the classrooms, 16 new laptops for the teachers and 20 new iPads for the students. With the computer lab upgrade and now these wonderful additions, our students are well prepared for next school year as we advance with the technological age.

When we began the 2016-2017 school year I reported an increase in enrollment of 21%. This year I am pleased to share with you that we have been able to sustain that growth and will be starting the 2017-2018 school year with 230 students in K-8 in addition to 30 preschoolers. We only have a few openings left in Kindergarten for next year and all other classrooms have waiting lists.

On a personal note, as I complete my time at St. Leo the Great I would like to express my appreciation to you, the faithful parish community who welcomed me with open arms two years ago. These have been formative years for me and you have helped shape me into the leader and woman religious I am today. I am humbled by your generous spirit and unwavering support of the children we educate each year. It is because of the time, talent, resource and prayerful support that you share selflessly that makes St. Leo's a vibrant and sacred community.

Be assured of my prayers for all of you in the days ahead. St. Leo's will always hold a special place in my heart.

In gratitude and peace,
Sister Erin



Join us for an afternoon of food, fun and friendship on **Sunday, July 23rd, from 12:00 Noon to 3:00 p.m.** on the parish grounds. Spend time with your family and fellow parishioners while listening to music and enjoying hamburgers, hot dogs and more. Water and soft drinks will be available. If you can, please bring a side dish or dessert for sharing. If you would like to volunteer with set up, serving, grilling, or clean up, please call the rectory (216-661-1006).

Hope to see you there!



American Red Cross

BLOOD DRIVE

The American Red Cross blood drive is **CANCELLED** for **July 23**. We are sorry about the inconvenience. Our next blood drive will be Sunday, September 24th.

Please see the following **five** options in our area:

Friday, 7/21 - Tri-C West (Cedar Point ticket for all donors) – 9am-3pm and West Park YMCA – 3pm-7pm

Saturday, 7/22 - Ultimate Fitness – 10am-3pm and Cuyahoga County Library Parma Branch across from Parma Hospital – 12pm-4pm

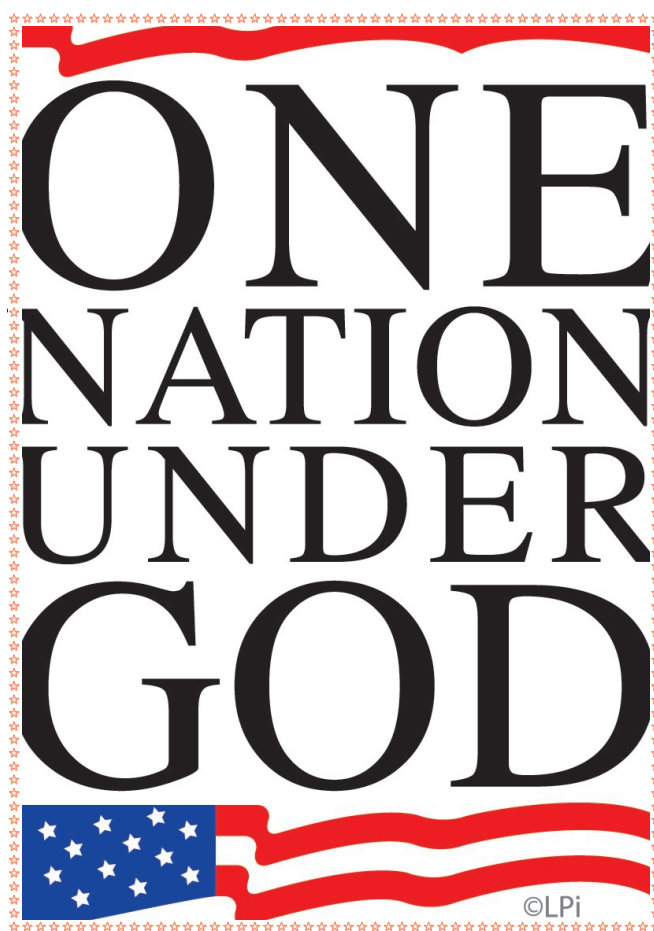
Wednesday, 7/26 - Cleveland Metroparks Zoo (free ticket for future admission to all donors) – 9am-2pm

WALK FOR LUPUS - 2017 **ATTENTION PARISHIONERS!**



If you enjoy walking or helping a cause, Team T & C, parishioners from St. Leo the Great, invite you to join our team for our yearly Walk for Lupus. Our walk is usually 1-2 miles.

- Location: Jacobs Pavilion at Nautica
 - Date: September 23, 2017
 - Registration: 10 to 11:30a.m.
 - Time: Noon to 2 p.m.
 - Cost: \$20 minimum to walk (tax deductible)
- Call Chris Sarago @ 216-408-1645 for any questions or to join our team.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



Please pray with us for peace in our world. Remember that “peace” also means not being hungry, homeless or afraid. Help your St. Vincent de Paul Outreach volunteers give our neighbors that true sense of peace with a donation in the Poor Boxes. Any help that you are able to give will be very much appreciated. Thank you very much.

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.

REGISTER WITH US



Have you moved into the area recently? Or have you been joining us for Mass? We would love to have you as a registered member of our parish family. Please stop at the information desk in the vestibule of the church, at the rectory office, or call 216-661-1006.

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK



How does your commitment to Jesus Christ affect your life? Our faith is not just a private affair but something that influences all of our relationships. Our baptism brings us into a very intimate relationship with God and makes us a brother or a sister to all of God's children. That identity we share colors how we relate to them and the level of responsibility we have to them. If we open ourselves to truly receive our God as Father and those with whom we journey as brothers and sisters, it can profoundly change and affect us. How has your baptism changed you?

AMAZING FAMILY DAY THE Reason to Celebrate



As we celebrate our country this Independence Day, remember that we have another reason to celebrate: *A Full Life* that God promises us. A beautiful summer's day, delicious hotdogs, memories with family and friends, incredible fireworks...these aren't just for the 4th of July — they will be at The FEST on August 6, too! Come hear for King & Country, Crowder, Matt Maher and Laura Story and experience *A Full Life* as we celebrate Mass outdoors.

For more information, including how YOU can make a difference in as little as two hours, visit www.TheFEST.us.

BUS TRIPS

Thursday, July 20th—Hartville - Cuyahoga Valley Train Ride included

- Train Ride to Akron Northside Station
- Hartville Lunch
- Hartville Flea Market
- 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**

Friday, August 18th - Gateway Clipper, Pittsburgh

- Gateway Clipper Luncheon Cruise (Lunch incl.)
- Rivers Casino, Casino Bonus—TBA
- Report 7:15 a.m. - Depart 7:45 a.m.
- Return - approx. 6:45 p.m.
- **Cost: \$83.00**

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

ALL ARE WELCOME!



CONGRATULATIONS!

Padua Franciscan High School Honor Roll

Brennan Conroy
Alainna Conroy
Esperanza Rivera
Alyssa Thomas
Emmalee Clark



Addison Conroy
Callie Burcham
Nathan Hanzlick
Alyssa Lizzini
Jarrett Vah

Trinity High School Honor Roll

First Honors:
Brianna Wamser

Second Honors:
Giuseppe Rolando

Also our congratulations to Brianna Wamser who received a Bowling Green State University Freshman Academic Scholarship.

GUIDE BOOK—ADVERTISING



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).

CLUSTER CORNER

MARY QUEEN OF PEACE—Seniors Bus Trip..

Join us on Sunday, July 9th for a trip to Presque Isle Downs & Casino. Cost is \$30/person with a Casino bonus \$35/free slot play. Please call Diane Hanna at 216-459-1473 or Carl Sheha at 216-749-6954 for information. Everyone welcome.

ST. CHARLES BORROMEO—Homecoming

Carnival...Wednesday July 12th to Sunday July 16th with Main Grounds opening daily at 6:30 p.m. Opening Parade & Bike Decorating Contest on Wednesday at 6:00 p.m..

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





Blest Are They

VERSE 1

1. Blest are they, the poor in spir - it, theirs is the
king - dom of God. _____ Blest are they, *To Refrain*
1. full of sor - row, they shall be con - soled. _____

REFRAIN

Re - joice _____ and be glad! _____ Bless - ed are you,
ho - ly are you! Re - joice _____ and be glad! _____ *To Verses*
Yours is the king - dom of God! _____

VERSES 2, 3

2. Blest are they, the low - ly ones, they shall in -
3. Blest are they _____ who show mer - cy, mer - cy
2. her - it the earth. _____ Blest are they who
3. shall be theirs. _____ Blest are they, the *To Refrain*
2. hun - ger and thirst, they shall have their fill. _____
3. pure _____ of heart, they _____ shall see God! _____

VERSES 4, 5

4. Blest are they _____ who seek peace; they are the chil - dren of
5. Blest are you who suf - fer hate, all be - cause of
4. God. _____ Blest _____ are they who suf - fer in
5. me. _____ Re - joice and be glad, _____ yours is the *To Refrain*
4. faith, the glo - ry of God is theirs. _____
5. king - dom; shine for all to see. _____