



ST. LEO THE GREAT PARISH & SCHOOL

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July 4, 2021



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SCHOOL SUMMER HOURS:

Main Office Open in July by Appointment

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.

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

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Rivers Casino Bus Trip Information
Wednesday, August 18, 2021

The Bus will be departing from St. Leo at 8:30am for a trip to Rivers Casino.

Itinerary includes:

11:15am—Arrive at Rivers Casino

6:00pm—Depart Casino

8:45pm—Approximate time of arrival at St. Leo

Price per person—\$45.00

CASINO BONUS—\$20 in free play, \$5 food credit!

Contact Sandy Diaddario—(216) - 926-3123 with questions or to book a reservation!

Payment must be received by July 14th to reserve your spot!

Upcoming Trip: Amish Country, Monday September 13, 2021

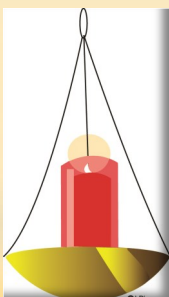


**The Rectory Office will be closed on
Saturday, July 3rd & Monday, July 5th for the 4th Of July Holiday!**

**SANCTUARY CANDLE
INTENTION**

July 4th to July 17th

**IN LOVING MEMORY
Ralph Mlady**



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 or call the Rectory Office at 216-661-1006.



**HOLD YOUR
EYES ON GOD
AND LEAVE
THE DOING
TO HIM.**

St. Jane Frances de Chantal

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Prayer REQUESTS

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...

Mary Nic, 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, 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.



GREAT SWEEPSTAKES WINNER

June 21, 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 or at the Rectory Office.

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

Brook Benedict
Diocese of Youngstown
Pastoral Year, Saint Mary



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



SUNDAY, JUNE 20TH

Collection	\$ 4,126.00
WeShare (online)	\$ 2,344.78
Total	\$ 6,470.78

**THANK YOU
FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!**

MASST INTENTIONS

Monday, July 5th - Weekday

8:30am Vincent Calvillo (Family)

Tuesday, July 6th - Weekday

8:30am +John & Anna Toronski (Dianne & Jack)

Wednesday, July 7th - Weekday

8:30am +Dave Nekvinda (Jennie Shantrey)

Thurs., July 8th - Weekday

8:30am Communion Service

Friday, July 9th - Weekday

8:30am +Caitlin Soucek-Kacher (Family)

Saturday, July 10th - Weekday

4:00pm People Of The Parish

Sunday, July 11th - 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am +David Day Sr. (Dorothy Day & Family)

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

First Reading: Ezekiel 2:2-5

Our first Scripture reading describes the call of the prophet Ezekiel. He was a Jewish priest who was deported to Babylon at the time of the exile. He is called to proclaim God's word to those who are exiled with him. God warns him that this will be no easy task.

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 12:7-10

In the passage just preceding today's reading from Paul's letter to the Corinthians, he described some of his spiritual visions and revelations. But in today's passage, he chooses not to boast these, but rather to talk about how God has worked through him despite his weaknesses.

Readings for the week of July 4, 2021

Sunday: Ez 2:2-5/Ps 123:1-2, 2, 3-4 [2cd]/2 Cor 12:7-10/Mk 6:1-6a

Monday: Gn 28:10-22a/Ps 91:1-2, 3-4, 14-15 ab [cf. 2b]/Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday: Gn 32:23-33/Ps 17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, 8b and 15 [15a]/Mt 9:32-38

Wednesday: Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a/Ps 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19 [22]/Mt 10:1-7

Thursday: Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21 [5a]/Mt 10:7-15

Friday: Gn 46:1-7, 28-30/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40 [39a]/Mt 10:16-23

Saturday: Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7 [cf. Ps 69:33]/Mt 10:24-33

Next Sunday: Am 7:12-15/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 [8]/Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10/Mk 6:7-1



Dear Parishioners,

Happy July 4th! To celebrate this holiday falling on a Sunday, we'll have fireworks shot off in the church at the end of Mass so sing the closing song loudly as there will be a lot of noise during that time.

On second thought, Michaela really hates fireworks & I was reminded of that on Juneteenth when somebody was shooting them off in a place that sounded like it was in our backyard (or in the next room!). Firecrackers have really become a nuisance as they bother our pets and even keep us older folks up at night. So I'll scratch the idea of fireworks in the church and instead we'll celebrate the holiday with an outdoor Mass at the shrine on Monday, July 5th, at 9am. It worked out very well when we celebrated Memorial Day there a month ago so we'll do it again. But this time I'll let you know that besides the benches we have there (& we're going to be getting some more), we also have chairs from the Parish Center that we're happy to bring out for you so if you can't bring a chair but still want to join us for Mass there, please come & trust that we'll give you something to sit on & won't make you sit with your legs crossed on the ground.

On a more serious note, I want to express our sympathy to Allan Morinec on the death of his mother and to Chip Meitin whose mother also passed away recently. These two men are faithful members of our parish and we offer our prayers for them and for their moms. Please say a Hail Mary for them and for their mothers as you read this.

I received a letter this week from Bishop Malesic asking me to thank the parish community for our support of the Heart of a Shepherd Campaign. You won't know what that is because I haven't told you about it yet but the Diocese recognized the need to update our seminary buildings which are in Wickliffe, Ohio, only about 25 minutes from here. I began my seminary journey there back in 1974 when I attended Borromeo Seminary High School. (After the high school seminary closed in 1976, I went to another high school seminary in Vienna, West Virginia until I graduated from there in 1978). Borromeo College Seminary continues to be located on this same campus in Wickliffe, and several years ago, the "Major" seminary called St. Mary's, formerly on Ansel Road in Cleveland, moved to the same campus as our college seminary in Wickliffe. I attended St. Mary Seminary on Ansel Road before it moved to its current location. Training for our Permanent Deacons and Pastoral Ministers also moved to this same site in Wickliffe so the whole campus is now called the Center for Pastoral Leadership (have I lost you yet?). With that little bit of background, I get to the point I want to make in that these buildings are showing their age & are in need of being updated and remodeled. So the "Heart of a Shepherd" Campaign was started under Bishop Perez and is now being continued by Bishop Malesic and I support it fully knowing how blessed we are in the Diocese of Cleveland to have our own seminary system. Many other dioceses need to send their seminary students outside of their diocese to study and prepare for ordained ministry. But we are so fortunate to have our own seminary which allows us to get to know our own diocese, parishes and peers in ministry. I will continue to share with you in next weekend's column how we at St. Leo's are participating in this campaign. For now, enjoy the holiday weekend & have your ear plugs handy when going to bed.

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 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 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 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.



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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 10th**, 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, for more conference information, registration details/forms, & information about the online access as it is posted.



**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.

Walk ins will not be accepted. Thank you for your support. God Bless and stay healthy.



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. 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.

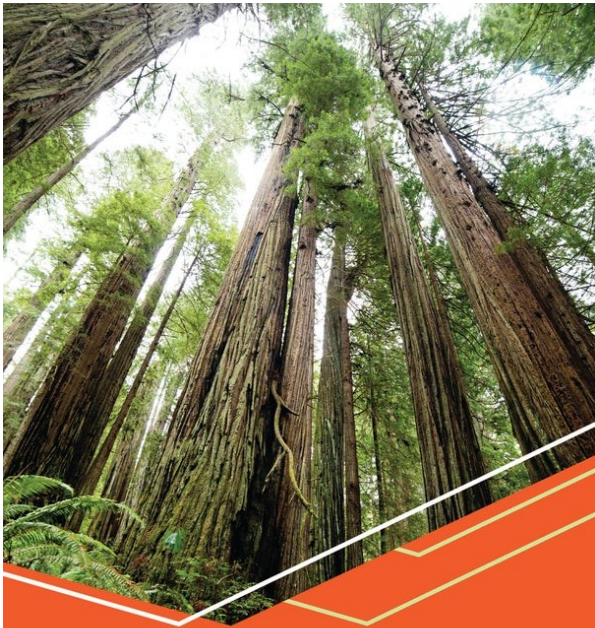


WE WELCOME

Harrison Justin Shepherd

as he is baptized on July 3rd, 2021.

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



14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

When the sabbath came he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astonished. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What kind of wisdom has been given him? What mighty deeds are wrought by his hands!" - Mk 6:2

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CONGRATULATIONS...

to the following students who made the Honor Roll:



Connor DiSiena—Grade 11—First Honors
Jillian Kalic—Grade 11—Second Honors
Sofia Melendez—Grade 10—Second Honors
Giacomo Rolando—Grade 10—Second Honors
Lauren Osborne—Grade 10—Merit Roll



Rylee Ehrett—High Honors
Delaney McCandless—Honors
Ryan Novak—Honors
Julianna Stroemple—High Honors



EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

The Prophecy of You and Me

Prophet. There's a heaviness to this word. It's weighted down with meaning. We think of prophets and we think of Charlton Heston with wild hair and a booming voice, reaching out his hand to work wonders of nature by the grace of God. We think of prophets and we think of ancient Biblical history — someone far away, someone so removed from our everyday life. A prophet is someone who knows something we don't.

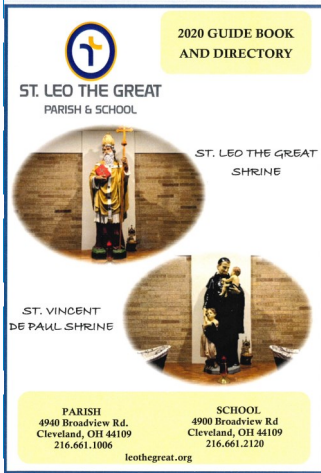
When I let you in on this secret, it might scare you at first: in a way, God is calling you to be a prophet. He is calling me. He is calling anyone who hears the truth of the Gospel. However, there is no need for the megaphone and the wild locusts. This prophet gig might not be what you're thinking.

What does a prophet do? He hears and testifies to the truth, even when it's uncomfortable, even when it's unpopular, even when it results in, as Paul says, "weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions and constraints." A prophet doesn't have to be smart or rich or ordained; heck, he doesn't even have to be particularly willing.

All a prophet has to do is listen to the truth. The truth we receive from Christ, through the Gospel and the sacraments, is a mighty gift. But it is a gift that we are not meant to simply keep for ourselves. In possessing it, we are compelled to also pass it on, to share it, to let the Spirit set us on our feet.

— 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.

☐ Do not print my phone number.

☐ Do not print my address.

☐ This is my **updated** information.

GUIDE BOOK INFORMATION DUE BY AUGUST 15, 2021

