



ST. LEO THE GREAT

PARISH & SCHOOL

14th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened,
and I will give you rest.” - Mt 11:28

July 5, 2020

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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 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.



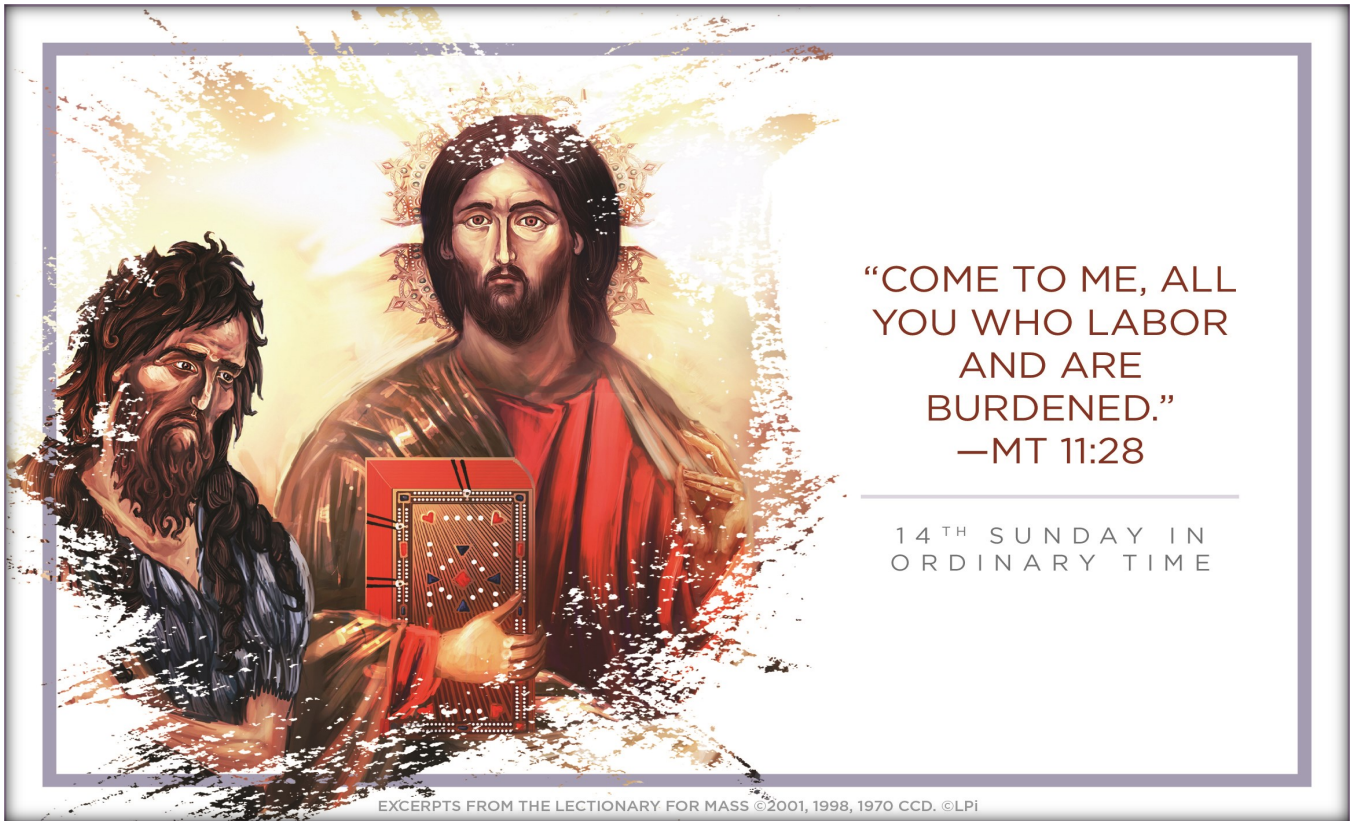
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INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

The flesh is our old self of yesterday and the one we left behind in baptism. It is the self of doubts and fears, sin and error, reluctance, untamed passion, and errors in judgment. It is also the self of missed opportunities and roads untraveled. Although we were baptized many years ago, every day is another day to live, not according to the flesh of yesterday with its regrets and misgivings, but rather to live the life of the spirit of today and tomorrow. The burdens of our personal baggage and of life itself can weigh us down. The love of Jesus Christ and the life of the spirit can pick us up, refresh us, and provide us with the hope for new opportunities and discoveries. Because we have been baptized in Christ, we need not be anxious about what we did or did not do yesterday or anxious about what will come tomorrow. We need only to seek out the love that is before us, around us, and in us and learn.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



Please help the St. Vincent de Paul Outreach Organization help others. Through the work of the St. Vincent de Paul Outreach Organization we provide assistance to individuals and families throughout the year. The need

continue to grow. Help us by donating to the Poor Boxes located at the entrances of the church. We thank you for your continued support.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION Friday, July 10th



We will have Eucharistic Adoration this **Friday, July 10th** beginning after the 8:30a.m. communion service and ending at 5:00p.m. You are invited to spend *some* time with the Lord in a quiet, prayerful atmosphere. May God's peace be with you during this time.



Hello parishioners of St. Leo! My name is John Ortega and am a graduate of University of Pennsylvania, St. Ignatius High School, and St. Leo the Great Elementary. I would like to thank those of you who listened to my short talk about FOCUS last weekend. FOCUS is a national collegiate outreach program that meets students on campus, inviting them into a relationship with Jesus Christ and the Church. I am among 800 missionaries serving over 50,000 college students at over 150 college campuses. I am currently fundraising for my mission until July 19, as I fully raise 100% of my mission budget. If you are interested in speaking more with me about my mission and the work I am doing, please contact me at (216) 926-0916 or john.ortega@focus.org, and we can set up a time to talk!

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PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...



Ed Gorczyca, Bob McLaughlin, Annamae Sironen, John Risko, Glenn "Joe" Hess, Gary LaBuda, Jeanette Klaehn, Ron Vokac, Carol Rucinski, Pat Chopka,

William and Amelia Rebello, Louise Horvath, Diane Kalus, Marie Stankiewicz, Irma Zappitelli, Bill Hinton, Linda Debaltzo, Anna Mendoza, Anthony Arlia, Kathleen & Richard Svoboda, Charles Hakaim, Jeanne Karasek, Denise Sisley, Don Donelon, Larry Kuznik, Don Kasych, Antoinette Jakosh, Ralph Mlady, Ralph Rath, Walter Alfien, and Joseph Mackey.



WEEKDAY MASSES ARE NOW AT 8:30AM

Monday, July 6th—St. Maria Goretti
8:30am Communion Service
Tuesday, July 7th - Weekday
8:30am Communion Service
Wednesday, July 8th - Weekday
8:30am Communion Service
Thursday, July 9th - St. Augustine Zhao Rong and Companions
8:30am Communion Service
Friday, July 10th - Weekday
8:30am Communion Service
Saturday, July 11th - St. Benedict
4:00pm +Caitlin Soucek Kacher (Family)
Sunday, July 12th– 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00am People of the Parish
11:00am +Jacob, Katie & Bruce (Skora Family)

First Reading: Zechariah 9:9-10

In the last centuries before Christ, the Jewish people hoped for a triumphant Messiah king. The prophet Zechariah spoke instead of a Messiah who would come not in splendor and glory with horses and chariots, but rather in meekness and peace, riding a common work animal. All four evangelists will later apply this passage to the entrance of Jesus into Jerusalem several days before his arrest.

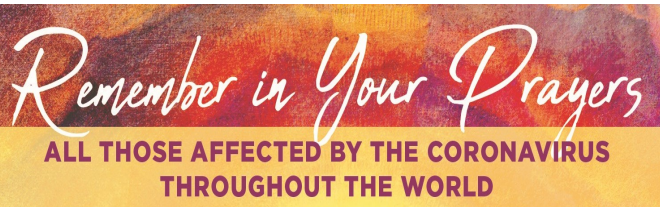
Second Reading: Romans 8:9, 11-13

Today we will begin five Sundays of readings from chapter eight of Paul's letter to the Romans, a chapter which emphasizes the role of the Holy Spirit. Paul wants us to remember that the Spirit who will raise our bodies on the last day is the same Spirit who inspires us to holiness every day. Today Paul offers a sharp contrast between life in the flesh (meaning life prone to sin) and life in the Spirit.

Readings for the week of July 5, 2020

Sunday: Zec 9:9-10/Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14/Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-30
Monday: Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 9:18-26
Tuesday: Hos 8:4-7, 11-13/Ps 115:3-4, 5-6, 7ab-8, 9-10/Mt 9:32-38
Wed.: Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 10:1-7
Thursday: Hos 11:1-4, 8e-9/Ps 80:2ac & 3b, 15-16/Mt 10:7-15
Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-13, 14 and 17 [17b]/Mt 10:16-23
Saturday: Is 6:1-8/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Mt 10:24-33
Next Sunday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 65:10, 11, 12-13, 14/Rom 8:18-23/Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

*I will praise your name for ever,
my king and my God. (Ps 145)*



GREAT SWEEPSTAKES WINNER!

MICHELE BEYER
June 29, 2020
\$100.00 Winner



Don't forget to sign up for our **Great Sweepstakes weekly drawing**. Forms to sign up are available on our website. (www.leothegreat.org). Or just call the office 216-661-1006 and we will sign you up.

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

John Zarbo
St. Anthony of Padua
Fairport Harbor
Aspirant– Diaconate Program



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

Parish Support

Sunday, June 21st

Collection	\$ 4,809.00
WeShare(online)	\$ 2,117.50
Total	\$ 6,926.50

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT.



Dear Parishioners,

We have received some generous donations through the Employer Contributions Match Program from Progressive Insurance. Thank you to those who participate in this opportunity for them to send donations our way.

I was finally able to see my dad last week. My sister & I went to his assisted living place in Strongsville & sat outside as he sat inside one of the first floor apartments. We had lunch together & a nice conversation. It was the first time I've seen him in over 3 months & was glad to see how well he looked & was doing. I'm noticing more people coming to Mass now as well and that too is good to see. But the plan is to have our new live-streaming camera installed by this weekend as well so there are always options. Thanks again for your cooperation with the wearing of masks and the social distancing. Everything seems to be going very smoothly as far as our weekend liturgies are concerned so let me know if you have any questions or suggestions regarding our public gatherings.

I've anointed and given last rites to 3 people this past weekend and so I would like to ask for your prayers on their behalf. One is Alice Schulz, the mother of Kathy Schulz from our parish. After the nurse showed me to her room, she gave me directions on the way back to the front door of the facility but I got lost—apparently due to God's providence. When another nurse saw me, she said, "Oh there you are...let me show you the way." I thought she was showing me the way to the front door but she knocked on someone's door & said, "Father is here..." But I told her that I had already seen the person I came to visit & that she was mistaken but that I'd be happy to anoint someone else if they needed me. It was a man named Ron who actually had spent 6 years in the seminary before he left & got married. I had a nice conversation with his wife and son who were hoping to get a priest to give him the last rites so we prayed together for Ron. Not a coincidence but a "God incident" as they say. Finally, I also anointed & gave last rites to Frank Zupancic who is a parishioner with his wife Mary, and Frank died this past Monday. So please pray for all of these that they may have a peaceful journey home to the Lord.

As I write this on Monday, June 29th, I am looking forward to a vacation as my last one was back in early February before the coronavirus pandemic hit us so I will be thinking of you this weekend (and maybe even watching you via livestream!). I will be driving to Boston but staying in a time-share that is being shared with me by my cousin, Fr. Dan Schlegel. He stayed close by there last week & I just happened to choose a location in the same area. It's been several years since I've been to Boston but I enjoy historical tours, etc. so I'm hoping sights will still be open despite the pandemic. I just thought too that I'll be there during the July 4th weekend so that's not a bad place to celebrate the nation's independence. I am sorry to miss the 60th Wedding Anniversary of Frank and Arlene Gerda which will be at the 11am Mass this weekend but I congratulate them and hope they have a wonderful celebration.

Fr. James Schmitz



GIFT CARD PROGRAM

The Gift Card Program is an excellent way to help support our 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 your everyday purchases, gifts, or as a simple thank you. **PLEASE SUPPORT THIS PROGRAM.**



HAVE A HEART - LEND A HAND

To the St. Leo Parish Community,

Thank you to everyone who donated so generously to the Have a Heart, Lend a Hand Lenten program. Despite the unusual conditions this year due to Covid, we still collected enough items to equal the amounts collected in previous years. It shows that the spirit of Christ is alive and well at St. Leo.

Thank you to all those who helped sort and deliver donations to the 8 organizations we supported this year. The love of Christ will touch all the lives that were touched by your outpouring of love.

May God bless you and keep you safe and healthy,

Jeanne Sabol



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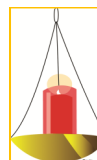
PETER'S PENCE

Thank you for your generous support in last week's Peter's Pence Collection! 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.

SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTION

July 5th to July 18th

In Loving Memory of
Larry Clancy, Sr.



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2020 MASS INTENTION BOOK



There are still dates available in our 2020 Mass Intention Book. Please stop in the Parish Office or call the office to schedule your intention. The Mass stipend is \$10.00 and can be sent in at a later date.

ONLINE GIVING



Online Giving is available here at St. Leo the Great. Look for this icon on our website (www.leotheadgreat.org) to sign up. If you have any questions or need help, call the parish office at 216-661-1006.

ST. LEO'S SUMMER VOLLEYBALL CAMP!

Monday, July 20th — Thursday, July 23rd

Camp is for girls and boys 3rd grade — 9th grade

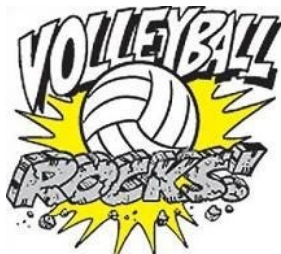
9:00am to 11:00am.....3rd & 4th graders

11:30am to 1:30pm.....5th & 6th graders

2:00pm to 4:00pm.....7th to 9th graders

The cost of camp is \$90.00 for the week.

The Camp is run by Karol Coundourides. This will be the third year she is holding camp at St. Leo. She has been coaching club and CYO Volleyball for over 20 years and is a member of the CYO Coaches Hall of Fame.



Registration forms and medical release forms are available at the Rectory Office.

Any questions contact Jocelyn Riley, St. Leo the Great Volleyball Coach, at jo.riley44@gmail.com or 216-218-8547.



RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE SUNDAY, JULY 19TH

SAVE THE DATE.....The American Red Cross blood drive will be at St. Leo's Lux Hall **Sunday, July 19, 2020** from 8:00am to 12:00pm.



KISSING THE ALTAR AT MASS

Question:

Why do priests kiss the altar at the start of Mass?

Answer:

Our churches and chapels are filled with symbols. We might think of the more common symbols (like the crucifix, statues, stained-glass windows, vestment color and altar cloths) as well as major symbols (such as the paschal candle and the baptismal font). But there are some things that we can take for granted in our sacred spaces, because unfortunately, they seem to just be part of the building, including three of the main symbols of our liturgy: the ambo (lectern), the chair for the priest celebrant, and the altar.

These three objects are placed in a specially designated area called the sanctuary. They are the places where the Word of God is proclaimed, where the priest prays and presides at the celebration, and where the bread and wine are offered by the priest during the Eucharistic Prayer. Although each of these objects is sacred because of the role they play in our worship, the altar holds a special place. In a document containing the rules and instructions for the Mass — the “General Instruction of the Roman Missal” — we read: “The altar on which the Sacrifice of the Cross is made present under sacramental signs is also the table of the Lord to which the People of God is called together to participate in the Mass, as well as the center of the thanksgiving that is accomplished throughout the Eucharist” (no. 296).

One of the ways that we recognize the importance of the altar is when the priest and deacon kiss the altar at the beginning of Mass. Kissing is an ancient act of devotion. Remember, we also kiss the cross on Good Friday, and the deacon or priest kisses the “Book of the Gospels” after the Gospel is proclaimed. This act of devotion reminds us that the altar is a symbol of Jesus, the “living stone” (see 1 Peter 2:4), the foundation stone of our faith. It is a symbol gesture, but it is a powerful reminder of the One on whom our faith is built and in whose name we gather as the “household of faith” (see Galatians 6:10).

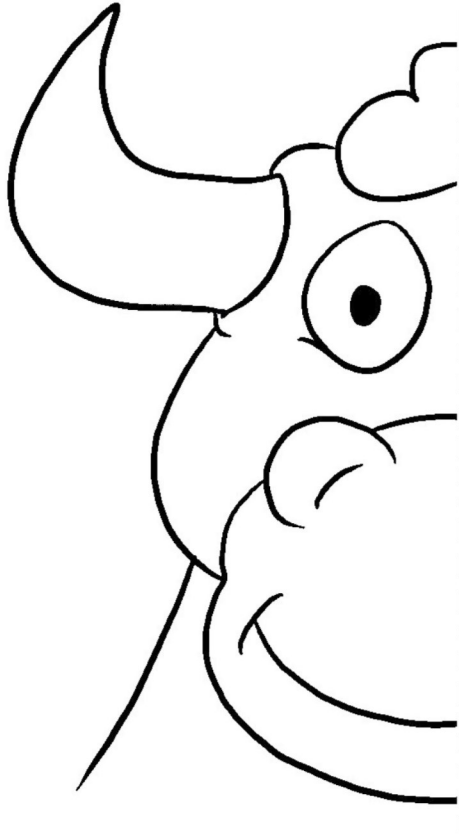
To learn more, see the “Catechism of the Catholic Church” (no. 1382-1383). ©LPi



KIDS CORNER

READ THE GOSPEL AND COMPLETE A PUZZLE!

Complete the picture of this ox.



SHARING THE GOSPEL

Jesus knows that you can get tired. Doing your best in school is hard work. You also may feel tired, sad, or left out on the playground. Whenever you start to feel tired, remember that Jesus is with you. Learn from Jesus. Follow his example. Be honest. Be kind. Help others do the right thing. Jesus will help you.

PRAYER

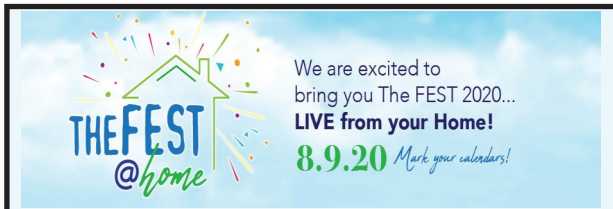
Jesus, I thank you for helping me when I'm tired.

MISSION FOR THE WEEK

Look for someone who is alone on the playground, and ask her to play.



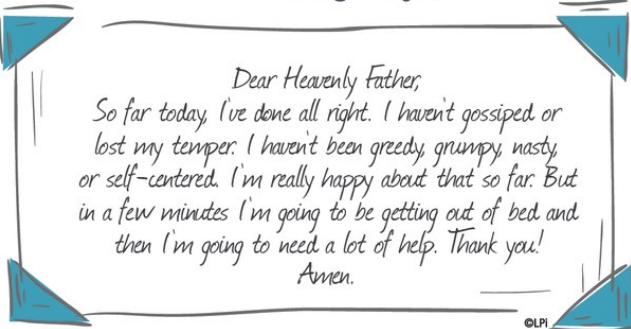
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SIGN UP TO HELP OUT!

FEST 2020 is a little more than a month away, and we need volunteer help to assemble craft kits, put together giveaways, host watch parties and more! To get involved and learn more – visit www.theFEST.us/volunteer. It will still take hundreds of volunteers to make The FEST possible this year. Volunteers will get a free t-shirt and make this wonderful day of faith, family and fun possible.

A Morning Prayer



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IT'S TIME TO GIVE BACK.

MALACHI CENTER NEEDS YOU!

JOIN OUR TEAM TODAY AND VOLUNTEER!

WE APPRECIATE EVERY HELPING HAND WE CAN GET!

WE ARE SEEKING VOLUNTEERS FOR OUR SPECIAL EVENTS, READING BUDDIES PROGRAM, HOMELESS SHOWER PROGRAM, AND OUR YOUTH SERVICES.

DURING THIS DIFFICULT TIME, OUR VOLUNTEERS WILL PRACTICE SOCIAL DISTANCING, FOLLOW SAFETY GUIDELINES, AND WEAR MASKS. MASKS CAN BE PROVIDED IF NEED BE!

IF YOU CAN'T VOLUNTEER YOUR TIME, WE ARE ALSO SEEKING HEALTHY SNACK DONATIONS FOR OUR YOUTH!

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE REACH OUT TO US VIA EMAIL AT [PETER@MALACHICENTER.ORG](mailto:peter@malachicenter.org)

