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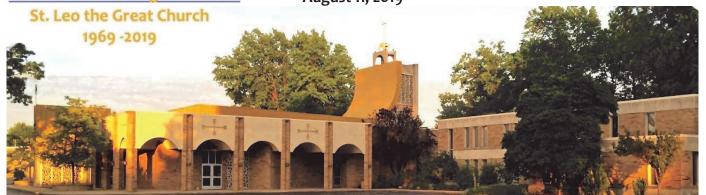
Pastor

Father James J. Vesely

Retired

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# 19th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME August 11, 2019



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#### **SCHOOL HOURS:**

Monday through Friday/School Day ~ 8:00AM—2:45PM Main Office ~ 7:30AM—3:30PM

#### 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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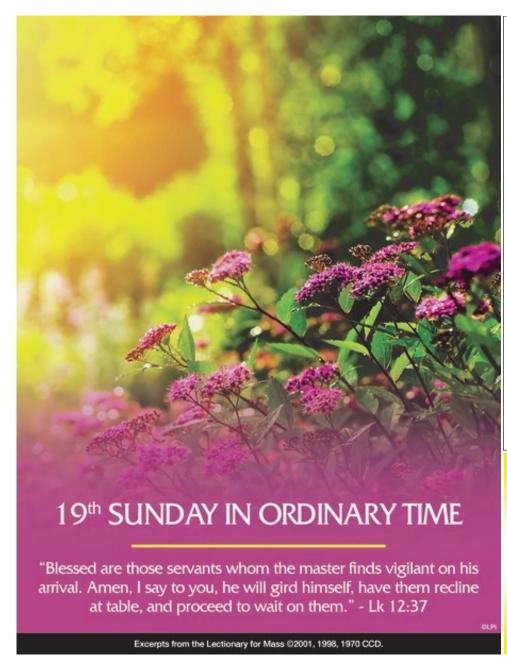


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#### INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

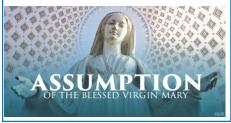
We are asked to be vigilant until our Master returns. Even though our faith tells us that Christ will come again and that our purpose and destiny is an eternal one, it is hard not to lose heart, grow weary, and become distracted. Remembering the stories of our faith and what God has done throughout history is one way of remaining fresh and focused. Celebrating, recalling, and making real and tangible again what God has done is what our community does liturgically each time we gather. As the author of Hebrews reminds us: Faith makes real what we hope for and is the evidence of things we cannot see. Let us take this time once again to remember and participate in what God has done and continues to do.

2020 MASS INTENTION BOOK The 2020 Mass Intention Book will open on Tuesday, September 10th at 9:00am at the Rectory Office. Each parishioner household may have four Mass Intentions (one weekend and three weekdays). The Mass stipend is \$10.00.



# FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION

This Thursday, August 15th, is the Feast of the Assumption of Mary into Heaven. It is a holy day of obligation. Mass will be celebrated at 8:30am and 7:00pm.



#### **HOLY HOURS**



It is our hope that we will have Holy Hours on a quarterly basis (four times a year).

A Holy Hour is being planned for Sunday, August 25 at 5:00 PM in the church. Please join us for an hour of prayer for the needs of the parishioners at St. Leo the Great Parish.

#### ROSARY



Please join with us in honoring Mary with the recitation of the rosary at the Marian shrine at 7:00pm this Wednesday, August 14th.

Please bring a lawn chair as limited seating is available. In the event of inclement weather, the rosary will be said in the church. If you do not have a rosary, we will provide one for you.

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



Edward P. Gorczyca, Betty Jayne; Glover, Bob McLaughlin, Theresa i equests Pauloski, Annamae Sironen, Joi Hoffman, John Risko, Glenn!

"Joe" Hess, Gary LaBuda, Jeanette Klaehn, Ruth Frohlich, Ron Vokac, Charles Hakaim, Walter Milewski, August Bublavy, Carol Rucinski, Pat Chopka, Serena Jacobs, William Rebello, Cecilia Doris, Lori Stossell, Louise Horvath, Elaine Houseknecht, Diane Kalus, Marie Stankiewicz, Irma Zappitelli, Eugene Parks, Dianne Toronski, Steve Kostrubanic, Marge Menge, Bill Hinton, Linda Debaltzo & Trudy Miller

#### WORDS TO INSPIRE

Our job is to love others without stopping to inquire whether or not they are worthy.

Thomas Merton

# **GREAT SWEEPSTAKES WINNER!** LOOK AND SEE WHO WON



BOB CECCARELLI

August 5, 2019- \$100.00 Winner

Don't forget to sign up for our Great Sweepstakes weekly drawing. Sign up forms are available at the Information Desk in the vestibule of the Church, or the Rectory Office.

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

> **Timothy Raddell** SS. Robert and William First Year, Borromeo



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

**Parish Support** 

# Sunday, August 4th

Basket Collection\$	8,965.00
WeShare (online)\$	1,485.00
Total \$1	10 450 00

Thank you for your continued support!



Monday, August 12th - St. Jane Frances de Chantal

7:30am +Henry Stankiewicz Sr. (Dawn & Henry)

Tuesday, August 13th - SS. Pontain & Hippolytus

7:30am +John Piascik (Joe & Joan Krakora)

Wednesday, August 14th - St. Maximilian Kolbe

7:30am George Velez

Thursday, August 15th - THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

8:30am +Arnie Sosahr (Wife)

7:00pm People of the Parish

Friday, August 16th - St. Stephen of Hungary

8:30am +Eugene Zola (Family)

Saturday, August 17th - Weekday

4:00pm James & Lucille Huzl

50th Wedding Anniversary

Sunday, August 18th - 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am People of the Parish

11:00am +Bill Hinton, Jr. (Family)

#### First Reading: Wisdom 18:6-9

The book of Wisdom was written by a teacher who lived in Alexandria, Egypt, a center of learning for the ancient world. He addresses his writing to a group of Jews in that city who were being tempted to abandon their religious practices and beliefs. To bolster their faith, the author speaks of the memorable night of Passover when the angel of the Lord destroyed the enemies of the Jews.

#### Second Reading: Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19

Today and for the next three Sundays, the second reading will be from the letter to the Hebrews. This document was written by an author we do not know to a community we cannot identify. In today's section, the author encourages the community, whose faith is faltering, by calling to mind Old Testament heroes such as Abraham and Sarah.

#### Readings for the week of August 11, 2019

**Sunday:** Wis 18:6-9/Ps 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22/Heb 11:1-2, 8-

19/Lk 12:32-48

Monday: Dt 10:12-22/Ps 147:12-13,14-15,19-20/Mt 17:22-27 **Tuesday:** Dt 31:1-8/Dt 32:3-4ab, 7, 8, 9 & 12/Mt 18:1-5, 10,

12-14

**Wednesday:** Dt 34:1-12/Ps 66:1-3a,5 & 8, 16-17/Mt 18:15-20 **Thursday:** Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16/1

Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56

**Friday:** Jos 24:1-13/Ps 136:1-3,16-18,21-22 & 24/Mt 19:3-12 **Saturday:** Jos 24:14-29/Ps 16:1-2a & 5, 7-8, 11/Mt 19:13-15 **Next Sunday:** Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18/Heb 12:1-4/

Lk 12:49-53



Dear Parishioners,

We have our parish picnic today after the 11am Mass. If you are attending that Mass, it's a short walk to pick up a hamburger or hotdog. If you attend the 4pm Mass on Saturday or the 8am Mass on Sunday, please consider making the trip again to join us. We'll have plenty of tables and chairs set up. In case of inclement weather, we'll move inside and I'll let you know that at Mass. My thanks to everyone who coordinated this and to our maintenance staff for setting up and taking down.

Another reminder that you can purchase beautiful olive wood carvings in the vestibule of the church before or after Mass this weekend. They make great gifts and help the people in Bethlehem where Our Lord was born.

This Thursday, August 15<sup>th</sup>, is the feast of the Assumption of Mary. It has been our centuries-long belief that Mary was taken body and soul into the kingdom of heaven at the end of her life and so was the first to experience the fullness of the resurrection after her Son. It reminds us that this is promise for us as well. Mass on this Holy Day of Obligation will be celebrated at 8:30am and at 7pm.

While I'll be celebrating the morning Mass on that day, I won't be able to greet those coming to the evening Mass as I will be joining in the Feast that takes place every year in Little Italy in honor of Mary's Assumption. They have a Mass at Holy Rosary Church which is in the heart of Little Italy as well as a procession of a statue of Mary on Mayfield Road. But there is also a great feast with delicious Italian food and desserts from Thursday through Sunday. The square pizza that can be found there reminds me of the true Italian pizza that my mom and grandmother used to make. They also have cavatelli, meatballs, sausage sandwiches and so much more. If you're Italian like me it's an obligation to attend and if you're not lucky enough to be Italian, it's at least an opportunity for you to wish you were. I should wear my T-shirt that has a word we Italians like to use when someone apologizes to us for some offense toward us: "Fuhgettaboutit."

Fr. Vesely will be celebrating the 4pm Mass next Saturday, August 17<sup>th</sup> in honor of the 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary of Jim & Lucille Huzl. I'll mention them again next weekend but as always we welcome Fr. Vesely back to pray with us.

The dentist told me that I may have to have my upper wisdom teeth taken out (which I really depend on as the source of my wisdom). I had my lower wisdom teeth taken out when I was in 8th grade and I remember it very well. In those days they put a needle in your arm of Sodium Pentothol. When I woke up after the procedure, I was a bit loopy from this medicine. The dentist said, "I heard you are going into the seminary." And my rather loud response was, "Yep, I'm going to be a preacher!" My poor mother.



#### THIS WEEK AT ST. LEO'S

Monday, August 12th Tuesday, August 13th

7:00pm AA Group

Wednesday, August 14th 11:00am Seniors

Thursday, August 15th

1:00pm Women's Knitting Group

Friday, August 16th

7:30pm Recovery International

Saturday, August 17th

2:45 to 3:30pm Confessions 3:00pm Grapevine

Sunday, August 18th

**Basement** 

Great Conference

Basement

Church

Basement

# **SCRIPTURE** STUDY

What do you know about Scriptures? Do you sometimes have a difficult time understanding Scripture? If so, you're not alone! Why not join us for a closer look at Scriptures!? Contact Deacon Pat or Joan Berigan for more information at 216-661-1006.

#### BETHLEHEM CHRISTIAN FAMILIES



Due to the bad situation and the interruption of the tourist trade, 600 families of the Holy Land are in danger of having to leave their homes in search of work. These Christians who make their livelihood through the selling of their

hand carved Olive Wood religious items are depending on us to bring these beautiful carvings, such as, Nativity Scenes, Crucifixes, Pictures of the Last Supper, and several other religious items to you. Please look over these carvings this weekend, August 10th & 11th. Please help support this self-help project that enables to keep the Christians present in the Holy Land. Your help and understanding in this crucial matter is greatly appreciated. We are accepting Cash, Checks and Credit card. Thank You,

#### PRE-PLANNED FUNERAL



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 by email at jberigan@leothegreat.org for help in pre -planning your funeral.

# COME ONE -- COME ALL!

\*\*\*THIS SUNDAY\*\*\*

ST. LEO THE GREAT PARISH PICNIC

# SUNDAY AUGUST 11th

12:00 Noon to 3:00 p.m. (rain or shine!)



Serving Hamburgers & Hot Dogs
Please bring a side dish/dessert to share
Pop and water available

#### **SENIORS**



On Wednesday, August 14th, St. Leo the Great Seniors will meet in the Parish Community Center at 11:00am for their business meeting. Join us for our crazy dice game! Please remember to bring 3 or more wrapped gifts for the game. See you there!

#### BRING IT TO THE BIN



Did you know you can help our school earn \$\$? Just bring it to the bin. Bring your Mail, Newspapers, Hard and Soft Bound Books, Phone Books, Brown Paper Bags, and Flat-

tened Cardboard. Ask your family, friends and neighbors to save their paper too!

# **GIFT CARDS AVAILABLE**



Our Gift Card Program is an excellent way for you to 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 outdoor summer needs, back to school and everyday purchases, any type of gift, or as a simple thank you. PLEASE STOP BY THE OFFICE AND PURCHASE SOME!

# HAVE A HEART, LEND A HAND



## BIRTHRIGHT, INC.

"We thank the people of St. Leo's for the abundance of clothing and other baby items, as well as gift cards, that will be used to stock layettes which are given to mothers of newborns. All our services are free and confidential and we support every pregnant woman who might need us throughout her pregnancy. We are grateful to all who worked to organize the collection and to those who so generously donated. Our moms and babies thank you!"

#### PROVIDENCE HOUSE

"We cannot begin to thank you enough for your support of the babies and children at Providence House. Because of your generosity, we can continue to keep the kids safe and families together. You have helped make a difference to hundreds of children and families in our community. We are truly grateful for your help and support."

#### ST MALACHI BACK DOOR MNISTRY

• "We thank you for your faithful support in assisting us to maintain our ministry of serving the poor and needy. Without your generosity we would have nothing to give: no food, no clothing, and no assistance. It is because of your willingness to share that our ministry continues to be open for service day after day. Thank you again and God Bless.

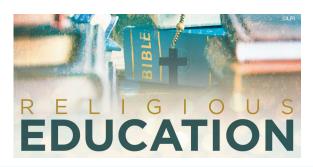
#### PSR CLASSES FOR 2019/2020

PSR classes for 2019/2020 will begin on **Monday**, **September 9, 2019** from 6:45pm until 8:00pm in the school.

Registration forms will be available in the rectory or on our website. Fees: \$40 for one child; \$70 for two; \$90 for three and up. Please pay by check made out to St. Leo the Great Church. Fees are due at the time of registration.

**TEACHERS Needed**: We are in need of teachers this year. If you feel called to assist, please contact Joann Deranek at 216-661-1006 or email her at jderanek@leothegreat.org.

# ALL REGISTRATION FORMS DUE AUGUST 18TH



#### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



Please remember the St. Vincent de Paul Outreach food collection NEXT WEEKEND, AUGUST 17TH & 18TH. Items most need-

ed are mixed vegetables, bake beans, instant mashed potatoes, scalloped potatoes, pasta sauce, stuffing mix, cereal, crackers, gravy, canned fruit, peanut butter & jelly, pancake syrup, skillet dinners, rice & noodle sides, paper towels, Kleenex and laundry detergent. Whatever you are able to donate will be very much appreciated. Without you, we simply would not be able to exist here at St. Leo's.

#### PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION



There are still a few openings left in St. Leo Preschool for the 2019/2020 school year. Our Preschool is operated and has been licensed under the Department of Education since 1985.

Preschool focuses on skill development & Kindergarten readiness. Children must be three or four by September 30th and must be fully potty trained. Registration fee of \$50.00 and birth certificates are required. Preschool is located in the Parish Center on the second floor. For more information call 216-661-5330.



Friday, October 18th (6:00pm to 10:00pm)

Saturday, October 19 (5:00pm to 10:00pm)

EARLY BIRD DRAWING! And the winner of the first \$100 Early Bird Drawing is GEORGE KENNY.



Don't worry—there are still two more chances to enter the Early Bird Drawing. The next drawing will be September 8th. (All ticket stubs will be entered in the main drawing on October 19th.) If you haven't picked up your tickets from the main vestibule of the church, now is the time to do so. Get your ticket stubs in and don't miss out on the next Early Bird Drawing.

**SPONSORSHIPS!** Do you own a business? Would your company like to be a sponsor for the Festival? Sponsors help defray the cost of the Festival. If you are interested in a sponsorship, please call Nancy at (216) 749-1472.

**ATTENTION: FIT BIT WEARERS!** Get those steps in! We are in need of people willing to deliver raffle tickets. Delivering the tickets saves the parish hundreds of dollars in postage. If you are interested, please call Nancy at (216) 749-1472.

#### **AUGUST 11, 2019—19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

#### THE GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS



The Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass will take place at 10:00am on Saturday, October 12, 2019 at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist, on East 9th Street and Superior Avenue in downtown Cleveland. Bishop Nelson J. Perez will be the celebrant and homilist.

(Please note that this is a change from the usual summer date).

Registration is open and must be completed through the **online process**. If you need help with the registration online, please contact Mary Lou in the parish office at 216-661-1006 for assistance.

The Mass is for couples living in the diocese who were married in 1969, couples celebrating other significant anniversaries (55 years or more), and those who missed previous celebrations.

For questions regarding the anniversary Mass, call 216-334-2974. Registration will be accepted through Sept. 16.



To serve all of our members better we have updated our hours. The Byzantine Office is now permanently closed and we have extended hours at the Parma, Brunswick and Lakewood Offices

#### NEW HOURS AT ALL OFFICES

Please call 440-886-2558 or visit our website -- www.unitycatholiccu.org for more information

#### **CLUSTER CORNER**

**MARY QUEEN OF PEACE**—Bingo every Friday in the Parish Center. Doors open at 4:30pm with food and snacks available.

**ST. CHARLES BORROMEO**—Bible Study–*How Christianity Confronts Culture: Then & Now!* - Sept 3rd to October 30th - Tuesdays (9:30am to 10:45am or Wednesdays 7:00pm to 8:00pm. Contact Brian Pelcin to register by September 1st (440-884-3030). \$10/pp

**ST. THOMAS MORE**—Please join us every Tuesday at 7:00pm in the Marian Chapel to pray the rosary for world peace.

# BUS TRIP WALNUT CREEK, OHIO Thursday, September 26, 2019

Ashery Country Store, Hershberger Bakery & Farmer's Market, Der Dutchman (lunch included), Hillcrest Orchard, Heini's Cheese, Schrock Heritage Village and Breitenbach Winery

Return: Approx: 8:00pm

#### ALL WELCOME!

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