

### Father James P. Schmitz

Pastor

#### Father James J. Vesely

Retired

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August 15, 2021



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#### **RECTORY/OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday through Friday ~ 9:00AM—3:00PM Saturday ~ Noon—5:30PM Sunday ~ 9:00AM—12:30PM

#### **SCHOOL STAFF:**

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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.



#### **DOWNLOAD OUR MOBILE APP!**

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

Instagram @leothegreatorg

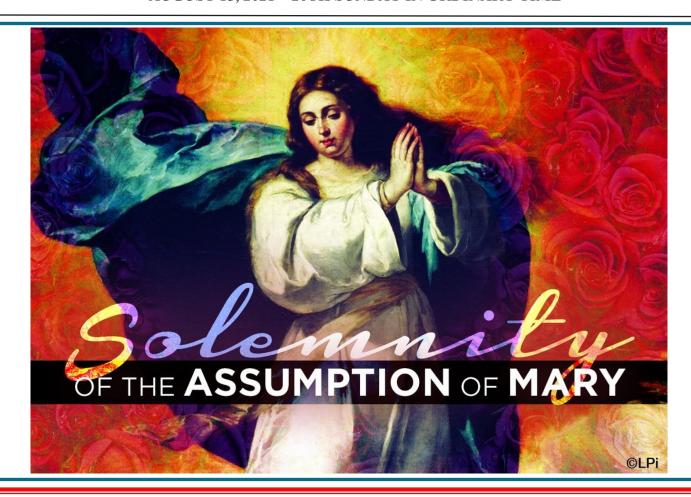


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Cafeteria Positions Available At Catholic Elementary Schools In Your Area

Qualifications: High School Diploma or equivalent preferred. Previous food service experience a plus. Must pass BCI & FBI background check. Must complete employer provided VIRTUS training session within 30 days of hire. Excellent communication skills.

For details & an application, call Carol Szabo at Catholic Diocese of Cleveland 216-696-6525 Ext. 3340 or email cszabo@dioceseofcleveland.org

# SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTION

August 15th to August 29th

#### IN LOVING MEMORY

of the 80th Wedding Anniversary of Ed and Helen Wolff

From Tom & Mary Thornton



#### **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.





We accept Cleveland,

We accept Cleveland, EdChoice, & Jon Peterson Scholarships!

> 2021-2022 School Year





# 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, 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, Lorice Yurek, Gary Skelley, Lee Rinaldi, Joe Lorkowski, Millie Ancin, Herb Mayview, & Phyllis Zbasnik



#### **October Bus Trip**

Monday October 11, 2021 Seneca Allegany Casino \$48.00 per person BONUS \$25.00 in free play! More Information Coming Soon!

#### **GREAT SWEEPSTAKES WINNER**



August 2, 2021 Don & Mary Ann Kiesel \$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.

Darrel Sherman St. Peter North Ridgeville, Year 1

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





#### SUNDAY, AUGUST 1ST

 Collection
 \$ 8,223.00

 WeShare (Online)
 \$ 2,211.48

 Total
 \$ 10,434.48

JULY

Capital Improvements.....\$ 2,424.00 SVDP.....\$ 340.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!



Monday, August 16th—Weekday

8:30am +Eugene Zola (Family)

Tuesday, August 17th—Weekday

8:30am +Jim Hocevar (Family)

Wednesday, August 18th—Weekday

8:30am +Dan Stankiewicz, +Frank & Hattie Stankiewicz,

& +Nick & Betty Chiappetta (Family)

Thurs., August 19th—Weekday

8:30am Communion Service

Friday, August 20th—Saint Bernard

8:30am +Joseph & Mary Suchy (Moulton Family)

Saturday, August 21st—Saint Pius X

4:00pm Seniors

Sunday, August 22nd—21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am People Of The Parish

11:00am +Arthur Will (Daughters, Son, & Families)

#### First Reading: Proverbs 9:1-6

The book of Proverbs is a collection of wise sayings, compiled over a number of centuries. Here, the author personifies Wisdom as a woman. She offers guidance on how to live a life pleasing to God. This is symbolized as a banquet at which she serves fine food.

#### **Second Reading: Ephesians 5:15-20**

Today's passage from the letter to the Ephesians continues reflections on how to live as a Christian in everyday life. In the world in which the author lived, two things particularly kept people from living a dignified life: ignorance and addiction to alcohol. The first-century author sets forth high expectations for Christians.

#### Readings for the week of August 15, 2021

**Sunday:** Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14 [8]/

1 Cor 15:54b-57/Lk 11:27-28 Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/

Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16 [10bc]/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56

**Monday:** Jgs 2:11-19/Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40, 43ab and 44 [4a]/Mt 19:16-22

**Tuesday:** Jgs 6:11-24a/Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14 [cf. 9b]/Mt 19:23-30

**Wednesday:** Jgs 9:6-15/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [2a]/Mt 20:1-16 **Thursday:** Jgs 11:29-39a/Ps 40:5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10 [8a and 9a]/Mt 22:1-14

**Friday:** Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/Ps 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a,

9bc-10 [1b]/Mt 22:34-40

**Saturday:** Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/Ps 128:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [4]/ Mt 23:1-12

**Next Sunday:** Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23 [9a]/

Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32/Jn 6:60-6

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners,

This year the feast of the Assumption falls on a Sunday so we focus on Mary this weekend. It's an important feast for us to cele-

brate because it not only provides the opportunity for us to honor Mary as the first person after Christ to be raised to the glory of heaven "body and soul," but because she leads the way for rest of us who share in her humanity. We pray that like Mary, we too will be raised body and soul into heaven at some point after our death. So this feast is a cause of joy for us, even as we look to Mary & her example of holiness. May each of us be given the grace to join her some day in the life of God's kingdom.

When asked by the Berigan's if we should attend The Feast in Little Italy which honors Mary every year at this time, my response was rather liturgical: "It is right & just!" So we plan to drive there after the 4pm Mass this Saturday. A little warning to you if you plan to be there at the same time: I intend to buy up all the cavatelli, meatballs, pizza & bakery that I can find while there, so you may want to get there before I do. The pizza I buy there is different from the run-of-the-mill pizza we normally eat. It's cut into squares & uses a different sauce & cheese & maybe spices than what we are accustomed to and so it is uniquely Italian in that way. It's best when eaten cold, so I love to stock up on it when I can. Their cavatelli is also homemade of course. Since I'm going to the Holy Land and not to Italy in this next year, I need to eat all the Italian food I can to satisfy my Italian palate. Unfortunately I've noticed that my weight is increasing after a year & a half of keeping it down but that concern is for another time. I'll see the endocrinologist soon anyway but not until I've feasted at the Feast on the weekend of this Marian feast. That's a lot of feasting.

I have not yet begun to ask anyone to be a part of our parish and finance councils but I will be doing so soon so please give some consideration to the request but also feel free to say no if for some reason you don't feel it's the right fit for you at this time. I won't ever speak to you again but I want you to be truthful (just kidding about the never speaking to you again). We'll begin meeting in September and keep in mind that I don't believe in meetings going over one hour in length. As they say, the mind can only absorb what the seat can endure.

While I was away in Key West, a priest from St. Charles celebrated here the funeral Mass for Rita Shandersky on July 12<sup>th</sup>. She was the mother of 4 and grandmother of 10 and great-grandmother of 20. We express our sympathy to her family and keep her in our prayers along with all those who have died as members of our parish.

I've been noticing that more people are starting to wear masks again when coming to Mass, and of course that is commendable for those whose health or age or home circumstances encourage them to do so, regardless of their vaccination status. We will again provide masks for those who may not have one with them and will have sanitizer at the doors of the church as well. Let us continue to pray for an end to the pandemic and remember those especially who are becoming ill with the new variant of the COVID virus.

Jr. 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@leothgreat.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 ac-

count 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. Vincent de Paul

### "BACK TO SCHOOL DRIVE"

It is hard to believe but school will be starting very soon and this year we are again asking for <u>CASH ONLY CONTRIBUTIONS</u> to our "Back to School Drive."

If you are able and would like to make a cash donation, just put your cash, or check in an envelope and mark the envelope "BACK TO SCHOOL DRIVE" and drop it in the collection basket or box or take it to the Rectory.

We thank you very much for your continued generosity to help us with supporting our families as their children return to school.



# The Holy Land Pilgrimage <u>Itinerary</u>

\$3,400 Includes:

Airfare, 5 Star Hotels, Catholic Tour Guide, 2 Meals a Day, Entry Fees to all Sites, and Air Conditioned Motor Coaches.

# May 16 -May 25 2022

For More Information Please Visit

trinitytourtravels.com and book your reservation on their site under "Find A Tour", or pick up a pamphlet in the Rectory Office!



## **ROSARY**

Please join us in honoring Mary with the recitation of the rosary in the Marian shrine at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 17. Please bring a lawn chair as limited seating is available.

In the event of inclement weather, the rosary will be said in church.

# 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 sim-

ple thank you. PLEASE STOP BY THE OFFICE & SUPPORT US.



Early Bird Drawing! And the winner of the first \$100 Early Bird Drawing is . . . .

## Mary Dina!

Don't worry -- there are still two more chances to enter the Early Bird Drawing. The next drawing will be September 5th. (All ticket stubs will be entered in the main drawing on October 16th.) 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.





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 catholiccomunity.org or the link will be provided on our website leothegreat.org



## **FESTIVAL NEWS**

With the surge in cases of the coronavirus, we are not sure what form the Festival will take this year.

Last year we were able to serve our traditional Festival food and hold the main raffle.

We will keep you posted on what will take place this year depending on the ever-changing guidelines.



September 1st 2021-End of December—Every Wednesday at 6:30pm.



### The Assumption

### **Question:**

What lessons should I learn from the Assumption of Mary?

#### **Answer:**

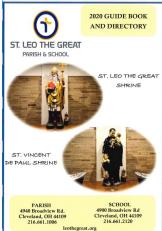
Growing in holiness is similar to training in a sport. We need someone to show us how we can live our faith well. Mary is a

model of sanctity. She shows us how to be faithful to God's will, living each day with confidence in God's mercy and love. At the Nativity, in Jesus' public ministry, and at the Crucifixion, we see her steadfast trust. She allows the Lord to use her life to accomplish his plan for her and for all of us. In the Preface of the Mass for the Assumption of Mary, we pray: "For today the Virgin Mother of God was assumed into heaven as the beginning and image of your Church's coming to perfection and a sign of sure hope and comfort to your pilgrim people."

It is this image of holiness that we strive to imitate. In the office, at home, or in our community, we look for signs of God's grace that call us to an ever greater love of him and each other. A greater awareness of God is a sign of our conversion of heart that lives the lessons Mary teaches.



# 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 <b>updated</b> information.

**GUIDE BOOK INFORMATION DUE BY AUGUST 15, 2021**