

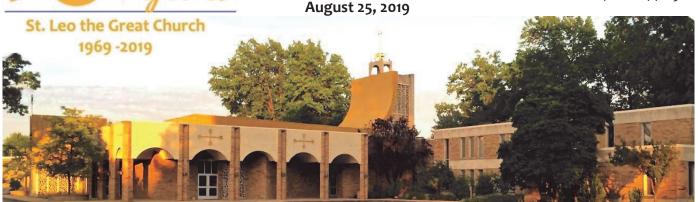
21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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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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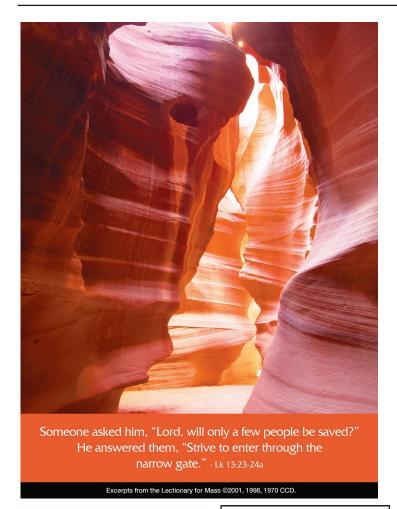


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PLEASE REMEMBER AUGUST BUBLAVY IN YOUR PRAYERS.

In Memory Of August Bublavy

August 12, 1928 August 9, 2019

Funeral Service

10:00 am Wed. Aug 14, 2019 St. Leo the Great Catholic Church

Father James Schmitz

Interment

Calvary Cemetery Sec 65 Lot 958 Grave 2

Afterglow

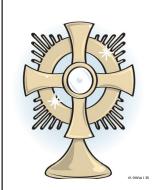
I'd like the memory of me to be a happy one, I'd like to leave an afterglow of smiles when day is gone. I'd like to leave an echo whispering softly down the ways, of happy times, and laughing times, and bright and sunny days.

Yurch Funeral Home

HOLY HOUR

A Holy Hour is being planned for THIS Sunday, August 25th at 5:00pm in the church. Please join us for an hour of prayer for the intention of sexual abuse victims and their families.

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



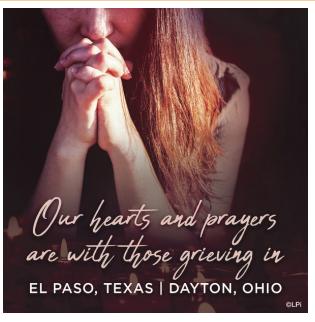
INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Developing healthy relationships with others requires discipline. This is also true of our relationship with God. As Christians, we are called to be like Christ. This does not just happen randomly or when it is convenient for us. It happens when we spend time with Christ every day and strive to be and think like him. This is no small task. It entails a willingness to see things, people, and God differently. Abandoning our self-focused needs and desires and putting on Christ is a challenging discipline to follow. However, if we choose to enter through the narrow gate of discipleship, we will find peace, live virtuous lives, and understand what it means to be saved. Resting and being cradled in God's lap and enjoying His presence is where we really desire to be, even though we have to give up some things in order to do so.

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.





SCRIPTURE STUDY

Have you ever wondered what the Scriptures are saying to you? We will be starting a Scripture Study in September. If you're interested, contact Joan Berigan or Deacon Pat at the rectory (216-661-1006) for further information.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...



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

"Joe" Hess, Gary LaBuda, Jeanette Klaehn, Ruth Frohlich, Ron Vokac, Charles Hakaim, Walter Milewski, 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

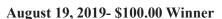
WORDS TO INSPIRE

"Lord, will only a few people be saved?" He answered them, "Strive to enter through the narrow gate."

- Lk 13:22-24a

GREAT SWEEPSTAKES WINNER! LOOK AND SEE WHO WON







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.

> Frederick Schlueter **Diocese of Youngstown** I Theology, Saint Mary



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

Parish Suppor

Sunday, August 18th

Basket Collection	\$ 5,797.05
WeShare (online)	\$ 1,040.00
Total	
Assumption	\$1 922 50

Thank you for your continued support!



Monday, August 26th - Weekday

7:30am +David DeMattie (Gladys Kazimer)

Tuesday, August 27th - St. Monica

7:30am ++John Piascik (Bob & Mona Tomko)

Wednesday, August 28th - St. Augustine

7:30am + August Bublavy (Cindy & Jean Chopko)

Thursday, August 29th - Passion of St. John the Baptist

7:30am Intention to be announced

Friday, August 30th - Weekday

8:30am +Joe Lovano (Family)

Saturday, August 31st - Weekday

4:00pm +Kellie Zarko/Roda (Bob & Rose Zarko)

Sunday, September 1st - 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am People of the Parish

11:00am Ray & Jan Norris

50th Wedding Anniversary



First Reading: Isaiah 66:18-21

When the Jews returned from exile in Babylon, they found their beloved Jerusalem in shambles. In today's passage, the prophet looks ahead to better days when people from foreign lands will flock to Jerusalem as the city God built.

Second Reading: Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13

The letter to the Hebrews was written to people who had become discouraged and were losing faith. Today the author quotes a text from the Old Testament book of Proverbs, and finds in it encouraging words.

Readings for the week of August 25, 2019

Sunday:Is 66:18-21/Ps117:1,2,/Heb 12:5-7,11-13/Lk13:22-30 **Monday:**1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/ Mt 23:13-22

Tuesday: 1 Thes 2:1-8/Ps 139:1-3, 4-6/Mt 23:23-26

Wednesday:1 Thes 2:9-13/Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab/Mt 23:

27-32

Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13/Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14 and 17/Mk 6: 17-29

Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 5-6, 0,11-12/Mt 25:1-13

Saturday:1 Thes 4:9-11/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9/Mt 25:14-30

Next Sunday: Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29/Ps 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11/ Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a/Lk



WEDDING BANNS

II Ryan McNamara & Melissa Kitko

I Brittany Popa & Nick Tatoczenko

Dear Parishioners,

Last Wednesday we celebrated the Mass of Christian Burial for Raymond Repko. He was a Police Officer for Shaker Heights and when he retired from the Police Department he joined the Cuyahoga County Sheriff's Department. He had a strong sense of family and enjoyed giving flowers and candy to others. He especially enjoyed the Thanksgiving, Christmas & Easter gatherings with his family. May he rest in Christ's peace.

Now that the bell tower roof has been replaced, we are finally able to repair the hole in the ceiling of the church up against the back brick wall above the crucifix. Along with that repair, we are able to paint the ceiling of the church, both of which are covered by insurance. All of that is scheduled to happen starting October 22nd (since we have to avoid numerous weddings which are scheduled for September & October). The scaffolding will be moved from one section to another so my guess is that there will be pews taped off according to what section they are working on. I'm sure you won't mind this minor and temporary inconvenience during this project. More information will be given as that time draws near.

There have been some parishioners who have attended a number of workshops on the "Sacred Art of Living & Dying." They are now in the process of discerning how they can best use the knowledge they have gained in a ministry for our parish community. Presently they are looking at reaching out to parishioners who are in a hospice situation or trying to tend to those who are grieving after the loss of a loved one. What I'd like to know from you is what would you find most beneficial at these times? When a loved one enters hospice, how can we be present to you and to them to offer support? Would you find it helpful to know there is someone who will just listen to you or to walk with you on that journey, whether it is long or short? How can the Church offer its sacramental ministry through Holy Communion, Anointing of the Sick, and the Last Rites? Or are you in need of our support after a loved one has died? Would a Bereavement Support Group be helpful to you? Or would you just like to know there is someone who could walk with you when you experience that change in your life? We are looking to see how we can best serve you but we need to ask what your needs are before we offer our ministry to you. Please feel free to write me or Deacon Pat or Joan a note, send an email, call the parish office, or see us before or after Mass to give us your thoughts.

I will be (cautiously) taking vacation as of this Sunday through next Saturday. Still mindful of how I became ill during my last vacation in May, I'll be hoping for a relaxing and healthy week. My thanks to Fr. O'Grady and Deacon Pat for doubling up this weekend so I can get away. I'll be looking for the right opportunity to share with you in a homily what I hope to experience while away. All I can say is that it is of biblical proportions...

Jr. James / Telemity

THIS WEEK AT ST. LEO'S



Monday, August 26th

3:00pm 7th Gr. Girls Volleyball -J. Riley Lux 4:30pm 7th Gr. Girls Volleyball -C. Riley Lux 6:00pm Preschool Meeting Parish Center 6:00pm 5th Gr. Girls Volleyball - Torres Lux 7:30pm 8th Gr. Girls Volleyball - Kinzel Lux

Tuesday, August 27th

3:00pm 3rd Gr. Girls Volleyball - Bermudez Lux 6:30pm 6th Gr. Girls Volleyball - Valez Lux 7:00pm AA Group **Basement**

Wednesday, August 28th

11:00am Seniors Great 4:00-6:00pm School Walk Thru/Supply Drop Off 3:00pm 7th Gr. Girls Volleyball -J. & C. Riley Lux 5:30pm 5th Gr. Girls Volleyball-Geither&Torres Lux 7:00pm 8th Gr. Girls Volleyball - Kinzel Lux

Thursday, August 29th

1:00pm Women's Knitting Group Conference 3:00pm 3rd Gr. Girls Volleyball - Bermudez Lux 6:30pm 6th Gr. Girls Volleyball - Valez Lux

Friday, August 30th

5:30pm 5th Gr. Girls Volleyball - Geither Lux 7:30pm Recovery International Basement

Saturday, August 31st

8:30am-3:00pm CYO Volleyball Site Centers Lux 2:45 to 3:30pm Confessions Church 3:00pm Grapevine **Basement**

Sunday, September 1st



Have you been inFORMED? FORMED Would you like to join the thousands of people across the country who are learning more

about their faith? It's simple. Just join FORMED for leothegreat.formed.org. FORMED is an educational tool, resource for Catholic books, videos and many other resources. For further information contact Deacon Pat at pberigan@leothegreat.org.

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

iberigan@leothegreat.org for help in pre-planning your funeral.



DONUT SUNDAY

Please join us for donuts and coffee after the 8:00am and 11:00am Masses THIS Sunday, August 25th.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL **HANK YOU!**

We know we have asked for quite a bit lately; the "Sock and Underwear Drive", the "Christmas in July" food collection, the "Back to School Drive", this past month's food collection and the donations to the Poor Boxes. You have not failed us. Your generosity in fulfilling all our needs is indeed greatly appreciated. THANK YOU VERY MUCH!!!

RED CROSS

The American Red Cross blood drive will be at St. Leo's PARISH CENTER on Tuesday, September 10th, from 4:00pm-8:00pm. NOTE CHANGE IN DATE/

TIME/LOCATION for this drive only. We will be giving away t-shirts!! Please register @redcrossblood.org. It's easy! Registering is optional; it helps with staffing. Also, don't forget to do Fast Pass. It will save you time! There is always a need for blood; please stop by and donate! Thank you!

PARISH COMMUNITY CENTER

GREAT ROOM FOR RENT

The Great Room, located in our Parish Community Center is available to rent for special events, all types of parties, meetings, funeral luncheons, etc.

For information or to book, please contact Mina Rolando at 216-544-0190 or visit our parish website at leothegreat.org.

SENIORS

This Wednesday, August 28th, St. Leo's Seniors will meet in the Parish Community Center at 11:00am. This is our social meeting, so please join us for a fun game day.



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Our entrance antiphon for today's liturgy begins with vs 1-3 of Psalm 86. But I am always moved by the words that make up the middle part of this Psalm. Vs 11) Tell me where You want me to go and I will go there. May every fiber of my being unite in reverence to Your Name. Vs 12) With all my heart I will praise You, I will 2 give glory to Your name forever! What a realization, that as we stand in the presence of the Lord during the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, there is no other place to be at that very moment. This text beckons my heart to remember this reality, as \overline{b} my heart can so often be distracted by worries, things to do, plans to make etc. while standing in the presence of God Himself. I hope as you sing our entrance hymn "Gather Us In" that it may call your heart (in our diversity) to focus on the beauty and goodness of our Lord as we worship in His Holy Presence this Sunday.

Speaking of which, whether it is the beauty of the rich harmonies of a traditional hymn, the beauty of a contemporary song, or the beauty of a chant or piece of polyphony - being a part of choir allows you to help make a beautiful 🎝 reality for the Masses at St. Leo the Great!

So what is stopping you from joining our choir at St. Leo? Yes, it does take some singing skill and a commitment λ to be at the rehearsals plus singing the 11:00am Mass every other Sunday. But if God has blessed you with the $\sqrt{2}$ ability to sing, wouldn't it be worth it? You could bring more beauty into your life (and our parish) by taking the opportunity to sing with the choir. Don't we all need a little more beauty in our lives? If God has given you the ability to sing-why not give our choir a try this fall?

Choir rehearsal starts this Wednesday evening August 28th at 6:30 PM. You can speak to Mickey or Mary after any of the week-end Masses. We look forward to hearing from you!

2019 SLOVAK FESTIVAL



The 2019 Slovak Festival sponsored by the Cleveland Slovak Radio Club will be held on Sunday, September 1, 2019 from 12noon to 8:00pm (Admission: \$5.00 at the door) at St. Anthony of Padua Church Hall, Join us for Slovak Food, Beer-PIVO, Pastries, Dancing, Face Painting, Balloon Twister, Magician with entertainment by: Anthony Culkar Band, Mike Wojtila Band & Ralph Szubski. For more information call: Karin Scally 440-213-8552.



PSR CLASSES FOR 2019/2020



PSR classes for 2019/2020 will begin on **Monday**, **September 9th** 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. IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO SIGN UP!

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION



There are still a few openings left in St. Leo Preschool for the 2019/20 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.



Honey Hut Gift Card Sale!



\$10 Gift Cards - No expiration date!
20% of each sale benefits St. Leo the Great.

Scoop some up today & support St. Leo's 8th Grade Programs!

Summer flavors are here and Fall flavors are on the way at everyone's favorite local ice cream shop! Keep a few gift cards in your car for those tasty dessert treats. Gift Cards make perfect gifts for every occasion. Hurry and purchase at the school office or after each mass until Sept. 14, 2019.



Fundraiser runs from Aug. 22 - Sept. 14, 2019. CASH ONLY PLEASE.

Gift cards do not expire and can be used at the following locations: OLD BROOKLYN, PARMA & SOLON.



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

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



Don't forget to get your raffle ticket stubs in. 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 25, 2019—21ST 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.

ARE YOU CALLED TO THE SECULAR FRANCISCAN LIFE?



Would you like to give more time to God but wonder how to do that when your life is so busy? Do you feel a need for holiness, and feel a need for support in growing spiritually? Perhaps your heart has been moved by stories of St Francis of Assisi, or the Peace Prayer attributed to him, and you are seeking the same holy simplicity, true peace and perfect joy? If so, Christ may be calling you to explore the Secular Franciscan life. The St. Francis Secular Franciscan fraternity is offering an invitation to Come & See on Sunday, September 8th at St. Thomas More Parish in the Deacon Marty Room (old library) after the 9am and 11am Masses. For more information on the Come & See, or any information on the Secular Franciscans- please call Robin Imbrigiotta OFS, Formation Director, at 440-552-9061.

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—Car Wash & Donut Sale this SUNDAY, August 25th from 8:30am until 12:30pm. Donuts are \$8.00 a dozen and a Car Wash is a free will Donation.



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

Report: 7:30am—Depart: 8:00am Cost \$70.00 p/p

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 ARE WELCOME!

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