



ST. LEO THE GREAT PARISH & SCHOOL

August 7, 2022

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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 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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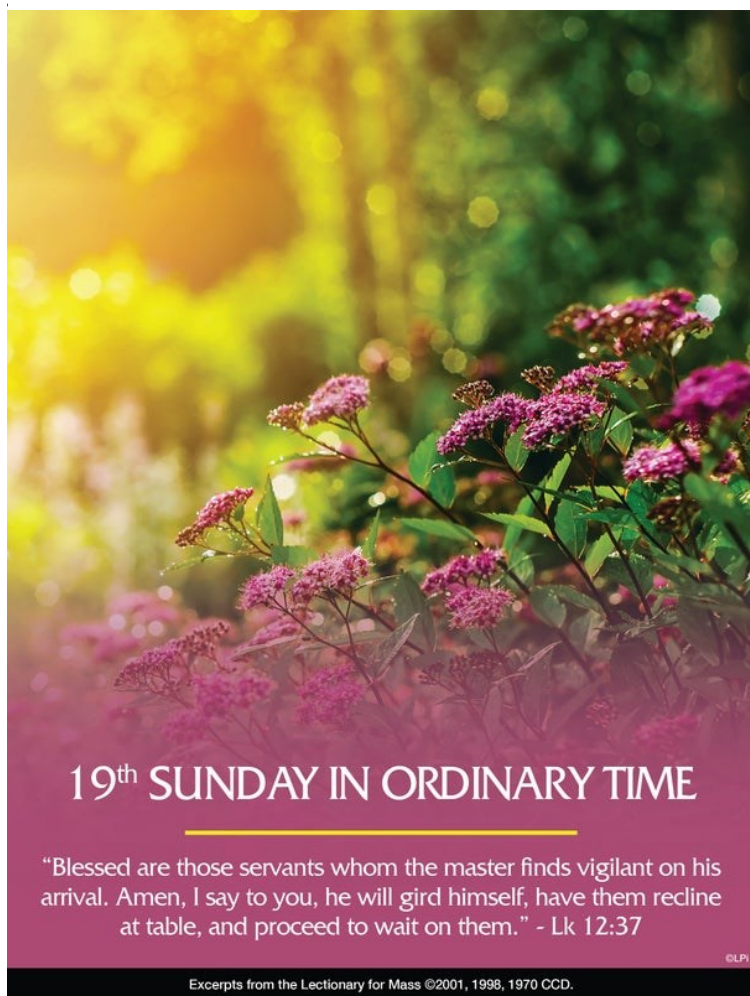


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19th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Blessed are those servants whom the master finds vigilant on his arrival. Amen, I say to you, he will gird himself, have them recline at table, and proceed to wait on them." - Lk 12:37

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BUS TRIPS

ANNUAL TRIP TO AMISH COUNTRY—

Monday, September 26

\$80 per person

Lunch at Berlin Farmstead—included

Shop/Browse: Ashery Country Store

Hershberger Bakery & Farm Market

Miller Bakery

Hillcrest Orchard

Kauffman Bakery

Heini's Cheese

Reservation deadline: Friday, August 12

Three days, two nights—Tuesday –Thursday, October 4-6

SOARING EAGLE CASINO & RESORT—

Overnight stay - October 4

Casino Bonus—\$30 premium play & \$40 dining gift card

FRANKENMUTH—Overnight stay—October 5

Complimentary evening snacks and drinks reception and morning breakfast at the hotel. Zehender's famous chicken dinner included in the package.

Visit—Silent night Chapel and Bronner's Christmas light display

Shop/Browse: Bronner's and River Place Shop

Reservation deadline: Thursday, August 18

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING IN AMISH COUNTRY

Monday, November 14

\$80 per person



Contact Sandy Diaddario -
216-926-3123



St. Vincent De Paul

Please remember the St. Vincent de Paul Outreach food and staple collection NEXT WEEKEND AUGUST 13th and 14th. Items most needed are CANNED MIXED VEGETABLES, BAKED BEANS, ASSORTED SOUPS, RAMEN NOODLES, CANNED PASTA, PASTA SAUCE, NOODLES, CANNED FRUIT, TUNA FISH, CEREAL, PEANUT BUTTER AND JELLY, RICE AND NOODLE SIDES, INSTANT MASHED POTATOES, SCALLOPED POTATOES, STUFFING MIX, DISHWASHING SOAP AND BAR SOAP.

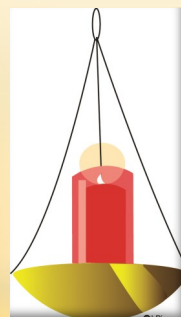
"BACK TO SCHOOL DRIVE" is currently going on. Just put your cash or check in an envelope and mark the envelope "BACK TO SCHOOL DRIVE" and drop it in the collection basket or take it to the Rectory Office. Thank you

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

Vincent Minh Le Thien Nguyen
St. Boniface, Cleveland
Pre-Theology, Saint Mary



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



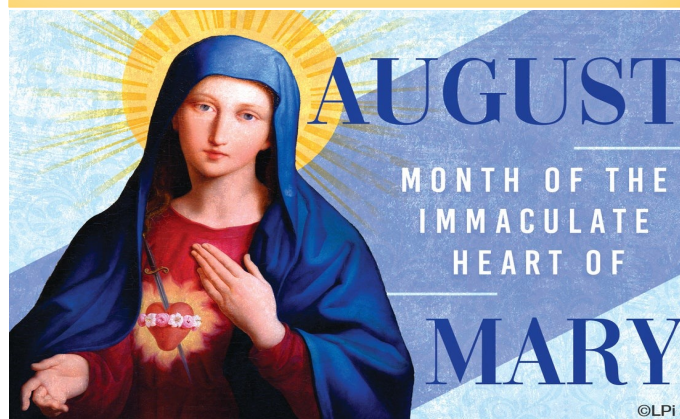
SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTION

July 31 to August 14

IN LOVING MEMORY

+Michael Ciereszewski

Miss you, Mom



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...

Prayer
REQUESTS

Mary Niec, Alivia Kobal, Taylor Corbett, Glenn "Joe" Hess, Gary LaBuda, Jeanette Klaehn, Amelia Rebello, Marie Stankiewicz, Irma Zappitelli, Dianne Toronski, Anthony Arlia, Don Donelon, Larry Kuznik, John Sofcheck, Irene (Ernie) Santiago, Rob Blum, Sally Herman, Gary Skelley, Lee Rinaldi, Joe Lorkowski, Millie Ancin, Virginia Soflkancs, Evelyn Bastian, Mary Lou Neuendorf, Joseph Bublav, Ana Mendoza, Marianne Kucinski-Powers, Denise Warnock, Edith Lysyj, John Geiger, Rosie Colucci, Buzzy Miano, Judy Bruzshinsky, Carol Broze, Greg Wasacz, Stan Wasacz, Joe Barr, Mary Ann & Doug Kiesel, Marcia Bailey, Jim & Gerry Tisch, MaryLou Durfee, Chris Grdosic, Fr. Vesely, Kathy Svoboda, Fr. Thomas C. Gilles, Matt Pauloski, Kelley, Tootie, & Cecilla (CiCi) Choromanski

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INTENTIONS

Monday, August 8th—St. Dominic, Priest
8:30am +Nenita Lobregat Wilde (Ron Kollar & Greg Noeth)
Tuesday, August 9th —Weekday
8:30am + James Tupper (Louis Tupper, Wife)
Wednesday, August 10th—St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr
8:30am +Nenita Lobregat Wilde (Cora Dejelolo)
Thursday, August 11th— St. Clare, Virgin
8:30am Communion Service
Friday, August 12th—Weekday
8:30am +Mucciarone and Zappitelli Families (John Zappitelli)
Saturday, August 13th– Weekday
4:00pm +Pete and Jesse Kordick & Walter and Helen Wysocki (Edda)
Sunday, August 14th— 20h Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00am People of the Parish
11:00am +Darren Laux (Joe and Joan Krakora)

ATTENTION ALL PARISHIONERS

Each parish family is asked to participate in the Festival raffle. The Festival raffle tickets are in the main vestibule of the church. **Due to space constraints, raffle tickets for zip codes 44109, 44131, 44134 and 44144 are in the vestibule. Parishioners living outside those zip codes can pick up their tickets in the rectory.** Please pick up your packet of tickets before or after Mass. The first early bird drawing has been moved from August 1st to August 8th. If you turn your sold tickets in by August 8th, you will be eligible for the seller \$100 drawing. (All ticket stubs will be entered in the main drawing on October 22nd).



First Reading: Wisdom 18:6-9

The book of Wisdom was written by a teacher who lived in Alexandria, Egypt, a center for 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 sections, 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 August 7, 2022

Sunday: Wis 18:6-9/Ps 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22 [12b]/Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12/Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40
Monday: Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Mt 17:22-27
Tuesday: Ez 2:8—3:4/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131/Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
Wednesday: 2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9/Jn 12:24-26
Thursday: Ez 12:1-12/Ps 78:56-57, 58-59, 61-62/Mt 18:21—19:1
Friday: Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6/Mt 19:3-12
Saturday: Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/Mt 19:13-15



SUNDAY, JULY 24, 2022

Sunday Collection.....\$4,494.50
WeShare.....\$1,690.00
Total.....\$6,184.50

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

August 7, 2022 | 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Thomas Aquinas reminds us that, "Three things are necessary for the salvation of man: to know what he ought to believe, to know what he ought to desire, and to know what he ought to do." Everyone is called to work toward their salvation, which is ultimately union with God. Those who take this call seriously must embark upon a journey inward to the deepest recesses of their soul. In the adventure and wonder of that journey, we work out the details of our union with our Beloved. We cling to what we need to believe, remain firm in what we truly desire, and are guided by what we know we have to do. Once we know that our goal is to be one with our Creator, life becomes an exciting expedition to pursue that end. We make necessary preparations, follow the map, and remain on course.

Whenever we really want something, we put our entire selves into achieving it. Being fully invested in our labor, we willingly work extra hours, devote an abundance of energy and effort, and remain vigilant for beneficial opportunities that may come our way. We certainly do not passively sit by doing nothing! Such an attitude leads to laziness and the accomplishment of little. Worse yet, some look to others to do the work for them, hoping to reap the benefits of another's efforts. Conscientiousness and diligence are the only means to success.

For the one who eagerly awaits the day when they can be fully with God, life becomes a joyous adventure indeed! Alert, ready, focused, convicted, and willing to be a servant they constantly watch and prepare themselves for meeting the Lord. Loving the journey and being in love with their Creator, their lives become joyful witnesses of love and service. They are secure in their hope, confident in their faith, and perfect in their love. Never looking for recognition or gratitude, they stand as gentle inspirations of what the Holy Spirit can do in the hearts of those who believe. Because we do not know what tomorrow will bring, we stand ready to be used as God wills and run eagerly toward Him when He comes. How much do we desire to experience the joy of salvation?

THE ST. CHARLES LADIES GUILD 22ND ANNUAL



SALAD LUNCHEON



With Entertainment by: *The Singing Angels*

Wednesday, August 10th

11:30am – 2:30pm | Corrigan Gym

Please join us for a delicious hot meal of Chicken Marsala, Swedish Meatballs & Mashed Potatoes, coffee, tea, ice tea & water, and of course, **a large variety of Salads!**

Tickets: \$20 - available while they last, up to day of luncheon. Call Toni: 216-661-3457



This year's luncheon theme:
Bloom where you are planted

A fun-filled afternoon with door prizes & raffle baskets

Grand Prize - \$500 in Gift Cards

Second Prize – An Exotic Hand-Crafted Quilt

Purchase Raffle Tickets for the Grand & Second Prizes at the Parish Office for \$1 each.

HOLY LAND OLIVE WOOD CARVINGS

The representatives from Holy Land Carvings have returned. Please take a few minutes to stop in the main vestibule before or after Mass this weekend to see these intricate carvings which make perfect gifts for family and friends.



Seniors Meeting

Hi members...We have a normal meeting on Wednesday 8-10-2022. Please arrive around 11am with lunch served at 12 noon. We have not confirmed a speaker yet but our backup plan will be to play some BINGO!!! See you there...

EXPECT

"For at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come."

LUKE 12:40

Pastor's COLUMN

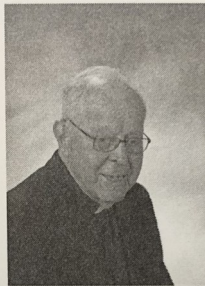
Dear Parishioners,

I am writing this column on Tuesday, August 2nd, the day of Fr. Vesely's funeral Mass. I just asked you for your prayers for him & his sister in last weekend's bulletin when I was away and how timely that was for he was taken from us on July 27th. Bishop Amos presided over the Vespers Service (the Evening Prayer of the Church offered for every priest on the day before his funeral Mass) at 3pm on Monday, August 1st. I was happy to offer my thoughts about Fr. Vesely in the homily and that Vespers service can be viewed on our website. Then on Tuesday, August 2nd, Bishop Gries celebrated the Funeral Mass at 11am, with Fr. Ned Weist preaching the homily. He was a former pastor here at St. Leo's and someone whose first parish assignment was at St. Charles in Parma when Fr. Vesely was assigned there as a "Senior Associate." Several priests also concelebrated the funeral Mass as well. Fr. Vesely had chosen the scripture readings and songs to be used at the funeral Mass (as the Diocese encourages each priest to do) and we sang his well-known "Litany of Thanksgiving" before the Mass began. The choir sang "Going Home," a song that Fr. Vesely would sing after Holy Communion whenever he celebrated a funeral Mass. It was a wonderful way for us to celebrate his almost 68 years as a priest and to commend him to God.

Sadly, Fr. Vesely's sister Milly, who's 98th birthday is this weekend, took a fall the Saturday after Fr. Vesely died. She was in need of surgery on the day of his Vespers service, and gratefully it went well, but of course meant that Milly could not be present for the wake or funeral Mass. The funeral liturgy was also live-streamed (and is available as well on our website for viewing any time) so she will be able to view it with her family members. So we keep her recovery in our prayers as well.

I must extend my special gratitude to two parishioners who took special care of Fr. Vesely when he began his stay at Mount Alverna a little over four years ago...they are Harry and Joan Wheeler. This couple not only visited Father on a regular basis, but drove him to his doctor appointments, took him out to eat, and did many other things to care for him during his time there. We should all be grateful to them for doing what the Lord asks each of us to: to care for each other, especially for those who most need our help. Harry & Joan sacrificed much time to extend this charity to Fr. Vesely & on behalf of the parish, I extend to them our deep gratitude for their sacrifices and love.

I will include here a copy of the card that was available to people by which to remember Fr. Vesely. You can cut it out of this bulletin & keep it in a prayer book or put it somewhere to remind you to pray for this priest who has helped us on our way to heaven. May he now be welcomed to that place where we hope to follow.



Reverend James J. Vesely
Pastor Emeritus
St. Thomas More, Brooklyn

Date of Birth
November 8, 1928

Date of Ordination
December 18, 1954

Date of Death
July 27, 2022

Fr. James Schmitz

BEREAVEMENT SHARING GROUP

Have you recently lost a loved one—a spouse, sibling, a parent, other relative or a close friend? Join the St. Leo the Great Bereavement Sharing Group. We are a group who have a common bond—the loss of someone close to us. All are welcome to come and share with us the first Wednesday of every month at 2:00 PM in the Parish Center. We meet for about an hour and share our feelings and memories of our loved ones. **The next meeting dates will be September 7, October 5, and November 2, 2022.** Feel free to join us—no reservations needed.

**If you have any questions,
contact Joan Berigan at 216-661-1006 or by
email: jberigan@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 email her at jberigan@leothegreat.org for help in pre-planning your funeral Mass.

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.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENT



Caught in the Rising Action

Think of some of your favorite iconic movies. I'm not talking about the feel-good comedies or the offbeat coming-of-age flicks. I'm talking about the movies that you found had a profound impact on you or made you go "Hmmm."

I'm willing to bet that the plot of this film features some tough moments and difficult scenarios. However happy the ending, at some point, the situation for the protagonist might look awfully hopeless. The script speaks some truth to you about what it is to be human in difficult circumstances. What it means to persevere.

We're attracted to the tension that exists when the hero is besieged. We're captivated by the decisions he makes in the darkest hour of the night when it seems like the dawn will never come. Why? Because we know that feeling so well. This is the essence of our human life on earth: waiting, hoping, doubting — and enduring.

We know the ending to our story, but we don't know when it's coming. We live our whole lives in the rising action of the narrative. Sure, it gets old. Tiresome, even dull. We may start to despair that the climactic scene is coming at all.

But faith is the realization of things hoped for, and evidence of things not seen. We feel it watching a great movie, because we recognize it intuitively: it is faith which earns the happy ending. No one is drawn to the story when the hero gives up or gets tired of waiting for the payoff. Everyday stewardship is the collection of choices we make while we're waiting, because we are called to action, not idleness, even in our perpetual state of expectation.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



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SUNDAY, AUGUST 21ST
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August 1, 2022

Ken Nodge



In Loving Memory of

Alan J. Ballauer

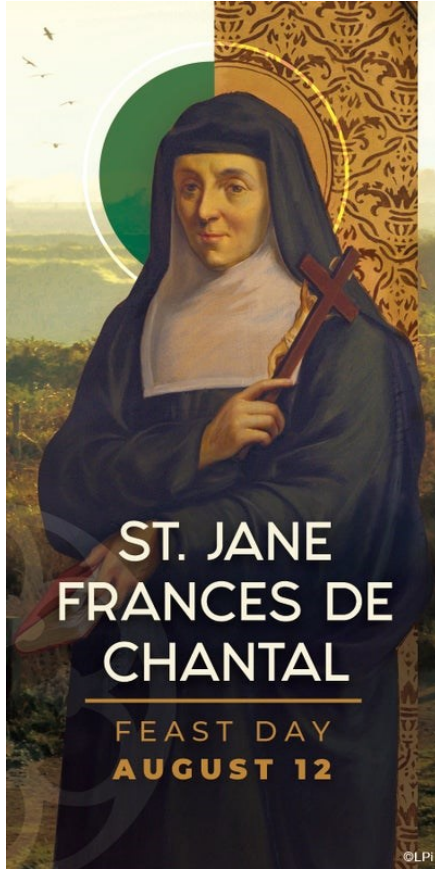
October 4, 1942

July 14, 2022

"I am the resurrection and the Life; He who believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and whosoever lives and believes in Me shall never die."

John 11:25-26

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St. Jane Frances de Chantal | August 12

Saint Jane Frances de Chantal was born to a noble family in Dijon, France, on January 28, 1572. Her mother died when she was an infant. Her father raised her and provided for her education. In 1592 She married the Baron de Chantal, the couple were devoted to each other. They had six children, three of whom died in infancy. As Baroness, Saint Jane Frances restored the custom of daily Mass, and was famous for her charitable works. Unfortunately, her husband died in a hunting accident only eight years after their marriage. Devastated Jane Frances was forced to live in her father-in-law's strict household where she took a vow of chastity.

In 1604 while visiting her father in Dijon, she met Saint Francis de Sales and he became her close friend and spiritual director. Although not many of their epistles have survived, the pair had a lively correspondence which lasted until Saint Francis died.

Under the direction of St. Francis de Sales and with his partnership she established the Congregation of the Visitation at Annecy in 1610. This was a unique order, without the extreme ascetical practices typical in other religious orders, accepting women and girls and those rejected by other orders because of poor health or age. The new order was also unusual in its public ministry, rather than a strictly cloistered life. Saint Jane transformed her convent at Annecy into a hospital during the plague of 1628.

The saint died at the Visitation Convent in Moulins on December 13, 1641. At the time of her death, there were 86 convents of Visitation nuns. She was canonized in 1767 by Pope Clement XIII.

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