



## ST. LEO THE GREAT PARISH & SCHOOL

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Pastor  
**Father James J. Vesely**  
Retired

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August 8, 2021



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### RECTORY/OFFICE HOURS:

Monday through Friday ~ 9:00AM—3:00PM

Saturday ~ Noon—5:30PM

Sunday ~ 9:00AM—12:30PM

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### SCHOOL SUMMER HOURS:

Main Office Open in July by Appointment

[www.leothegreat.org](http://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

Facebook—leothegreatorg

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# AMISH COUNTRY BUS TRIP

**Monday, September 13, 2021**

Itinerary includes:

8:30 am - Depart from St. Leo

9:45 am - Arrive at Ashery Country Store

Hershberger Bakery & Farmers Market

Berlin Farmstead - lunch included

Miller Bakery

Hillcrest Orchard

Heini's Cheese

5:00 pm - Depart

6:30 pm - Approximate time of return to St. Leo

\$80 per person

**Fee & Reservation is due by August 13, 2021!**

Contact Sandy Diaddario at 216-926-3123 for more information or to book your reservation!



## Cafeteria Positions Available At Catholic Elementary Schools In Your Area

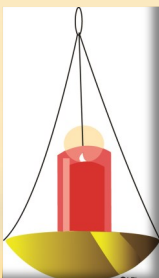
Qualifications: High School Diploma or equivalent preferred. Previous food service experience a plus. Must pass BCI & FBI background check. Must complete employer provided VIRTUS training session within 30 days of hire. Excellent communication skills.

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

### SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTION

August 1st to August 15th

IN LOVING MEMORY  
Therese Pauloski



### 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](http://leothegreat.org) or call the Rectory Office at 216-661-1006.



### Now Enrolling!

Preschool, Kindergarten,  
& Grade 1 thru Grade 8

We accept Cleveland,  
EdChoice, & Jon Peterson  
Scholarships!

**2021-2022  
School Year**





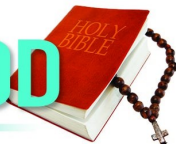
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### Prayer REQUESTS

#### 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, Irene (Ernie) Santiago, Rob Blum, Ron Horvath, Sally Herman, Lorice Yurek, Gary Skelley, Lee Rinaldi, Joe Lorkowski, Millie Ancin, Herb Mayview, & Phyllis Zbasnik

### WORD OF GOD



#### GREAT SWEEPSTAKES WINNER



July 26, 2021—Elizabeth Girlach  
**\$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](http://leothegreat.org) or at the Rectory Office.

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

**Charles Cairnie**  
**St. Mary of the Immaculate**  
**Conception—Wooster**  
**Pre-Theology, Saint Mary**



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



#### SUNDAY, JULY 25TH

Collection..... \$ 5,289.85  
WeShare (Online)..... \$ 1,491.00  
Total..... \$ 6,840.83

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!**

### MASST INTENTIONS

#### Monday, August 9th—Weekday

8:30am +Harry Skryp

#### Tuesday, August 10th—St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr

8:30am +Ann Hackstock (Mary & Eric Piechowski)

#### Wednesday, August 11th—Saint Clare

8:30am +Stankiewicz & Chiappetta Families (Mary Stankiewicz)

#### Thurs., August 12th—Weekday

8:30am Communion Service

#### Friday, August 13th—Weekday

8:30am +Tom & Janet Thornton

#### Saturday, August 14th—Saint Maximilian

4:00pm +Anne, Josephine, & Delia Neroni (Family)

#### Sunday, August 15th—The Assumption Of The Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00am People Of The Parish

11:00am +Edward Stupic (Sara Stupic)

#### First Reading: 1 Kings 19: 4-8

The prophet Elijah lived about 800 years before Christ. Because he was loyal to God, he fell into disfavor with King Ahab and Queen Jezebel. He has to flee for his life to Mount Horeb (also known as Mount Sinai). Today's passage takes place as he begins his flight.

#### Second Reading: Ephesians 4:30-5:2

As in the past four Sundays, our second Scripture is from the letter to the Ephesians. This part of the letter contains advice for Christian living. The author says that actions which cause division in a community are simply unacceptable. In today's reading, the author sees mutual forgiveness as essential for any group that calls itself Christian. There is an echo here of part of the Lord's prayer.

#### Readings for the week of August 8, 2021

**Sunday:** 1 Kgs 19:4-8/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [9a]/Eph 4:30—5:2/Jn 6:41-51

**Monday:** Dt 10:12-22/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 [12a]/Mt 17:22-27

**Tuesday:** 2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9 [5]/Jn 12:24-26

**Wednesday:** Dt 34:1-12/Ps 66:1-3a, 5 and 8, 16-17 [cf. 20a and 10b]/Mt 18:15-20

**Thursday:** Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17/Ps 114:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 18:21—19:1

**Friday:** Jos 24:1-13/Ps 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22 and 24/Mt 19:3-12

**Saturday:** Jos 24:14-29/Ps 16:1-2a, and 5, 7-8, 11 [cf. 5a]/Mt 19:13-15

**Next 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/



Dear Parishioners,

I have some news regarding the trip (or more precisely, the pilgrimage) to the Holy Land: I am now able to give dates and a price and a meeting date so thank you for your patience in waiting for these. The trip will take place from Monday, May 16, 2022 through Thursday, May 26, 2022. We will fly from Cleveland to Toronto, Canada, then from Toronto to Tel-Aviv. The cost of the trip will be \$3400 per person (which I think is a great price!) and we will have a meeting with Eddie Abufarha on Sunday, August 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm in the Parish Community Center. He will give us more details about the trip and will answer any questions you may have. You have seen Eddie here many times before while he and his father Abraham (who was just here a couple weeks ago) have sold items made of olive wood in the vestibule of the church. Eddie and his family are from the Holy Land, as you may recall, and so are able to tell us much about it. So mark your calendars and please remember that we have a limit of 30 people, and several have already asked me to mark them down as interested so first come, first serve. You'll also see some posters up in the church as a reminder. Feel free to reach out to me for any questions you may have or to confirm your interest, even if you have done so before. I'm really looking forward to walking in the same place where Jesus walked and getting to know the life he lived.

Next Sunday, August 15<sup>th</sup>, is the feast of the Assumption of Mary, a holy day of obligation. But of course you will be here anyway for our Sunday (or Saturday) celebration of the liturgy. I look forward to celebrating what this feast means for us as we honor Mary and what God did for her and what he promises to do for us.

Normally August is a reminder that summer is coming quickly to a close as our students have been returning to school at the end of this month but this year school does not open until September 1<sup>st</sup>. But already we're into the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of August so I hope you are enjoying these summer days as I am. We're looking at an enrollment of over 300 this year, the first time our school has seen a number over 300 in many years. This is due to the hard work & leadership of our Principal, Denise Burns, and to the commitment of our teachers and school staff. This summer, the school office got a makeover with new paint and a new floor, and the two main hallways in the school also have a new tile floor which will be much easier to keep clean than the older terrazzo floor. The girl's bathroom has been redone as well with a new floor, all new toilets and sinks, and new stalls. I believe it's so important to keep our buildings not only in good working order but in good appearance as well as this has an impact on those who send their children to our school and on those who worship with us or visit us for any reason. We also have ordered awnings for the entrances of the rectory, Lux Hall (gym), school and parish center (Preschool). These will be especially helpful in identifying the buildings to the many visitors we have who are often confused about where to go. Again I believe they will enhance the appearance of our buildings as well. They are due to be installed sometime in November.

*Fr. 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 4<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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@leothegreat.org](mailto:jberigan@leothegreat.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](http://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.



## ST. LEO THE GREAT - CLEVELAND, OHIO



**Society of  
St. Vincent de Paul**  
Diocese of Cleveland

Please remember the St. Vincent de Paul Outreach food and staple collection

**NEXT WEEKEND, AUGUST 14th, and  
15th .**

Items most needed are baked beans, canned carrots, scalloped potatoes, macaroni and cheese, assorted pastas, canned pastas, rice and noodle sides, skillet dinners, stuffing mix, canned fruit, cereal, peanut butter and jelly, pancake syrup, soups, tuna fish, paper towels, bar soap and dishwashing liquid.

Please do not take a summer vacation from helping; hunger takes no vacation.

The St. Vincent de Paul Outreach Organization  
thanks you very much!

### *In Loving Memory Of Michael P. Coffman, Sr.*

*July 10, 1957*

*July 21, 2021*



*I'd like the memory of me to  
be a happy one, I'd like to leave an after-  
glow of smiles when life is done. I'd like to  
leave an echo whispering softly down the  
ways, Of happy times and laughing times  
and bright and sunny days. I'd like the tears  
of those who grieve, to dry before the sun Of  
happy memories that I leave When day is  
done.*



### **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](http://leothegreat.org). Gift Cards can be used for, everyday purchases, gifts, or a simple thank you. **PLEASE STOP BY THE OFFICE & SUPPORT US.**



### **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. Please pick up your packet of tickets before or after Mass.

To give everyone a little more time, the first early bird drawing will be **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 16th).





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CATHOLIC COMMUNITY  
FOUNDATION

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 [catholiccommunity.org](http://catholiccommunity.org) or the link will be provided on our website [leothegreat.org](http://leothegreat.org)



**Choir Practice August 11th—6:30pm**  
**September 1st 2021-End of December—Every Wednesday at 6:30pm.**



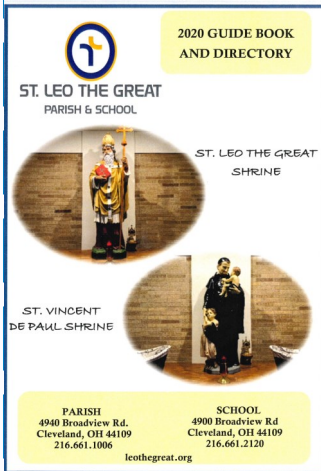
### **GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE—19th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

The lens through which we view life makes a difference. It also determines who we choose to learn from and what we allow to shape our thoughts and feelings. For many, life is simply what it appears to be, a given that either through evolution or some other means just came to be. There is no apparent rhyme or reason to things and things can be dissected and understood only in terms of what they empirically present. To the person using this lens, a tree is a tree and a flower is a flower. Their composition and existence can be understood only to the extent that current human knowledge allows. Through this lens, what gives life purpose and meaning? This lens has an essentially unknown beginning and definite end. Once those are accepted, the middle becomes some kind of pursuit of happiness, with values and principles being things that are self-created and found acceptable.

But there is a Divine lens that also exists and deserves mention. It is found when one stumbles upon faith and begins to see things differently. This lens is of God and reveals a Divine Energy and Life that flows through and in all things. Faith then shows us that all that lives come from this one Source of Love. This is the only true lens that can give human beings the purpose and meaning they desperately need. From this perspective, all of life is much more than what is immediately apparent! It now tells and reveals a story about God generous, creative, and unconditional love! The unfolding of the human story is the unfolding of God's story. What meaning our lives have when they are viewed as a part of God's love affair with humanity! We are indeed special.

The lens of our faith asks us to learn from Jesus Christ. Jesus, as the real Bread of Life, shows us our eternal destiny and completes and frames our lives. It is only in allowing ourselves to be taught by Jesus, that faith, hope, and love take on much greater importance. All the relationships in our lives are now structured and ordered using God's primary commandment of love. Jesus, then, is not just some man who lived at some point in history. Jesus is the incarnate Son of God who shows us the way, the truth, and the life. Using this lens changes things up a great deal. Looking at the creation that surrounds you and the special unique people you love, what is God trying to teach you about His love for you and the eternal life He wants you to have?

# 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 **updated** information.

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

