



# ST. LEO THE GREAT

## PARISH & SCHOOL

September 19, 2021

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Pastor  
**Father James J. Vesely**  
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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

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*In Loving Memory Of*  
**RAYMOND D. KIKTA**

*Born*  
August 2, 1936

*Entered Into Rest*  
August 27, 2021

*Funeral Mass*  
St. Leo the Great Catholic Church  
Tuesday, August 31, 2021  
at 10:00 A.M.

*Interment*  
Holy Cross Cemetery  
Section 31 Lot 1468 Grave 1

May the angels lead you into paradise;  
may the martyrs come to welcome you  
and take you to the holy city, the new  
and eternal Jerusalem. May the choir  
of angels welcome you. Where Lazarus  
is poor no longer, may you have eternal  
rest. Amen.

MALLCHOK FUNERAL HOME  
5660 Ridge Road, Parma, Ohio  
(440) 884-9100



**Seneca Allegany Casino**  
Monday, October 11, 2021

**Itinerary:**  
8:30am Depart St. Leo's  
12:00pm Arrive at Seneca Allegany Casino  
5:00pm Depart Seneca Allegany Casino  
8:30pm Arrive at St. Leo's

**\$48.00 per person, BONUS \$25.00 in free  
play!**

**LAST CHANCE TO SIGN UP!**

**Call Sandy Diaddario at 216-926-3123  
to reserve your spot!**



**"The more I reflect on the graces I have  
received, the more they astonish me."  
- St. Rose Philippine Duchesne**

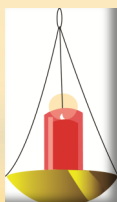
**SANCTUARY CANDLE  
INTENTION**

September 12th to September 26th

**IN LOVING MEMORY**

Ray Hirsch

From Mickey Stitt



**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.



**BLOOD DONATION**  
BE A HERO GIVE BLOOD

The American Red Cross  
Bloodmobile will be at St.  
Leos Lux Hall on Sunday,  
**September 19th, 8a-Noon.**

Please consider donating due to the critical need for blood. Only non-vaccinated donors need to wear a mask. Please register online at [redcross.org](http://redcross.org). Walk ins will not be accepted.

Thank you for your support. God Bless  
and stay healthy.

## ST. LEO THE GREAT - CLEVELAND, OHIO

### Prayer REQUESTS

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

Mary Nic, Agnes  
Alfin, Alivia Kobal, Taylor  
Corbett, Annamae Sironen, Glenn "Joe" Hess, Gary  
LaBuda, Jeanette Klahn, 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, Ireneo (Ernie) Santiago, Rob  
Blum, Sally Herman, Lorice Yurek, Gary Skelley, Lee  
Rinaldi, Joe Lorkowski, Millie Ancin, Herb Mayvill,  
Phyllis Zbasnik, Virginia Sofkancs, & Evelyn Bastian.



#### WEDDING BANNES

**II Andrea Mendoza & Darryn  
Joyce Jr.**

#### GREAT SWEEPSTAKES WINNER



August 30, 2021—The Burcham Family  
**\$100.00 Winner!**  
September 6, 2021—Erin & Rich Soeder  
**\$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.

**Benjamin Baratian**  
**St. Mary, Hudson**  
**First Year, Borromeo**



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



#### SUNDAY, AUGUST 29TH

Collection.....	\$ 5,566.00
WeShare (Online).....	\$ 1,592.79
Total.....	\$ 7,158.79

#### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 5TH

Collection.....	\$ 7,144.75
WeShare (Online).....	\$ 2,840.00
Total.....	\$ 9,984.75

### MASST INTENTIONS

#### Monday, September 20th—Saint Andrew Kim Tae-Gon

8:30am +Cynthia Piechowski (Mary & Eric Piechowski)

#### Tuesday, September 21st—Saint Matthew

8:30am +Richard Bunosky (Eva Bunosky)

#### Wednesday, September 22nd—Weekday

8:30am The Zupancic Family (Rosalie Zupancic)

#### Thurs., September 23rd—Saint Pius of Pietreicina

8:30am Communion Service

#### Friday, September 24th—Weekday

8:30am +Walter & Mary Kulwicki (Kulwicki Family)

#### Saturday, September 25th—Weekday

4:00pm People Of The Parish

#### Sunday, September 26th—25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am +Father Joe Piscura (Dan & Arlene Sevic)

11:00am +Vohnout Family (Tom & Loretta Koval)

#### First Reading: Wisdom 2:12, 17-20

The book of Wisdom was written about 50 years before Christ, and was addressed to a group of Jews living in Alexandria, Egypt. In this pagan environment, some were tempted to abandon their religious Beliefs and practices. In today's passage. An unidentified person, referred to as the just one", challenges them to remain faithful to their traditional values. Early Christians thought this person sounds a lot like Jesus.

#### Second Reading: James 3:16-4:3

Today we continue a series of readings from the letter of James. This part of the letter deals with sins that threaten harmony in a Christian community.

#### Readings for the week of September 19, 2021

**Sunday:** Wis 2:12, 17-20/Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 [6b]/  
Jas 3:16—4:3/Mk 9:30-37

**Monday:** Ezr 1:1-6/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6  
[3]/Lk 8:16-18

**Tuesday:** Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5]/Mt  
9:9-13

**Wednesday:** Ezr 9:5-9/Tb 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghn, 7-  
8 [1b]/Lk 9:1-6

**Thursday:** Hg 1:1-8/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and  
9b [cf. 4a]/Lk 9:7-9

**Friday:** Hg 2:1-9/Ps 43:1, 2, 3, 4 [5]/Lk 9:18-22

**Saturday:** Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab,  
13 [cf. 10d]/Lk 9:43b-45

**Next Sunday:** Nm 11:25-29/Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13,  
14 [9a]/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-4



## ST. LEO THE GREAT- CLEVELAND, OHIO



Dear Parishioners,

Congratulations to Andrea Mendoza & Darren Joyce Jr. who are being married this weekend at St. Leo's. May the Lord bless

their marriage as they celebrate it in the atmosphere of faith.

Cora DeJelo will be taking over the responsibilities of being the 11am Sunday Mass Coordinator and I'm very grateful for her willingness to accept this invitation. At the same time, I want to express my profound gratitude to Doris Neylon who has been active in this role for many, many years...actually decades! The Mass Coordinator position was established to enable the priests to focus on the celebration of Mass without worrying about all of the details concerning the setup for each liturgy. This has been a tremendous help to priests over the years, and most especially to me as I enjoy using that time instead by saying hello and visiting briefly with those who are coming in the church before Mass. The person in this role determines the number of hosts that must be placed on the offertory table in the back of the church which are to be consecrated at that Mass, fills the communion cups with wine (when we are using them outside of COVID times), sets up the priests' chalice and Roman missals, and makes sure the lectionary is setup correctly for the proclamation of God's word. They also contact the liturgical ministers such as altar servers, lectors and Eucharistic ministers and makes sure everyone is present & ready for their liturgical ministry. Then after Mass, they make sure everything is cleaned up and locked up as well, along with many other details in-between. Again, I can't express how important this is to the priest but also to the people of the parish who expect that the liturgy will be celebrated with all such details taken care of. Besides Doris, Loretta Mlady also retired from this ministry after many years of dedication to the 8am Sunday Mass. Chris Rath also participated in this ministry and I'm sure some others who were before my time. I am deeply grateful to them and to those who continue to serve generously in this ministry, especially Nancy Zola at the 4pm Saturday Mass & Ron Kollar at the 8am Sunday Mass, along with each of the weekday Masses. May God bless all of them for their generous time and faithful commitment over many years of service to God, the priests and the people of St. Leo.

This weekend we will be taking up another 2<sup>nd</sup> collection for those affected by Hurricane Ida. We are grateful for the recent donations to aid those who are in need as a result of these natural disasters.

Just a reminder that Confessions are heard on Saturday from 3pm until 3:30 AND on Sunday morning from 10:15am until about 10:45am. I am also happy to hear your confession any time by request or by appointment, which can be made by using the link on our website or by calling the rectory office.

We are looking to hire someone part-time as a housekeeper and lunch cook for the staff. We are also in need of another full-time maintenance worker, preferably someone young enough to keep up with our daily needs in the school, church, rectory and parish center buildings, along with some outside work. Please contact the rectory office if you or someone you know may be interested.

*Fr. James Schmitz*

### BEREAVEMENT SHARING GROUP

Have you experienced the loss of a loved one? If you have, you're not alone. You're welcome to participate in the monthly bereavement sharing group here at St. Leo the Great. Our meetings for the remainder of this year are as follows: October 6, November 3, and December 1. We meet the first Wednesday of the month at 2:00PM in the Parish Center. We'd love to have you share with us!

For further information, contact Joan Berigan at [jberigan@leothegreat.org](mailto:jberigan@leothegreat.org) or by phone at 216-661-1006.



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.

HE SAID TO THEM,  
"GO INTO THE  
WHOLE WORLD  
AND PROCLAIM  
THE GOSPEL TO  
*every creature.*"

MARK 16:15

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SUPPORT LOCAL  
**BUSINESSES**



## 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 contact Nancy at [nzola@leothegreat.org](mailto:nzola@leothegreat.org)

### Early Bird Drawing!



Don't forget to get your raffle ticket stubs in. The next drawing will be September 26th. (All ticket stubs will be entered in the main drawing on October 16th). Get your ticket stubs in and don't miss out on the next Early Bird Drawing.

### 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.**



### The Holy Land Pilgrimage Itinerary

For more information please visit  
[trinitytourtravels.com](http://trinitytourtravels.com) or call the  
Rectory.

\$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



### Society of St. Vincent de Paul Annual Blanket Sunday October 9-10, 2021

The 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Blanket Sunday appeal kicks off the weekend of **October 9-10, 2021**. Last year, funds from the appeal were used to purchase 4,500+ new winter blankets that were provided to the homeless and 179 beds/mattresses for low-income individuals and families throughout Northeast Ohio. The need is great and donations can be made securely online: <https://donate.svdpcle.org/blanket-sunday-donations/>.

Checks may also be mailed to: St. Vincent de Paul Society Blanket Sunday, 1404 East 9<sup>th</sup> Street-3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Cleveland, OH 44114. Thank you for helping us "blanket" neighbors in warmth and compassion!

## **FESTIVAL NEWS**

With the coronavirus numbers increasing, we feel it is best for everyone involved to treat this year's Festival as we did last year, we will sell food to take home and we will have the main raffle.

We will provide a menu of food items in the coming weeks. Thank you for understanding.

## **Parish Festival**

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### **Help Needed!**

We are in need of people willing to deliver raffle tickets. Despite the pandemic last year, the parish was able to profit from the Festival because of the great crew who helped deliver tickets.

If you are interested, please contact Nancy at [nzola@leothegreat.org](mailto:nzola@leothegreat.org)



CHOIR

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



### **EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS**

#### **The View from the Back of the Line**

Have you known that person? The one who leaves every person they encounter feeling a little more blessed for having met them? They're the friend you can count on when nothing is going well. They're the one who's always "doing" for others. They're never gossiping or sniping or complaining.

We wonder how they do it, how they have it in them. We're a little envious, even if we don't let ourselves acknowledge it.

That, folks, is what the view is like from the front of the line, gazing at those suckers in the way back and wondering why they're smiling so much.

We've all been at the front of a line and felt no shame about it. We show up early, we put in the time and the legwork, and we "earn" whatever it is we came for — sports tickets, the latest Apple product, whatever. That's how it works here on Earth, where the fastest win the race, the fittest survive and the first shall be first, always.

It's exactly why stewardship is such a tall order. Stewardship calls us to play by the rules of another kingdom — one where the richest have the least amount in their bank accounts and the happiest don't seem to have anything to show for it, at least materially.

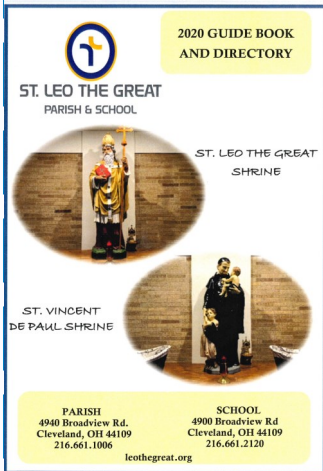
If you have a person in your life who always seems happy "doing" for others, it's because by a boatload of God's grace, they play by the rules of the other place.

Watch and take notes — and don't be afraid to join them at the back of the line.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



# GBP 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

#### 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.



