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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 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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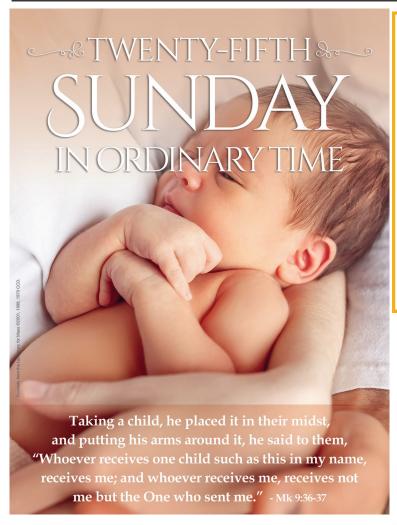


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PLEASE REMEMBER **OUR RECENTLY DECEASED PARISHIONERS**

In Memory Of

David Jersan Sr. October 10, 1952 September 6, 2018

Funeral Mass September 11, 10:00 AM St. Leo the Great Church

Lord make me an instrument of Thy peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love. Where there is injury, pardon. Where there is doubt, faith. Where there is despair, hope. Where there is darkness, light. Where there is sadness, joy. O Divine Master; grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love; for it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned and it is in dying we are born to eternal life.

> ZABOR FUNERAL HOME 5680 Pearl Rd. Parma, Ohio 884-5035



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LIVE THE LITURGY INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Humility is really a virtue that allows us to keep our relationships in proper order: God first, others second, and myself third. However, we all wrestle with our incompleteness, weakness, and imperfections. Passions and impulses from within can color how we view our lives and distort them. Who among us does not struggle with jealousy, envy, pride, and lust? Then, when we can't have what we desire, we find ourselves angry, greedy, and taking more than we deserve. The downward spiral continues. Even Jesus' disciples, who knew him better than most, argued about who was the greatest. Humbly seeking the wisdom that comes from God and His righteousness is the corrective we need in order to keep ourselves in check.

CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION CAMPAIGN



Next weekend, Sept. 29th/30th, we will be collecting for the Communication Catholic Communication Campaign. This campaign connects people with Christ, here and

around the world in developing countries, through the internet, television, radio, and print media. And fifty percent of funds collected remain in our diocese to fund local communications efforts. Your support helps spread the gospel message! To learn more, visit www.usccb.org/ccc.

2019 MASS INTENTION BOOK



The 2019 Mass Intention Book is open. Each parishioner household may have four Mass Intentions (one INTENTIONS weekend and three weekdays).

The Mass stipend is \$10.00.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS



St. Francis of Assisi loved all of God's creatures. In honor of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, there will be an animal blessing on SATURDAY, OCT. 6th, at 10:00 a.m. in the area

near the Marian shrine. Please bring your pets and join us for this special blessing.

Please remember that all pets must be on a leash or held AND please, please clean up after your pet. The Blessing will take place RAIN OR SHINE. In the event of inclement weather, the blessing will take place in the main vestibule of the church.

"All praise to you, O Lord, for these brother and sister creatures" (from the Canticle of the Creatures written by St. Francis of Assisi)

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...



Sarah Geier, Edward Gorczyca,, Betty Jayne Glover, equests Bob McLaughlin, Theresa Pauloski, Annamae Sironen,

Ann Sazpansky, Larry Kuznik, Jo Hoffman, Anna Mendoza, John Risko, Glenn "Joe" Hess, Diane Soler, Muffie Bone, Gary LaBuda, Jeanette Klaehn, Ruth Frohlich, Ron Vokac, Charles Hakaim, Walter Milewski, Harriet Watson, August Bublavy, Dennis Badar, Carol Rucinski, Bernice Kilcoyne, Danielle Lilley, Cara Prokop, Pat Chopka, Serena Jacobs, Rickey Aldridge, Donald & Dorothy Friedl, Theresa Truxall, Bill Hinton, Robert Sisley, William Rebello, Cecilia Doris, Julie L., Barbara B., Julie R., Kelly B., Geraldine S., Megan Sunyak, Matt Prokop, Larry Augustine & Thomas Dubiel.

GREAT SWEEPSTAKES WINNER! LOOK AND SEE WHO WON



Caryn Vazzana

September 17th—\$100.00 Winner

Please sign up for our Great Sweepstakes weekly drawing. The sign up forms are available at the Information Desk in the vestibule of the Church, or at the Rectory Office.

DONUT SUNDAY



Please plan on joining us in the main church vestibule after all the Masses for donuts and coffee next Sunday, September 30th.

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

> Michael Petkosek St. Peter, Lorain IV Theology, Saint Mary



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

Parish Support

Sunday, September 16th

Financial information was not available at the time of printing this week. Please see next week's bulletin for Sunday, September 16th figures.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!



Monday, September 24th: Weekday 7:30am +Juanita Gallo (Ron Moner)

Tuesday, September 25th: Weekday

7:30am Russ Horne (Tom Basic)

Wednesday, September 26th: SS Cosmas & Damian

7:30am Michael & John Gierlach (Parents)

Thursday, September 27th: St. Vincent de Paul

7:30am To be announced

Friday, September 28th: St. Wenceslaus, St. Lawrence **Ruiz & Companions**

8:30am +Neroni Sisters-Anne, Josephine & Delia (Family)

Saturday, September 29th: SS. Michael, Gabriel &

Raphael, Archangels

4:00pm +Ronald Vance (Bernadine & Family)

Sunday, September 30th: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:00am People of the Parish

11:00am +Daniel Sholtis (Grubic & Riffner Families)

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 sounded 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 23, 2018

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

Monday: Prv 3:27-34/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5/Lk 8:16-18 **Tuesday:** Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44/Lk

Wednesday: Prv30:5-9/Ps119:29,72,89,101,104,163/Lk9:1-6 **Thursday:** Eccl 1:2-11/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17bc/Lk 9:7-9

Friday: Eccl 3:1-11/Ps 144:1b and 2abc, 3-4/Lk 9:18-22

Saturday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a/Ps 138:1-2ab,

2cde-3, 4-5/Jn 1:47-51

Next Sunday: Nm 11:25-29/Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14/Jas 5:1-6/ Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

COPD EQUIPMENT

Looking for someone in need of brand new, never opened COPD Equipment. If you have a need, please contact Liz Woisnet at 216-401-8497.



Dear Parishioners,

The Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on September 11th for David Jerson. He was described as the "strength of the family" & was known to be generous. The family prays that he may join his wife, son, sister & brother-in-law in God's kingdom.

Ann Aron's funeral was on September 14th. She had celebrated her 99th birthday just a few months ago with family and those at Joshua Tree assisted living. She had a devotion to Mary and to Mary's mother, St. Ann, after whom she is named. She worked as an LPN nurse taking care of others. We extend our sympathies to her daughter and faithful parishioner, Mary Lou Neuendorf. Ann had 3 children, 10 grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren, and 6 great-great grandchildren. So much life comes from the love of two people.

The funeral Mass for Helen Hadacek was on September 17th. She worked hard but then experienced illness for many years. I always begin a funeral homily by extending the sympathies of the parishioners of St. Leo and by assuring them of our prayers and support during the time of loss. Please say a simple quiet prayer for these 3 deceased as you read this.

Fr. Vesely continues to do very well at Mount Alverna however recently one of his knees started to swell up again. He seems to be doing better and so hopes to celebrate the 4pm Mass here next Saturday, September 29th. We will be going to the annual clergy clambake at St. Christopher in Rocky River this Sunday. I like to take him there because he doesn't like clams so he gives me his. I could eat several dozen in one sitting. I can just hear my doctor now...

Our new PSR Director, Joann Deranek is doing a great job. The students and teachers and some of their parents will be celebrating Mass this Monday at 7pm. I use the opportunity of a smaller group to talk about the meaning of the many symbols, gestures, postures & parts of the Mass. They gather around the altar where they can have a close up view of what is happening. I'm grateful that their parents continue their religious education. My thanks to those who sacrifice time to teach our Catholic Faith to the students. They are true evangelists and their work is important. God bless them all this school year.

Michaela will be going to two places this week which she is not fond of...to the vet for annual shots, and to the groomer for her haircut. I thought women liked to have their hair done. I wonder if she gossips with the other female dogs when she's there. I know she barks and fusses when anyone comes in the store with their pet. She really wants all the attention for herself. I have no idea where she gets that from...

In. Jim Schmitz

THIS WEEK AT ST. LEO'S

Monday, September 24th
3:00pm 6th Gr. Girls Volleyball
4:00pm Girls Volleyball Practice
Lux
Tuesday, September 25th

4:00pm Girls Volleyball Practice Lux 6:30pm SVDP Great

Wednesday, September 26th

11:00am Seniors Great
3:00pm 6th Gr. Girls Volleyball Lux
4:00pm Girls Volleyball Practice Lux
6:00pm Cub Scouts-Den Meeting
6:30pm Choir Practice Church

Thursday, September 27th

School Picture Day

1:00pm Women's Knitting Conference
4:00pm Girls Volleyball Practice Lux
7:00pm Knights of Columbus Basement

Friday, September 28th

4:00pm Girls Volleyball Practice Lux 7:30pm Recovery International Basement

Saturday, September 29th

2:45 to 3:30pm Confessions Church 3:00pm Grapevine Basement

Sunday, September 30th

11:30pm CYO Volleyball Site Center Lux

BROOKLYN-PARMA 2803 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS REVERSE RAFFLE



When: Saturday, November 10, 2018 Where: St. Leo the Great Lux Hall Prize: Grand Prize \$1,000.00

Donation: \$35.00 per person

Food: Dinner will be served at 7:30pm—Open Bar For tickets call Brian Tierney G.K. 216-398-8911, T.J. Dotson P.G.K. 440-390-1603 or Leo Hansen P.G.K. 216-351-8411.

GIFT CARD PROGRAM



The 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 as a simple thank you. PLEASE STOP BY THE OFFICE AND SUPPORT THIS PROGRAM.

SENIORS



This Wednesday, September 26th, St. Leo's Seniors will meet in the Parish Community Center at 11:00am.

This is our social meeting, so please join us for fun and games! New members always welcome!

St. Leo the Great Parish Festival

Friday, October 19 - 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Saturday, October 20 - 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Food

Honey Hut Ice Cream cotton candy Italian sausage sandwiches with onions & peppers French fries*popcorn pierogies*nachos cabbage & noodles soft pretzels and much more!

Dining Specials **Friday** Corned Beef/Reuben platter or sandwich

Saturday Roast Pork with dumplings and gravy

Games & More

Kiddie Games \$5,000 Raffle Games of Skill Instant Bingo \$ Wheels \$ Tailgate with Us -Streaming the Big Games

Entertainment

Friday 6:00-10:00 Backtrax (classic rock) **Saturday** 5:00-7:00 - DJ Pat Daley (polkas) 7:00-10:00

The Amazing Superstars (all request oldies & more)

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ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

"I was hungry and you fed me." THANK YOU for your generous donations of food. Without you, the St. Vincent de Paul Outreach Organization simply could not exist here at St. Leo's. Your help makes it possible for us to help others.



A Mass for those suffering from Miscarriage, Infertility and Neo-Natal Death

Sunday, October 7, 2018, 5:30 p.m.

Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist, Cleveland, Ohio

Bishop Nelson J. Perez, D.D., Celebrant

In times of death and grief, we turn to the Lord for consolation and strength. This is especially true when a child dies before birth. The diocesan Silent Sorrow Mass is offered to assist parents in their grief and console them with the blessing of God. Please join us.



HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION

ST. EDWARD HIGH SCHOOL

OPEN HOUSE:

Oct. 14th & Nov. 4th (11:00am to 1:00pm)

Save time by pre-registering at sehs.net. ADMISSION TESTS:*

Sat. Oct. 20th (9:00am), Wed. Oct. 24th (5:30 pm) & Sat. Oct. 27th (9:00am)

*Pre-registration is required at sehs.net.

- 8th grade boys only
- \$20 test fee payable on the date of the test
- Parent info. sessions held during each test.
- Accepting Cleveland Scholarship voucher

For more information call: 216-521-2204 or admissions@sehs.net.

PADUA FRANCISCAN HIGH SCHOOL **OPEN HOUSE:**

October 28th—(1:00pm to 4pm)

November 1st—(6:00pm to 8:00pm)

Meet our welcoming teachers, staff, students and coaches. Middle school students will receive a Padua pop socket while supplies last.

Pre-register for your personal tour online at http//paduafrancisccan.com/openhouse/

EARLY BIRD DRAWING! Don't forget to get your raffle ticket stubs in. The last drawing will be September 30th (that's next weekend!). All ticket stubs will be entered in the main drawing on October 20th. Get your ticket stubs in soon!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! In order for the Festival to be a success, WE NEED YOUR HELP!!! Sign-up sheets are in the main vestibule of the church for you to volunteer. Please donate a few hours of your time. If you've never volunteered before, what are you waiting for? What a great way to meet people, have fun & help the parish.

ADOPT A BOOTH! Do you feel like doing more? Why not adopt a booth for the entire weekend with your family and friends? You provide the people to staff the booth, and we'll take care of the rest. If you are interested, please sign the sheet that says "Adopt a Booth" in the main vestibule of the church, and we'll contact you to answer your questions.

LAWN SIGNS! Have you seen the lawn signs popping up all over the neighborhood? If you would like a lawn sign for your lawn, they are in the main vestibule of the church.

BAKERY NEEDED! Every year people look forward to the homemade desserts donated by parishioners and sold at the Festival. Please don't disappoint all those people who have a sweet tooth! We would greatly appreciate any donations of bakery for the Festival. Donations can be dropped off at the bakery table during the Festival weekend.

St. Leo the Great School Newsletter

Church Bulletin Edition

Principal's Message

During the last two weeks, the students in Kindergarten to Eighth grade have taken MAP tests in Reading and Math. MAP is an acronym for Measure of Academic Progress. All students in the Diocese of Cleveland take these tests in September, January and May. The results help us guide the instruction for each student, provide tutoring and extra help when needed and monitor the progress of the student. We were grateful to have Sr. Gloria take time to speak to our junior high about the poor and vulnerable in Nigera - giving a personal account of the impoverished - quite a powerful lesson to be grateful that our own basic needs are being met and to not take them for granted. Thank you Sr. Gloria. Our Preschool still has a few openings for this school year. Please tell your family and friends looking for a unique learning experience for their children. Our Parent group (PTC) and our Athletics continue to work hard to provide for our students and school community. We are so fortunate here at St. Leo's to have so many caring, generous individuals who give of their time and talents to benefit our school! God Bless you all,

Catholic Core Values

Each month the entire school is presented with a set of core values. The purpose of this is to work as a school community to focus on these values and teach, reinforce and model them for our students. Classes are expected to talk about the core values, incorporate it in prayers and lessons and model it. The core value for September is:

The Poor and Vulnerable



Our Jr. High Students recently learned about the impoverished people in Nigeria. Our own parishioner, Sr. Gloria spoke to our students about where she is from in Nigeria. Our students learned just how fortunate they are in the United States.

Buy your KidStuff coupon book today! Full of GREAT coupons for Cleveland area restaurants, stores, and for services like oil changes or admission to Cleveland's best spots. Most coupons expire December of 2019. Books cost \$25 and the school gets 50% of profit from every book sold! If you are interested in a book please contact the school office at 216-661-2120 or email amber_c_gibbs@yahoo.com. A PTC parent will arrange to get your book to you. We accept cash or checks made out to St. Leo the Great school as payment.

Thank you for your continued support!



Preschool Openings

Saint Leo Preschool is operated and licensed under the Department of Education since 1985. Preschool focuses on skill development and Kindergarten readiness. Children must be three or four by September 30th and must be fully potty trained. We offer full-day and part-time classes. Registration fee of \$50.00 and birth certificate are required to register. Preschool is located in the Parish Center on the second floor. For more information call 216-661-5330 to schedule a tour. St. Leo Preschoolers receive priority placement for St. Leo Kindergarten. We have a few openings remaining for our 2018-2019 school year.

Open House & Social

Saint Leo Preschool is having an Open House and Social on **Sunday, October 28th from 10:30am to 12:30pm**. Everyone is invited. Stop in to see what our Preschoolers are doing and join us for refreshments. We still have a few openings left for this school year. St. Leo Preschool is located in the Parish Center on the second floor. For more information call 216-661-5330.



Sale Ends Sept. 30th





Parents Weekend 6th Grade Girls' Volleyball Teams!



Summer Volleyball Clinic



Cross Country Team





BUS TRIP RIVERS CASINO-PITTSBURGH, PA Friday, November 2, 2018

Report 8:00am - Depart 8:30am

Arrive: 11:30am

Casino bonus \$20 free play (subject to casino policy & may change or cancel without notice)

Depart 4:30pm with meal stop (on own)

Return 7:30pm

Cost: \$31.00 per person

Contact Joanne Todd at 440-526-3505

for more information or to book your trip.



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CLUSTER CORNER

MARY QUEEN OF PEACE—Calling all Crafters/Vendors to participate in the Mary Queen of Peace Christmas Market Show on Sun., Nov. 4th. For information please call Father Doug Brown at 216-749 -2323 / email frbrown@maryqop.org.

ST. CHARLES BORROMEO—Join us for an Italian Dinner on Sat., Sept. 29th at 5pm in Corrigan Gym. Dinners are \$9.50 and include: chicken parmigiana, penne, salad, roll and dessert. Advance Ticket Sales ONLY (Dine in & Carry Out) by Thursday, September 27th. Tickets can be purchased at the parish office.

ST. THOMAS MORE—Please join St. Thomas More's Spiritual Life Commission for The Living Rosary on Sunday, October 7, 2018 at 6:30pm in the church.