

**Fr. James P. Schmitz**

*Pastor*

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**SEPTEMBER 24, 2023**

**THE 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



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Monday-Friday | 8:00a.m.-3:00p.m.

**MASS SCHEDULE**

**WEEKENDS**

Saturday Vigil | 4:00pm

Sundays | 8:00am and 11:00am

**WEEKDAYS**

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday | 8:30am

**HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION**

8:30am and 7:00pm

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

Individual confessions are celebrated Saturdays from 3:00pm-3:30pm, Sundays from 10:00a-10:30a, 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 or use our website.

**BAPTISMS**

Parents desiring Baptism for their child are asked to contact the Rectory 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 interested about becoming Catholic or have questions about the Catholic Faith, please call the Rectory.

If you or a family member are ill or homebound please let us know so that our priest or deacon can visit and provide spiritual care.



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



# PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY

## A PRAYER FOR PRIESTS

*Lord God, we approach you in gratitude for your holy ordained priesthood. You have called these men to be set apart and to shepherd your people, as you shepherd your entire church. We pray for them in their daily work. Grant to them an increase in spiritual gifts and grace, so they may be prepared for the tasks at hand. Lead them not into temptation and protect them from the grasp of the evil one. It is through the sacraments they confer that we encounter the divine in a real and profound way. May your church never lose sight of these, your special sons, and may we, the body of Christ, never fail to cherish the gift of their lives, which they have freely given to you and your holy church. We ask this in the name of Jesus, your Son. Amen.*

## PARISH OPEN HOUSE

The emphasis for the 75th anniversary has been on enhancing the existing buildings on the parish property. On Sunday, September 24th, between 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. you will be able to see how the buildings have been transformed this summer and over the past 75 years. Parishioners will be on hand to answer questions. (The church will not be part of the open house during the 11:00 a.m. Mass.) Don't miss this opportunity.

## FESTIVAL NEWS

**Early Drawing:** There is still time to get your Festival raffle tickets in before the third Early Bird Drawing on September 24th -- that's this weekend! (All ticket stubs will be entered in the main drawing on October 21st.)

**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).

**Sign Up Sheets:** The Festival cannot happen without all of our dedicated volunteers. Sign up sheets are in the main vestibule of the Church. Please consider volunteering a few hours at the Festival on Friday, October 20th, or Saturday, October 21st.

## PARISHIONER PHOTOS

If you missed the opportunity to get your photo taken you will have ONE LAST OPPORTUNITY to get your photo taken the weekend of October 14th and 15th after all of the Masses. This is an opportunity for you and your family to be part of the memories for this 75th anniversary year and future years. No advance registration required. Refreshments will be available, and participants will get a free 5" x 7" photo.

Did you already get your picture taken? Photos taken in August and September can be picked up in the rectory during the week or in the main vestibule of the church after the weekend Masses.



Mark your calendars to join us for Mass, events & activities throughout the year!

Are you a former student of St. Leo School?  
Is your child a former student of St. Leo School?  
Please, let us know by completing a form on the parish website [leothegreat.org](http://leothegreat.org). Under "Organizations" tab select *Alumni Association*. We hope to hear from you!

**Parishioner Photos** LAST OPPORTUNITY | Oct 14th & 15th following all of the Masses —A photographer will be available in the vestibule of the church to take pictures of each parish family to mark the parish's 75th anniversary.

**Parish Open House**—Sunday, September 24th (THIS WEEKEND), from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. An opportunity to see the changes that have taken place over the last 75 years  
**Presentation on the Eucharist:** Oct. 15th @ 6p (in church)

## MEMORIES

*After a few weeks of the new school year, the parents were invited to an Open House on Sunday after Mass. All of the bulletin boards were decorated. Each desk had a construction paper nametag with the student's name. The test papers, graded papers, and artwork for each student were placed in a folder on their desk. The students showed their parents around the school and took them to their classrooms to meet their teachers. Most students couldn't wait for their parents to meet their teachers. Of course, there were a few students who would prefer that their parents didn't meet their teachers because they were afraid of what might be said about their behavior in the ensuing conversation.*

Share *YOUR* memories with us! Submit them to [nzola@leothegreat.org](mailto:nzola@leothegreat.org) or write it down on a piece of paper and turn it in to the Rectory Office. We also welcome PHOTOS throughout the year of the people and events taking place. Send *YOURS* to [photos@leothegreat.org](mailto:photos@leothegreat.org).

## DID YOU KNOW?

Fr. Sylvester Lux, St. Leo's first pastor, was always interested in how things went together, and he was fascinated with St. Leo's abstract stain glass windows. He persuaded the artist working on the windows to show him how it was done and he installed his own window—in the parish garage. You can still see that window today.



## ST. LEO THE GREAT - CLEVELAND, OHIO

### FAITH FORMATION

Continuing Sundays from 9:30a-10:45a for Grades 1-8. Parents & families of students welcome to join! For more info email Joann Deranek at [jderanek@leothegreat.org](mailto:jderanek@leothegreat.org)

### BIBLE STUDY

Interested in learning about how to understand the Bible better? Join an ongoing bi-weekly study on the book of Philippians facilitated by parishioners Greg and Pat Dolezal. Discover tips and tools for unearthing the treasure of Scripture. Our next meeting is Thursday, September 14 from 6:30pm—8:00pm. For more info call 330.933.4992.

### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR

## PRAYERS

Mary Niec, Alivia Kobal, Glenn "Joe" Hess, Gary LaBuda, Jeanette Klaehn, Amelia Rebello, Larry Kuznik, Irma Zappitelli, Larry Kuznik, John Sofcheck, Irene (Ernie) Santiago, Gary Skelley, Virginia Sofkancs, Evelyn Bastian, Mary Lou Neuendorf, Joseph Bublav, Anna Mendoza, Marianne Kucinski-Powers, Edith Lysyj, John Geiger, Rosie Colucci, Buzzy Miano, Judy Bruzshinsky, Carol Broze, Stan Wasacz, Marcia Bailey, Jim Tisch, MaryLou Durfee, Chris Grdosic, Kathy Svoboda, Matt Pauloski, Kelley, Tootie, Megan Arena, Lena Sunyak, Chuck Pacanovsky, Theresa Truxall, Susan Fenski, Antoinette Jakosh, Rose Arlia, Liz Woisnet, Betty Popow, Allen Phillips, Ruth Bublav, John O'Malley, Jesse Kazimer, William Wollard, Claudia Wollard, Carol Rucinski, Joe Deranek, Ben Wheelock, Janice Smith, Lesley Uffman, Dorothy Pazdernik, Sandie Stefanchik, Jordan Sierra Lionberger, Dottie Barr, Joe Barr, Brett Stewart, Allison Dusenbury, Mary Ann Perry, Mary Ann Corlett, Shawn Calvey, Gloria Madonia, Sharon Rock, Anthony Bozek, Joe Brodzinski Suzanne Brown, Joyce Stevens, Victoria Fischer, John Gierlach, Dylan Greve, Ken Perry, Danya Hansen, Leo Hansen, Michael Saul and Betty Hinton.

#### In Loving Memory Of

### JUNE A. UFFMAN

Born  
June 2, 1947

Entered Into Rest  
September 13, 2023

Mass of Christian Burial  
St. Leo the Great Catholic church  
Wednesday, September 20, 2023  
at 10:00 A.M.

Interment  
Ohio Western Reserve National Cemetery  
Rittman, Ohio

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 Rd., Parma, OH (440) 884-9100



### Sanctuary Candle Intention September 24th—October 8th

In Loving Memory of  
**Bill Kordick**

"You Live on through us."

Love,  
Your Wife and Children

### MASS INTENTIONS

#### Monday, September 25th—Weekday

8:30am +Robert Strumbel (Louise Strumbel)

#### Tuesday, September 26th—Weekday

8:30am +Deceased Members of ARISE (Melody Halsey)

#### Wednesday, September 27th—St. Vincent de Paul, Priest

8:30am +Harold Delacerna (Ruth Delacerna)

#### Friday, September 29th—Sts. Michael, Gabriel, Raphael, Archangels

8:30am +Ronald Vance (The Vance Family)

#### Saturday, September 30th—St. Jerome, Priest & Doctor of the Church

4:00pm +Wanda Betters (Linda Valencic)

#### Sunday, October 1st—The 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time —

8:00am People of the Parish

Respect Life Sunday

11:00am +Anthony "Tony" Arlia (Rose Arlia)

Notes: The + before a person's name indicates that they are deceased. Since there is no Mass here at St. Leo's on Thursdays you can attend Mass at one of our other local parishes; St. Charles (7am), St. Barbara (7:30am), St. Francis de Sales (8:45am) or Mary Queen of Peace (8am).

### 2024 MASS INTENTIONS BOOK

Our Mass Intention Book is now OPEN. **One Weekend Mass and One Weekday Mass—OR—Two Weekday Masses** will be available for you to request for a stipend of \$10 each. This system is in place to best accommodate the special intentions of all our parishioners. Sanctuary Candle Intentions will also be available for \$10 (to cover cost of candle replacement).

*Though it's important to us to remember a person prayerfully on a particular day for sentimental reasons, God is beyond time and so will hear our prayers whenever they are offered. We must all accept the limitations of time and we appreciate your understanding and cooperation."* -Fr. Jim

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

#### FIRST READING: ISAIAH 55:6-9

The prophetic words in today's reading were spoken during the Israelites' exile in Babylon. Earlier, the prophet had proclaimed that God was looking mercifully upon them, and would soon free them. In today's reading, the prophet points out that they now have a window of opportunity, and should take advantage of God's willingness to forgive.

#### SECOND READING: PHILIPPIANS 1: 20-24, 27

For the next four weeks, our second reading will be taken from Paul's letter to the Philippians. When Paul wrote this letter, he was in prison for preaching the gospel, and he faced the possibility of execution. A person in those circumstances tends to think long thoughts about death, and death, as what Paul is wrestling with in today's passage.

**SUNDAY** Is 55:6-9/Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18 (18a)/Phil 1:20c-24, 27a/Mt 20:1-16a

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

**TUESDAY** Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Lk 8:19-21

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

**THURSDAY** Hg 1:1-8/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Lk 9:7-9

**FRIDAY** Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5/Jn 1:47-51

**SATURDAY** Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13/Lk 9:43b-45





## FEAST OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL *September 27th*

St. Vincent de Paul is much more than a patron saint of thrift shops! Young Vincent became a priest hoping to advance and rise above his modest upbringing. His early ambition amounted to little when he was assigned to a poor rural parish. Here he experienced a new joy in his vocation. Hearing the profound deathbed confession of a dying servant, Vincent became more convinced of the special attention that must be given to the poor. In 1625, Vincent founded the Congregation of the Mission for the purpose of caring for the poor. Originally priests only, the mission expanded to include groups of laity who provided for spiritual and material needs of the poor in each parish. Nearly 400 hundred years later, his legacy lives on!

### **SVDP OUTREACH ORGANIZATION**

"I was hungry and you fed me." We "thank you" for your generous donations of food and staples. Without your help, the St. Vincent De Paul outreach program would not be able to exist at St. Leo the Great. Your generosity makes it possible for us to help others.

### **BLANKET SUNDAY COMING SOON**

The weekend of October 14 and 15th marks the 37th annual blanket Sunday collection to help the poor. This collection is sponsored by the diocesan Saint Vincent de Paul Society. Due to sanitary concerns and lack of storage space, we will gratefully except your financial donation, and do the shopping for you, making your money, go even further, with both purchases of blankets and other items needed by the homeless and disadvantaged.

Simply put your cash or check in one of the blanket Sunday envelopes that are on the tables at the entrance of the church, or in any envelope you may have and mark it "Saint Vincent de Paul Blanket Sunday", then drop it in the collection basket or at the rectory office. Please "blanket" someone for the winter and give yourself a warm feeling.



## **Society of St. Vincent de Paul BLANKET SUNDAY DRIVE**

Your donation allows the Society to make bulk purchases of blankets and other necessities for the poor, needy, homeless and disadvantaged in the Diocese of Cleveland. *Thank you for your generosity!*

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Parish \_\_\_\_\_

Donation Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_



Place your **tax deductible** donation into the collection basket or mail it to:  
Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Diocese of Cleveland  
1404 E. 9th St. Cleveland, OH 44114

Donate online at [svdpcle.org](http://svdpcle.org)

## **A DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE**

What do you think of when you hear the word normal? This weekend's Gospel reminds me of our tendency to view ourselves favorably or negatively by comparing ourselves with others. It is very common to look at the norms that we perceive in our environment and then compare ourselves to them. When we do this, we often see ourselves as being abnormal, falling short, or failing to live up to expectations. In some ways, it is good to look to others as an example. We have Christ, saints, and role models to look up to as inspirations for values or virtues that we admire and want to cultivate in ourselves. However, someone serving as an inspiration to us is very different from being a source of comparison. When we make comparisons, we see deficits. When we see deficits, we experience feelings of failure, sadness, and frustration. When we are experiencing all the negative emotions and thoughts involved with failure and deficits, it inhibits our growth and motivation. If we radically accept who we are and are mindful of the present day, it allows us to focus our energy on growing in a healthy way. A way where we do not compare ourselves to others, but to the person we were yesterday. This also allows us to take our attention away from our deficits and refocus it on the values and virtues that we desire to cultivate in the present moment. This is a practice of living in the present moment with Christ because God is always radically loving and accepting of where we are today. If you find yourself comparing yourself to others, take a moment to sit with Christ and reflect on who He wants you to be. —Luke Brown, LPCC



**Holistic Catholic Counseling**  
[www.sacredheartcleveland.com](http://www.sacredheartcleveland.com)  
440-305-6192

## **EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP**

### ***"It's Not A Competition"***

By: Tracy Earl Welliver

As everyday stewards, I hope that each of us try to live daily lives of generosity for the glory of God. I hope that we are all working to cultivate characteristics of a good everyday steward so that we can grow in maturity of faith and draw closer to Christ. But if we could accurately see on a magical computer spreadsheet how everyone else around us was living life would it impact how we lived out our stewardship way of life? If we found out that others weren't trying as hard as we were or they were not nearly as generous would it give us reason to pause?

In the workplace, school, and general life, people can easily look around and choose to adapt what they are doing to match more closely what others are doing. Why give work more hours if no one else is willing? Why give a 20% tip to a waiter if you suspect everyone else is only giving 15%? Why spend hours studying for a test when no one else is taking it that seriously?

Our lives of stewardship should never be measured against that of others. Even though we are all called to give all we are and all we have to God, each one of us is unique in our response to that call. Instead of any type of comparison that may temper our generosity, we should hold to the truth that the more we give of ourselves the more fulfilled we will feel. Also, as we grow in our relationship with God, the more we will want to glorify him. Stewardship is not a competition. It is a call to serve God without counting the cost.

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



Dear Parishioners,

As part of our 75<sup>th</sup> Parish Anniversary, we wanted to have an "Open House" for the parish community so that you may see all the work we have done in recent years to responsibly use your donations (both weekly contributions as well as to the Capital Improvement Fund), for the maintenance and upkeep of our parish buildings. So after our 8am and 11am Masses, you are welcomed and encouraged to walk through our school building, Parish Center (the old convent building) and even the rectory. Refreshments will be available in both the school building & rectory, so please help yourself. On the first floor of the rectory, you can see our rectory office, the offices for myself and the Berigan's, as well as our living room, dining room and kitchen. Feel free to take a seat somewhere as you enjoy something to eat or drink. On the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the rectory you will find our conference room, a couple of guest suites and my suite at the end of the hallway. Again, please make yourself at home.

This week the Church will celebrate the feast of St. Vincent de Paul on Wednesday. Of course we have a shrine to him in the back of the church & baskets for food items that people bring for those in need. I want to take this opportunity to thank all those who are involved in our St. Vincent de Paul (SVDP) Ministry and who work to provide food for people in our own neighborhood who are in need. This ministry is under the leadership of Bernadine Vance, who has been with SVDP for many, many years. So our gratitude to her and to all those who assist her. Remember too that the collection taken up during Mass on civil holidays (Memorial Day, July 4<sup>th</sup>, Labor Day & Thanksgiving) are given toward this ministry. And thanks to all of you who contribute to this work through donations to our SVDP boxes at the doors of the church.

We are always looking for people willing to offer some of their time for the good of our parish and parish school. If you have time on your hands that you're willing to donate, or if you have a particular gift you think might be helpful to us, please don't ever hesitate to say, "Here's what I've got (big or small)...how can I help?" Please don't wait for us to ask you as we often don't know of someone's time or abilities, so feel free to approach myself, Deacon Pat or Joan, our Office Manager, Nina Capone, our Principal, Mrs. Burns, or anyone else whom you think may be able to assist you. It will be a gift to us as well as to yourself to get involved.

Last week I wrote about a serious health issue that Michaela was facing and now I have to tell you that she is no longer with us. One week after she was drained of excess fluid in her abdomen, she was filled up again. I asked Mickey Stitt, our Music Director and Kayla's "Granny", to go with me to the vet so we can talk about her condition with the veterinarian. We all determined that it was best not to have Michaela go on as she was as she would need to be drained weekly which meant she'd have only 1 or 2 days a week of feeling better. The condition (caused by liver failure) also made her disinterested in going for a walk, which she always loved to do. I can't really say more because it still makes me very emotional so I'll just say thank you for your concern for both her and for me. She was such a part of so many of my daily routines, from first thing in the morning until last thing at night. Those of you with pets already know the pain their absence brings. I am glad to still have 15 year old Abby to sit on my lap...it's good to have someone to come home to. Michaela was my 3<sup>rd</sup> and final dog and I thank God for the almost 11 years I had her (her 11<sup>th</sup> birthday would have been this Tuesday). I gave her back to God with deep sorrow but also with deep gratitude.

*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 on 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.

Feel free to join us—no reservations needed!

### Upcoming Meetings:

October 4th, November 1st and December 6th

**If you have any questions,  
contact Joan Berigan at 216-661-1006 or by  
email: [jberigan@leothegreat.org](mailto: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 [jberigan@leothegreat.org](mailto: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 44109)
- 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.





**Sunday, September 17, 2023**

Sun. Envelope	\$	4,086.60
WeShare	\$	2,998.50
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>7,085.10</b>
Cap. Improv	\$	427.00
WeShare	\$	125.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>552.00</b>
SVDP	\$	65.00
WeShare	\$	325.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>390.00</b>

*Thank you for  
you continued  
generosity and  
support of  
St. Leo the Great  
Parish !*

## CURRENT GIFT CARD DEALS

Buy a \$25 Cinemark Gift Card and get a FREE \$10 Gift Card to either Dairy Queen or Wendy's! Stop by the Rectory Office and ask us about our deals!



## SEEKING NEW CHOIR MEMBERS!

We practice every Wednesday from 6:30p – 8:00p in the sanctuary. We sing every other Sunday at the 11:00a Mass. No previous experience or training required, just a love of music and singing. Can't commit every week? Consider being a cantor. Interested? Reach out to Mickey or Mary at the organ after any Mass or express your interest via email at: [mstitt@leothegreat.org](mailto:mstitt@leothegreat.org).

## UPCOMING BUS TRIPS

\*Check the bulletin boards at the church entrance for more details



For reservations or questions contact Sandy Diaddario at 216-926-3123

## CHRISTMAS SHOPPING AMISH COUNTRY Monday, November 13, 2023

Cost: \$80.00 per person

Shopping at: Sol's in Berlin, Schrock Heritage Village, Tis The Season, Coblentz Chocolates, Walnut Creek Cheese, and Breitenbach Winery, Lunch at Dutch Valley Restaurant (included)

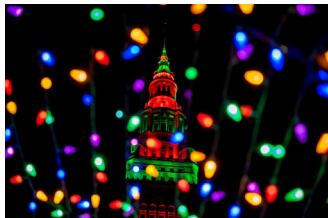
**Deadline: Monday, October 23rd!!!**

## JACK CASINO | Christmas Lights Display Thursday, December 7, 2023

Cost: \$34 per person

Casino Bonus: \$10 | \$5.55 Senior Lunch Public Square & Christmas Story House

**Deadline : November 17, 2023**



**Reminder: Please park your vehicles closest to W.25th (back entrance) on the day of the event to keep access to our church and rectory office easy for daily visitors.**

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# St. Leo the Great Parish

Presents

# Eucharist

A CHALLENGING TRUTH TO SWALLOW  
Every sign that God gives us says ... BELIEVE!

## Speaker: Trapper Jack

After 30 years away from the Church, it was Blessed Mother Mary who brought blind radio host, Trapper Jack, back.

A series of miraculous encounters re-ignited his faith and now fuel his inspirational talks.

Since departing secular radio, Trapper has used his microphone to share his faith through uplifting presentations, the *Touched by Heaven* podcast, and *Men's Morning Light* on YouTube.



**Sunday, October 15, 6:00 PM**

4940 Broadview Rd., Cleveland, OH 44109

## THE GREAT SWEEPSTAKES

September 18, 2023

Congrats, Judy Mackey!!!





## Register to Vote by October 10th

This November, Ohioans will vote on a proposed change to the Ohio Constitution that would enshrine abortion into law. Our Catholic faith tells us that God places no condition on the value of human life from conception until natural death. Therefore, the Catholic Church cannot be silent when vulnerable women and preborn children are threatened by an amendment that...

- Puts women at risk by endangering medical and safety standards
- Allows painful, late-term abortions by not setting any clear limits on abortion
- Threatens parental rights by challenging notification requirements when minors seek abortions or other reproductive interventions

***Your vote is needed to save Ohio from this extreme amendment.***

Register to vote or update your information by October 10<sup>th</sup> at [www.voteohio.gov](http://www.voteohio.gov)

Jesus calls us to stand up for “the least of these” in our society, including preborn children and vulnerable women. Catholics must protect both women and children by **Voting No on Issue 1.**



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