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CHURCH OF ST. LEO THE GREAT

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SUNDAY, JUNE 4, 2023

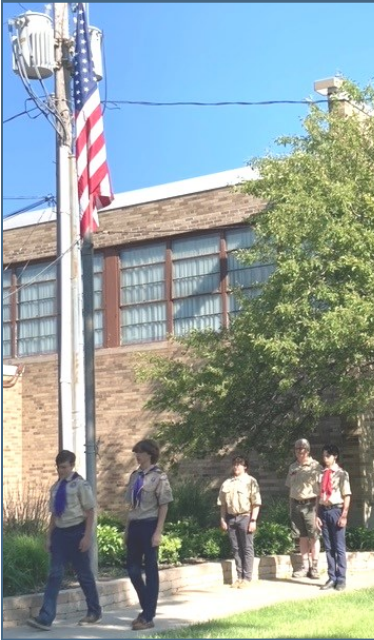
THE MOST HOLY TRINITY



God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. - Jn 3:16

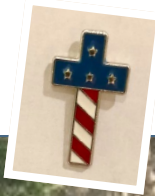
SCOUTS HONOR

A sincere thank you to Boy Scouts—Troop 24 and their leaders for being involved in our Memorial Day weekend here at St. Leo. The Scouts attended Monday morning's Memorial Day Mass at 9:00a.m. and accepted the honor and duty of raising our Flag, helping us to pay tribute to the U.S.



military personnel who have died while serving in the United States Armed Forces.

Those who attended Monday's Mass received a pin that strongly represents *sacrifice* by both it's shape of the Cross and the colors of our Country. May we be ever grateful for the rights we have to practice our Faith in God whom we pray to, especially when we remember those who have lost their lives serving to protect our own, and all our **FREEDOM!**



Please mark your calendars to join us for Mass and the 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. Visit leothegreat.org Under *Organizations* click on *Alumni Association*. We hope to hear from you!

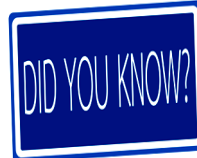
Independence Day Mass -- 9:00 a.m. on July 4, 2023
(outdoors if weather permitting)

MEMORIES

On the warm days toward the end of the school year, teachers would arrange the curriculum to bring the students outdoors. There was ample room for the different classrooms to spread out on the grounds to work on math problems, use the natural beauty of the area for artwork, or catalogue the trees and birds as part of a science project.

Do you have a favorite memory from the past 75 years? If so, please submit it to nzola@leothegreat.org.

We also welcome photos throughout the year of the people and events taking place. Do you have any photos from the Mass with the Bishop and social on October 9th? Please forward your photos to: photos@leothegreat.org



Fr. Jim has been celebrating Mass at the Marian shrine for the past several years on Memorial Day, Independence Day, and Labor Day (weather permitting). Prior to that, there was an area to the south of the Parish Center with a raised wooden platform. Across from the platform were rows of benches for seating. Originally built as an outdoor classroom, it was also used for outdoor Masses.



SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

Help your St. Vincent De Paul Outreach Organization with a donation to our monthly food and staple collection next weekend June 10th and June 11th.

We are especially in need of the items listed here

Because of YOU we are able to ensure that others do not go without. Thank you very much for your donations!

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| Canned Corn | Cereal | Scalloped Potatoes |
| Instant Mashed Potatoes | Canned Mixed Vegetables | Canned Baked Beans |
| Canned Pasta | Pasta Sauce | Canned Diced Tomatoes |
| Assorted Soups | Ramen Noodles | Tuna Fish |
| Rice & Noodle Sides | Peanut Butter & Jelly | White Rice |
| Canned Fruit | Pancake Syrup | Dishwashing Soap & Bar Soap |

ST. LEO THE GREAT - CLEVELAND, OHIO



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR

PRAYERS

Mary Niec, Alivia Kobal, Glenn "Joe" Hess, Gary LaBuda, Jeanette Klaehn, Amelia Rebello, Irma Zappitelli, Don Donelon, Larry Kuznik, John Sofcheck, Ireneo (Ernie) Santiago, Gary Skelley, Virginia Soflkancs, Evelyn Bastian, Mary Lou Neuendorf, Joseph Bublavý, Anna Mendoza, Marianne Kucinski-Powers, Edith Lysyj, John Geiger, Rosie Colucci, Buzzy Miano, Judy Bruzshinsky, Carol Broze, Stan Wasacz, Doug Kiesel, 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, MaryKay Simonek, Betty Popow, R.Rosario, Margarita Quinones, Allen Phillips, Ruth Bublavý, John O'Malley, Kenneth Lees, Tina Sunday, Karen Horvath, 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 and Nancy Dighero.

On those days,
when you miss someone the most,
as though your memories,
are sharp enough,
to slice through skin and bone,
remember how they loved you.

Remember how they loved you,
and do that, for yourself.

In their name, in their honour.

Love yourself, as they loved you.
They would like that.

On those days when you miss
someone the most, love yourself
harder.



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, June 5th — St. Boniface, Bishop & Martyr

8:30am +Jackie Nagy (Family)

Tuesday, June 6th —Weekday

8:30am +Linda DeBaltzo (Family)

Wednesday, June 7th—Weekday

8:30am Fr. James Schmitz Anniversary of Ordination

Friday, June 9th —Weekday

8:30am in Thanksgiving (Joan Krakora)

Saturday, June 10th — Weekday

4:00pm People of the Parish

Sunday, June 11th—The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

8:00am Shantery & Nekvinda Family (Jennie Shantery)

11:00am +Larry Bronecki (Linda Bronecki & Family)

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).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

FRIST READING: EXODUS 34:4-6, 8-9

When Moses saw the Israelite people worshipping the golden calf, he angrily threw down and broke the tablets containing the commandments. Later, God instructed him to cut two new tablets. Today's passage begins at that point, and offsets the mistaken notion that the old testament always presents a stern and angry God.

SECOND READING: 2 CORINTHIANS 13:11-13

This passage is the ending of Paul's second letter to the Corinthians. The Church chose this passage for Trinity Sunday because the final sentence mentions all three persons of the Trinity. That sentence is also used as one of the greetings at the beginning of Mass.

SUNDAY Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56 (52b)/2
Cor 13:11-13/Jn 3:16-18

MONDAY Tb 1:3; 2:1b-8/Ps 112:1b-2, 3b-4, 5-6/Mk 12:1-12

TUESDAY Tb 2:9-14/Ps 112:1-2, 7-8, 9/Mk 12:13-17

WEDNESDAY Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a/Ps 25:2-3, 4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9/Mk 12:18-27

THURSDAY Tb 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17; 8:4-9a/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5/Mk 12:28-34

FRIDAY Tb 11:5-17/Ps 146:1b-2, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10/Mk 12:35-37

SATURDAY Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20/Tb 13:2, 6efgh, 7, 8/Mk 12:38-44

Sanctuary Candle Intention
June 4th—June 18th

Larry Bronecki

In Our Hearts Forever

Love, Linda & Family



A DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

In my experience, one of the peculiarities of being a man is the somewhat unlikely ability to look into the mirror, no matter how out of shape he may be, and declare with full confidence: “Looking good, buddy!” Ask a man. He’ll probably confirm it.

Therein lies a mystery. You might think I refer to man’s ability to deceive himself or his propensity toward vainglory. But in this case, I refer to the mystery of a healthy and proper sense of self-love. We human beings (both men and women) have the utterly weird ability to look at ourselves as if we were another. Then we tend to love this “other.” Then, somehow, that love becomes a bond between the two. We are three and yet one.

This Sunday is Trinity Sunday. We ponder anew that God in His unity is a play of multiplicity: Lover, Beloved, and shared Love. Or, as we also proclaim, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. If we allow it, this mystery heals our temptation toward self-hatred and destruction. We all know how awful it is to look into the mirror and not know the person we see, or, equally bad, to know and hate who we see. Jesus, the Son of God, draws us into the dynamics of authentic self-knowledge and self-love. Perhaps we could ask the Holy Trinity this Sunday to teach us to truly look at ourselves and to properly love who we see looking back.

— Father John Muir

REFLECTIONS

Question: We live in a country that upholds the separation of Church and state. What is the role of Catholics in society?

Answer: The role of the Church in the world has taken different forms over time, but the theme is the same. Be disciples in it! As the lay faithful — that is, not vowed priest or religious — we are called to live and love in the circumstances of our daily lives. St. John Paul II wrote a document about the laity. In it he wrote, “In their situation in the world God manifests His plan and communicates to them their particular vocation of seeking the Kingdom of God by engaging in temporal affairs and by ordering them according to the plan of God” (On the Lay Members of Christ’s Faithful, 15). God wants us in the hospitals, the board rooms, the law offices, the food pantries, and the little league games! We are to engage in the affairs of the world. But when we’re there, we should live the plan of God. We need to respect those around us, engage in just business and legal practices, and love our children. We should care for the earth, use our money wisely, and get to know our neighbors. We must advocate for social policies that respect human dignity and human freedom. No matter our state in life, we are invited to build the kingdom of God!

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP — *We Bear the Name of the Lord*

By: Tracy Earl Welliver

After years working for the Church, I can honestly say that even though I feel closer to God, I still cannot fully grasp all that is God. The complexity of God has been the source of many volumes by many writers and theologians. The crazy reality of growing in a relationship with God is that the more you get to know God, the more complex God becomes.

But I think that is true of human relationships as well. I feel like I can really peg a person one way or another after only meeting him or her a few times, but my wife and children continue to perplex me. Getting to know someone means you begin to uncover the layers of personality, feeling, and emotion that make up each human being. For those who see God as only a force or a light, God is simply defined. But for those who seek to be disciples of Jesus Christ, the God we find in relationship has many layers as well.

But that which we do know for certain about God comes to us primarily from the person of Jesus. He called us to a way of life by not only teaching us about how to live, but by showing us the example of his life. Our God is defined by generosity, sacrifice compassion, and, of course, love. The more we incorporate these characteristics into our own life, the more we bear witness to the true nature of God. Then others can see a God that is a little less complex because they understand him through you and me. Our life will speak more than all the volumes written by all the theologians.

PRACTICING CATHOLIC — *Uncovering the Layers*

By: Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

The name of the Lord is a curiously powerful thing. Say it deliberately, even in a group of people who are not particularly religious, and you’ll know what I mean. There is a shift in the mood, a change in the atmosphere. When we utter the name of the Lord, He turns His head.

Once, in confession, I admitted to the sin of using the Lord’s name in vain. “When you do that, tell God that you love him,” advised the priest, who was wise enough to know that I would repeat this sin at some point. “You’ve said His name, after all. You have His attention.”

We hear the name of the Lord, and we think of what it represents — John 3:16, salvation history summed up in a neat little sentence, the why and the how and the who of it all laid out before us. The Lord, so slow to anger that He offers us a million chances. The Lord, so rich in kindness and fidelity that He literally gave Himself to us that we might be saved.

But the name of the Lord is more than that. It is not just a symbol, it is an invitation. I think of Moses clutching the commandments, beseeching the Lord: “Come with us. Forgive us. Receive us as your own.” The Lord accompanies us down the mountain. We bear the name of the Lord into the world with us wherever we go.

“Blessed is your holy and glorious name, praiseworthy and exalted above all for all ages.” — Daniel 3:52



A time to heal. A time to help.

Ecclesiastes 3:1 There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens.

HELP CREATE MORE OPPORTUNITIES TO PROTECT THE SANCTITY OF LIFE.

All funds raised this weekend will be used to strengthen services that care for women and children.

A year after the Supreme Court's historic reversal of *Roe v. Wade*, Catholic Charities recognizes its call to action in expanding programs and services that protect life. Building on a long history of helping babies and young mothers, Catholic Charities is actively growing its outreach throughout Northeast Ohio.

Your Gift will be Invested to Expand Programs that Respect Life, including:

- Providing children with safe, happy homes through Foster Care and Adoption
- Encouraging early prenatal and well-baby care with the Help Me Grow Visiting Program
- Educating & inspiring people to be stewards of the gift of life through the Diocesan Office for Human Life
- Supporting pregnant and parenting women with physical, emotional, spiritual, and professional support through pregnancy support centers

DOUBLE YOUR IMPACT \$100,000 matching challenge grant

Any **NEW, INCREASED, or ADDITIONAL GIFT** to Catholic Charities will be **MATCHED**, up to \$100,000.

All gifts must be returned in the envelopes available at all Masses June 3-4 or donated online at:

www.catholiccommunity.org/human

"We are brothers and sisters in our human family, made in the image and likeness of God. We are all called to live out our responsibility to protect and care for one another, whether born or unborn." Bishop Edward C. Malesic



WAYS TO GIVE:

DONATE ELECTRONICALLY for immediate impact.

Your parish receives credit towards their parish goal regardless of how you give.



SCAN ME!

GIVE ONLINE Scan or visit www.CatholicCommunity.org/human



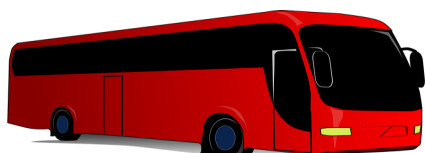
TEXT to GIVE
Text CCHUMAN to 41444

PARISH SUPPORT

| | 5/21/23 | 5/28/23 | |
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| Sun. Envelope \$ | 4,812.00 | 5,643 | <u>May Totals</u> |
| WeShare \$ | 3,105.00 | 1,230.00 | |
| Total \$ | 7,917.00 | 6,873.00 | <i>Mother's Day</i> 1,370.00 |
| SVDP \$ | 110.00 | 743.00 | <i>Ascension</i> 982.00 |
| WeShare \$ | 105.00 | 40.00 | <i>Newman</i> 295.00 |
| Total \$ | 215.00 | 783.00 | |
| Cap. Improv \$ | 625.00 | 743.00 | <i>Thank you for your continued generosity.</i> |
| WeShare \$ | 145.00 | 40.00 | |
| Total \$ | 770.00 | 783.00 | |

UPCOMING BUS TRIPS

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



Discover
HARTVILLE

Thursday, July 13, 2023
\$78.00 per person
(includes lunch)

Includes a guided tour and shopping at Pegasus Farm, Gardens, and Country Store; Shopping at Hartville Marketplace and Flea Market, Shops, Hardware, and Sommers Discount Market.

Deadline: Monday, June 12th!!!



Rivers Casino | Pittsburgh, PA
Wednesday, August 16, 2023

\$48.00 per person

Deadline: Monday, July 17th!!!



THE GREAT SWEEPSTAKES

May 22nd

LINDA BRONECKI

Could you or someone you know use a walker?
Contact Mary at 216-749-7747

The Neocatechumenal Way

A series of one-hour talks will continue to take place every **Tuesday and Friday at 7pm in the Parish Center**. These catechesis are brought to the parish by the missionary team of the Neocatechumenal Way, a new experience in the life of the Church, which our late Pope Saint John Paul II called, "an itinerary of Catholic faith formation valid for our society and our times." Every talk is different and builds on the one meeting prior. While you don't have to attend every meeting, it is encouraged that you attend as often as you are able. Snacks and refreshments will be made available for you to enjoy. These talks are most appropriate for ages 12 & up; Childcare available.



WOMANKIND BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER

The St. Leo the Great Baby Bottle Drive for Womankind began Mother's Day Weekend. Bottles can be picked up from the tables at the entrances of the church or over at the Rectory Office. Womankind is an excellent organization that specializes in helping women in need get free prenatal care and baby supplies for their infants up to three years of age. With times being as trying as they are, more mothers than ever are seeking help! You may fill the baby bottles with change or cash, or a check made out to "Womankind" or simply scan this QR code to go directly to the St. Leo the Great's Baby Bottle Drive for Womankind-donor page to donate using a credit card. Thank you for your generosity! All baby bottles need to be returned to the Church or Rectory Office by Father's Day Weekend, June 17/18! For more information about Womankind visit their website at womankind-cleveland.org or call Womankind at 216-662-5700. Thank you and may God bless you.



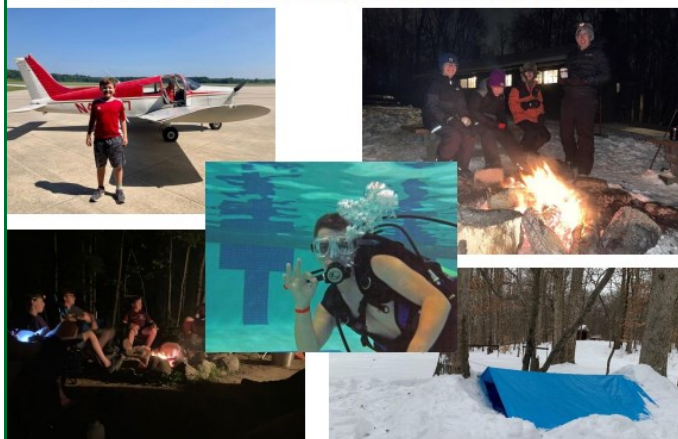
Womankind
Maternal & Prenatal Care Center

Pull up your camera app on your smartphone and point at this QR code for a direct link to donate now!

#ADVENTUREON!

Scout Troop 24 meets weekly – Tuesdays 7:30 – 9pm

St. Leo the Great, 4940 Broadview Rd, Cleveland, OH 44109



Who: Students in grades 6-12th

Where: St. Leo's

When: Tuesdays 7:30-9 pm

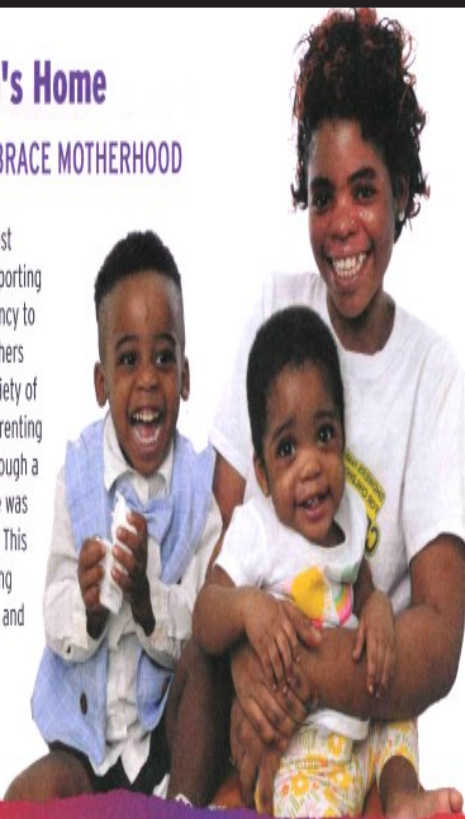
Contact: Mike Robinson 216-409-3733

Email Troop 24: scout-troop-24@googlegroups.com

Agency Spotlight: Zelig's Home

WHERE WOMEN THRIVE AND EMBRACE MOTHERHOOD

Founded in 2020 with a single location on the east side, Zelig's Home serves young mothers by supporting them on their motherhood journey from pregnancy to infancy. Within a caring home environment, mothers are given the opportunity to grow through a variety of programs and services, including counseling, parenting classes, financial literacy, and more. In 2023, through a partnership with Catholic Charities, Zelig's Home was able to open a second location on the west side. This addition provides 10 more young mothers a caring and compassionate home where they can thrive and embrace motherhood.



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. All are welcome to come and share with us on the first Wednesday of every month at 2:00 PM in the Parish Center.

NO MEETINGS UNTIL SEPTEMBER

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 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 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.