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*Pastor*

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**SEPTEMBER 17, 2023**

**THE 24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



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**SCHOOL HOURS:**

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)

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Let your heart and your means dictate what to share. Your contributions will enable the St. Vincent de Paul Outreach Organization to deliver your message to our neighbors. The Poor Boxes can be seen as the “bread bones” of those in need.

## 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.)

## FESTIVAL NEWS

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

**Raffle Ticket Delivery:** We are in need of people to help deliver the remaining raffle tickets. If you are interested, please contact Nancy at [nzola@leothegreat.org](mailto:nzola@leothegreat.org) or (216) 661-1006. Thank you!

**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 or you can sign up online at [leothegreat.org](http://leothegreat.org). Please consider volunteering a few hours at the Festival on Friday, October 20th, or Saturday, October 21st.

## PARISHIONER PHOTOS

Did you miss 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? A free 5” x 7” photo was provided for each photograph taken. Photos taken in August can be picked up in the rectory during the week or in the main vestibule of the church after the weekend Masses. Please check the bulletin for notification when the September photos will be available for pick up.



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, from 9:00am to 1:00pm. 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

*Roll back to December 23, 1988. The Art & Environment Committee was decorating the church for Christmas. “Wait, you mean we can’t put those candles in the niches? Because we have no shelves? But we have curtain rods for the banners.” That was the dilemma of the evening—no shelves! I called my Dad, who could fix anything, and asked him to come up to the church about 8:30 pm. I showed him what we needed. He took a few measurements and came back shortly. He’d made a shelf and attached a small board to slide the shelf into one of the open spaces between the bricks in the niches. It was perfect! Now, Dad, can you make 7 more tonight? Well, he went home, cut the wood and assembled a few more and returned to the church. The next morning he finished the rest of the shelves and we put them in the niches and put our candles and decorations on the shelves! And for the last 35 years, those shelves are still used and are still in the niches thanks to my Dad, Edward F. Wolff! Whenever I’m sitting in the church, I look at those niches and know my Dad surrounds me.*

—Mary Ann Thornton

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).

CHECK OUT THE LAST PAGE OF THIS BULLETIN FOR INTERESTING ST. LEO THE GREAT PARISH HISTORY !



## ST. LEO THE GREAT - CLEVELAND, OHIO

### RESPECT LIFE MEETING

The Respect Life group will be meeting on Wednesday, September 20, 2023 at 1:00 pm in the Parish Center. This month we will be covering gender dysphoria and the Church's teachings on this topic. Because our country remains under constant attack from evil, we ask all to continue praying to St. Michael the Archangel, as often as you can. He can help us defeat the enemy. If you have any questions about the group, the meeting or its content, please contact either Dennis Badar at 216-398-2830 or Chris Rath at 216-394-5803.

### WOMEN'S MEETING

Ladies (all ages), join us Tuesday, September 19, 2023 from 6:30p.m.-7:30p.m. in the Parish Center. We are meeting to connect and support each other as we grow our relationship with God and learn to live more intentionally in our Journeys. For more information contact Pat at 216-403-1523 or Barb at 216-302-5454.

### 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 Soflkancs, 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, 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, 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 and Michael Saul.



### MASS INTENTIONS

#### Monday, September 18th—Weekday

8:30am Clifton Valentine (Amy Dackiewicz)

#### Tuesday, September 19th—Weekday

8:30am +Bill Hrabak (Mary Dina)

#### Wednesday, September 20th—St. Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest

8:30am +Richard Bunosky (Eva Bunosky) St. Paul Chong Ha-Sang

#### Friday, September 22nd—Weekday and Companions, Martyrs

8:30am +Paul Kowal (Family)

#### Saturday, September 23rd—St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

4:00pm Noreen Valentine (Amy Dackiewicz)

#### Sunday, September 24th—The 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am People of the Parish (Priesthood Sunday)

11:00am +Jeff Weisheit (Family)

*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).

*"It's wonderful that so many wish to have Mass offered for themselves or on behalf of another (living or deceased) but we only have so many Masses per year and so must limit how many intentions you can have. And of course several people may want Mass to be offered on a particular day because it someone's anniversary of birth or death or for some other reason, but we must understand that there is only 1 intention per day (except possibly on Sunday when there may be 2). 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: SIRACH 27:33-28:9** The book of Sirach was written by a wise teacher who lived 200 years before Christ. Sirach ran a school for young people in Jerusalem. In today's section, he teaches his students the importance of forgiveness.

**SECOND READING: ROMANS 14:7-9** After dealing with the controversies which divided the early Christian community in Rome, Paul wrote about the need for tolerance and for sensitivity to the feelings of others. In today's passage, he points out that this affects our use of the gift of freedom.

**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

## A DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

In Matthew 18:21-35, we find a powerful lesson on forgiveness, a theme that resonates with mental health and emotional well-being. The passage tells the parable of the unforgiving servant who, after being forgiven a massive debt by his master, refuses to show the same mercy to a fellow servant who owes him a much smaller sum. The master, upon learning of this lack of compassion, condemns the unforgiving servant, emphasizing the importance of forgiving others as we have been forgiven. Reflecting on this passage, it reminds us of the weight that grudges and unforgiveness can place on our mental health. When we hold onto anger, resentment, or bitterness, it's like carrying a heavy burden that constantly weighs us down. These negative emotions can fester, leading to anxiety, depression, and strained relationships. Saint John Paul II once said, "To forgive is not to condone, it is to refuse to allow the past to dictate the future." It is not about excusing or forgetting the harm done to us, but rather about liberating ourselves from our own negative emotions. Forgiveness is an act of self-compassion; it allows us to free our minds from the torment of bitterness and to make room for healing and growth. In the context of mental health, forgiving others can be a powerful tool for reducing stress, anxiety, and depression. It does not mean that we ignore or minimize the pain we have experienced; instead, it means choosing to let go of the emotional baggage that comes with holding onto grudges. By doing so, we open ourselves to the possibility of inner peace and emotional well-being. In this passage, we learn that forgiveness is not just a moral obligation but also a path to emotional healing and mental freedom. By following the example of Christ, we can release the weight of unforgiveness and find solace in Saint John Paul II's wisdom, allowing our past to guide us toward a healthier, more hopeful future.

—Luke Brown, LPCC



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 440-305-6192



**2023-2024  
FAITH FORMATION**

## EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

### "Forgiving Wrongsdoings"

By: Tracy Earl Welliver

Life was not always easy with my father when I was growing up. Let's just say he made many decisions along the way that led to fear, anger, and sadness for my family and me. Unfortunately, I was the only one in the family that would years later truly forgive him for his actions. My mother and sister held onto the resentment and anger they felt all their lives. For my father and me, reconciliation led to several years of a deepening relationship before his passing in 2011.

Forgiveness is not easy and I do not consider myself better or stronger because I was able to forgive and my family members could not. However, I can say that the blessings I received due to forgiveness and a renewed relationship with my father were far better than the animosity experienced by others. I also learned that forgiveness benefited me far more than my father.

As good stewards of time, we must realize that each passing day will never come again. What we do with that time is completely up to us. We can be wise and use it to build bridges, heal wounds, and cultivate love where there is hate. We can also choose to waste time in fear, resentment, and anger. I thank God often for the gift of my dad. However, I thank God more for the gift of time spent with him and the ability to see him not with my human eyes, but with the eyes of Jesus.

## LEARNING CHRIST

*Teach me, my Lord, to be sweet and gentle in all the events of life: in disappointments, in the thoughtlessness of others, in the insincerity of those I trusted, in the unfaithfulness of those on whom I relied. Let me put myself aside, to think of the happiness of others, to hide my little pains and heartaches, so that I may be the only one to suffer them. Teach me to profit by the suffering that comes across my path. Let me so use it that it may mellow me, not harden nor embitter me; that it may make me patient, not irritable, that it may make me broad in my forgiveness, not narrow, haughty and overbearing. May no one be less good for having come within my influence. No one less pure, less noble for having been a fellow-traveller in our journey toward eternal life. As I go my rounds from one distraction to another, let me whisper, from time to time, a word of love to You. May our life be lived in the supernatural, full of power for good, and strong in its purpose of sanctity. Amen.*





## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



Dear Parishioners,

I celebrated a Mass of Christian Burial on September 8<sup>th</sup> for Patrick Lynch. It was an appropriate day to celebrate his life of faith as it was the feast of the Nativity or Birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary and Pat had a devotion to her and so prayed the rosary daily and carried it with him. Last weekend some people from Blessed Sacrament Parish (which closed a number of years ago) came to the 11am Mass and admired the stained glass windows in our church, which they once viewed in Blessed Sacrament Church. I pointed out to them that 4 of those windows are devoted to the earthly and heavenly life of Mary, and again I often point that out to people when their loved one's casket is placed in the center aisle, between those 4 windows. Pat was married for 27 years to Bonnie (also deceased) and had 2 children and 2 grandchildren. May they imitate his faith and so be able to join him some day in the life of heaven.

I enjoyed spending some time in our parish school during the first week it was opened for the new school year. My goal is to be more present there as much as possible. It is good to see the building filled with teachers and students and I pray that we may develop there a community of people who learn, love and grow in faith.

This past weekend was our first Faith Formation Session in the Parish Community Center. This is how the children of our parish receive their religious education if they attend a public school, and is also sacramental preparation for all 2<sup>nd</sup> graders who wish to receive their First Holy Communion and for the 8<sup>th</sup> graders who wish to be Confirmed in 2024. We are grateful to their parents for their willingness to grow in their own Catholic faith by attending these Sunday Sessions with their children. They will then attend the 11am Mass together. This new process of offering religious education and sacramental preparation worked very well last year and we are glad to continue it this year. Please feel free to ask me any questions you may have about our religious education (formerly called "PSR" for "Parish School of Religion"), and about our new approach to sacramental preparation.

I am finishing a week's vacation this weekend so I won't be with you for Mass today but as always I'm grateful to the priests who are willing to cover for me on the weekend when I am away.

Sadly, routine blood work taken for Michaela last summer indicated that she had high liver enzymes, something common in many dogs. We tried to treat it with a new diet which did not contain copper sulfate, an ingredient that is included in many dog foods and treats. Unfortunately this did not help and a couple weeks ago I noticed that her stomach was distended so I took her to her vet who said that she is in liver failure. She had gained 2 pounds and 1 liter of fluid which the vet removed. However, besides taking some prednisone (steroids) to reduce inflammation, there is nothing that can really be done for her. She will be turning 11 years old on the 26<sup>th</sup> of this month. Right now she is comfortable and pretty much her same self though I've noticed she is not as interested in going for walks, likely due to the retention of fluid in her abdomen. I am so grateful for the joy that she brought me over the years and for the protection of all enemies, foreign & domestic, that may be on our property or enter our rectory office. I will continue to enjoy her as long as she is still with us (weeks or months?). Some of you remember her surprise appearance during Mass a few weeks ago during a storm. She always brings a smile.

*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 10, 2023**

Sun. Envelope	\$	5,263.00
WeShare	\$	1,740.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>7,003.00</b>
Cap. Improv	\$	375.00
WeShare	\$	175.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>550.00</b>
SVDP	\$	20.00
WeShare	\$	20.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>90.00</b>

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

**August Totals | Catholic Education \$351.00**

### 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)

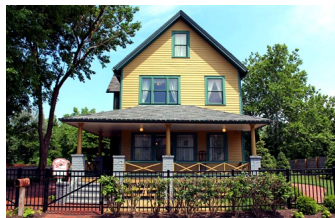
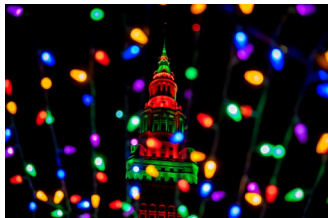
**Deadline: Monday, October 23rd!!!**

### 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.**

### THE GREAT SWEEPSTAKES

September 11, 2023

**Congrats, Leo & Rita Hansen!!!**



### 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!

### BLANKET SUNDAY

The 37th Annual Blanket Sunday in-parish appeal kicks off the weekend of October 14-15, 2023. Last year, funds from the appeal were used to purchase 5,400+ new winter blankets that were provided to people experiencing homelessness and 138 beds/mattresses for low-income individuals and families throughout Northeast Ohio. The need is great and donations can be made securely online: [svdpcle.org/donate/blanket-sunday-donations/](https://svdpcle.org/donate/blanket-sunday-donations/). Checks may also be mailed to: St. Vincent de Paul Society Blanket Sunday, 1404 East 9th Street-3rd Floor, Cleveland, OH 44114. Thank you for helping us "blanket" neighbors in warmth and compassion!



### 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 \_\_\_\_\_  
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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](https://svdpcle.org)

### 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



## ST. LEO'S MUSIC MINISTRY—THE EARLY DAYS



St. Leo's has had a music program since almost its very beginning. Bernard (Bud) Burke, the parish's first organist, created his own job when he asked Fr. Sylvester Lux, the parish's first pastor, if he needed an organist. Bud was a former silent movie organist at the Palace Theater. He was succeeded by Herb Fox, and the all-male choir slowly picked up female singers. Myron Rosby, seen earlier among the builders of the frame church, is the gentleman with the violin.

In the 1970s, the choir was attired in robes. How many do you recognize? By the 1980s the music ministry eventually developed into large organization, which included cantors, a guitar group, and a bell choir. —John Sabol



**SEEKING NEW  
CHOIR MEMBERS!  
JOIN US—MAKE A  
JOYFUL NOISE  
UNTO THE LORD!**

*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  
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