

Church of St. Leo the Great

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March 3, 2024 | Third Sunday of Lent



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3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

His disciples recalled the words of Scripture,
Zeal for your house will consume me. - Jn 2:17

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS:

Monday—Friday | 9:00am— 4:00pm
Saturday | 12:00pm—5:00pm
Sunday | 9:00am—12:00pm

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil | 4:00pm

Sundays | 8:00am and 11:00am

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

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

Mass will be at 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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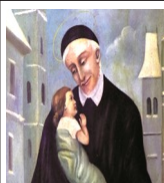
LENTEN SERIES | SORROWFUL MYSTERIES



Join us Tuesday, March 5th, and March 12th at 10:00a.m. in the Chapel for a Lenten study on the Sorrowful Mysteries as we pray, meditate and share. Please bring your Rosaries.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

After enjoying a delicious fish dinner, please join your fellow parishioners in the church at 7:00 p.m. each Friday during Lent for the Stations of the Cross. Make a prayerful journey to Calvary with Jesus and form a better understanding of what He endured.



SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

Almsgiving is a private thing. You share what you have with a neighbor you do not know and who does not know you, but it is an act of service to those in need. During Lent let us not pass the poor boxes without

sharing some money and saying a private prayer for the needy or you can put your donation in an envelope labeled SVDP and drop in the weekly collection basket or drop off at the rectory. Your help will be very much appreciated. Act now during lent a special time for Almsgiving.

The St. Vincent de Paul Outreach Program will be giving our families a gift card to purchase their Easter ham and additional items to help make their Easter dinner more complete. Please consider a donation to help us with these expenses. Place your cash or check in an envelope marked "SVDP Easter" and drop it in the collection basket or take it to the Rectory Office. We thank you very much for helping us make their Easter Dinner more complete. Thank you!

CONTRIBUTIONS

If you are an Online Giver and would no longer like to be receiving envelopes, or, if you contribute with envelopes but would like to switch to online giving, please call us at the rectory office 216-661-1006 to request.

PARISH CLUSTER CORNER

MARY QUEEN OF PEACE

The Women of Passion | Lenten Retreat
Friday, March 15, 2024 6:00pm-9:00p
Speaker Fr. Brown

Prayers, Confessions, Stations of the Cross
Free Event! RSVP by March 12th

Dinner provided by confraternity of Christian Mothers

ST. THOMAS MORE

Traveling Madonna

Please call the STM Rectory Office at 216- 749-0414 to sign-up to host the Travelling Madonna in 2024

MATTHEW 25 COLLECTION

If you've not yet visited any, some or all of the *Matthew 25 Collection* near Cleveland's westside neighborhoods —it's most definitely worth the venture. The series of bronze sculptures by Canadian Artist, Timothy Schmalz, is amazing in and of itself but especially moving during the season of Lent, when we are encouraged to reflect more deeply on what we, as Christians, are called by God to be here for one another.

You can experience these works of art displayed in 7 different areas as seen below:

"Homeless Jesus" at St. Malachi Parish

"When I Was Sick" at Lutheran Hospital

"When I Was in Prison" at Bridge CLE

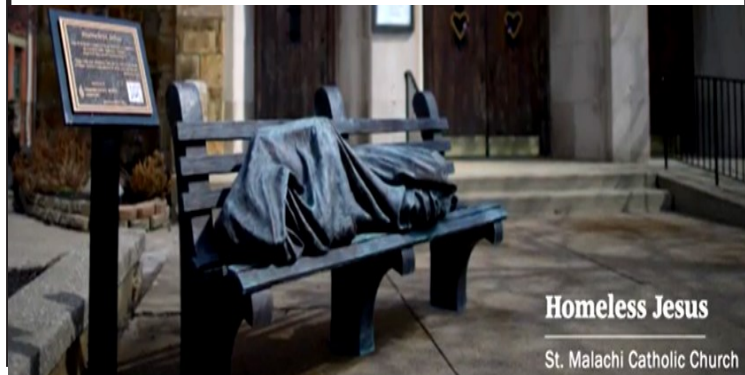
"When I Was a Stranger" at Urban Community School

"When I Was Naked" at Malachi House

"When I Was Hungry and Thirsty" at Old Stone Church

"Let the Oppressed Go Free" at Public Square.

Visit www.communitywestfoundation.org for a map of the locations and more info on each individual site.



LIVING IN FAITH TOGETHER

Ladies, all ages, no matter where you are in your faith journey, please, join us this coming

Tuesday, March 19, 2024 at 6:30p.m.

in the Parish Center. We are meeting to connect and *LIFT* each other up as we grow our relationship with God and learn to live more intentionally and prayerfully in our Journeys as women of the faith. For more information contact Pat (216-403-1523) or Barb (216-302-5454) or email Nina at the rectory office at ncapone@leothegreat.org.

Mothers, Grandmothers, Aunts, etc. of students at St. Leo School, please consider joining us one evening and witness the powerful, prayerful support of friends in faith.



Please stop in the main vestibule to see the banner of parishioner photos above the display case.

Thank you to everyone who participated, and a special thank you to John Sabol for re-creating the image of the church building used in the banner. You may recall that the image was used as part of the 50th anniversary logo. While a church is a building, it is the people who make up the Church.

ST. LEO THE GREAT - CLEVELAND, OHIO



Jesus answered and said to her, *"if you knew the gift of God, and who is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him and he would have given you living water."*

—Jn 4:10

MASS INTENTIONS

There are plenty of weekdays available for Mass Intentions for the first half of the year. The stipend is \$10.00. Stop by the Rectory Office during the week or in the back vestibule after weekend Masses to see what dates we have open.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Mary Niec, Alivia Kobal, Glenn "Joe" Hess, Gary LaBuda, Jeanette Klaehn, Amelia Rebello, Larry Kuznik, Irma Zappitelli, John Sofcheck, Gary Skelley, Virginia Softkancs, 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, 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 Bublavý, John O'Malley, Jesse Kazimer, William Woolard, Claudia Woolard, 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, Anthony Bozek, Joe Brodzinski, Suzanne Brown, Joyce Stevens, Victoria Fischer, John Gierlach, Dylan Greve, Ken Perry, Leo Hansen, Betty Hinton, Eileen Johnson, Judy Towalski, Susan Mante, Vicki Przybylski, Kristi Burkhart, Maria Giangrande, Amanda Pacanavsky, Karen Horvath, Chris Geiger, Scott, Jesse Wilson, Kathy Patterson, Jack Gibas, Christine Slaghter, Gloria Ashworth, Dan & Teri Divincenzo, Maryann Kosakowski, Ranae Walters, Cady Williams, Dave Collins, Tom Cramer and Joan Lowry.



Brother Joseph McBride
Brotherhood of Hope
Third Temporary Vows

Every week we pray for those discerning a vocation in religious life. Pray that they may continue to persevere and that others may respond to God's call.

MASS INTENTIONS AND LITURGICAL EVENTS

SAT: Mar 2nd Lenten Weekday

Mass at 4:00p.m. +Elaine Hocevar (Harriette Franko)

SUN: Mar 3rd The 3rd Sunday of Lent

Mass at 8:00a.m. +Rich & +Bill Sevic (Dan & Arlene Sevic)

Mass at 11:00a.m. People of the Parish

MON: Mar 4th Lenten Weekday

Mass at 8:30a.m. +Emmanuel Dela Cerna (Ruth Dela Cerna)

TUES: Mar 5th Lenten Weekday

Mass at 8:30a.m. +Cheryl Favino (John & Cindy Bidlencsik)

WED: Mar 6th Lenten Weekday

Mass at 8:30a.m. +Diane Bastian (Pat & Joan Berigan)

FRI: Mar 8th Lenten Weekday

Mass at 8:30a.m. +Bob Dobies (Rose Ann Carpenter)

7:00p.m. Stations of the Cross

SAT: Mar 9th Lenten Weekday

Mass at 4:00p.m. John & Irma Zappitelli, 71st Anniversary (Family)

SUN: Mar 10th The 4th Sunday in Lent

Mass at 8:00a.m. People of the Parish

Mass at 11:00a.m. Mr. & Mrs. Brandon Robinson (Jennifer, Lori, & Arie Robinson)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 (Jn 6:68c)/1 Cor 1:22-25/Jn 2:13-25 Scrutiny: Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3,4/Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9/Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 11:14-23

Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17/Mk 12:28-34

Saturday: Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab/Lk 18:9-14

Next Sunday: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 (6ab)/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21 Scrutiny: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

FIRST READING: Exodus 20:1-17

A covenant is a solemn agreement between two parties in which each promises something. The book of Exodus recounts how the Jews escaped from slavery in Egypt and made a covenant with God on Mount Sinai. The heart of that covenant is: God promises to accept the Israelites as his people. On their part, they must promise to keep God's commandments.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 1:22-25

Paul wrote to his Corinthian converts about the difficulty in preaching about a crucified savior. To Jewish people who looked for a powerful Messiah performing spectacular signs, it seemed unacceptable that the Messiah would suffer and die. To Gentiles, it seemed entirely absurd that someone who died such a humiliating death could be the savior of the world.

Sanctuary Candle Intention
February 24th—March 9th
+Ralph Rath
With Love from Your Family

REFLECTIONS BY LUKE BROWN | SACRED HEART COUNSELING

When people ask you if you need help, do you take them up on it? I have learned that we are often great at offering help to others but not so great at receiving it. Call it pride, a desire for independence, or not wanting to feel like a burden, but people will often refuse an offer for help when it could be a very good thing for them to accept. I had a personal experience of this recently when our entire family was sick, and some very good friends offered to pick up some groceries for us if we needed them. The reality was that we did need a few groceries, but instead of sending back a list of a few things we needed, I said, "Thanks! I'll let you know!" and then went to the grocery store to get what we needed. Why not take them up on the offer? I was also confronted with something I had not thought of before- we often enjoy helping others and it is good for our souls to do so. By going to the grocery store instead of taking them up on their offer, I denied them an opportunity to be charitable and compassionate! We often feel particularly good about ourselves and our faith when we have a chance to help someone! I know that I have been frustrated when someone denies me these opportunities, so why do I do the same thing? God made us for himself and for each other. Helping others is a hallmark of a good community and one selfless act often sparks another. If you have trouble receiving help from others, take a moment to reflect on why that is, as well as the good it does for us to be selfless for one another.

Holistic Catholic Counseling | sacredheartcleveland.com | 440-305-6192

— LUKE BROWN



During Lent St. Leo's is sponsoring our annual Have-a-Heart, Lend-a-Hand program. Twelve area organizations will be recipients of your generosity.

Beginning Ash Wednesday, February 14, and during Lent, baskets of hearts will be at all church entrances. Please take a heart or two and purchase the items requested for the organization listed. Or you can purchase items from the list below.

You may bring your donations to the church (bins by doors) or rectory by Friday, March 22 or to the St. Leo School cafeteria on Saturday, March 23, from 2 to 4 p.m. Please remember to attach the heart or a tag with the organization name to your donated items.

Rectory hours are Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; Saturday, noon-5; or Sunday, 9 a.m.-Noon

♥ **Birthingright**

Baby Bottles (not disposable), Baby Lotion, Crib Sheets, Diapers Size 4 or 5, Rattles/Pacifiers, Receiving Blankets, Sleepers, Newborn-12 Months

♥ **Broadview Multi-Care**

Adult Coloring Books, Board Games, Colored Pencils, Markers, Large-Piece Jigsaw Puzzles, Large-Print Word Searches, Men's/Women's Body Wash, Nail Polish-Neutral Colors, Pencil Sharpener, Pens, Pencils, Playing Cards, Seasonal Craft Kits from Dollar Tree

♥ **Holy Family Hospice**

Bleach, Body Wash, Clorox Wipes, Kleenex, Large-Print Word Search Books, Lestoil, Nail Polish, Paper Towels, Napkins, Toothpaste, Toothbrushes

♥ **Joseph House of Cleveland**

New Bath Towels, Laundry Detergent, Men's White T-Shirts (med,lg), Toilet Tissue

♥ **Malachi House**

30-Gallon Trash Bags, Gift Cards (Amazon, Gordon Food Service, Giant Eagle, Hobby Lobby, Walmart), Cans of Coke/Pepsi/Ginger Ale/Sprite, Paper Towels, Postage Stamps

♥ **MetroHealth Friends of Mothers and Infants**

Baby Board Books, Baby Wipes, Diapers-Size 1 to 5, Sleepers-Sizes 3-12 Months

♥ **Mt. Alverna**

Cans of Diet Pop, Chocolate Candy, Individual Snack Bags, e.g., Chips, Cookies, Pretzels, Large-Print Word Searches, Nail Polish, Remover, Cotton Balls, New Small Stuffed Animals, Spring Room Decorations, Sugar-Free Candy

♥ **Parma Care Center**

Adult Coloring Books, Body Wash-Men's/Women's, Cans of Diet Pepsi/Coke/Root Beer, Construction Paper, Ladies Hair Brushes, Wide-Tooth Combs, Large-Print Word Search Books, Men's After-shave, Cologne, Washable Markers and Colored Pencils

♥ **Providence House**

13-Gallon Tall Kitchen Garbage Bags, Aquaphor Baby Healing Ointment, Children's Benadryl, Zyrtec, Motrin, Canned fruits-peaches, pears, fruit cocktail, Children's New Shoes, Children's Summer Clothing-All Sizes, Gift Cards-Target, Walmart, Giant Eagle, Gas Cards, Girls Undershirts-Size 2T-7, Girls/Boys Underwear-All Sizes, Graham Crackers, Saltines,cheese crackers, Pull-Ups-All Sizes, Toys, Activities-Newborn-12 Years

♥ **St. Colman**

Refugee Center

Any Size Diapers, Bar Soap, Cleaning Products, Dish Detergent, Feminine Napkins, Laundry Detergent-Half-Gallon Size, Men's Deodorant/Shaving Lotion/Razors, Toilet Tissue-4-8-Roll Pkg., Women's Deodorant/Shampoo/Shower Gel

♥ **St. Leo/St. Vincent dePaul Outreach**

Baked Beans, Dry Beans, Canned Corn, Green Beans, Canned Fruit, Canned Pasta, Diced Tomatoes, Canned Soup, Tuna, Cereal, Oatmeal, Dish Detergent, Bar Soap, Pancake Mix/Syrup, Peanut Butter/Jelly, Rice/Noodle Side Dishes, Skillet Dinners, Spaghetti Sauce, Pasta

♥ **West Side**

Catholic Center

Bar Soap, Deodorant, Shampoo, Toothpaste/Toothbrushes



If you have any questions, please call Jeanne Sabol at 216/351-6247.

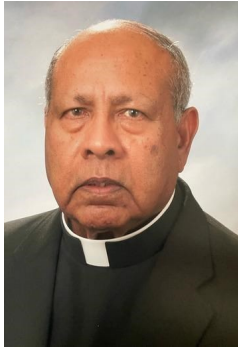
LITANY OF HUMILITY

O Jesus, meek and humble of heart, hear me. *From the desire of being esteemed, ... deliver me, O Jesus. From the desire of being loved, ... deliver me, O Jesus. From the desire of being extolled, ... deliver me, O Jesus. From the desire of being honored, ... deliver me, O Jesus. From the desire of being praised, ... deliver me, O Jesus. From the desire of being preferred to others, ... deliver me, O Jesus. From the desire of being consulted, ... deliver me, O Jesus. From the desire of being approved, ... deliver me, O Jesus. From the fear of being humiliated, ... deliver me, O Jesus. From the fear of being despised, ... deliver me, O Jesus. From the fear of suffering rebukes, ... deliver me, O Jesus. From the fear of being calumniated, ... deliver me, O Jesus. From the fear of being forgotten, ... deliver me, O Jesus. From the fear of being ridiculed, ... deliver me, O Jesus. From the fear of being wronged, ... deliver me, O Jesus. From the fear of being suspected, ... deliver me, O Jesus. That others may be loved more than I, ... Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it. That others may be esteemed more than I, ... Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it. That, in the opinion of the world, others may increase and I may decrease, ... Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it. That others may be chosen and I set aside, ... Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it. That others may be praised and I go unnoticed, ... Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it. That others may be preferred to me in everything, ... Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it. That others may become holier than I, provided that I may become as holy as I should, ... Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it.*

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners,

Well here we are into the month of March already. Beware the Ides of March (though I should really warn you about that next week...if you don't know what it means...make a visit to Google...if you don't know what that is, try an encyclopedia). As I write this, it is quite warm in my office...75 degrees. It's not that warm outside but our boiler is always pumping out heat even when our radiator fans are turned off. I often make the mistake of shutting off the boiler system & turning on the air conditioner far too early, and then we freeze when it gets cold again. But not this year. We made a note not to turn off the heat until May. In fact it's suppose to go down into the 20's again today (a big drop!) but then get warmer again. Anyway, you may be a bit warm in church in the next few weeks but you won't be cold. Either way, I hope to keep you as comfortable as possible so let me know if you need a sweater or a fan.



I'm sure many of you will remember Fr. Joseph Pednekar, whose picture is below. Father Joe passed away on February 14th, which of course was Ash Wednesday and Valentine's Day this year. He was certainly in love with the Lord and I pray he may have the reward of his goodness. Father Joe used to help us by having one Mass every weekend and would also help with weekday Mass from time to time. It's been a few years since he's been here due to his declining health but he lived close by at Jennings. May I ask you to offer a Hail Mary for him now as

you read this so that we can help him with our prayers? Here is his obituary from the Cleveland.com:

REV. JOSEPH C. PEDNEKAR, M.S.F.S. "Fr. Joe" age 93. Born in Goa, India to the late Shevanti and Sonu Pednekar. He was the second youngest of 12 siblings. He was ordained a priest on October 3, 1962. He was sent to Rome to further his studies before coming to the United States and landing in Cleveland. Bishop Isseman requested for him to serve the Diocese of Cleveland. He served at St. John Cathedral, St. Phillip Neri, St. Mary Chardon, St. Brendan and for over 30 years at St. Patrick Church (West Park). He was a member of the Missionaries of St. Francis de Sales for over 60 years. He enjoyed all sports but loved golf. You could find him walking the course every chance he got. Passed away February 14, 2024. Funeral Mass Friday, February 23, St. Patrick Church (West Park) at 11:00 AM. Most Reverend Roger Gries, Principal Celebrant. Friends may call FRIDAY 9:30-10:30 AM. at St. Patrick Church (West Park). Interment Holy Cross Cemetery. Memorial contributions are suggested to St. Patrick Church, 4427 Rocky River Dr., Cleveland, OH 44135 or Missionaries of St. Francis De Sales, Provincial House, 3887 Rosebud Rd., Atlanta, GA 30052. Arrangements by: CHAMBERS FUNERAL HOMES 216-251-6566. www.chambersfuneral.com Published by Cleveland.com from Feb. 16 to Feb. 18, 2024.

Congratulations to the parents of Charlotte Elizabeth Grubic who is being baptized this Sunday. May she grow into the love and holiness of God through her parents and godparents.

Our Fish Fry's have been going very well. Our lobster tail option is especially very popular and we had a great turn out for that last Friday. We will be offering them again on March 15th, but you do need to order that dinner in advance so please plan ahead if you want to enjoy that delicious meal. And again, feel free to join us for the Stations of the Cross afterward (7pm in the church). It's 25 minutes long and will help you to make a connection between your cross and the cross that Christ carried for us.

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 MONDAY 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 in 2024:
March 4th, and May 6th

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 continue to contribute. Here are a few ways to make contributions when unable to place directly in the offertory basket at Mass on the weekends:

- 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.



St. Leo Fish Dinners

Every Friday in Lent
February 16th to March 22nd
Serving 4:30 - 7:00 p.m.

Dinners - \$10.00 choice of:
Parmesan Crusted Tilapia
Baked Seasoned Cod
Battered Fried Fish
Breaded Shrimp
Pierogis

Includes:
Choice of baked potato or fries,
coleslaw or applesauce,
roll and butter

\$12.00 Combo Meal-add 3 pierogis

Weekly Specials - Seafood Empanadas, Salmon Patty Dinner

**Fish Sandwich or
Fish Tacos (2) - \$8.00**
sandwich or tacos
served with fries
and coleslaw

Kids Meal - \$5.00
choice of: fried fish/pizza/
mac & cheese/pierogi
with fries and drink
(age 10 & under please)

A la carte menu

Baked potato	\$2.50	French fries	\$2.50
Cheese pizza	\$2.00	Pierogies (3)	\$4.00
Mac & cheese	\$3.00	Cabbage & noodles	\$3.50
Soup of the day	\$3.00	Dessert Available	

**St. Leo the Great Church - Lux Hall
4900 Broadview Road - Cleveland**

St. Leo Lobster Dinners 2024

Lobster Dinner - Friday, March 15th
Lobster Tail - Baked Potato or Fries -
Coleslaw or Apple Sauce - Roll with Butter
Advance Ticket Sale Only - \$25.00

**Additional Lobster Tail
with purchase of Lobster Dinner - \$20.00**

**Advance Ticket Sales Only
Rectory Office
Tickets Available Until
Monday, March 11th**

**Regular Fish Dinner
Selections Available**

Everyday Stewardship

by Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

Can you recite the Ten Commandments by heart?

Several years ago a national US survey found more people could identify the ingredients in a Big Mac and name the children in the Brady Bunch television show than recite the Ten Commandments.

Of course, being able to recite them is not nearly as important as living a life in harmony with them. However, if we simply live to not break them then we are only living out half of our discipleship.

Every commandment calls us to action beyond the simplicity of its words. We are not to kill, but we are also called to support life. We are not to steal, but we are also to share what we have freely. We are to have no other Gods before our God, but we also need to actively praise and glorify Him.

To live a moral life is to do more than follow rules and laws. It is to actively live in a way that gives witness to the Good News of Jesus Christ. This way of living is stewardship. As we focus more on the penitential message of Lent, we need to not just reflect on what we have done wrong, but equally what we have failed to do. To be given so much by a loving God and not share those things with God and His people is wrong as well.

Perhaps as we reflect on these things we might find ourselves adding something to our lives that will last for many Lenten seasons to come.

End of Mass

Question: Is it ever Ok to leave Mass before it ends?

Answer: This is an interesting question because beneath the surface there seems to be an assumption that if it's okay, then why do we have to stay after we receive communion? The short answer is "no," but we definitely want to go a bit deeper as we consider why.

First, when we think about questions like this, we must consider this in adult terms. If there is something gravely important that we need to do, then we must attend to that. However, if it is a matter of convenience or preference, then we really have to stop and think again. First, while we always want to recognize the importance of sacramental communion in the Mass, we also need to understand how important the time of thanksgiving and prayer after communion is. This is summarized in the Prayer After Communion offered by the celebrant and then we are also commissioned to "Go forth" during the Dismissal of the Mass, reminding us that we have been entrusted with a gift — the Word of God and the Presence of Christ in the sacrament — and that we are to share that gift with others.

If we simply leave after we receive communion, we risk two things. First, there is the possibility that we will turn our reception of communion into a purely personal, individual experience that is separated from our common experience of worship — and communion in the fullest sense — and, second, we lose an opportunity for gratitude and serious reflection if we simply leave after communion. This time of thanksgiving, reflection, and, ultimately, missioning, are important and, in the end, an essential part of the celebration of the Mass.

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Total	\$	8,428.50	7,386.00	
Cap. Improv	\$	217.00	172.00	
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Total	\$	742.00	237.00	
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Total	\$	280.00	60.00	

February Totals

Ash Wednesday	\$ 2,265.00
Catholic University.....	\$ 10.00
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February 19th \$100 Drawing Rob Thompson

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River's Casino | Pittsburgh, PA

Wednesday, April 17, 2024

Casino Bonus: \$20 slot play, \$5 Food Credit
\$46/person

Deadline: Tuesday, March 26th

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Monday, May 13, 2024

Lunch at Hartville Kitchen (included)
\$78/person

Deadline: Tuesday, April 23rd

Seneca Niagara (overnight stay)

Thursday, June 27th

Casino Bonus: \$50 slot play, \$20 food credit
Buffet Open

Seneca Allegany

Friday, June 28th

Casino Bonus: \$25 slot play, \$5 food credit
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