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***From Fr. Jim . . .***



**Congratulations and Thanks a Million** to our Facilities Manager, Rick Collini who after thirty-five years of faithful and dedicated service to St. Leo Parish is retiring from full-time work on August 31. It is really difficult to explain the importance and good impact of Rick's work on this parish and his help to allow the parish to survive through the years and to help it grow in recent years. He knows how to make the old become new again and his skills and abilities to refresh, renew and repair have brought new life and second, third and fourth lives to many an object and building. He has worked many miracles for us on a very tight budget, scrap wood, spare parts, recycling, WD 40 and Duct Tape. His creativity and know-how makes me believe that there is nothing he cannot make or fix. Mr. "Fix IT", "The Handy Man", "Miracle Man", "Superman" (because he often wore shorts in the winter time!) and "Mr. Dependable" are adequate titles for him. But our staff prefers to call him our "Super – Super!!" His gentle heart and spirit and love for St. Leo's made him a delight to work with and needless to say we could always count on him. So, thanks a million, Rick, for everything. Enjoy your rest. You deserve it and we will always be grateful for your goodness to us. Thanks, especially for being a big part of the "Great "in St. Leo the Great. Prayers and blessings always.

**Welcome to Roger Guard** who is our new Facilities Manager. Roger begins full time work on September 4, 2018. His hours are Monday to Friday, 7:30 to 3:30. He has experience in building maintenance, supervision, and wood surface finishing. We believe Roger will fit – in very well here at St. Leo and we are grateful that he is able to start to work very soon. His work load is quite extensive and there is a lot to learn. So, also on Sept. 4, Rick Collini, our former Facilities Manager, will start working part-time. His hours are Tuesday – Thursday, 6:30 – 2:30 and Friday 7:30 – 10:30. Rick still wants to work a little bit and we are glad that we can hire him part time to help Roger. There certainly is enough work to do now that we are growing and using our facilities more and we think that the two of them will make a good team. Welcome aboard, Roger!