

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE**Saturday, February 9** – 6:00pm Mass;Mass Intention for the People of the Parish;
Readings: Hebrews 13:15-17, 20-21; Mark 6:30-34**Sunday, February 10** – 10:30am Mass;Mass Intention for Herb and Margie Gable;
Readings: Isaiah 6:1-2, 3-8; 1 Corinthians 15:1-11; Luke 5:1-11**Monday, February 11** – No Service.

Readings: Genesis 1:1-19; Mark 6:53-56

Tuesday, February 12 – No Service

Readings: Genesis 1:29-2:4; Mark 7:1-13

Wednesday, February 13 – No Service.

Readings: Genesis 2:4-9, 15-17; Mark 7:14-23

Thursday, February 14 – 7:00pm Mass;Mass Intention for Vivian Tillman
Readings: Genesis 2:18-25; Mark 7:24-30**Friday, February 15** – No Service;

Readings: Genesis 3:1-8; Mark 7:31-37

Saturday, February 16 – 6:00pm Mass;Mass Intention for the People of the Parish;
Readings: Genesis 3:9-24; Mark 8:1-10**Sunday, February 17** – 10:30am Mass;Mass Intention for Marie Antoinette & Frederick Macke;
Readings: Jeremiah 17:5-8; 1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20;
Luke 6:17, 20-26**MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS FOR FEBRUARY 10***Lectors* – Marianne, Albert*Distributors* – Mark S., Epiphanie, Hilda L., Juan B., Ivy*Servers* – Adela, Laneice, Estrella**MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS FOR FEBRUARY 17***Lectors* – Larry, Theo*Distributors* – Kate, Claudette, Berta M., Marina S., Shirley*Servers* – Angelica, Patience, Benediction**ST. LEO FOOD PANTRY****Serving Hours: Mon., Wed. and Fri. 1:00-3:30pm****Pantry Requirements:** Serving North Fairmount, English Woods, Roll Hill Apts., and Millvale once every 30 days. See website: www.saint-leo.org or call (513-921-1044) to see if your street is covered. To meet St. Leo's Acts of Mercy pantry donor guidelines, current proof of residence (Duke or telephone bill), photo ID & Social Security Cards for all members of household must be presented at each visit. **Plan ahead: Children must be supervised while at our Food Pantry.****Closed, January 21, 2019 for the Martin Luther King Holiday****ESL ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE CLASSES FREE!**
Saturdays, 10:00 – Noon**COMMUNITY PHONE NUMBERS**

North Fairmount Community Center/Referral Services:

Linda Klems: 513-921-5842, Housing: 513-921-5889

Hopple Street Neighborhood Clinic: 513-541-4500

GED Referral: Roll Hill: 513-542-8333x5

Literary Network: 513-621-7323

ANGELS' ARMS STORE, 1882 Baltimore Ave. Accepting donations of clothing, kitchen, bath and bedding. Open Mon-Wed-Fri 9-3:00 and Tues-Thurs. 10-3:00. All Items Free! Call Linda Klems at 623-9897.**VISIT US! St. Leo's website:** www.Saint-Leo.org**Facebook:** St. Leo the Great Catholic Church**St. Leo's YouTube Channel:** [StLeotheGreatParish](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC...)**YOUR GIFT TO ST. LEO IS MOST APPRECIATED!**

Collection for February 3: \$2,089.55

Thank you for generously supporting your parish!

EASY ONLINE GIVING AVAILABLE:Go to <http://saint-leo.org/DonateNow.aspx> and click on the Donate Now Button.**SHOP AT AMAZON SMILE AND SUPPORT ST. LEO:**<http://smile.amazon.com/ch/31-0538556>**SHOP AT KROGER'S AND SUPPORT ST. LEO:**<https://www.kroger.com/communityrewards> Enter St. Leo's #KC265 or search for St. Leo the Great Church.**Make a long lasting difference! Leave a Legacy by remembering St. Leo the Great Church in your Will. For more information contact Casey Betz at 513-921-1044 ext. 30.****PRAY FOR OUR PARISH PARTNERS**

In deepest gratitude for their most generous contributions of time, talent and treasure to St. Leo's, this week please keep in prayer St. Antoninus.

YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED

Please keep in your prayers all those listed in our Parish Petition/Special Prayer Books. Please call the Parish Office if you are hospitalized and wish to be visited. Hospitals no longer share that information.

VOCATION VIEW

We are called to be light in the world. Put your lamp on a stand and not under a bushel basket! Let your light shine before all to that they may see the goodness in your acts and give praise to God. Consider the priesthood or religious life.

LET US PRAY

Keep your family safe, O Lord, with unflinching care, that, relying solely on the hope of heavenly grace, they may be defended always by your protection. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER**February 10** High School Youth Meeting**February 10** Parish Council
All Youth Meeting**February 15-17** Boys Retreat**February 17** All Youth Meeting**February 18** **President's Day/Office Closed**Bulletin information is always welcome! Articles must be in the office by 10am the Monday prior to publication, provided there is still Room. Please call Casey at 921-1044X30 or email to cbetzstleo@aol.comTo receive the parish weekly bulletin by e-mail, go to www.DiscoverMass.com and search St. Leo in Cincinnati, OH. Under bulletin, click on sign-up for e-mail notification. Enter your user name and e-mail address.**Sign up to receive St. Leo's Monthly Newsletter:** call the office at 513-921-1044, email your name and address to: cbetzstleo@aol.com or sign up online at: <http://saint-leo.org/Publications/StLeoMonthlyNewsletter.aspx>

From Fr. Jim . . .

Please consider this: There is a true story about former Prime Minister Menachem Begin's visit during the Carter administration. Seated in the Oval Office of the White House, Prime Minister Begin asked President Carter about the three telephones on the president's desk. President Carter responded: one goes to Plains Georgia, so I can keep track of my brother, Billy; one is a hot line to Moscow, which gives me instant communication with the Russians and one is a direct line to God! "How much does that cost?" asked Begin. "Ten thousand dollars a month but it is worth every cent," replied the president.

Sometime later, Carter visited Israel and sat with Begin in his office. Seeing three telephones on his desk Carter asked, "Why do you have three phones?" "Well, one is a hot line to Cairo, Egypt, one is my direct line to Parliament, and one is my direct line to God!" Carter asked, "What does your direct line to God cost?" "Ten cents," Begin responded. "It's a local call!"

Would you consider your relationship with God a long distant one or a local one? Is God more of a higher power watching over you from a distance or very near to you, one with you and within your reach and grasp? When we pray, is our praying more like making a long distance call or talking to our neighbor from across the back yard fence?

We can't ever forget that our God is transcendent-always greater than ourselves and more than we can imagine, truly a God of heaven but our God is also incarnate – one with us in our very flesh, a God also of earth. God is as near to us as our very heartbeat and is as real to us as our love for our neighbor and as the Church is the Body of Christ, living its faith into action. Let us call upon the Lord always and often, especially while he is near.

Also please consider this: In Seoul, South Korea, there was a theater manager who thought the Sound of Music was too long of a movie. Therefore, he decided to reduce the running time of the film without doing damage to the plot by removing all the songs! This brings to mind this question: What is truly wrong with this picture?

Although one may be able to understand the plot without the music, arguably the plot was damaged without the songs. Since the movie was a musical, how can you have a musical without music and singing?

This sheds some light on the importance of music and song in the liturgy and why some parts of the mass need to be sung like the Gloria, Memorial Acclamation, Great Amen, Holy, Holy, Lamb of God and the Alleluia. This is also why some parts are better when they are sung like the Responsorial Psalm and the Penitential Rite and why there is the option to chant the prayers and the Eucharistic Prayer. Could this also be the reason why some church musicians want to sing all the verses to the hymns?

How about with the liturgy that is our lives and when we leave church each Sunday with the charge: "Go in peace, glorifying the Lord with your life?" Can we glorify the Lord throughout the week without singing the music of the liturgy? When during the week are we aware of God's presence raising us up or when our focus is truly on the higher things? Would bursting out an Alleluia be appropriate or does humming a Sanctus deepen the plot of our lives with God? What opportunities are we given to pray the psalms with our lives and to sing a familiar refrain? How could softly singing the Lord Have Mercy or the Lamb of God give meaning to the ongoing musical of God living with us in our very flesh and converting us to a spiritual nature? Singing with God and to God in prayer and in the prayer that is our very life makes for a really good, if not great picture!

Many, many thanks to our Food Pantry Monthly Overhead Sponsor for February Ellis Family



Confirmation Retreat: February 23



YOUTH PROGRAM

February 10, Holy Eucharist Meeting ALL

February 17, Art for All People

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS FOR 2018

If you are itemizing on your tax return and need a contribution statement for your weekly envelope donations, please call the Parish Office at 921-1044.



Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Volunteer Needed! Help keep St. Leo's church and rectory neat and tidy! 3-4 hours a week vacuuming and dusting the offices and meeting spaces, and cleaning the restrooms and kitchen. If you would like to help out, please call 513-921-1044 ext. 20.



Check out the following stations for St. Leo cancellations: WCPO-Channel 9, WXIX-Channel 19 and Facebook at StLeoTheGreatParish.

St. Leo Food Pantry will be CLOSED for inclement weather when Cincinnati Public Schools are closed.

Congratulations to Jacque Hatungimana, who made 1st Semester Second Honors at St. Xavier High School.

McCauley Convent is looking for a part-time cook (2-3 days/week) for 40-50 people; shifts vary from 6am-2:30pm to 8:30am – 5:00pm; must be willing to work some weekends. The cook prepares and cooks meals according to planned menus; monitors and replenishes servicing line; maintains a clean and sanitary environment; restocks and rotates food supplies. Starting wage is \$13.50-16/50 depending on experience. Contact Sr. Judy Gradel at 513-681-2100 or jgradel@mercysc.org.

Dear friends of the community, Cincinnati Film Society is looking for your volunteer support. CFS will be presenting a Guatemalan Film Festival that will showcase films from Guatemalans around the world at St. Leo the Great parish. We are looking for teens, 13-18 interested in making a film. For more info or to sign up please email us at Info@cincinnatifilmsociety.org

80 new openings at Great American Ballpark! General labor, no experience required starting at \$11.00 an hour. Be on time to one of the following dates: Mon. Feb 18 at 10am, Tues Feb 19 at 2:pm, Wed Feb 20 at 6pm or Thurs Feb 21 at 8am. Immediate interview & application available. Join us under the stadium at Dock 3 intersection of Broadway & Pete Rose Way.

"The Beatitudes are a roadmap for our life: they invite us to keep our hearts pure, to practice meekness and justice, to be merciful to all, to live affliction in union with God."

--Pope Francis

