# ST. LEO THE GREAT CHURCH, Cincinnati, Ohio

#### **THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE**

Saturday, August 3 – 6:00pm Mass; Mass Intention for the People of the Parish; Readings: Leviticus 25:1, 8-17; Matthew 14:1-12 Sunday, August 4 – 10:30am Mass; 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday; Mass Intention for Ilda Browning; Readings: Ecclesiastes 1:2, 2:21-23; Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11; Luke 12:13-21 Monday, August 5 – No Service. Readings: Numbers 11:4-15; Matthew 14:13-21 Tuesday, August 6 – No Service; Feast of the Transfiguration of Our Lord; Readings: Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14; 2 Peter 1:16-19; Luke 9:28-36 Wednesday, August 7 – No Service Readings: Numbers 13:1-2, 25-14:1, 26-29, 34-35; Matthew 15:21-28 Thursday, August 8 - 7:00pm Mass; Mass Intention for Rev. Francis Massarella; Readings: Numbers 20:1-13; Matthew 16:13-23 Friday, August 9 – No Service.

Readings: Deuteronomy 4:32-40; Matthew 16:24-28 Saturday, August 10 - 6:00pm Mass; Mass Intention for the People of the Parish; Readings: 2 Corinthians 9:6-10; John 12:24-26

Sunday, August 11 – 10:30am Mass; 19th Sunday; Mass Intention for Peace and Justice for All; Readings: Wisdom 18:6-9; Hebrews 11:1-2. 8-19: Luke 12:32-48

#### **MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS FOR AUGUST 4**

Lectors -

Distributors -

Servers -

**MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS FOR AUGUST 11** 

Lectors -

Distributors -

Servers -

Communion Distributors please place a hand on the shoulder or on the head of those who approach at communion who cross their arms across their chest and say, "God bless you and God be with you."

#### **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.

#### @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





## YOUR GIFT TO ST. LEO **IS MOST APPRECIATED!**

August 4, 2019

Collection for July 28: \$2,112.96

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 My Neighbors' Place.

#### 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**

Grow rich in the sight of the Lord. Pray to know God's will be open to you. Try it. The listen, look, enter.

#### LET US PRAY

Draw near to your servants, O Lord, and answer their prayers with unceasing kindness, that, for those who glory in you as their Creator and guide, you may restore what you have created and keep safe what you have restored. 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**

Youth Field Trip-Bowling Noon-2:000pm August 9

- August 11 First Communion Meeting
- August 14 Youth Final Summer Fun Day10:00-2:00pm
- August 16 First Communion Class 10:00-2:00pm

August 17 Day of Hope, Noon-4:00pm, Wayne Playfield

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.com

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# 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time – August 4, 2019

## From Fr. Jim . . .

About the Gospel: A dictionary definition of the word – greed is: "a selfish and excessive desire for more of something than is needed." The rich man who is featured in the Gospel for today fits this definition perfectly. He has such a bountiful harvest that he is not able to use it all. He has too much just for himself. So, instead of sharing it with others, he builds bigger barns to store it for himself. Foolishly, he thinks and acts like he has it made for many, many years. He will have no worries about providing for himself for years to come. The rich man doesn't consider what he would do if these material things do not last or if he should die the next day. Our possessions do not last forever and we cannot take them with us when we die.

As we live in this world, we must be careful that our desire for more does not take over or control every aspect of our lives. Although we are often tempted to put all our trust in our material possessions and our possessions can truly possess us, no thing will ever satisfy our deepest hunger. But God can and will. St, Augustine said: "Our hearts are restless until they can find rest in you."

So, we set our hearts on the higher spiritual gifts. We share our time, talent and treasure to build God's kingdom and to love others as we are loved. We trust that what we give of ourselves will produce a hundredfold and that God cannot be out done in generosity. God will continue caring for us and providing for us generously and abundantly. We can keep sharing a lot because God keeps providing for us and giving to us a lot. Such is the kingdom of God and such is living with and sharing heavenly treasures. In this way, all of us are rich in the kingdom of God.

**The Sunday Mass Collection:** In the early days of the church, the collection at Mass consisted of bread and wine brought from the people's homes to be used for the Eucharist. Also, the people shared their possessions: food, livestock, household goods. The deacons distributed these offerings to those who were most in need in the community as well as given for the material needs of the church.

Today, ritually, bread and wine are still given but usually not from people's homes and the gifts for the poor and the church are given in the form of money. Appreciating, respecting, honoring and participating in the great loving sacrifice of God's Son on the cross that we celebrate at Mass, Christians give something of ourselves that is a real sacrifice - something that we would rather hold onto and not give up. For many if not most of us today, it is money. With the collection, we bring the gift of ourselves, the work of human hands and the fruit of the vine to the altar.

The money we give at Mass certainly helps pay the bills and keeps the lights on, but it also helps the Body of Christ live as the Body of Christ by supporting the many ministries and services we can provide through the spiritual and corporal works of mercy (teaching the faith, ministering to youth, immigrants and refugees, helping the poor and the sick, preparing liturgy etc.)

With this sacrifice of ourselves, we express our trust in God and give the fruits of our work back to God for the building of the kingdom. We thank God and acknowledge that every good gift we have been given first and foremost comes from God. Thank you all for your ongoing generosity and your loving sacrifice of self that is growing our parish and making it what it is today. Thank you for being Eucharist for so many.

**Missionary Appeal:** Every year for many, many years now, Saint Leo Parish has participated in the Missionary Cooperative Appeal with the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. We are blessed to welcome missionaries each year who share about the work of their mission. This weekend, we welcome Father Matthew from Africa. Father will preach the 10:30am Mass today (Sunday) and the second collection today will support his missionary work.

## Many thanks to our St. Leo Food Pantry Monthly Overhead Sponsor for August Kind Anonymous Donor

#### Youth Program

Friday, **August 9**, Youth Field Trip, Bowling, Noon-2:00pm



Sunday, **August 11**, First Communion Meeting after Mass Wednesday, **August 14**, Youth Final Summer Fun Day, 10:00-2:00pm Friday, **August 16**, First Communion Class 10:00-2:00pm



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**Day of Hope, Saturday August 17<sup>th</sup> Noon – 4:00pm** 20+ social service agencies will be on hand to provide information. St. Leo joins with other churches and faiths and District Three of the Cincinnati Police Department in sponsoring this day. It is **at Wayne Playfield** by Mr. Gene's Doghouse on Beekman St. in South Cumminsville. There will be free food and agencies that provide services to our neighborhoods in a friendly atmosphere of faith and music. There will be things for the children also. The theme is Challenges for youth: Bullying, Suicide, Peer Pressure. There is Bus Service from the Community Center at the Villages of Roll Hill to the playground and back periodically throughout the day.

**Festival of Faiths** After a wildly successful inaugural event in 2018, the Bridges of Faith Trialogue is hosting its 2nd Festival of Faiths, a beautiful gathering of dozens of faiths where people can come together to meet, learn and appreciate their neighbors. **Sunday, September 8, from 12:30-5:00pm** at the Cintas Center on Xavier's campus. It's free to attend and we encourage everyone to come and experience this fantastic event focused on interfaith understanding, respect and compassion. For more information, go to https://www.cincifestivaloffaiths.org/.

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"Jesus invites us to experience prayer, putting us in direct communication with the Father. This is the novelty of Christian prayer! It is a dialogue between people who love one another, a dialogue based on trust."



-Pope Francis