

# St. Leo The Great Parish

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Welcome to everyone and everyone is welcome at St. Leo and especially to the Church that God is continuing to build. If you are visiting with us today, we want you to know how welcome you are. Thank you for praying with us and please feel free to join us as often as you are able.

## **PASTORAL STAFF**

Rev. James R. Schutte, Pastor

Stephanie Sepate, Business Manager, Food Pantry Administrator

Angela Anno, Pastoral Associate

Casey Betz, Development Director

Judie Kuhlman, Youth Minister

Burundi Ministry: contact Parish Office ~ Hispanic Ministry: contact Parish Office

## **MISSION STATEMENT PRAYER**

Lord, God, in your infinite wisdom and love, you are inviting us to be a welcoming Catholic community, grounded in Eucharistic prayer, celebrating our diversity, and sharing your love through ministries of serving and being present, in our urban neighborhoods, while focusing on the spiritual and corporal works of mercy.

Help us to accept your invitation to be church, and to generously live together this mission statement. Teach us your works of mercy and unite us as your people, who serve our urban neighborhoods with your presence and grace. Let your works of mercy be common, holy ways for celebrating our diversity, and for leaving the Eucharistic table, heeding your command to "Go in peace to love and serve the Lord." With those whom you entrust to our care and among ourselves, may we see you when you are hungry and thirsty, and recognize you when you are naked or a stranger, or sick or in prison, and then welcome you, feed you, clothe you and visit you. With those whom you entrust to our care and among ourselves, bless us with your works of comforting, consoling, forgiving and patiently forbearing. We ask this always through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **EUCCHARIST**

Saturday Vigil Mass in Spanish: 6:00 PM

Sunday Mass: 10:30 AM

Thursday Mass: 7:00 PM

**EXPOSITION:** First Thursday of the month

following 7:00 PM Mass until 9:00 PM

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD:** ages 4 to completion of 2<sup>nd</sup> grade/First Communion, year-round, during Liturgy of the Word at Sunday Mass.

## **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

Saturday: 5:00-5:30 PM,

or by appointment

**BAPTISMS:** Call three weeks in advance

**WEDDINGS:** Call six months in advance

**THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE**

**Saturday, November 30** – 6:00pm Mass; Mass intention for the people of the parish;

Readings: Romans 10:9-18; Matthew 4:18-22

**Sunday, December 1** – 10:30am Mass; **1st Sunday of Advent**

Mass Intention for Ilda Browning ;

Readings: Isaiah 2:1-5; Romans 13:11-14; Matthew 24:37-44

**Monday, December 2** – No Service;

Readings: Isaiah 4:2-6; Matthew 8:5-11

**Tuesday, December 3** – No Service;

Readings: Isaiah 11:1-10; Luke 10:21-24

**Wednesday, December 4** – No Service

Readings: Isaiah 25:6-10; Matthew 15:29-37

**Thursday, December 5** – **7:00pm Mass; Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament following Mass until 9:00pm**

Mass intention in gratitude and thanksgiving;

Readings: Isaiah 26:1-6; Matthew 7:21,24-27

**Friday, December 6** – No Service.

Readings: Isaiah 29:17-24; Matthew 9:27-31

**Saturday, December 7** – 6:00pm Mass;

Mass intention for the people of the parish;

Readings: Isaiah 30:19-21, 23-26; Matthew 9:35-10:1, 5, 6-8

**Sunday, December 8** – 10:30am Mass; **2nd Sunday of Advent**

Mass Intention for the Class of 1950 Living and Deceased;

Readings: Isaiah 11:1-10; Romans 15:4-9; Matthew 3:1-12

**MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS FOR DECEMBER 1**

Lectors – Mawo, Theo

Distributors – Myles, Pierre, Edgar, Marisabel, Ivy

Servers – Paul, Finn, Ebert

**MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS FOR DECEMBER 8**

Lectors – Mariane, Marceline

Distributors – Larry, Antonia, Carlos M., Eulalaia, Kate

Servers – Angelica, Jess, Seba, Ebert

*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."*



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

Collection for November 24: \$to be reported Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>

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.

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**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. Leo Food Pantry.

**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**

Stay awake! Be ready! God needs you to make known his imminent presence.

**LET US PRAY**

Grant your faithful, we pray, almighty God, the resolve to run forth to meet your Christ with righteous deeds at his coming, so that, gathered at his right hand, they may be worthy to possess the heavenly Kingdom. 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.

**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](http://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; Literary Network: 513-621-7323

Hopple Street Neighborhood Clinic: 513-541-4500

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

**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](http://www.saint-leo.org)

**Facebook:** St. Leo the Great Catholic Church

**St. Leo's YouTube Channel:** [StLeoTheGreatParish](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCStLeoTheGreatParish)



**Important Dates to Remember**

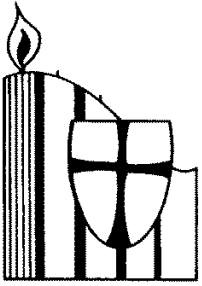
- December 5 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament following Mass until 9:00pm
- December 7 Set up for toy and clothing sale.
- December 8 Toy & Clothing Sale  
Retirement Fund for Religious Collection
- December 17 Office Closed 11:00 am

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](mailto:cbetzstleo@aol.com)

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From Fr. Jim . . .



Keeping Advent: Advent is a time of beginning and endings. It embraces the end of the world's civil calendar and the beginning of the church's sacred cycle. Nature's changes and the emergence of winter, the passing of the old year, the end of ordinary time through which we read Luke's Gospel. However, a new gospel is opened. This year we will be reading from Matthew. Each week we light another candle on the Advent wreath. "Watching" and "waiting" is balanced by "rejoice" and "fulfillment" as the community moves into winter's darkness with a clear orientation toward the light which is Jesus Christ and in whom all things can be made new.

At this time of the year, more than any other, we need to see society not as a world that is lost but as the world God refused to be lost; (not as a people condemned but a people beholding of God's dwelling place of merciful, saving, redeeming love. Advent is about longing and desire – not for material gifts – though that may be the reality for many- but longing and desire for the full realization of God's kingdom. With the first Christians, we long and wait for that day to come and we live in such a way that will build the kingdom of God on earth as we wait for the kingdom to be fully realized in heaven. We live not as a people who are lost but as a people whom God has refused to be lost. (We live not in darkness, despair and without hope but in light, forgiveness, and abundance of grace.

The official explanation of the season defines the spirit that should mark the life of each believer and of every believing community as "devout and joyful expectation." We can expect that Christ's first coming and presence has changed and challenged the darkness of sin and death and makes clear God's intention to refuse to allow the world to be lost. We can expect Christ's second coming to bring life to fullness and make the victory over sin and death complete. As believers, we wait devoutly and joyfully for signs of God's presence among us in Word and Sacrament, inviting us to become one with the reign of Christ's love. Advent asks us to wait and hope with devotion and joy as we await his return in glory. The waiting that we do has a two-fold nature: "waiting in memory of the first, humble coming of the Lord in our mortal flesh," and the waiting supplication for his final, glorious coming as Lord of History and "universal Judge." (From the Directory of Popular Piety and the Liturgy.)

**A Reflection:** What if the Season of Advent were commercialized in our stores just like the Season of Christmas? What would it look like? If the stores, radio and television stations were to sell Advent like they do Christmas, what would they sell? What special Advent songs would you hear on the radio? What special programs would air on TV? Who would you interview for Advent? What acts of devout and joyful expectation for being freed from the power of sin and death and for believing that one day you will be completely free from its power, sells you on the Season of Advent this year? How is and will God show you that you are someone who he refuses to be lost? How can we bring this Good News to others? Do participating in any of the spiritual and corporal works of mercy reveal how Christ has come, is come and will come again? Come, Lord Jesus, Come!

*"We Christians are called to safeguard and spread the joy of waiting: we await God who loves us infinitely and at the same time we are awaited by Him. In this way, life becomes a great betrothal.*

~ Pope Francis



My parish is composed of people like me. I help make it what it is. It will be friendly, if I am. It will be holy, if I am. Its pews will be filled if I help fill them. This we pray.

**WELCOME GUESTS!** If you are visiting with us today, we want you to know how welcome you are, whether you have come from another parish here in the Archdiocese, from across the river, or from further reaches. Thank you for praying with us. Feel free to join us as often as you can! REGISTER PLEASE! If you are attending St. Leo regularly and consider us "your parish," please register yourself and your family. Call the office at 513-921-1044 to register.

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

**Youth Program**  
December 22: Youth Group Advent  
January 15<sup>th</sup>: Tutoring Program 4:00-7:00pm



**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**  
Thursday, December 5<sup>th</sup>: immediately following 7:00pm mass until 9:00pm.

**St. Leo's Annual Toy and Clothing Sale**  
Mark, your calendars for December 7<sup>th</sup>! Help make Christmas Memories for those in need. Our annual Toy and Clothing Sale is Sun., Dec. 8, 2019 from 1-3:00pm in Centennial Hall.

Donations of new and gently used toys and infant clothing are needed and will be gladly accepted in the church hall on Sat., Dec., 7<sup>th</sup>, 10:00am-2:00pm. Helpers also needed and most appreciated to accept items on Sat., Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>, 10:00am until 2:00pm.

We could also use help with set-up for the sale later in the day on Sat., Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>. Perhaps you could help for an hour or so! Call Sue Prieshoff at 662-9376 for any other questions. Or maybe you could help on the day of the sale, Sun., Dec., 8. Any and all help to set-up, move product and clean-up will help make the sale more successful and easier for all involved.

Here's an opportunity for students who need service hours. Written forms can be provided for hours worked.

**NEEDED: 30 Gallon Trash Bags, 1 gallon and sandwich sized baggies** for small parts and **large rubber bands** for keeping things together. Please consider dropping off a box of 30 gal. trash bags, 1 gal. and/or sandwich baggies at the rectory before Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Thank you so much!



December 7/8 is the annual collection for the **Retirement Fund for Religious**. Your gift to the fund offers vital support for necessities, such as medications and nursing care.

**Be sure to remember St. Leo's on GIVING TUESDAY, December 3, 2019**  
at: <https://cincinnati.igivecatholic.org/organizations/st-leo-the-great-church>

Include your deceased loved one in the list of memorials on the back page of the bulletin. The cost is \$55.00 per name and all names will remain in the bulletin for one year. If interested, make your check out to Diocesan, list the name of your loved one, along with your name, address, phone # and email address and return it to the office no later than December 30, 2019.

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