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.

EUCHARIST

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

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 5:00-5:30 PM,

or by appointment

<u>BAPTISMS</u>: Call three weeks in advance <u>WEDDINGS</u>: Call six months in advance

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

ST. LEO THE GREAT CHURCH, Cincinnati, Ohio

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Saturday, August 24 - NO Mass;

Readings: Joshua 24:14-29; Matthew 19:13-15 Sunday, August 25 – 10:30am Mass; 21st Sunday;

Mass Intention for the people of the parish;

Readings: Isaiah 66:18-21, Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13; Luke 13:22-30

Monday, August 26 - No Service.

Readings: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5, 8-10; Matthew 23:13-22

Tuesday, August 27 - No Service;

Readings: 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8; Matthew 23:23-26

Wednesday, August 28 - No Service

Readings: 1 Thessalonians 2:9-13; Matthew 23:27-32

Thursday, August 29 - 7:00pm Mass;

Mass Intention for Rev. Francis Massarella; Readings: 1 Thessalonians 3:7-13; Mark 6:17-29

Friday, August 30 - No Service.

Readings: 1 Thessalonians 4:1-8; Matthew 25:1-13

Saturday, August 31 - 6:00pm Mass:

Mass Intention for the people of the parish;

Readings: 1 Thessalonians 4:9-11; Matthew 25:14-30

Sunday, September 1 - 10:30am Mass; 22nd Sunday;

Mass Intention for Students and Teachers; Readings: Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29; Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24; Luke14:1, 7-14

MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS FOR AUGUST 25

Lectors - Linda H., Albert

Distributors - Laura, Simeon, Pedro B., Elsa M., Becky

Servers - Stan, Therese, Amani B.

MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS FOR SEPTEMBER 1

Lectors - Theo, Larry

Distributors - Myles, Pierre, Edgar V., Marisabel P., Jon T.

Servers - Martin, Mawo, Patience

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. CLOSED LABOR DAY, SEPT. 2, 2019

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ESL Classes are on "Summer Vacation" Aug. 24 & 31. Classes resume Sept. 7th.

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

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Collection for August 18: \$1,653.65

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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 Gloria Dei Lutheran.

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

The Lord is calling people from the east and west and north and south as priests and deacons, sisters and brothers. Are you one of them?

LET US PRAY

O God, who cause the minds of the faithful to unite in a single purpose, grant your people to love what you command and to desire what you promise, that, amid the uncertainties of this world, our hearts may be fixed on that place where true gladness is found. 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

August 24 NO Mass

September 2 Labor Day Holiday, Office Closed

Food Pantry Closed

September 13 Parish Picnic with Our Lady of the Visitation

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 921-1044 X30 or email to cbetzstleo@aol.com

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21st Sunday in Ordinary Time - August 25, 2019

From Fr. Jim . . .



Vocations: Some time ago, our Archbishop asked all the parishes in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati to pray for vocations and he wrote a prayer that he would like all of us to say regularly and often. The following is his prayer and I invite you to pray it as you are able and pray for an increase in priestly, religious and church vocations often and always. In my opinion, the shortage is not just with priests and religious but with all church vocations - just ask

any business manager, youth minister or music director.

Almighty Father, you have created us for some definite purpose. Grant us the grace to know the path you have planned for us in this life and to respond with a generous, "Yes." Make our archdiocese, parishes, homes and hearts fruitful ground for your gift of vocations. May our young people respond to your call with courage and zeal. Stir within Your Church a strong desire and the strength for good and holy priests. Bless us with consecrated religious and those called to a chaste single life, permanent deacons, faithful husbands and wives, who are a sign of Christ's love for His Church. We commend our prayer for vocations to You, Father, through the intercession of Mary our Mother, in the Holy Spirit, through Christ our Lord. Amen.



About the Gospel: Jesus says that the way to enter the kingdom of God is narrow. However, we can find diverse people there from every race, language and nation. The door is narrow because those who can enter do so by dying to themselves and handing over their lives so that others can live. Living the faith demands self-sacrifice. In order to enter the kingdom, we must be from the kingdom. Our words and actions must proclaim the kingdom as Jesus' words and actions proclaimed the kingdom. Our words and actions tell others that

we are from the kingdom of God.

Can we be found among the poor, vulnerable, and lost? Can we offer hospitality and welcome to all that we meet? In these ways, we are from the kingdom of God and we enter through the narrow gate. Our words and actions together will never betray us. All people are welcomed not because of their lineage, race, gender, or ancestors, but because they have followed the narrow way of peace and love of Christ.

The next time someone asks, "Where are you from?" Let us be quick to respond in words and actions: the kingdom of God!



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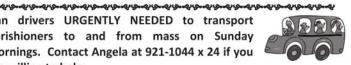
PLEASE BE WITH ME AS I PRAY TODAY, AND GIVE ME GUIDANCE TO PRAY FOR THE THINGS THAT REALLY MATTER

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



Youth Program Fall Schedule coming soon!

Van drivers URGENTLY NEEDED to transport parishioners to and from mass on Sunday mornings. Contact Angela at 921-1044 x 24 if you are willing to help.





Festival of Faiths After a wildly successful inaugural event in 2018, the Bridges of Faith Trialogue is hosting its 2nd

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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/.



Our Lady of the Visitation Parish PICNIC

St. Leo Parish is invited to attend the Our Lady of the Visitation Picnic on Friday September 13, 2019 from 5-10:00pm, at Stricker's Grove, 114990 Hamilton-Cleves

Rd., Rte. 128. Ride open at 6:00pm. Beer booth closes at 9:30pm. Bring a side dish or dessert. Hamburgers, hot dogs & beverages will be provided. For parishioners who need a ride, a bus will arrive at St. Leo's at 4:45pm, scheduled to leave St. Leo's at 5:00pm and return to St. Leo's at 9:00pm



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Local statements on immigration and other critical issues of human life and dignity can be found at the "Where We Stand" page at www.catholiccincinnati.org. Additional positions on statewide matters can be found at www.ohiocathconf.org. Go to:

http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/ministries-offices/catholic-socialaction/calendar-events/to find the sample letters to our elected officials regarding the immigration crisis in our country and gun control legislation.

"Let us ask for the grace to remember each day that we are not forgotten by God, and that we are His beloved children, unique and irreplaceable. Calling this to mind gives us the strength not to surrender before the adversities of life."



--Pope Francis



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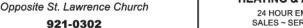
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