

May 10, 2020

From Fr. Jim . . .

We start another month of quarantine and "Stay at home." Prayer continues to be our source of hope, strength and unity.

A Prayer of Pope Francis to the Blessed Virgin Mary
O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey
as a sign of salvation and hope.

We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick.
At the foot of the Cross you participated in Jesus' pain,
with steadfast faith.

You, Salvation of the Roman People, know what we need.

We are certain that you will provide, so that,
as you did at Cana of Galilee,

joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love,
to conform ourselves to the Father's will
and to do what Jesus tells us:

He who took our sufferings upon Himself,
and bore our sorrows to bring us,

through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection.

Amen.

The following is taken from Prayer of Renewal of Our Consecration to the Blessed Virgin Mary. This was a prayer service on May 1, 2020 with Archbishop Gomez of Los Angeles on behalf of all dioceses in the United States, rededicating ourselves to the Blessed mother particularly in this time of crisis:

Most Holy Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church, you are the fairest fruit of God's redeeming love; you sing of the Father's mercy and accompany us with a mother's love. In this time of pandemic, we come to you, our sign of sure hope and comfort, your maternal care. Mary, Health of the Sick, sign of health, of healing, and of divine hope for the sick, we entrust to you all who are infected with the coronavirus.

Mary, Mother of Consolation, who console with a mother's love all who turn to you, we entrust to you all those who have lost loved ones in the pandemic. Mary, Help of Christians, who come to our rescue in every trial, we entrust to your loving protection all caregivers. Mary, Queen and Mother of Mercy, who embrace all those who call upon your help in their distress, we entrust to you all who are suffering in any way from the pandemic. Mary, Seat of Wisdom, who were so wonderfully filled with the light of truth, we entrust to you all who are working to find a cure to this pandemic. Mary, Mother of Good Counsel, who gave yourself wholeheartedly to God's plan for the renewing of all things in Christ, we entrust to you all leaders and policymakers. Accept with the benevolence of a Mother the act of consecration that we make today with confidence and help us to be your Son's instruments for the healing and salvation of our country and the world. Mary, Mother of the Church, you are enthroned as queen at your Son's right hand: we ask your intercession for the needs of our country, that every desire for good may be blessed and strengthened, that faith may be revived and nourished, hope sustained and enlightened, charity awakened and animated; guide us, we pray, along the path of holiness. Mary our Mother bring everyone under your protection and entrust everyone to your beloved Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

Many thanks to our St. Leo Food Pantry Monthly Overhead Sponsor for May: Generous Anonymous Donor

All events, classes, and meetings at St. Leo's are canceled until further notice.

Join Fr. Jim as he livestreams Sunday Mass at 10:30am at:

RCC St. Leo Church Cincinnati:

https://www.facebook.com/search/top/?q=rcc%20st%20leo%20church%20cincinnati&epa=SEARCH_BOX

You are invited to visit St. Leo Church to pray in the sanctuary, or to use the computers in Centennial Hall by appointment only.

Fr. Jim is happy to administer the Sacrament of Reconciliation by appointment only.

Please call the office, Monday through Friday, between the hours of 10:00am and 1:30pm to make your appointment.

You can **read the Sunday bulletin** at: www.saint-leo.org/Publications/StLeoSundayBulletin

You can **read Fr. Jim's letter** at: www.saint-leo.org/Publications/FromtheDeskofFrJim

You can make
your Sunday Offering at:
www.saint-leo.org/Donateno

or, you can drop off your Sunday Offering in the slot in the back door of the rectory, or you can mail

your Sunday offering to: St. Leo the Great Church 2573 St. Leo Place, Cincinnati, OH 45225.

For more information: visit our website at: www.saint-leo.org Or visit our Facebook page at: St. Leo the Great Catholic Church.

Food Pantry hours are Mon. Wed. and Fri. 1 to 3:30pm. **Parish members are encouraged to visit the pantry if needed.** Special considerations have been implemented at the Food Pantry.

- Call 921-1044 each day to be certain the pantry is open.
- You will be expected to wait outside.

Hunger Walk is going VIRTUAL this year! Support St. Leo Food Pantry by supporting the 2020 Hunger Walk

JOIN OR DONATE TO OUR TEAM at:

[fsfb.convio.net/site/TR/HungerWalk/HungerWalk2020?team_id=11540&pg=team&fr_id=1430](https://www.facebook.com/convio.net/site/TR/HungerWalk/HungerWalk2020?team_id=11540&pg=team&fr_id=1430)

or, cincinnatihungerwalk.org. Be sure to look for St. Leo Church Pantry or, make your check payable to: Freestore Foodbank Hunger Walk

Be sure to designate St. Leo Church Pantry as your recipient. Mail to: Freestore Foodbank Hunger Walk, 1141 Central Parkway, Cincinnati, OH 45202

Your support is VERY important! ALL money designated for St. Leo Food Pantry goes to our account. This is our "money in the bank."

Due to your generosity last year, we currently have a balance in our account. Our goal this year is to have enough money at the FreeStore FoodBank to last us until the 2021 Hunger Walk! With your help we can do it!

Due to the current viral outbreak, please know that...
the Ordination of Benson Lotiang'a Lokidiriyo on May 16th 2020 at 11:00am

Will take place – **viewed via video feed only.**

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Join us for a surprise DRIVE-BY CELEBRATION in St. Leo's parking lot on Sat. May 16. Drive through the parking lot **anytime between 1:00 and 2:00pm**. Honk your horns, wave, make noise, hold up posters, have the kids hold up their drawings, get creative!

