

October 18, 2020

From Fr. Jim . . .

World Mission Sunday – This weekend is World Mission Sunday. There is a special envelope in your box of envelopes for this collection and the second collection today will help support missionary activity throughout the world. The Church throughout the world needs our support. The Archdiocese of Cincinnati upon its founding in the 1800's needed the support of the greater church throughout the world and we, at St. Leo, especially understand the support and generosity of all of our brothers and sisters in Christ in order to do the Lord's work and carry-on the mission of Jesus Christ.

Through the work of lay people, religious sisters and brothers and priests, the World Mission Sunday Collection helps support, through the Society for the Propagation of the Faith: schools; hospitals, health clinics; leprosy centers; social and pastoral projects. These funds also provide operating costs for Catholic Mission Dioceses around the world. In many ways, because of the diverse nature of our parish community, we stand in strong solidarity with missionary activity throughout the world. I strongly encourage your participation in this appeal. Thank you for your generosity. May God be blessed and praised. May the Gospel be preached and lived here, throughout the United States and the entire world.

Since the obligation to attend Mass is still dispensed because of the virus, we really appreciate when you mail your envelopes to the parish or give on-line or stop by during the week to give them to us. Thanks for all the sacrifices you make to support our ministry.

A Reminder about our safety and health: As the pandemic continues and as it appears to be spiking again in Hamilton County, in order to keep gathering for liturgy we must make the necessary precautions to assure a safe and healthy environment for everyone. All the changes that we have made at St. Leo's from the very beginning are still in effect. Young children and babies are still discouraged from attending Mass. Children must always wear a mask the same as everyone else. If diapers need to be changed, please do so outside, in your car, if possible. The bathroom is to be used sparingly. The basement is still off limits. Enter church through the door with ramp and exit through the doors in front of the church. Wear masks that always cover your nose and mouth. Respect safe distancing, at least six feet. Receive communion from the side aisles and return by the center aisle. We want to avoid people having to pass each other and getting close to each other. Please follow the ushers' directions. Please continue to receive communion in your hand and not on your tongue. Only the burgundy chairs are to be used. Please do not use any other chairs like the children's chairs, the black chairs, or folding chairs. Both rooms in the back of church are off limits. The burgundy chairs are spaced at six feet. Thank you all for the extra sacrifices that you make and your cooperation to assure a safe and healthy environment for our prayer and liturgy. Let's keep praying for each other.

During the Mission Month of October, Pope Francis reminds us that, as baptized Christians, we are called personally to mission – especially at this time – to bring Christ's love to those most forgotten around the world. What will your answer be? "Here I Am, Send Me" is the response we will all endeavor to live out this

World Mission Sunday, Oct. 18, through prayer, participation in the Eucharist, and generosity to the collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. You can give online at <https://www.givecentral.org/pontificalmissionsocieties>, or mail a check made payable to "Mission Office," to 100 East Eighth Street, Cincinnati, OH 45202. Many thanks for your support!



St. Leo Church, a multi-cultural urban parish in North Fairmount, is hiring a part-time, 3-day a week, 9am-3pm, Receptionist/Office Worker. Telephone communication skills required. Knowledge of computer & light bookkeeping, accuracy, and good organization necessary. Interviews will be conducted virtually. Email resume to: stleocinti@aol.com.

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

Please call the office at 513-921-1044 if you would like a copy of St. Leo's 2019-2020 Fiscal Report.

October 25th: Su Casa Baby Item Give-Away/Flu Shots, 1-4:00pm

The Catholic faithful who reside in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati and all other Catholics in the archdiocese continue to be dispensed from the obligation of attending Sunday Mass. Those who are at risk or fearful that they or their family might become sick are encouraged to stay home and join the Church by viewing live-streamed Masses.

All events, classes, and meetings at St. Leo's are canceled until further notice. Sunday Mass: 10:30am, limited seating available, or 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
Mass Times: Wednesday-11:30am, Thursday-7:00pm, Saturday-6:00pm, Sunday-10:30 am.

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/DonateNow 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.