

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

Sr. Tracy Kemme, SC, Pastoral Associate for Adult Formation

Amy Kleeman, Development Director

Judie Kuhlman, Youth Minister

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

MISSION STATEMENT

St. Leo the Great Catholic Church is a diverse and welcoming Eucharistic Community living out our mission through liturgy, prayer, and outreach via the spiritual and corporal works of mercy.

We exist because the Lord has called us to receive and share the good news with all of God's people.

We behave as brothers and sisters in the Lord, as God's family.

It is a privilege to serve God's kingdom.

We embrace the cross in joy.

*We will succeed when we follow these strategic anchors:
grow a welcoming and diverse environment.*

become pioneers of leadership for running a diverse parish.

invest and value collaborating partners.

EUCCHARIST

Saturday Vigil Mass in Spanish: 6:00 PM

Sunday Mass: 10:30 AM

Wednesday Mass: 11:30 AM

Thursday Mass: 7:00 PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 5:00-5:30 PM,

or by appointment

BAPTISMS: Call three weeks in advance

WEDDINGS: Call six months in advance

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 2nd grade/First Communion, year-round, during Liturgy of the Word at Sunday Mass.

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses will be Lived Streamed at Facebook.com/RCC-St-Leo-Church-Cincinnati

Saturday, November 28- 6:00 pm Mass; Mass Intention for the People of the Parish; Readings: Revelation 22:1-7; Luke 21:34-36
Sunday, November 29- 10:30am Mass; 1st Sunday of Advent; Mass Intention for Robert Jones; Readings: Isaiah 63:16-17,19,64:2-7; 1 Corinthians 1:3-9; Mark 13:33-37

Monday, November 30 – No Service;
Readings: Romans 10:9-18; Matthew 4:18-22

Tuesday, December 1– No Service;
Readings: Isaiah 11:1-10; Luke 10:21-24

Wednesday, December 2– **11:30am Mass;** Mass Intention of Beth Bachman; Readings: Isaiah 25:6-10; Matthew 15:29-37

Thursday, December 3– **7:00 p.m. Mass;** Mass Intention for John DePaoli, Jr. Adoration; Readings: Isaiah 26:1-6; Matthew 7:21, 24-27

Friday, December 4– No Service;
Readings: Isaiah 29:17-24; Matthew 9:27-31

Saturday, December 5- 6:00 pm 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 6– 10:30am Mass; 2nd Sunday of Advent; Mass Intention for Guy Langenbrunner; Readings: Isaiah 40:1-5,9-11; 2 Peter 3:8-14; Mark 1:1-8

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. New rules for the protection and safety of the guests and workers will be enforced until further notice.

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE CLASSES FREE!

Canceled until further notice.

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

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VISIT US! St. Leo's website: www.saint-leo.org

Facebook: St. Leo the Great Catholic Church

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

CDC's Official Website for COVID-19 Updates:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>

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 Glad House/Tender Mercies.

You are invited to join our entire parish community to pray together virtually every day at Noon and 6:00pm.



YOUR GIFT TO ST. LEO IS MOST APPRECIATED!

Sunday Offerings for November 14 & 15: \$0- no mass collection
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>

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<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 Amy Kleeman at 513-921-1044 ext. 30.

Do you need to take a Minimum Required Distribution from your IRA? Please consider a tax-deductible gift to St. Leo's.

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

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

At the beginning of Advent, watch and wait, be attentive to the ways in which God comes into your life. Be willing to be surprised.

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.

Important Dates to Remember

Join Fr. Jim as he livestreams Sunday Mass at 10:30am at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ON7eJ2CwNMs&feature=youtu.be> OR, <https://www.facebook.com/RCC-St-Leo-Church-Cincinnati-103955481239196/>

December 6th – Toy and Clothing Drive

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 Amy at 921-1044X30 or email to akleemanstleo@aol.com

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First Sunday of Advent – November 29, 2020

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 Matthew's Gospel. However, a new gospel is opened. This year we will be reading from Mark. 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 does the season of Advent speak to pandemic sickness and racial tensions and injustices that we experience today? How can we bring the 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!

Be sure to remember St. Leo's on **GIVING TUESDAY, December 1, 2020**

at: <https://www.givecentral.org/location/1166/event/26861>

Many thanks to our St. Leo Food Pantry
Monthly Overhead Sponsor for November
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St. Leo's is in need of an 18-Volt ONE Lithium-Ion Cordless Impact Driver Kit with catteries, Charger and Bag. Two area rugs, one 9x12, and 8x10. We are also in need of Amazon Gift Cards. Please call the office at 513-921-1044 if you have questions or would like to donate these items.

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.saintleo.org/Publications/StLeoSundayBulletin

You can read Fr. Jim's letter at:

www.saint-leo.org/Publications/FromtheDeskofFrJim

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For more information: visit our website at: www.saint-leo.org

Or visit our Facebook page at: St. Leo the Great Catholic Church.

St. Leo's Annual Toy and Clothing Sale

Mark, your calendars for December 6th!

Help make Christmas Memories for those in need. Our annual Toy and Clothing Sale is **Sunday December 6th from 2:00 p.m. - 5:00pm in Centennial Hall**. Looking to help with the Toy and Clothing Drive check out our wish list on **Amazon:**



https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/28HAJQIBAM03E?ref=wl_share. Also, **donations** of new and gently used toys and infant clothing are needed and will be gladly accepted. Any items you would like to donate can be turned in at St. Leo's Parish office **December 1st - 4th from 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. or on Saturday December 5th from 10:00a.m. - noon. Volunteers are needed** and most appreciated to accept items and help with set up on **Saturday December 5th, 10:00am until noon. We could also use help on the day of the sale, Sunday December 6th, help to set-up, move product and clean-up will help make the sale more successful and easier for all involved.** If you would like to volunteer on either day please email Judie Kuhlman at judiekuhlman@gmail.com

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