



Epiphany of the LORD

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
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Angela Anno, Pastoral Associate
Sr. Tracy Kemme, SC, Pastoral Associate for Adult Formation
Amy Kleeman, Development Director
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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: Cancelled until further notice.



La Epifanía
del SEÑOR

ST. LEO THE GREAT CHURCH, Cincinnati, Ohio

January 3, 2021

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

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

Saturday, January 2- 6:00 pm Mass; Mass Intention for the People of the Parish; Readings: 1 John 2:22-28; John 1:19-28

Sunday, January 3- 10:30am Mass; Epiphany of the Lord Mass Intention for Anna, Angie, and Bill Hartmann; Readings: Isaiah 60:1-6; Ephesians 3:2-3, 5-6; Matthew 2: 1-12

Monday, January 4- No Service; Readings: 1 John 3:22-4:6; Matthew 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday, January 5- No Service; Readings: 1 John 4:7-10; Mark 6:34-44

Wednesday, January 6- 11:30 a.m. Mass; Special Intentions of Sue and Alan Prieshoff; Readings: 1 John 4:19-5:4; Mark 6:45-52

Thursday, January 7 -7:00 p.m. Mass; Special Intentions of Mary Webber Adoration following Mass; Readings: 1 John 4:19-5:4; Luke 4:14-22

Friday, January 8- No Service; Readings: 1 John 5:5-13; Luke 5:12-16

Saturday, January 9- 6:00 p.m. Mass; Mass Intention for the People of the Parish; Readings: 1 John 5:14-21; John 3:22-30

Sunday, January 10- 10:30 a.m. Mass; Mass Intention for Our LiveStream Mass Providers; Readings: Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7; Acts of the Apostles 10:34-38; Mark 1: 7-11



YOUR GIFT TO ST. LEO IS MOST APPRECIATED!

Sunday Offerings for December 19th and 20th - \$1,028.50. Thank you for generously supporting your parish!

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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 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

ST. LEO FOOD PANTRY- OPENS JANUARY 4TH

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: 513-921-5889

Housing: 513-921-5889; Literary Network: 513-621-7323

Hopple Street Neighborhood Health and Community Center: 513-517-2000

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

ANGELS' ARMS STORE, 1882 Baltimore Avenue Accepting donations of clothing, kitchen, bath and bedding. All Items Free! Call for Hours: 513-407-7902.

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 Westwood First Presbyterian Church.

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

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 Magi brought gold, frankincense, and myrrh. What gifts do you have to give? Is God calling you to be a priest, brother, or sister?

LET US PRAY

May the splendor of your majesty, O Lord, we pray, shed its light upon our hearts, that we may pass through the shadows of this world and reach the brightness of our eternal home. 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=ON7eJ2CwNM&feature=youtu.be> OR, <https://www.facebook.com/RCC-St-Leo-Church-Cincinnati-103955481239196/>

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

To receive the parish weekly bulletin by e-mail, go to www.DiscoverMass.com and search St. Leo in Cincinnati, OH. Under bulletin, click on sign-up for e-mail notification. Enter your user name and e-mail address or send your email address to akleemanstleo@aol.com

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Feast of the Epiphany – January 3, 2021

From Fr. Jim ...



This Feast celebrates another aspect of the Incarnation: Christ’s coming into the whole world as light and salvation for all. In the darkness of winter, we can celebrate that our light has come to us. The love of Christ is light for the world’s darkness. The familiar story of the three kings following the star to the manger and presenting gifts to the Christ-child signifies that the light of

God’s love shines on all people. No one is to live in darkness anymore. Where do we still need to “see” Christ in the world today? What part of our lives needs to be “illuminated” by Christ’s love? What gifts/talents do we have that we can place before our king in order to celebrate and acknowledge his presence with us through whom the light of Christ’s love will shine?

On the Feast of the Epiphany, the blessing of homes has been traditional custom in various ethnic groups, and a fine reminder that Christ is incarnate in the love and care we manifest to each other in our ordinary, daily lives. One custom is to trace crosses, the initials of the “kings” and the numerals of the year over the doorway with chalk, 20 +C+M+B +21. Legend names the kings, Casper, Melchior, and Balthazar. However, the initials were long ago reinterpreted by northern European Protestants who love the custom but not the legend. CMB became Christus mansionem benedicat. This is Latin for: “May Christ bless this House.” This prayer of blessing for a home is taken from the Book of Blessings, the Roman Ritual, p.685:

Lord God of heaven and earth, you revealed your only begotten Son to every nation by the guidance of a star. Bless this house and all who live in it. Fill them with the light of Christ, that their concern for others may reflect your love. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

Let us ask the Lord to bless the house that is our parish family! Let us ask the Lord to bless the houses that are our partner parishes and the universal church. Let us ask the Lord to bless the houses and families of all nations.



“Saint Stephen is the first martyr, the first of a host of brothers and sisters who continue to bring the light into the darkness – while he was on the receiving end of the stones of hatred, reciprocated with words of forgiveness. He thus changed history.” ~ Pope Francis

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

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

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

St. Leo's is in need of Amazon Gift Cards for our wish list items and office needs. 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.

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.

2021 Contribution Envelopes and Calendars

We have prepared the [2021 contribution envelopes](#) and calendars. Since many of you are joining mass through Live Stream, please contact the office if you would like your envelopes to be mailed. If you have not received envelopes in the past, and would like to receive them please let us know. If you would like to make your contribution online instead please contact Amy Kleeman at 513-921.1044 ext. 30.



Check out the following stations for St. Leo cancellations: WCPO-Channel 9, WKRC-Channel 12, WXIX-Channel 19.


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