

Baptism Bautismo of the Lord del Señor

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.

EUCHARIST

Saturday Vigil Mass in Spanish: 6:00 PM Sunday Mass: 10:30 AM Wednesday Mass: 11:30 AM Thursday Mass: 7:00 PM

EXPOSITION: Cancelled until further notice.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 5:00-5:30 PM, or by appointment BAPTISMS: Call three weeks in advance WEDDINGS: Call six months in advance

ST. LEO THE GREAT CHURCH, Cincinnati, Ohio

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

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

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

<u>Sunday, January 10</u>– 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

Monday, January 11– No Service; Readings: Hebrews 1:1-6; Mark 1:14-20

Tuesday, January 12 – No Service; Readings: Hebrews 2:5-12; Mark 1:21-28

Wednesday, January 13– 11:30 a.m. Mass; Special Intentions of Kathy Labmeier; Readings: Hebrews 2:14-18; Mark 1:29-39

Thursday, January 14 –7:00 p.m. Mass; Mass Intentions for Robert Jones; Readings: Hebrews 3: 7-14; Mark 1:40-45

<u>Friday, January 15-</u> No Service; Readings: Hebrews 4: 1-5, 11; Mark 2:1-12

Saturday, January 16- 6:00 p.m. Mass; Mass Intention for the People of the Parish; Readings: Hebrews 4:12-16; Mark 2:13-17

Sunday, January 17– 10:30 a.m. Mass; Mass Intention for Jim and Helen Gangloff; Readings: 1 Samuel 3:3-10,19; 1 Corinthians 6: 13-15, 17-20; John 1:35-42

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.

<u>COMMUNITY PHONE NUMBERS</u> 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

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

<u>VISIT US!</u> <u>St. Leo's website:</u> www.saint-leo.org <u>Facebook:</u> St. Leo the Great Catholic Church

<u>St. Leo's YouTube Channel</u>: 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 St. James Episcopal.

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 December 26th and 27th - \$2,741.00 Thank you for generously supporting your parish!

EASY ONLINE GIVING AVAILABLE:

Go to <u>http://saint-leo.org/DonateNow.aspx</u> and click on the Donate Now Button.

SHOP AT AMAZON SMILE AND SUPPORT ST. LEO:

http://smile.amazon.com/ch/31-0538556

SHOP AT KROGER'S AND SUPPORT ST. LEO: https://www.kroger.com/communityrewards #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

This is National Vocation Awareness Week. Revel in the gift of your baptism; pray for and with those who are called to fulfill their baptismal promises as priests, sisters, and brothers. Encourage someone you know to consider a life of service in the church.

LET US PRAY

Almighty ever-living God, who, when Christ had been baptized in the River Jordan and as the Holy Spirit descended upon him, solemnly declared him your beloved Son, grant that your children by adoption, reborn of water and the Holy Spirit, may always be well pleasing to you. 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=y outu.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

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Sign up to receive St. Leo's Monthly Newsletter: call the office at 513-921-1044, email your name and address to: akleemanstleo@aol.com or sign up online at: http://saint-leo.org/Publications/StLeoMonthlyNewsletter.aspx

Feast of the Baptism of the Lord - January 10, 2021

From Fr. Jim . . .

The Christmas story with the three Magi who traveled from the East to find the baby Jesus and pay him homage and the great message that the gift of salvation is for all people and nations, caravans of dromedaries bearing gifts going to Jerusalem, Mary and Joseph with the child Jesus fleeing into Egypt give indication that migration and immigration was a common way of life for the people in the time of Jesus. Even today's Feast of the Baptism of the Lord that officially ends the Christmas season and marks the beginning of Jesus' public ministry as an itinerate preacher, supports this theme. How many times did Jesus have to be careful passing through and preaching the Gospel in Samaria?

Yes, migration and immigration is in our Christian spiritual blood and we all accept that everyone is on a journey through this world to the next one. As we journey, we are meant to do so together, hand in hand with all of our brother and sister travelers, supporting one another. We were never meant to do this alone. We must do it together, praising God, building God's kingdom of love, mercy and peace and excluding no one along the way with our eyes constantly fixed on our eternal home of heaven. We are all strangers, no longer!

The following are wonderful prayers from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops:

Prayer for Migrant Families: Loving Father, we pray that you provide divine protection to all migrants, particularly those who are driven from their homes due to war or violence, who are uprooted due to environmental degradation and climate change, or whose material poverty pushes them to find opportunities elsewhere. Show us how we might reach out to these vulnerable populations and help them to begin a new life in a new home. Open our hearts, so that we may provide hospitality for all who come in search of refuge. Give us the courage to welcome every stranger, as Christ in our midst. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen. (2015 USCCB, Washington, D.C.)

Prayer for Migrant Children: Loving Father, in your infinite compassion, we seek your Divine protection for refugee children who are often alone and afraid. Provide solace to those who have been witnesses to violence and destruction, who have lost parents, family, friends, home, and all they cherish due to war or persecution. Comfort them in their sorrow, and bring help in their time of need. Show mercy to unaccompanied migrant children, too, Lord. Reunite them with their families and loved ones. Guide those children who are strangers in a foreign land to a place of safety and peace. Comfort them in their sorrow, and bring help in their time of need. Show us how we might reach out to those precious and vulnerable children. Open our hearts to migrant and refugee children in need, so that we might see in them your migrant Son. Give us courage to stand up in their defense against those who would do them harm. For this we pray through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen. (2009 USCCB, Washington D.C.)

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/Pulications/StLeoSundayBulletin You can **read Fr. Jim's letter** at:

www.saint-leo.org/Publications/FromtheDeskofFrJim

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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.

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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.

2021 Contribution Envelopes and Calendars

We have prepared the <u>2021 contribution envelopes</u> 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.

How will you know if God is calling you?

Come and See Virtual Discernment Retreat with the Sisters of Divine Providence on January 15-16, 2021

Meet some sisters, and, together with other discerners, we'll explore what a call to religious life feels like. We'll have sharing, reflection, and prayer and offer insights about discernment, community, and spirituality. This retreat is for single, Catholic women ages 18-50. Whether you're a serious discerner or just seriously curious about religious life, come and find out more. Email Sister Leslie Keener, CDP at <u>vocation@CDPkentucky.org</u>

"As he did in Bethlehem, so too with us, God loves to work wonders through our poverty. He placed the whole of our salvation in the manger of a stable. He is unafraid of our poverty, so let us allow his mercy to transform it completely!" ~~ Pope Francis



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