

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

Saturday, March 6- 6:00 p.m. Mass; Mass Intention For the People of the Parish; Readings: Micah 7:14-15,18-20; Luke 15:1-3,11-32

<u>Sunday, March 7</u>– 10:30 a.m. Mass Third Sunday of Lent; Mass Intention For Antoinette and Frederick Macke; Readings: Exodus 17:3-7; Romans 5: 1-2,5-8; John 4:5-42

Monday, March 8 – No Service; Readings: 2 Kings 5:1-15; Luke 4: 24-30

Tuesday, March 9– No Service; Readings: Daniel 3:25,34-43; Matthew 18:21-35

Wednesday, March 10–11:30 a.m. Mass; Special Intentions of Sepate Family; Readings: Deuteronomy 4:1,5-9; Matthew 5:17-19

Thursday, March 11–7:00 p.m. Mass; Special Intentions for Racial Harmony; Readings: Jeremiah 7: 23-28; Luke 11:14-23

<u>Friday, March 12-</u> Stations of the Cross 7:00 p.m.; Readings: Hosea 14:2-10; Mark 12:28-34

Saturday, March 13- 6:00 p.m. Mass; Mass Intentions For the People of the Parish; Readings: Hosea 6:1-6; Luke 18: 9-14

Sunday, March 14– 10:30 a.m. Mass Fourth Sunday of Lent; Mass Intention For our Dedicated Volunteers; Readings: 2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23; Ephesians 2:4-10; John 3: 14-21

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</u> 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 online class referral: CPS: 513-363-6100

<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 St. Leo's YouTube Channel: StLeotheGreatParish

<u>St. Leo's You Tube 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 Manna Food Pantry.

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 February 20th and 21st -\$2,104.50 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 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

Do we demand signs or do we hear the Lord speaking to our heart?

<u>LET US PRAY</u>

O God, author of every mercy and of all goodness, who in fasting, prayer and almsgiving have shown us a remedy for sin, look graciously on this confession of our lowliness, that we, who are bowed down by our conscience, may always be lifted up by your mercy. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, 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/

Fridays during Lent- Stations of the Cross, 7:00pm March 14th – Daylight Savings Time

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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March 7, 2021

Third Sunday of Lent- March 7, 2021

From Fr. Jim . . .



The Scrutinies: This Sunday and the next two Sundays of Lent – Third, Fourth and Fifth Sundays of Lent, the Church celebrates the Rite of Scrutiny with those who were elected to receive the Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil. We do not have catechumens at Saint Leo who have been elected to receive the Easter Sacraments at this year's Easter Vigil, but we hold them in prayer as they continue their journey

in faith to celebrate the Sacraments at next year's Easter Vigil. Normally, the Cycle A readings are used when celebrating the Scrutinies. Since we are not celebrating these rituals at St. Leo, we should be conscious of the reality that they will be celebrated in parishes with those who are elected to receive them. I offer the following explanation for reflection as they prepare to be received into the church and as we prepare to renew our baptismal promises at the Easter liturgy.

The Scrutinies are based on the Gospels of the Woman at the Well, the Man Born Blind and the Raising of Lazarus from the Dead. This week, The Elect examine or scrutinize their lives under the Gospel and Good News of the story of the Samaritan woman whom Jesus met at Jacob's well. As a crucial part of her conversion, Jesus helped the woman see the truth about herself and her need for living water as well as her need for the physical water that she was drawing from the well for herself and her family. She realized her internal thirst and her need to believe in Jesus and she leaves him and goes forth to tell others about him.

What light does this Gospel shed upon our own lives? Can we see the truth about our sinful selves? Do we need to ask Jesus to lovingly show us this side to ourselves? Can we ask for his help in accepting the truth about ourselves and then drink from the fountain of his unconditional love, grace, and abundant mercy? What changes can we make to show that we are drinking more of Living Water? Who can we tell and encourage to be drinking from the cup of Living Water? How can we share and live our faith more at home, in our parish, in the greater Church and in the world?

Let us continue to pray for each other as we journey together with the Lord through the desert, up the mountain of transfiguration, down the mountain, to the cross, into the tomb and lifted up to eternal glory.



"In this Lenten Season, accepting and living the truth revealed in Christ means, first of all, opening our hearts to God's word, which the Church passes on from generation to generation. "~~ Pope Francis

Many thanks to our St. Leo Food Pantry Monthly Overhead Sponsor for March 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

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You can read the Sunday bulletin at: www.saint-

leo.org/Pulications/StLeoSundayBulletin

You can read Fr. Jim's letter at:

www.saint-leo.org/Publications/FromtheDeskofFrJim

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One way to help with Lenten Almsgiving is to Donate!! Toddler size

(1 year, 2T, and 3T) bibs for the Sacrament of Baptism. We also are in need of gift cards to help with our everyday needs, please consider <u>Staples, Amazon, Kroger, or Home</u> <u>Depot</u> when donating. <u>Please call the office at 513-921-</u> 1044 if you have guestions or would like to donate these



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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.

Sustainability in El Salvador- Drought has become a big problem across El Salvador, making it difficult for farmers to produce enough crops to support their families. But new farming techniques- and a new generation of young farmers-are making a difference. What would you do if your livelihood was threatened? How can you support young people in your community and around the world? Visit <u>crsricebowl.org</u> to learn more!

We <u>HOPE</u> you can <u>Join Us</u> for Healing the Racial Divide, <u>on March</u> <u>14th from 2:30 p.m. – 4:00p.m.</u> We will hear from two individuals about their experience with racism. This special <u>Zoom Listening</u> <u>session</u> is hosted by the Archdiocese of Cincinnati Anti-Racism Task Force and our covenant partner parish Our Lady of the Visitation. To Register follow this link: <u>https://tinyurl.com/SL-OLV-Listening-</u> <u>Session</u>



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