



# 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

Reverend James R. Schutte, Pastor  
Reverend Rodolfo Coaquira, MCCJ, Parochial Vicar  
Jenni Lindgren, 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: Cancelled until further notice.



La Epifanía  
del SEÑOR

**This Week's Schedule**

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

**Saturday, January 1- 10:30 a.m. New Years Day Mass;** Mass Intentions For the People of the Parish; Readings: Numbers 6:22-27; Galatians 4:4-7; Luke 2:16-21

**Sunday, January 2- 10:30 a.m. Mass; Epiphany of the Lord;** Mass Intention of the Donor; Readings: Isaiah 60:1-6; Ephesians 3:2-3,5-6; Matthew 2:1-12

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

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

**Wednesday, January 5-11:30 a.m. Mass;** Mass Intention of Joe Minges; Readings: 1 John 4:11-18; Mark 6:45-52

**Thursday, January 6-7:00 p.m. Mass;** Mass Intention of the Donor; Readings: 1 John 4:19-5:4; Luke 4:14-22

**Friday, January 7-No Service;** Readings: 1 John 5:5-13; Luke 5:12-16

**Saturday, January 8- 6:00 p.m. Mass;** Mass Intentions For the People of the Parish; Readings: 1 John 5:14-21; John 3:22-30

**Sunday, January 9- 10:30 a.m. Mass; The Baptism of the Lord;** Mass Intention of Marguerite and Bernard Schutte; Readings: Isaiah 42:1-4,6-7; Acts of the Apostles 10:34-38; Luke 3:15-16,21-22

**MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS FOR JANUARY 2<sup>ND</sup>**

**Lectors** –Linda H., Theo **Distributors-** Antonia, Claudette, Abelino L. **Servers** – Anael V., Sina P.

**MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS FOR JANUARY 9<sup>TH</sup>**

**Lectors** – Jon T., Albert **Distributors-** Shirley, Carlos M., Leonel G. **Servers** – Joseph, Patience

*Please find a substitute if you are unable to fulfill your scheduled ministry assignment.*

**ST. LEO FOOD PANTRY-**

**Serving Hours: Mon., Wed. and Fri. 1:00-3:30pm**  
**PANTRY CLOSED- DECEMBER 22<sup>ND</sup> - JANUARY 3<sup>RD</sup>**

**Pantry Requirements:** Serving North Fairmount, English Woods, Roll Hill Apts., and Millvale once every 30 days. See website: [www.saint-leo.org](http://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 online class referral: CPS: 513-363-6100

**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](http://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>



**YOUR GIFT TO ST. LEO IS MOST APPRECIATED!**

Sunday Offerings for December 19<sup>th</sup> - \$1,099.50; 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>

**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. 22.**

**YOU CAN MAKE YOUR SUNDAY OFFERING AT:**

[www.saint-leo.org/DonateNow](http://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

**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 Our Lady of Lourdes.

**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**

This is National Vocation Awareness Week. Celebrate our common vocation of Baptism. Pray for those who are discerning a call to live their baptismal commitment as brothers, sisters, priests, or deacons.

**LET US PRAY**

O' God, who on this day revealed your Only Begotten Son to the nations by the guidance of a star, grant in your mercy that we, who know you already by faith, may be brought to behold the beauty of your sublime glory. 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=ON7eJ2CwNM&feature=youtu.be> OR, <https://www.facebook.com/RCC-St-Leo-Church-Cincinnati-103955481239196/>

**Food Pantry Closed- December 22<sup>nd</sup> – January 3<sup>rd</sup>**

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 921-1044X22 or email to [akleemanstleo@aol.com](mailto:akleemanstleo@aol.com).

**Sign up to receive St. Leo's Monthly Newsletter:** call the office at 513-921-1044, email your name and address to:

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# Feast of the Epiphany– January 2, 2022

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 house that is the universal church. Let us ask the Lord to bless the houses and families of all nations. Let us ask the Lord to bless the house that will become our family of parishes. Amen. Alleluia!



### CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS FOR 2021

If you are itemizing on your tax return and need a contribution statement for your weekly envelope donations, please call the Parish Office at 921-1044.



**WELCOME NEW YEAR, 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.



Many thanks to our St. Leo Food Pantry Monthly Overhead Sponsor for December Custom Electronic Design INC, and Ohio Valley Audio East



**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/Publications/StLeoSundayBulletin](http://www.saint-leo.org/Publications/StLeoSundayBulletin)

You can read **Fr. Jim's letter** at: [www.saint-leo.org/Publications/FromtheDeskofFrJim](http://www.saint-leo.org/Publications/FromtheDeskofFrJim)



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**MARCH FOR LIFE 2022- January 19<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> in Washington D.C.- SPONSORSHIP NEEDED:** This trip gives you the full March for Life experience with the march itself, the opportunity to meet with Ohio representatives and opportunities for prayer, processing and learning. We are in need of sponsors for this event, the cost of each student to go on this trip is \$325. If you are interested in sponsoring please call the office at 513.921.1044.



**The Pope Wants to Hear From You!**- The Holy Father is asking for as many of the baptized as possible to participate in the diocesan meetings to discuss ways the Church can better advance the message of salvation through the collaborative input of its members. For the Cathedral Deanery the town hall meeting will be held on Saturday January 29<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. at Saint Francis Xavier Parish in downtown Cincinnati. You can sign up to participate using the Archdiocesan website at [www.catholicaoc.org](http://www.catholicaoc.org). If you have questions please call Mike at 513.884.4916 or Rita at 513.236.9498.



**2022 Cincinnati Men's Conference-** "Actor Jim Caviezel (*Mel Gibson's The Passion of the Christ*) and Raymond Arroyo (*EWTN/ FOX News*) are coming to Cincinnati April 2, 2022 to speak at the *Cincinnati Men's Conference*. Go to [www.CincinnatiMensConference.com](http://www.CincinnatiMensConference.com) to get tickets. Give the gift of spiritual uplift this Christmas season, your men will thank you!"





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