FIFTH SUDDAY OF LENT

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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.

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, April 2– 6:00 p.m. Mass; Mass Intentions For the People of the Parish; Readings: Jeremiah 11:18-20; John 7:40-53

<u>Sunday, April 3</u>– 10:30 a.m. Mass; 5th Sunday of Lent; Mass Intention of Helen Gangloff and Will Rutenschroer; Readings: Isaiah 43:16-21; Philippians 3:8-14; John 8:1-11

Monday, April 4-No Service; Readings: Daniel 13:1-9,15-17,19-30,33-62; John 8:12-20

Tuesday, April 5 – No Service; Readings: Numbers 21:4-9; John 8:21-30

Wednesday, April 6 11:30 a.m. Mass; Mass Intention of the living and deceased members of St. Mary's Ladies Society; Readings: Daniel 3:14-20,91-92,95; John 8:31-42

Thursday, April 7 7:00 p.m. Mass; Mass Intention of Mary Barlage; Readings: Genesis 17:3-9; John 8:51-59

<u>Friday, April 8 -</u>No Service; Readings: Jeremiah 20:10-13; John 10:31-42

Saturday, April 9– 6:00 p.m. Mass; Mass Intentions For the People of the Parish; Readings: Ezekiel 37:21-28; John 10:31-42

Sunday, April 10– 10:30 a.m. Palm Sunday Mass; ; Mass Intention for Palm Sunday; Readings: Isaiah 50:4-7; Philippians 2:6-11; Luke 22:14-23:56

MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS FOR APRIL 3RD

Lectors – Larry B., Albert Distributors- Becky B., Lucia Perez, Amparo Perez Servers – Paul and Finn Ebert

MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS FOR APRIL

Lectors –Linda H., Agrippine **Distributors**- Kate M., Carlos Montejo, Elsa Mendez **Servers** – Siria Vasquez, Mileybi Deleon

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 CLOSED- April 15TH - April 18TH

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.

<u>ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE CLASSES</u> 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 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 Facebook: St. Leo the Great Catholic Church St. Leo's YouTube Channel: StLeotheGreatParish

CDC's Official Website for COVID-19 Updates:

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

A PARISH

YOUR GIFT TO ST. LEO IS MOST APPRECIATED!

Sunday Offerings for March 19th and 20th - \$2,959.50 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. 22.

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

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. John's Westminster Union 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

What am I racing after: fame, fortune, or life in Jesus? What is the prize I seek at the finish line?

LET US PRAY

By your help, we beseech you, Lord our God, may we walk eagerly in that same charity with which, out of love for the world, your Son handed himself over to death. 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/

FOOD PANTRY CLOSED- APRIL 15TH - APRIL 18TH GOOD FRIDAY SPECIAL COLLECTION – APRIL 15TH

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.

Sign up to receive St. Leo's Quarterly 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

April 3, 2022

Fifth Sunday of Lent-April 3, 2022

From Fr. Jim. . .

Lenten Reflection: We are only one week away from Holy Week. Let us continue to pray for those who will be baptized at the Easter Vigil. The Third Scrutiny is celebrated with them today. They reflect on their lives and their call to faith in light of the great Gospel of the Raising of Lazarus from the Dead. "If only you had been here, Lord, then our brother would not have died." Where would we be today, right now, without the Lord in our lives? How can we live in this world without faith? How does faith assist us on the journey through this world to the next one? Can you see your faith growing or what invitations have you received from the Lord to grow in faith in this Lenten time?

In parishes where the Rite of Scrutiny is not being celebrated, the Cycle C readings are used. The people wanted to stone a woman who they caught committing adultery. Only those who were without sin were permitted to throw stones. One by one, the accusers dropped their stones and walked away. Jesus says to the woman: "Has no one condemned you? She replied, "No one, sir." Then Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn you. Go, and from now on do not sin anymore."

Choosing not to sin anymore, doesn't mean sinners will never be tempted again. But because of the Lord's mercy and forgiveness; dying and rising; compassion and solidarity; reprieve and redemption we are always able to choose grace over sin and not fall into temptation. It is so important to continue living with the forgiveness given to us by the Lord's passion, death and resurrection and live a life of thankfulness and service to God and God's people. In this we choose to not sin anymore.

Scripture teaches us that God did not come to condemn, but to save. Jesus gives the gift of salvation to the adulterous woman. Although we believe that God will not condemn us, are we ever afraid that God will want to condemn us or change his mind? Do we feel that we must pay for our wrongdoing to get back into God's graces? Are we too hard on ourselves? Do we have trouble forgiving ourselves? Spiritually, we do not have a punishing God. We have a forgiving, saving and merciful God. Although we must suffer the consequences of breaking the laws of the land, there is no sin that is too big that God will not forgive. All that is necessary, on our part, is to receive God's mercy and be open to his love no matter how undeserving. Allow his forgiveness to change us and to move us forward away from our sinful habits and convicted more to living our faith and to the Gospel. Live in gratitude for the Lord's reprieve and his generous and abundant mercy. Celebrate God's unconditional love always.

Whether the Cycle A readings or the Cycle C readings are read today, we, who are preparing to renew our baptismal promises at Easter, journey with those who are coming into God's church and together we examine our lives in the light of the Scriptures for Lent. Whether we will be baptized soon, recently baptized or baptized for a long time, conversion is a continual and life-long process. As we learn to reject evil, grow in our relationship with the Lord, accept mercy and forgiveness, love God and neighbor with all our heart, mind and strength, we die with the Lord only to live with the Lord now and forever.

Many thanks to our St. Leo Food Pantry Monthly Overhead Sponsor for April St. James White Oak

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Mass and Healing Service- <u>On Wednesday April 6th at 7: 30 p.m.</u> come to St. Ignatius Church located at 5222 North Bend Road in Monfort Heights for mass and a healing service sponsored by Lighthouse Renewal Center call 513.471.LITE for more information.

Cincinnati Right to Life is hosting the annual <u>Hearbeats for Life 5K to</u> <u>support life in Greater Cincinnati will be held on April 9th at 8:30 a.m.</u> <u>at Lunken Field.</u> This provides an opportunity to meet like-minded individuals and support the incredible work of Cincinnati Right to Life. Please visit CincinnatiRightToLife.org to purchase tickets and find out more!

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MAKING A DIFFERENCE- Hunger impacts millions of women, men

and children around the world. Throughout Lent we have encountered communities in Guatemala, Bangladesh and Rwanda that are overcoming this problem so their members can have brighter futures.



How is your community working to address hunger or other injustices locally and globally?

www.saint-leo.org/Publications/FromtheDeskofFrJim

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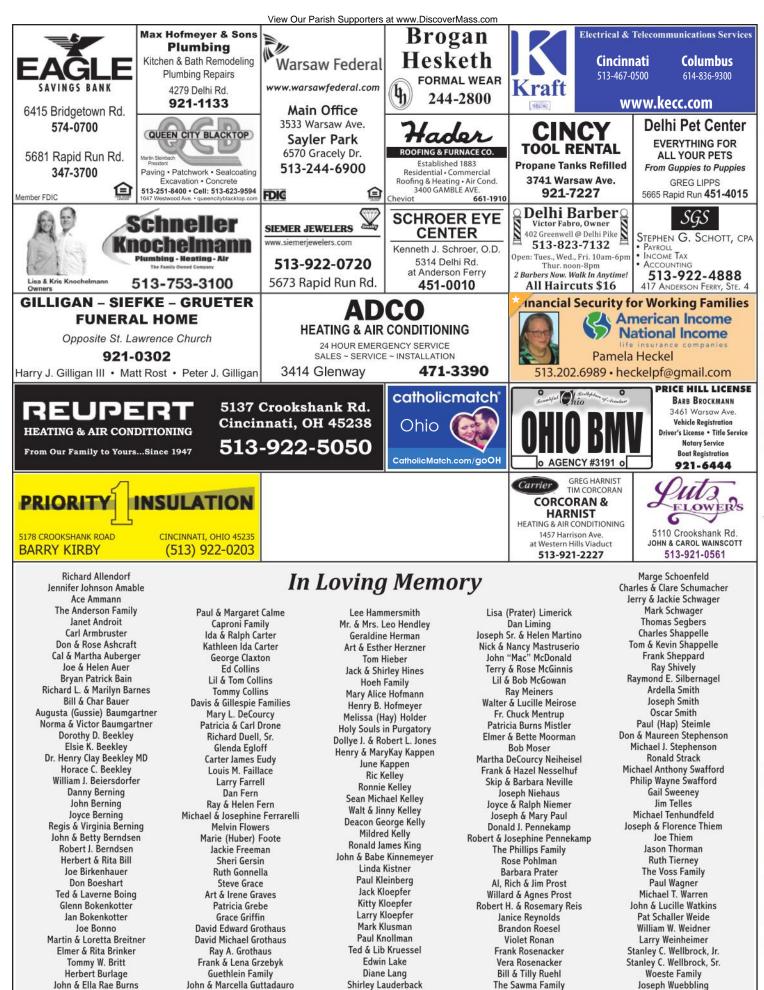
There is still to help with Lenten Almsgiving is to Donate!! Our youth is looking for plastic Easter eggs , candy to fill them, and any small trinkets! You can see our latest needs on our Amazon Wish List Link:



https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1Y6S276N39W08?ref_=wl_ share. <u>We also have a request for an electric stove.</u> <u>Please call the</u> <u>office at 513-921-1044 if you have questions or would like to</u> <u>donate these items.</u>

Any high school senior looking for a scholarship? The Archbishop Alter Scholarship Fund was established to promote African American Catholic leadership. This is a four-year renewable grant. For more information or to apply go to:

https://resources.catholicaoc.org/offices/african-american-pastoralministries the deadline is April 22, 2022.



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