

June 5, 2022
From Fr. Jim. . .

It is always right and just that we gather to celebrate the Eucharist on this the last day of the Easter Season and the birthday of the Church of God. Our family of parishes resembles the first Pentecost.

How evident are we of belonging to the Lord, of being filled with the Holy Spirit, of being sent to proclaim the Good news to all the nations, and of having different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit? Are there different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone? Are there different forms of service but the same Lord? Are we not the one body of Christ and doesn't this one body have many beautiful parts? Do we not speak in our own tongues of the mighty acts of God? Whether African, African – American, Guatemalan, Hispanic, Latino, European, European-American or American, in one Spirit, we were all baptized into one body. Whether black, white or brown, male or female, we were all given to drink of the one Spirit. Praise be to God and thanks be to God now and always!

It is incredible that I can write to you, today, just like St. Paul wrote to the Corinthian community and use his very words. How close is our celebration to the first celebration of Pentecost? But no matter how we celebrate, the message remains the same for all of us and for the entire universal church. We are blessed to be a microcosm of the universal church whenever we gather. May we discover this blessing and appreciate it more and more each time we come together in prayer and in service especially with the spiritual and corporal works of mercy. Thanks for being and living as the church of God and professing your faith so well and so generously. Let the church all say: "Amen!"

Happy Pentecost, everyone and may you be on fire with the love of God for all of God's people and God's church!

Golden Anniversary Mass- Married couples celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary in 2022 are invited to attend the Golden Anniversary Mass on Sunday August 14th at 11:00 a.m. at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Peter in Chains. Please register to attend by completing the online form at:
<https://www.centerforthenewevangelization.org/marriage-family/resources/wedding-anniversary-certificate-request>.

There will be a second special collection on June 26th for The Peter Pence Collection, to support the Universal Church and the works of the Holy see, including helping Pope Francis to carry out his charitable works. These works benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Please be generous. For more information, visit www.obolodisapietro.va/en.html.

GARDEN RENOVATION HELP– We still have a few garden beds left that need a little tender care. We are still welcoming native plants if anyone has some to divide or donate, as well as shrubs for along the back fence. We are still

looking for volunteers to help plant flowers, clean, re-structure as well as maintain the area. If this is something that interest you please send an email to akleemanstleo@aol.com

You can **read the Sunday bulletin** at: www.saint-leo.org/Publications/StLeoSundayBulletin

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

www.saint-leo.org/Publications/FromtheDeskofFrJim

Please continue your generous almsgiving by donating, you can see our latest request on our [Amazon](#) Wish List Link: https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1Y6S276N39W08?ref_=wl_share. **Please call the office at 513-921-1044 if you have questions or would like to donate these items.**

ONLY ONE MORE WEEK!! Join us for **Father Jim's Life of Service retirement mass and party. On Sunday June 12th help us celebrate at 11:00 a.m. mass at St. Boniface (no mass at St. Leo that Sunday) and a reception immediately following in the school gym and cafeteria with light bites, and drinks.** If you wish to share a picture or special memory to highlight Fr. Jim's significance in your life, please send your photo or letter to the address below to be presented to Fr. Jim at his reception to 2573 St. Leo Place Cincinnati OH 45225 or email akleemanstleo@aol.com

THANK YOU!!! HUNGER WALK 2022!! Thank you so much to everyone who participated in and/or donated to the 2022 Hunger Walk – St. Leo's Lighting the Way Team. We can still accept donations. To donate go to <https://cincinnatihungerwalk.org/2022> and look for the donate or join team button and pick St. Leo's Lighting the Way for us to get the credit.

BECOME AN EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION- Formation and training for new and veteran extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion will take place this spring, both online and in person. Some sessions will focus on ministry to the sick, hospitalized, and homebound and all sessions will prepare you to serve as an EMHC in your parish community. You can find more information and register at www.catholic.org/worship.

"True wealth does not consist simply in multiplying the things we have, but in sharing them fairly with those around us."~~ Pope Francis

