

**September 19, 2021**  
**From Fr. Jim . . .**

The Gospel tells us that some of the disciples had been discussing among themselves who was the greatest. Jesus redirects their preoccupation with who is the greatest to how can one be of service. When our lives are centered on personal gain and prestige, then our interest turns inward. Quickly we acquire a competitive spirit with a focus on how we can be better than someone else. More than competitors to be bested, the Lord wants us to see each other as brothers and sisters in Christ to be served and cared for. The virtue of humility is our grace to become true servants of the Lord.

Litany of Humility

Rafael Kardinal Merry del Val (1865-1930)

O Jesus meek and humble of heart, Hear me.  
From the desire of being esteemed, Deliver me, Jesus.  
From the desire of being loved, Deliver me, Jesus.  
From the desire of being extolled, Deliver me, Jesus.  
From the desire of being honored, Deliver me, Jesus.  
From the desire of being praised, Deliver me, Jesus.  
From the desire of being preferred to others, Deliver me Jesus.  
From the desire of being consulted, Deliver me, Jesus.  
From the desire of being approved, Deliver me, Jesus.  
From the fear of being humiliated, Deliver me, Jesus.  
From the fear of being despised, Deliver me, Jesus.  
From the fear of suffering rebukes, Deliver me, Jesus.  
From the fear of being calumniated, Deliver me, Jesus.  
From the fear of being forgotten, Deliver me, Jesus.  
From the fear of being ridiculed, Deliver me, Jesus.  
From the fear of being wronged, Deliver me, Jesus.  
From the fear of being suspected, Deliver me, Jesus.

That others may be loved more than I, Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it.  
That others may be esteemed more than I, Jesus grant me the grace to desire it.  
That in the opinion of the world, others may increase, and I may decrease,  
Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it.  
That others may be chosen and I set aside, Jesus grant me the grace to desire it.  
That others may be praised and I unnoticed, Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it.  
That others may be preferred to me in everything, Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it.  
That others may become holier than I, provided that I become as holy as I should,  
Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it.

We invite you to join our new parish Social Action Team! If you want to work together to educate, advocate, and pray for justice, this group is for you. There will be many ways to get involved, and the time commitment is flexible. Please contact Sr. Tracy at [srtracystleo@gmail.com](mailto:srtracystleo@gmail.com) if you're at all interested.

**Collection Envelopes-** If you are new to the parish or would like to receive collection envelopes please call the parish office at 513.921.1044 or sign up at the back of church on the sign-up sheet. If you already receive collection envelopes yours are automatically renewed.

**SAVE THE DATE-** The 41<sup>st</sup> Annual Pete Bushelman "Friends of CISE" Raffle will be held virtually on December 17, 2021. Proceeds provide tuition aid to low-income students attending ten Catholic inner-city, elementary schools in Cincinnati. For more information or to purchase tickets contact the CISE office at 513.263.3472.



**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)

**We are looking for one table that can fit 8 chairs each. The Food Pantry is looking for rolling luggage if you have any to donate!** We would love to receive gift cards to help with our everyday needs, please consider Staples, Amazon, Kroger, or Home Depot when donating. You can see our latest needs on our Amazon Wish List Link [https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1Y6S276N39W08?ref\\_=wl\\_share](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.**

**COMMENT ON DRAFT "FAMILIES OF PARISHES"** – Make sure your voice is heard! Beacons of Light, the archdiocese-wide pastoral planning process currently underway, will result in all parishes being grouped into "Families" under the leadership of one pastor. A draft of this plan will be shared for public comment October 1-20 at [www.BeaconsAOC.org](http://www.BeaconsAOC.org). Do not miss this opportunity to provide your input to this important initiative which will shape the future of our archdiocese.

"Today, the Lord looks at each of us personally and asks: "Who am I – in fact – for you?" This question, addressed to each of us, calls for more than a quick answer straight out of the catechism; it requires a vital, personal response. " ~~ Pope Francis