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FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
January 28, 2018



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MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKENDS

Saturday Vigil ~ 4:00PM

Sundays ~ 8:00AM, and 11:00AM

WEEKDAYS

Monday through Thursday ~ 7:30AM

Friday ~ 8:30AM

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

8:30AM and 7:00PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Individual confessions are heard on Saturday, from 2:45PM—3:30PM or anytime by appointment.

NEW TO THE PARISH? WELCOME!

New parishioners and those moving from the parish or changing address are asked to contact the Rectory office.

BAPTISMS

Parents desiring Baptism for their children are asked to contact the Parish Office to make arrangements.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Preparations and arrangements must be made at least 6 months in advance with a priest. Only then can a wedding date be confirmed.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

If you are curious about becoming Catholic or have questions about the Catholic Faith, please call the Rectory.

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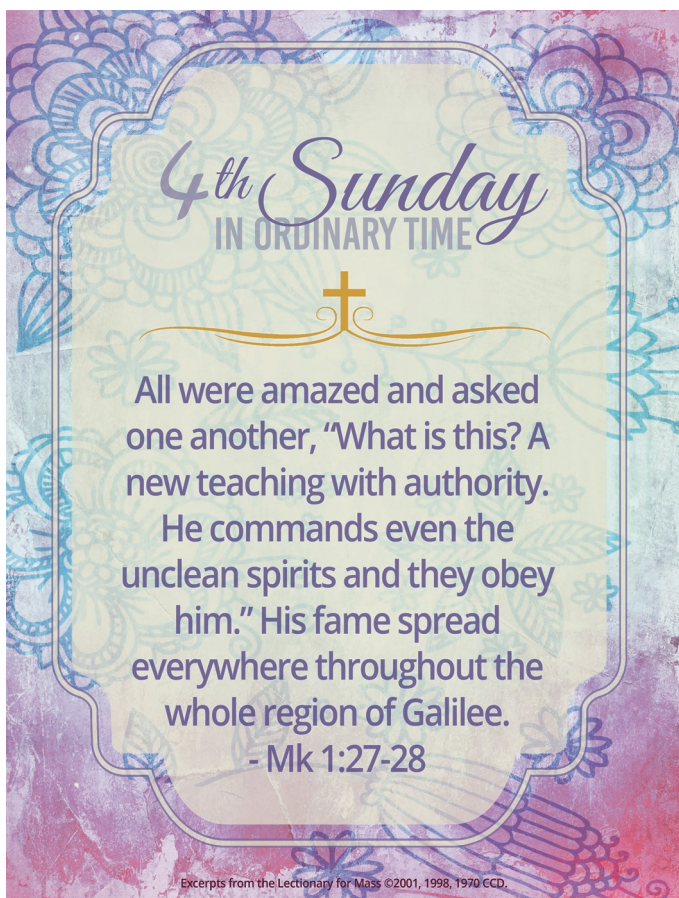
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4th Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

All were amazed and asked one another, "What is this? A new teaching with authority. He commands even the unclean spirits and they obey him." His fame spread everywhere throughout the whole region of Galilee.


- Mk 1:27-28

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LIVE THE LITURGY
INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Jesus had a way of amazing the crowds. There was something very different about not only what he taught but how he taught it. He brought an authority to what he said that gave it a credibility that was not experienced elsewhere. His words were not only prophetic but rang true to the experience of the people, especially those who were poor, marginalized, victimized, lost, or forgotten. Do Jesus' words ring true to you? The Gospel message transcends time and space and has a profound relevancy in every generation. We are asked to bring credibility to this same Gospel message by how we live our lives.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
Friday, February 2nd

 Eucharistic Adoration begins after the 8:30 a.m. Mass and ends at 5:00 p.m. You are invited to spend some time with the Lord in a quiet, prayerful atmosphere. It will bring you peace.

LATIN AMERICAN – EL SALVADOR
COLLECTION - JANUARY 27TH & 28TH



The Latin American Collection will take place on January 27-28, 2018. This is the only appeal made by the Diocesan Mission Office for the Cleveland Latin American Mission in El Salvador. It is the main support for two diocesan priests who work in the two parishes served by our Mission Office. This appeal also makes a contribution to the Collection for the Church in Latin America that is managed by the US Conference of Catholic Bishops and benefits projects and the formation of seminarians, religious and lay leaders in 23 countries across Latin America. Please be generous.

WELCOME ALL

An Evening of Confession at all Catholic Churches

SAVE THE DATE

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2018


5:00 - 8:00 PM

WWW.WELCOMECATHOLICS.COM

"Don't be afraid to go to the Sacrament of Confession, where you will meet Jesus who forgives you."

-POPE FRANCIS

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CATHOLIC CHARITIES
Diocese of Cleveland

2018 ANNUAL APPEAL

Many parishioners received letters in January, inviting their support of the Annual Appeal. Please pray for the good work of Catholic Charities and make a pledge today. Your donation makes a difference!

Your support of the 2018 Catholic Charities Annual Appeal will help us serve those individuals who are most in need and most vulnerable. From Matthew's Gospel: Whatever you did for the least of these, you did it for me. When we feed the hungry, take care of the sick, and welcome the stranger, we are also serving Jesus himself.

We appreciate your donation and will take special care to use it wisely in providing essential programs and services to people in need throughout all eight counties of the Diocese of Cleveland.

We invite you to view stories of inspiration and more information at www.catholiccommunity.org/2018Appeal

ST. LEO THE GREAT—CLEVELAND, OHIO

PLEASE REMEMBER...Sarah Geier, Edward P.



Gorczyca, Betty Jayne Glover, Bob McLaughlin, Stella Sugalski,, Theresa Pauloski, Annamae Sironen, Ann Sazpansky, Larry Kuznik, Jo Hoffman, Anna Mendoza, John Risko, Glenn “Joe” Hess, Diane Soler, Muffie Bone, Gary LaBuda, Jeanette Klaehn, Ruth Frohlich, Ron Vokac, Charles Hakain, Walter Milewski, Harriet Watson, Megan Sunyak, Dianne Holland, August Bublavy, Miriam Fontaine, Irene Smith, Dennis Badar, Dagen McCormick, William Shinko, Fran McLaughlin, Carol Rucinski & Bernice Kilcoyne.



January 29th to February 4th

Monday, January 29th:

7:30am Intentions Available

Tuesday, January 30th:

7:30am Intentions Available

Wednesday, January 31st

7:30am Intentions Available

Thursday, February 1st:

7:30am To be announced

Friday February 2nd:

8:30am Intentions Available

9:00am to 5:00pm Eucharistic Adoration

Saturday, February 3rd:

4:00pm +Patrick O’Malley (John & Patricia)

Sunday, February 4th: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am People of the Parish

11:00am +Barbara Duder (Elizabeth Gierlach)

GREAT SWEEPSTAKES WINNER!

Kate Schnegg

January 22, 2018—\$100.00 Winner



Don’t forget to sign up for our **Great Sweepstakes weekly drawing.** Forms to sign up are available at the Information Desk in the vestibule of the Church, or the Rectory Office.



WE WELCOME

Chase McCoy & Della Shadd
as they are baptized this weekend.

May the blessings you received from God guide you throughout your life!

Every week we pray for those discerning a vocation in religious life.

Michelle Blevins
Sisters of Notre Dame
Postulant



Pray that she may continue to persevere and that others may respond to God’s call.



PARISH SUPPORT

Sunday, January 21st

Basket Collection.....	\$ 6,209.60
WeShare(online).....	855.00
Total.....	\$ 7,064.60

Thank you for your continued support!

First Reading: Deuteronomy 18:15-20

The events in today’s reading take place as the Israelites are camped on the shore of the Jordan river ready to enter the Promised Land. Moses is near death and is giving final instructions. He promises that after his death, God will still be with them through another prophet. Both Jewish and Christian readers have seen this as referring to the future Messiah.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 7:32-35

In this section of the first letter to the Corinthians, Paul is responding to their question about whether it is better to remain single or become married. Paul’s belief was that when you became Christian, you shouldn’t take on a new state in life since he expected Jesus would return in glory very soon.

Readings for the Week of January 28, 2018

Sunday: Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28

Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30--19:3/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7/Mk 6:1-6

Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/1 Chr 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd/Mk 6:7-13

Friday: Mal 3:1-4/ Ps24:7, 8, 9, 10/ Heb 2:14-18/ Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

Saturday: 1Kgs 3:4-13/Ps 119:9,10,11,12, 13, 14/Mk 6:30-34

Next Sunday: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/Mk 1:29-39

Due to this active flu season remember it is up to you to decide if you wish to exchange a sign of peace. Please be respectful of the decision the people around you make.

Dear Parishioners,

This should have gone in last week's bulletin, but as I type this on Monday, January 22nd, we commemorate the sad anniversary which legalized abortion in the United States. Though the number of people opposed to abortion is on the rise, the number of unborn children who do not have the chance to experience this life is overwhelming. It is with sadness but hope that we continue to pray for an end to this culture of death.

When confronted with issues such as this where I feel so powerless, it helps to deal with another issue where there is something that can be done. As Congress continues to argue over immigration, I found an article about Immigration Reform in the latest Northeast Ohio Catholic Magazine. If you don't have one delivered to your home, let us know & we can take care of that for you (no cost to you). We also have some extra copies in our rectory office (they are published 6 times a year). Here are two short paragraphs from this article that summarized this complex issue:

"...the Catechism of the Catholic Church instructs that good government has two duties that must be carried out: to welcome the foreigner out of charity and respect for the human person and to secure one's border and enforce the law for the sake of the common good." And "Part of the problem is there are some misconceptions about crime being higher among the immigrant population. 'That simply isn't true,'...citing a study by the Washington D.C.-based Pew Research Center, a nonpartisan, nonprofit, non-advocacy think tank. The study shows that the crime rate among the immigrant population is significantly lower than that of second-generation and native-born Americans."

I wrote a letter to our Ohio Senators and our Congressional Representative which simply stated our Catholic belief about these two-fold duties of the government. I encourage you to write or email them yourself. Their addresses are found in the next column.

On January 19, Fr. Ron Bryda had the funeral Mass for Joseph Tocco whose sister Lisa is a member of the parish. Please remember them in your prayers.

Congratulations to Xian Monica Brenne Elise Jolly, a student in our parish school who was baptized last Sunday. She will be making her first Holy Communion this May. Welcome to our Church family Xian!

Today we celebrate Catholic Schools Week, beginning with an Open House from 10am until 1pm for our Preschool and Elementary Schools. Feel free to stop in and see how our children are receiving an excellent education coupled with a faith-based environment. In our 8 county diocese, there are 20 Catholic High Schools, 94 Catholic Elementary Schools and 60 Preschools which total 44,000 students, making it the largest school system in the state of Ohio. We are so blessed to be one of those parishes with a school! May our children flourish because of it.

J. Jim Schnitz

THIS WEEK AT ST. LEO'S

Monday, January 29th	
6:45 p.m. PSR Classes	School
Tuesday, January 30th	
3:00 p.m. 5th gr. boys practice	Lux
4:00 p.m. 4th gr. boys practice	Lux
5:30 p.m. 7th gr. boys practice	Lux
6:30 p.m. SVDP	Conference
7:00 p.m. 3rd gr. girls practice	Lux
7:00 p.m. Parish Council meeting	Rectory
Wednesday, January 31st	
3:00 p.m. 5th gr. Boys basketball practice	Lux
4:00 p.m. 6th gr. boys practice	Lux
5:30 p.m. 5th gr. girls practice	Lux
7:00 p.m. Choir Practice	Church
7:00 p.m. 3rd gr. boys practice	Lux
Thursday, February 1st	
1:00 p.m. Women's Knitting Group	Conference
4:00 p.m. Cohort Meeting	Great
4:00 p.m. 4th gr. boys practice	Lux
5:30 p.m. 7th gr. boys practice	Lux
7:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus	Great
7:00 p.m. 8th gr. boys practice	Lux
Friday, February 2nd	
9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration	Church
4:00 p.m. 5th gr. boys practice	Lux
5:30 p.m. 3rd gr. girls practice	Lux
7:00 p.m. 6th gr. boys practice	Lux
7:30 p.m. Recovery International	Basement
Saturday, February 3rd	
7:30 a.m. CYO Basketball Center	Lux
2:45 p.m. Confessions	Church
3:00 p.m. Grapevine	Basement
Sunday, February 4th	
11:30 a.m. CYO Basketball Site Center	Lux
7:00 p.m. Coach Robinson Adult Open Gym	Lux



Addresses for our Ohio Senators & Congressional Representative

Senator Sherrod Brown 713 Hart Senate Office Bldg. Washington, DC 20510	Rep. Marcy Kaptur 17021 Lorain Ave. Cleveland, OH 44111
Senator Rob Portman 448 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510	

2018 MASS INTENTION BOOK



The 2018 Mass Intention Book is open. We have openings during the next few weeks.

Each parishioner household may have 4 Mass Intentions (one weekend and three weekdays). The Mass stipend is \$10.00.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

ST. LEO THE GREAT SCHOOL NEWS

SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE AND REGISTRATION JANUARY 28TH—10:00AM TO 1:00PM

Please join us for our Open House
and Registration
for 2018-2019 school year!

Accepting Cleveland Scholarship, EdChoice
and Expansion Scholarships available.

Excellent Catholic education with caring
teachers!

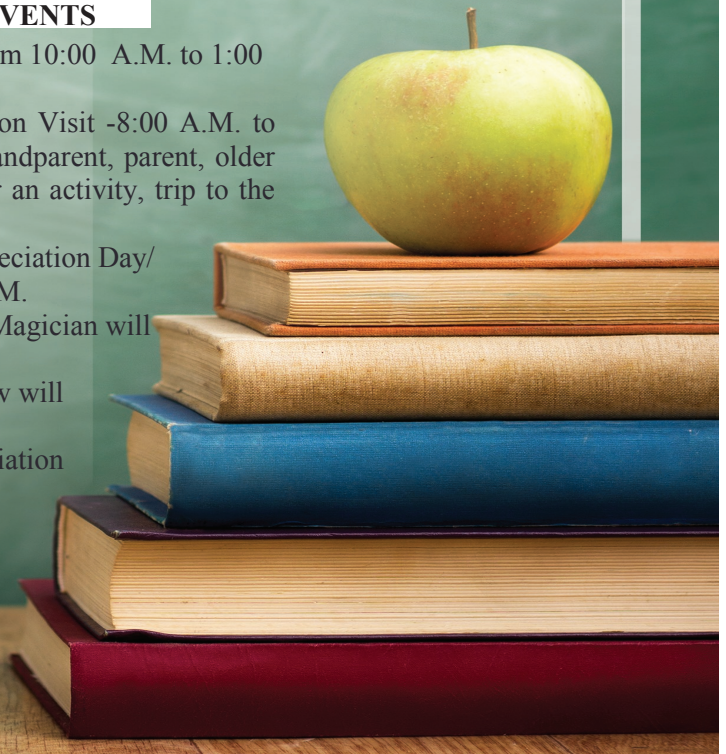
Call 216-661-2120 for questions
or a private tour.

PRESCHOOL OPEN HOUSE AND REGISTRATION

Please join us on Sunday, January 28th from
10:00am to 1:00pm for Open House and to reg-
ister for the 2018-2019 school year. St. Leo
Preschool is operated and licensed under the
Department of Education since 1985. Pre-
school focuses on skill development and
Kindergarten readiness. Children must be three
or four by September 30th and must be fully
potty trained. Registration fee of \$50.00 and
birth certificate are required to register. Our
Preschool is located in the Parish Center on the
second floor. For more information visit
www.leohegreat.org (under the school tab) or
call 216-661-5330.

THIS WEEK'S SPECIAL EVENTS

- **Sunday, January 28th**- Open House from 10:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. Book Fair will be open.
- **Monday, January 29th** - Special Person Visit -8:00 A.M. to 9:00 A.M. Each student may have a grandparent, parent, older sibling or other family member visit for an activity, trip to the Book Fair and snack
- **Tuesday, January 30th**—Teacher Appreciation Day/
Spelling Bee for Grades 5 to 8 at 1:30 P.M.
- **Wednesday, January 31st** - David the Magician will
visit at 1:30 P.M.
- **Thursday, February 1st** -The Ned Show will
present a show at 1:30 P.M.
- **Friday, February 2nd**— Student Appreciation
Eighth Grade/Staff-Adult Basketball
Game at 1:30 P.M.



SAVE THE DATE
SATURDAY,
APRIL 21, 2018

St. Leo the Great Athletics
Annual Women's Reverse Raffle

Tickets coming soon!



GIFT CARD CERTIFICATES

The Gift Card Program is an excellent way
to help support your Parish. A complete list
of gift cards is available at the rectory
office or on our website at leohegreat.org.
Gift Cards can be used for everyday purchases, gifts, or
as a simple thank you. **PLEASE STOP BY THE
OFFICE AND SUPPORT THIS PROGRAM.**

ST. LEO THE GREAT—CLEVELAND, OHIO

Blest Are They

VERSE 1



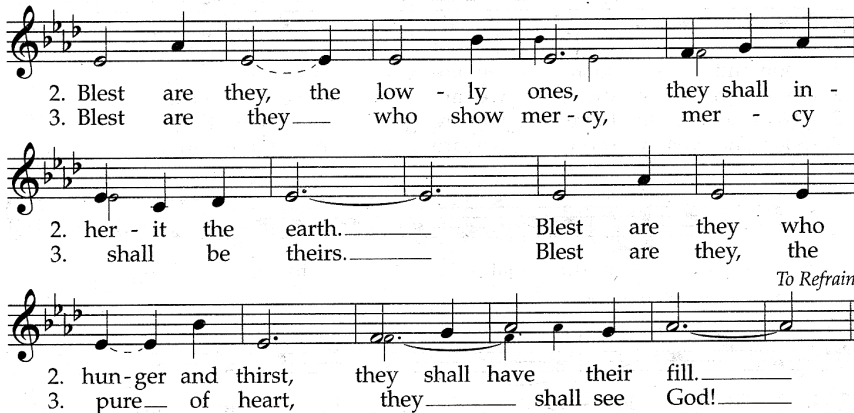
1. Blest are they, the poor in spir - it, theirs is the
 1. king - dom of God. _____ Blest are they, *To Refrain*
 1. full of sor - row, they shall be con - soled. _____

REFRAIN



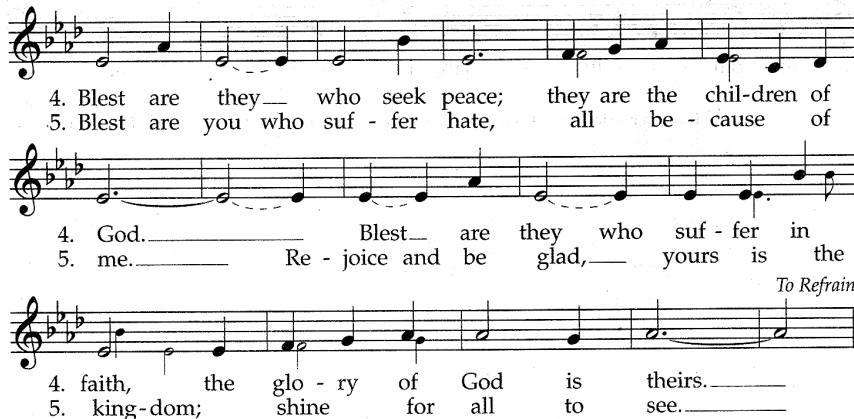
Re - joice _____ and be glad! _____ Bless - ed are you,
 ho - ly are you! Re - joice _____ and be glad! _____ *To Verses*
 Yours is the king - dom of God! _____

VERSES 2, 3



2. Blest are they, the low - ly ones, they shall in -
 3. Blest are they _____ who show mer - cy, mer - cy
 2. her - it the earth. _____ Blest are they who
 3. shall be theirs. _____ Blest are they, the
To Refrain
 2. hun - ger and thirst, they shall have their fill. _____
 3. pure _____ of heart, they _____ shall see God! _____

VERSES 4, 5



4. Blest are they _____ who seek peace; they are the chil - dren of
 5. Blest are you who suf - fer hate, all be - cause of
 4. God. _____ Blest _____ are they who suf - fer in
 5. me. _____ Re - joice and be glad, _____ yours is the
To Refrain
 4. faith, the glo - ry of God is theirs. _____
 5. king - dom; shine for all to see. _____

Mt 5:3-12

David Haas
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ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



To be sure your Charitable donations are being used the way you intended them to be, please consider donating to your St. Vincent DePaul Outreach Organization throughout the year. We are a volunteer organization that provides assistance to the needy in our area, whether it is due to job layoffs, illness or other misfortune. No questions are asked about religious affiliation, and all your inquires are confidential.

The Organization prides itself on the fact that ALL donations go directly back to the people we serve. There is NO overhead, No administration cost, and ALL services are volunteered, so contributors can be assured their donations are being put to the best use.

Remember that people need help all year around, not just the holidays. Of course, there is always a sharp increase in the need for our services at this time of year, and it gets worse as the weather gets colder. Our Poor Boxes are located at the entrances of the church for your donations. You can also put your donation in an envelope and mark it "St. Vincent de Paul". We thank you for your continued support.

ONLINE GIVING IS HERE!



Online Giving is now available here at St. Leo the Great. Look for this icon on our website (www.leothegreat.org) to sign up. If you have any questions or need help, call the parish office at 216-661-1006.



2017 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

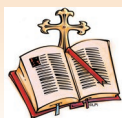
To receive a copy of your 2017 contribution statement please e-mail us at mlhauck@leothegreat.org, stop at the information desk in the vestibule of the church after Mass, or call the Rectory Office at 216-661-1006. Please indicate how you would like to receive your statement, eg. pick up in back of church, office, or mailed.



FISH DINNER

The fish dinners will be returning this year. Every Friday in Lent (except Good Friday), fish dinners will be served in Lux Hall between 4:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Take out will be available as well. Look for the menu and special features in the next few weeks. If anyone is interested in volunteering, (setting up, preparing the food, serving the food, washing dishes, and cleaning up), please call the rectory or send an email to nzola@leothegreat.org. If you can spare some time one or more of those Fridays, it would be appreciated.

LECTURE SERIES CONTINUES...



Last September, our parish offered a series of lectures by Lavinia Theodoli Spirito, a dynamic speaker who has a Master's degree in theology from the Augustine Institute in Denver, CO. Her talks are on CD's which are distributed by Catholic Way Bible Study (www.cwbs.org). Because of the length of some of the topics the History of the Church and Saints Like Us were deferred until Lent.

Starting on February 20th, and continuing for five Tuesdays during Lent, we will offer the opportunity for anyone who wishes to learn about these topics to attend. Each session will be approximately an hour and a half, beginning at 1:00pm in the Parish Center. We will include notes on the talks, some time for prayer and discussion. Please join us for these topics:

February 20th—History of the Church, Part 1 of 3

February 27th—History of the Church, Part 2 of 3

March 6th—History of the Church, Part 3 of 3

March 13th—Saints Like Us, Part 1 of 2

March 20th—Saints Like Us, Part 2 of 2

While these are parts of two topics, you may attend any one without having been at others. There will be handouts available, with notes of each week's talk. If you have questions, please call Chris Rath at 216-741-1536.

BUS TRIP

HOLLYWOOD CASINO, COLUMBUS, OH

Thursday, February 15th—\$30 p/p

Report: 8:30am - Depart: 9:00am

Arrive at Casino: 11:45am

Casino Bonus: \$5 free slot play & \$5 food
(subject to change)

Depart: 5:15pm with rest stop enroute—on own

Arrive: 8:00pm back at St. Leo's

All passengers must have a driver's license,
or a state ID with them

Contact Joanne Todd at 440-526-3505 for more
information or to book your trip.

ALL ARE WELCOME!



CLUSTER CORNER

MARY QUEEN OF PEACE...Next LEAF , Listening, Encouraging, and Affirming Families of the Incarcerated) will be held Wed. January 24th at 7:00pm in the Marian Lounge.

CHARLES BORROMEIO...Ladies Guild DAY OF RECOLLECTION Monday, February 19th 8:00am to 3:30pm with Fr. Lou Thomas. RSVP Norma Kross (256-324-2219) or Pamela Bennett (440-888-1469).

ST. THOMAS MORE...why believe? Explore: ALPHA RUNS HERE in Utopia Hall on Tuesdays, Jan.16th to March 27th 6:00 to 8:00pm—Come and see. Open Conversation, New Friendship, Free Food