



ST. LEO THE GREAT
PARISH & SCHOOL

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August 21, 2022



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MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKENDS

Saturday Vigil ~ 4:00PM

Sundays ~ 8:00AM and 11:00AM

WEEKDAYS

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday ~ 8:30AM

Thursday - Communion Service ~ 8:30AM

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

8:30AM and 7:00PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Individual confessions can be heard Saturdays from 3pm-3:30pm, Sundays from 10am-10:30am, or anytime by request or appointment.

NEW TO THE PARISH? WELCOME!

New parishioners and those moving from the parish or changing addresses 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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August 21, 2022 – 21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

COME ONE -- COME ALL!

to the
**ST. LEO THE GREAT
PARISH PICNIC**

**SUNDAY
AUGUST 21st**
12:00 Noon to 2:00 p.m.
(rain or shine!)



Serving Hamburgers & Hot Dogs
Please bring a side dish/dessert to share
Pop and water available

FESTIVAL NEWS
EARLY BIRD DRAWING



Don't forget to get your raffle ticket stubs in. **The next Early Bird Drawing will be September 4th!** (All ticket stubs will be entered in the main drawing on October 22nd, 2022) If you haven't picked up your tickets from the main vestibule of the church, now is the time to do so. (Tickets for parishioners who live in the 44109, 44131, 44134, and 44144 zip codes are in the main vestibule. Parishioners outside of those zip codes can pick up their tickets at the rectory.)

Get your ticket stubs in and don't miss out on the next Early Bird Drawing!

SENIORS

Just a reminder that we will be meeting on **Wednesday 8-24-2022 at 11:00am**. Lunch at 12:00pm. This being our second meeting of the month, it's **GAME DAY !!!** Remember to bring your nickles or dimes and have some fun!!!



Parish Support

SUNDAY, AUGUST 7, 2022

Sunday Envelopes \$7,068.00

WeShare \$2,540.00

Total \$9,608.00

JULY MONTHLY TOTALS

Capital Improvements \$1,854.00

Saint Vincent de Paul \$ 826.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROCITY!

Our **Great Sweepstakes** are *still* going on! Be sure to get your tickets in for a weekly chance to WIN \$100.00! Last Drawing will be our Super Drawing on November 10 for a chance at \$1,000.00!



The Great Sweepstakes

August 15th, 2022

RONALD KOLLAR

UPCOMING BUS TRIPS

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING
in Amish Country

Monday November 14th

\$80 per person

Lunch at Dutch Valley Restaurant included

Shop/Browse: Smucker's

Coblentz Chocolates

Schrock Heritage Villages

Tis the Season-receive and ornament

Walnut Creek Cheese

Breitenbach Winery-sample on own

Reservation deadline: Friday, September 30



LAS VEGAS LIVE! CHRISTMAS REVIEW

Columbiana, Ohio

Sunday, November 20th

\$140 per person

Dinner show -Included

An electrifying Las Vegas style Christmas show performance of Christmas songs, along with top hits of some of the most legendary Las Vegas singers.

A holiday show reminiscent of the Christmas television specials of days gone by.

Firestone Park Christmas Lights

Reservation Deadline: Friday September 23



Contact Sandy Diaddario
216-926-3123

ST. BARTHOLOMEW

“
ONCE YOU
BEGIN TO
BELIEVE
THERE IS HELP
'OUT THERE,'
YOU WILL
KNOW IT TO
BE TRUE.
”



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR
PRAYERS

Mary Niec, Alivia Kobal, Taylor Corbett, Glenn “Joe” Hess, Gary LaBuda, Jeanette Klaehn, Amelia Rebello, Irma Zappitelli, Dianne Toronski, Anthony Arlia, Don Donelon, Larry Kuznik, John Sofcheck, Ireneo (Ernie) Santiago, Rob Blum, Sally Herman, Gary Skelley, Lee Rinaldi, Joe Lorkowski, Millie Ancin, Virginia Soflkancs, Evelyn Bastian, Mary Lou Neuendorf, Joseph Bublavy, Ana Mendoza, Marianne Kucinski-Powers, Denise Warnock, Edith Lysyj, John Geiger, Rosie Colucci, Buzzy Miano, Judy Bruzshinsky, Carol Broze, Greg Wasacz, Stan Wasacz, Joe Barr, Mary Ann & Doug Kiesel, Marcia Bailey, Jim Tisch, MaryLou Durfee, Chris Grdosic, Fr. Vesely, Kathy Svoboda, Fr. Thomas C. Gilles, Matt Pauloski, Kelley, Tootie, Cecilla (CiCi) Choromanski and Megan Arena

Marie A. Stankiewicz



March 10, 1924-August 11, 2022
Interment

Brooklyn Hts. Cemetery Mapleside Lot 742G1

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace:
where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
where there is sadness, joy. O divine Master,
grant that I may not so much seek
to be consoled as to console,
to be understood as to understand,
to be loved as to love.
For it is in giving that we receive,
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal
life



MASSt
INTENTIONS

- Monday August 22nd —21st Sunday in Ordinary Time**
8:30am +Anne Palazzo (Goddaughter)
- Tuesday August 23rd—Weekday**
8:30am +Virginia Rescina (Family)
- Wednesday August 24th—St. Bartholomew, Apostle**
8:30am +Margaret & Chuck Ehlinger (Art Ehlinger)
- Thursday August 25th— Weekday**
8:30am Communion Service
- Friday August 26th —Weekday**
8:30am +Caitlin Soucek Kacher (Family)
- Saturday August 27th—Saint Monica**
4:00pm +Lou Dudor (Family)
- Sunday August 28th— 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**
8:00am People of the Parish
11:00am +William E. Rebello (Lynda & Mike Millard)

First Reading: Isaiah 66:18-21

When the Jews returned from exile in Babylon, they found their beloved Jerusalem in shambles. In today’s passage, the prophet looks ahead to better days when people from foreign lands will flock to Jerusalem as the city God built.

Second Reading: Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13

The letter to the Hebrews was written to the people who had become discouraged and were losing faith. Today the author quotes a text from the Old Testament book of Proverbs, and finds in it encouraging words.

Readings for the week August 21st, 2022

- Sunday: Is 66:18-21/Ps 117:1, 2/Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30
- Monday: 2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 4-5/Mt 23:13-22
- Tuesday: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13/Mt 23:23-26
- Wednesday: Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18/Jn 1:45-51
- Thursday: 1 Cor 1:1-9/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 24:42-51
- Friday: 1 Cor 1:17-25/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11/Mt 25:1-13
- Saturday: 1 Cor 1:26-31/Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 25:14-30

Sanctuary Candle Intention

August 14th—August 28

Happy 70th Birthday
Rick & Vickie Rock



YOU ARE DEEPLY LOVED

ST. LEO THE GREAT - CLEVELAND, OHIO

ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE



Gospel Meditation | August 21, 2022 | 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

The serious disciple knows the necessity and value of discipline. Thinking of discipline as something punitive in nature, we underscore its place in our spiritual lives. Discipline is really about a radical trust in God and his guidance. "When you are conducted by a guide who takes you through an unknown country at night across fields where there are no tracks, by his own skill, asking no advice from anyone, giving no inkling of his plans, what choice do you have but to give yourself completely to his guidance? If you are convinced that he is a good guide, you must have faith in him and abandon yourself to his care (Jean-Pierre de Caussade)."

If someone wants to be physically fit, they readily find a competent trainer who sets them on a rigorous schedule. Determined to reach their goals, they sacrifice personal pleasure and trust in his guidance. Why should it be any different with God? In order to remain true to the way Jesus places before us, we have to listen, learn, and be willing to change. Falling in love with God and maintaining that relationship requires an investment of time, energy, and hard work. Putting personal preferences aside in pursuit of the Gospel and giving proper attention to our spiritual lives is challenging work. At first, "all discipline seems a cause not for joy but for pain, yet later it brings the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who are trained by it (Hebrews)."

"What God does is essentially good. It does not need to be reformed or controlled...If you would live according to the Gospels, give yourself completely and simply to the action of God (Jean-Pierre de Caussade)." Submission to the holy will of God is not a submission to a set of pre-ordained set of circumstances. Rather, it is an abandonment and trust in God's creative, life-giving, and salvific power. God brings light out of darkness and life out of death. Nurturing this bond of trust and seeking God in all things creates an intimate and particular relationship and bond between our Creator and us. When He comes, there will be no issue with us recognizing Him or Him recognizing us. We will have met before.

PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY

11 DAYS: MARCH 20 - 30, 2023

VISITING: VENICE ● PADUA ● FLORENCE ● ASSISI ● ROME



Hosted by
FR. JAMES P. SCHMITZ

\$3479 FROM CLEVELAND*

*Air/land tour price is \$2959 plus \$520 gov't taxes/
airline surcharges

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DON'T MISS OUT! SIGN UP TODAY!



St. Leo The Great Church

Gym
4940 Broadview Road
Cleveland, OH 44109

Sunday, September 18, 2022
7:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

To schedule your appointment, go to RedCrossBlood.org or use the Donor App and enter sponsor code: StLeo. Walk-ins are also welcomed.



Scan to be directed to RedCrossBlood.org



Scan to schedule an appointment

21st Sunday

IN ORDINARY TIME



Jesus passed through towns and villages, teaching as he went and making his way to Jerusalem. Someone asked him, "Lord, will only a few people be saved?" He answered them, "Strive to enter through the narrow gate for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough."

- Lk 13:22-24

ST. LEO THE GREAT- CLEVELAND, OHIO



Dear Parishioners,

Marie Stankiewicz was a member of our parish and also a member of the St. Leo Seniors Group, so we were happy to have some of them attend her funeral Mass on Monday, August 15th. It was “coincidental” (or in my mind, providential), that she whose favorite day of the year was the feast of the Assumption of Mary, should have had her funeral celebrated on that very day. Marie grew up in Little Italy & so attended the feast there every year. We prayed that Mary, assumed into heaven body & soul, would pray for Marie so that she too may enjoy someday the bodily resurrection. I remembered & prayed for Marie while attending the feast last Sunday. Marie, known affectionately as “Mimi” to her many grandchildren & great-grandchildren, was devoted not only to the Blessed Virgin Mary but also to S. Francis. May their intercession help win for her the crown of eternal life.

Thank you for your feedback on the more comfortable temperature in the church after we raised the thermostat since some felt it was too cold in the church when the air conditioning was on. I do listen to and appreciate your feedback. It seems that we have hit a comfortable setting so continue to let me know if it's too cold or too hot for you, whether in summer or winter.

In our chapel area, above the altar, you will see a beautiful icon of the “Mystical Supper” which was bought by parishioner Allen Morinec when we were in the Holy Land. I bought the exact same one only smaller for myself. It compliments the icon of the Holy Family which is placed on the bottom of that same altar. The pilgrims to the Holy Land will be having a Mass in that chapel area on Tuesday, September 6th at 6pm, and then will enjoy something to eat in the rectory as we continue to share memories & pictures from our trip. Thanks to Allen for his generous gift to the parish which will be appreciated especially by those who gather in that space for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on the First Friday of every month. A reminder that pictures from our trip can be seen on our website at leothegreat.org.

We will keep adding more fliers or brochures to the tables in the church for the trip to Italy in March of 2023. I wanted to add this note about travel insurance from Nawas International Travel, the company who is organizing that trip for us: “NAWAS strongly encourages all guests to purchase a Travel Protection Plan which should, at minimum, cover Trip Cancellation or Interruption, Medical Expense, Emergency Evacuation/Repatriation, and Baggage. If anyone is interested in purchasing a travel protection plan through AON Affinity, you will need to do so within 14 days after we process your deposit and registration in order to be covered for preexisting conditions or to have the opportunity to purchase a Cancel for Any Reason upgrade. AON Affinity is now web-based which means you can review the policy coverage and purchase the Travel Protection Plan online at: <https://aontravelprotection.com/brand/NAWCT>. Should anyone have any questions, please contact AON directly at 800-509-6056.

I look forward to joining you for the Parish Picnic which will be this weekend, Sunday, August 21st, from Noon to 2pm in the shrine area of the property (weather-permitting) or in Lux Hall if it is raining. It is always good to enjoy the company of fellow parishioners, especially those you may not see or know if they attend a different weekend Mass. Thanks in advance to all those who have helped to prepare for this gathering.

Fr. James Schmitz

BEREAVEMENT SHARING GROUP

Have you recently lost a loved one—a spouse, sibling, a parent, other relative or a close friend? Join the St. Leo the Great Bereavement Sharing Group. We are a group who have a common bond—the loss of someone close to us. All are welcome to come and share with us the first Wednesday of every month at 2:00 PM in the Parish Center. We meet for about an hour and share our feelings and memories of our loved ones. **The next meeting dates will be September 7, October 5, and November 2, 2022.** Feel free to join us—no reservations needed.

If you have any questions, contact Joan Berigan at 216-661-1006 or by email: jberigan@leothegreat.org.



Do your loved ones know what your wishes are for your funeral Mass? Have you thought about the readings you'd like to have at your funeral Mass? If so, contact

Joan Berigan at the rectory (216-661-1006) or email her at jberigan@leothegreat.org for help in pre-planning your funeral Mass.

HOW YOU CAN CONTINUE TO SUPPORT US WITH YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS

We are grateful that so many of you have continued to contribute. Here are a few ways to help you with your contributions:

- 1) Mail your contribution envelope(s) to us, either for the week or the month. (St. Leo the Great, 4940 Broadview Rd., Cleveland, OH 44019)
- 2) Drop your contribution envelope(s) in the mail slot of the rectory office door.



- 3) Online Giving is available here at St. Leo the Great. Look for this icon on our website www.leothegreat.org to sign up. It's incredibly easy and you have many options: weekly, monthly or one-time contributions, the ability to use a checking/savings account direct withdrawal (you just need your account and routing numbers) or you can use a debit or credit card (Visa, MasterCard, American Express or Discover). It is simple and secure.

If you have any questions or need help, call the parish office at 216-661-1006 and we will gladly assist you.

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

“Chancing the Narrow Gate”

From doctors to counselors, anthropologists to schoolteachers, it seems like everyone has their own parenting style to peddle, guaranteeing it will result in a happy and well-adjusted kid.

You’ve got “gentle parenting,” predicated on respect for the child’s feelings and needs. You’ve got “attachment parenting,” based on the belief that kids need time to adjust to being outside of the womb. You’ve got “free-range parenting,” where self-sufficiency reigns supreme.

But of all the parenting approaches I’ve come across, I’ve never encountered a philosophy that rejects discipline altogether. There are lots of conflicting opinions on how best to administer that discipline, but I’ve never heard any parent or parenting “expert” worth their salt say that a mother or father should completely ignore misbehavior that threatens the well-being of the child himself.

Discipline is in our human DNA. Consider for a moment what the world would look like if it came to be filled with people who had never been taught to reflect on their life challenges. People who bristled at the suggestion of personal growth.

And yet we become this way with God. Even the most “devout” among us shy away from occasions of divine constructive criticism. We avoid confession and forego daily examinations of conscience. We keep things superficial in our prayer life, avoiding depth of heart and real intimacy with God, afraid of what He will speak to us.

But when we do this, we rob ourselves of an opportunity to rely on God’s fatherly strength, to rest in His mercy, to fill ourselves up with His goodness. We’re putting up our hands, saying: “No thanks, Father, I’m good. You can keep your discipline. You can keep your grace.”

When we do this, we are making a beeline for the “narrow gate,” sure of our own strength and ability to pass through it. All I can say is this, proceed at your own peril. Are you so sure of yourself?

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



Question:

How can I practice gratitude in my everyday life?

Answer: God has given each of us many blessings. Fostering an “attitude of gratitude” might be easier than you think. Simple, concrete practices can help us to be more thankful more often.

Incorporate it into your dinner with your spouse, or as you tuck the kids into bed at night. “What are three things you’re thankful for today?” Make a habit of writing one note a week to someone special in your life, thanking them for how they’ve impacted you. This is also a good practice in the workplace. Consider opening your weekly meetings with a quick round of gratitude sharing. “I’m grateful John helped me with that last-minute change to my presentation last week. I wouldn’t have finished it in time for the meeting without him.” Another way is to designate a few minutes to thank God. This could be the first bit of your daily prayer time or after you receive communion on Sundays. You can also integrate it into your daily routine. How about while brushing your teeth? There’s probably nothing so important it can’t wait two minutes. Brush your teeth, quiet your mind, and thank God from your heart for His blessings throughout the day. Get creative! Any moment is an opportunity to praise and thank God.

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



James Parisi
Saint Hilary, Fairlawn
II Theology, Saint Mary

Pray that James may continue to persevere & that others may respond to God’s call.

Kid's Corner

PUZZLE

PRAYER
Dear God, help me to do all that I can to grow closer to you.

Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

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| JESUS | NARROW | DOOR |
| TAUGHT | LOCKS | FEAST |
| SAVED | KNOCK | KINGDOM |

J U E S W A O N I H W
 A K N O C K Y S O J E
 R I U A L F E A S T M
 H N E T N A U V G A H
 T G P L A I T E H U T
 W D O O R N S D A G N
 I O V L R A L G E H S
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 O B J E S U S E S A V

Hail Mary, *FULL of GRACE* the Lord is with Thee. **BLESSED** art Thou among **WOMEN** and **BLESSED** is the **Fruit of Thy womb, JESUS**. Holy Mary, *Mother of GOD*, Pray for us Sinners—now, and at the hour of our death. **Amen.**

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**St. Leo the Great School
Now Enrolling
For the 2022-2023 School Year**



Cleveland Scholarships Available!
Call 216-661-2120, visit www.leothegreat.org
or please contact our Principal, Mrs. Burns, at
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St. Vincent De Paul

Our BACK to SCHOOL Drive is currently going on. Just put your cash or check in an envelope, mark it **“Back to School Drive”** and drop it in the collection basket at weekend mass or at the Rectory Office.

We Thank you!



*Welcome
to St. Leo the
Great School*

**Join us for our
dogs and suds
orientation!
New families/students
invited to attend!**

Thursday, August 25th
6:00 P.M. in the
Cafeteria

Welcome
THANK YOU FOR JOINING US
GLPI

Have you moved into the area recently, or have you joined us for Mass? We would love to have you as a registered member of our parish family. Please stop by at the rectory office, visit us at leothegreat.org or call the Rectory Office at 216-661-1006 for more information!