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MISSION STATEMENT PRAYER

Lord, God, in your infinite wisdom and love, you are inviting us to be a welcoming Catholic community, grounded in Eucharistic prayer, celebrating our diversity, and sharing your love through ministries of serving and being present, in our urban neighborhoods, while focusing on the spiritual and corporal works of mercy.

Help us to accept your invitation to be church, and to generously live together this mission statement. Teach us your works of mercy and unite us as your people, who serve our urban neighborhoods with your presence and grace. Let your works of mercy be common, holy ways for celebrating our diversity, and for leaving the Eucharistic table, heeding your command to "Go in peace to love and serve the Lord." With those whom you entrust to our care and among ourselves, may we see you when you are hungry and thirsty, and recognize you when you are naked or a stranger, or sick or in prison, and then welcome you, feed you, clothe you and visit you. With those whom you entrust to our care and among ourselves, bless us with your works of comforting, consoling, forgiving and patiently forbearing. We ask this always through Christ our Lord. Amen.

EUCCHARIST

Saturday Vigil Mass in Spanish: 6:00 PM

Sunday Mass: 10:30 AM

Thursday Mass: 7:00 PM

EXPOSITION: First Thursday of the month
following 7:00 PM Mass until 9:00 PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 5:00-5:30 PM,

or by appointment

BAPTISMS: Call three weeks in advance

WEDDINGS: Call six months in advance

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Saturday, February 10 – 6:00 pm Mass in Spanish
 Mass Intention for the People of the Parish
 Readings: 1 Kings 12:26-32, 13:33-34; Mark 8:1-10
Sunday, February 11– 10:30am, Mass Intention for Paul Zloba,
 Readings: Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46; 1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1;
 Mark 1:40-45

Monday, February 12 – No Service
 Readings: James 1:1-11; Mark 8:11-13

Tuesday, February 13 – No Service.
 Readings: James 1:12-18; Mark 8:14-21

Wednesday, February 14, Ash Wednesday Mass at 7:00pm,
 Readings: Joel 2:12-18; 2 Corinthians 5:20-6:2;
 Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday, February 15 – 7:00pm Mass,
 Mass Intentions for Frederick & Marie Antoinette Macke;
 Readings: Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Luke 9:22-25

Friday, February 16 –No Service
 Readings: Isaiah 58:1-9; Matthew 9:14-15

Saturday, February 17 – 6:00 pm Mass in Spanish
 Mass Intention for the People of the Parish
 Readings: Isaiah 58:9-14; Luke 5:27-32

Sunday, February 18 – 10:30am Mass, **1st Sunday of Lent**
 Mass Intention for Anna Mae Bruser; Readings: Genesis 9:8-15,
 1 Peter 3:18-22; Mark 1:12-15

MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS FOR FEBRUARY 11

Lectors – Laurence, Agrippine
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 **ESL ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE CLASSES FREE!**
 Thursdays, 9:30am – 12:30pm.
 Saturdays, 10:00, 10:00 - Noon

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 cancellations:WCPO-Channel 9, WXIX-Channel 19

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St. Leo's YouTube Channel: StLeoTheGreatParish



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 Leo's NPO #28680 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 Casey Betz at 513-921-1044 ext. 30.**

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
 BLOC Ministries.

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

The Lord has a plan for each one of us; we have the ability to say yes
 or no. Don't be afraid to say yes if the Lord is calling you to
 priesthood or religious life.

LET US PRAY

O God, who founded all the commands of your sacred Law upon
 love of you and of our neighbor, grant that, by keeping your
 precepts, we may merit to attain eternal life. Through our Lord Jesus
 Christ, Amen.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

- February 11** Youth Group
- February 14** Ash Wednesday Mass at 7:00pm
 Collection to aid the Church in Central &
 Eastern Europe or the Church in Africa
- February 18** Religious Education
 Server's Club
- February 27** The Light Is On For You, 7-9:00pm

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 Casey at 921-1044X30 or email to
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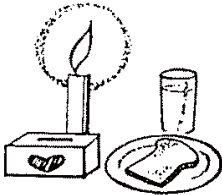
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time – February 11, 2018

From Fr. Jim . . .



Lent is coming. This Wednesday, February 14 is Ash Wednesday. With the markings of an ashen cross on our foreheads and the words, "Turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel," the holy season of Lent begins. Please join us for the celebration of the Eucharist with reception of ashes at 7pm.

PRAY
FAST
SHARE



Lent is a time for renewal and conversion. The Scripture for Ash Wednesday reminds us that traditionally it is through prayer, fasting and almsgiving or acts of charity

that renewal and conversion can happen. With this in mind, Catholic Christians usually ask themselves this question, "What will I do for Lent this year specifically through acts of charity, prayer and fasting that will allow me to live my faith more fully and closer in union with God's life, love and grace? This happens individually and communally.

TOGETHER - 
LET US PRAY ...

Lent is also a time to journey with the Elect – those who have not been baptized and who are seeking baptism at

the Easter Vigil. It is a time to journey with those who have been baptized in other Christian faiths and who want full communion with the Catholic faith through the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist. At St. Leo, our Lenten prayer especially includes these two groups of people from our partner parishes. Our Book of Intentions includes names from these parishes: St. Ignatius, St. John, Westchester, Corpus Christi, Cincinnati, St. Savior, St. Joseph, Strongsville, St. John the Baptist, Harrison and Our Lady of the Visitation. Please hold these people in your personal Lenten prayer, also. This year, St. Leo is very blessed to be welcoming a family into the Church with the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation at our Easter Vigil. If you remember, since the Fall, we have been offering classes in English for anyone who needs the Sacraments of Initiation. Their catechists inform me that this family will be ready to receive these Sacraments at the Easter Vigil. Also, there is a group of about 34 people from St. Leo who have been baptized Catholic but have not received the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation. They are receiving instructions now in Spanish. They will complete their initiation into the church at our Sunday Eucharist on the Sunday after Easter. So this Lent, we will journey together with those from our partner parishes and from St. Leo who are taking their final steps to be initiated or complete their initiation into the Faith. During this special time to get closer to God, let us hold each other in prayer.

Please check this bulletin for additional prayer times during Lent and suggestions for fasting and almsgiving. Whatever we choose to do during this holy season, may we grow closer to the Lord and to each other and learn to live more fully in his image and likeness.

Religious Education: The sessions are in English, on the first and third Sundays of the month from Noon – 1:00pm in our Parish Office Building. Feb. 18, March 4, 18

YOUTH PROGRAM
for students 10-12 years and 13-18 years
Sunday: February 11

Servers' Club/Grupo de Alcolitos
February 18/se reúne 18 febrero
Immediately following mass. For students 3rd grade and up. You do not have to be a server to join.

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CRS Rise Bowl is Catholic Relief Services' Lenten faith-in-action program. Join our faith community, and nearly 14,000 Catholic communities across the United States in a life-changing Lenten journey of encounter with CRS Rice Bowl Pick your family's CRS Rice Bowl from the back of church.

National Marriage Week, Feb. 7-14. Celebrate the beauty and sanctity of marriage with Humanae Vitae (1968-2018): Married love particularly reveals its true nature and nobility when we realize that it takes its origin from God, who "is love" (no. 8).

The Light Is On For You: On Tuesday, February 27, 2018 St. Leo will be participating with all the parishes in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati and also with Archbishop Schnurr and Bishop Binzer by celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation in our respective parishes from 7PM until 9PM. This night of "hearing confessions" in the Reconciliation Room and celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation according to The Rite for Reconciliation of Individual Penitents is entitled: "The Light Is On For You."

Volunteer Drivers Needed
Hospitality is the welcome we give to someone's presence. Volunteers are needed to provide rides to and from church so that folks in need can be present for Sunday mass. Would you be willing to assist a family that lives on your way? Please call the office if you can help: 513-921-1044.

Romans 12:9-13 teaches us to show hospitality. Hospitality is measured by the degree of kindness we show others, including strangers. **Volunteers are needed to help us show kindness to persons in need at the St. Leo Food Pantry: Coordinator for Fridays, noon-4/4:30, to act as point person for other volunteers. Assistant Administrator** about 9-12 hours a week, to tend to ordering, organizing the inventory, and conveying to coordinators/volunteers what's up. If you feel called to either of these volunteer settings, or to participate in any of our other volunteer opportunities, please call at 513-921-1044!



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