#### THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 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, March 11–10:30am Mass, 4th Sunday of Lent

Mass Intention for Jerry Bill Hartman; Readings: Leviticus 13:1-

2, 44-46; 1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1; Mark 1:40-45

Monday, March 12 - No Service

Readings: Isaiah 65:17-21; John 4:43-54

<u>Tuesday</u>, March 13 – No Service.

Readings: Ezekial 47:1-9,12; John 5:1-16

Wednesday, March 14 - No Service.

Readings: Isaiah 49:8-15; John 5:17-30

Thursday, March 15 - 7:00pm Mass,

Mass Intention Frederick & Marie Antoinette Macke;

Readings: Exodus 32:7-14; John 5:31-47 Friday, March 16 -7:00pm Way of the Cross

Readings: Wisdom 2:1, 12-22; John 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

**Saturday,** March 17 – 6:00 pm Mass in Spanish Mass Intention for the People of the Parish Readings: Jeremiah 11:18-20; John 7:40-53

Sunday, March 18–10:30am Mass, 5th Sunday of Lent

Mass Intention for Jerry Robert Bruser;

Readings: Jeremiah 31:31-34; Hebrews 5:7-9; John 12:20-33

#### **MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS FOR MARCH 11**

*Lectors* – Jon T., Agrippine

Distributors – Laura O., Simeon, Pedro B., Alejandra P., Myles K.

Servers - Martin, Irving

# **MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS FOR MARCH 18**

Lectors - Marianne, Yvone

Distributors - Mark S., Epiphanie, Hilda L., Juan B., Shirley Servers - Mawo, Dandy



#### ST. LEO FOOD PANTRY

Serving Hours: Mon., Wed. and Fri. 1:00-3:30pm



**SEWING CLASSES** Cancelled until further notice.



# 🔊 ESL ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE CLASSES FREE!

Thursdays, 9:30am – 12:30pm. Saturdays, 10:00, 10:00 - Noon



# **COMMUNITY PHONE NUMBERS**

North Fairmount Community Center/Referral Services:

Linda Klem: 513-921-5842, Housing: 513-921-5889 Hopple Street Neighborhood Clinic: 513-541-4500

GED Referral: Roll Hill: 513-542-8333x5 Literary Network: 513-621-7323



HELPING HANDS STORE 2568 Beekman St, 45225, at the

corner of Beekman and Dempsey, and

ANGELS' ARMS STORE, 1882 Baltimore Ave. Both accepting donations of clothing, kitchen, bath and bedding. Open 9:00-4:00pm, Monday-Friday. Call Linda Klems at 623-9897.

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Collection for March 4: \$1,811.18

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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 Trinity Hill UCC.

#### **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**

Clear the mud from your eyes and see! The one who heals also calls us to follow. Live your life as a witness to God's healing, saving touch.

#### **LET US PRAY**

O God, you are the source of all the blessings that we have ever experienced. Guide us during this Lenten season to bring our thoughts, words, and actions into a deeper harmony that reflects the life-giving divine image in which you have created us.

# **IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER**

March 11 Youth Group

March 16 Way of the Cross 7:00pm

March 18 Lenten Soup Lunch and Music Program

March 22 NO Thursday evening Mass March 23 Way of the Cross 7:00pm

Palm Sunday March 25 March 29 Holy Thursday

March 30 Good Friday, Collection for Christians in the

Holy Land.

March 31 Easter Vigil

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 cbetzstleo@aol.com

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# Fourth Sunday of Lent - March 11, 2018

# From Fr. Jim . . .

This Week's Scrutiny: Those who are the Elect for the Easter Sacraments at the Easter Vigil this year celebrate the Second Scrutiny. We pray with and for all the Elect throughout the world and we examine our lives with them on these Sundays of Lent against the Gospels as we prepare to renew our Baptismal Promises at Easter.



The Gospel for the Rite of Second Scrutiny is from the Gospel of John: The Man Born Blind. The issue that this Gospel story addresses is sight - physical versus spiritual or seeing with faith. It is very clear that those with physical sight are the ones who are blind spiritually. They have trouble seeing that Jesus is the Messiah and they have great difficulty in believing in him as their Lord and Savior. On the other hand, the man who was born blind and has no physical eyesight can see because

of his faith. His spiritual seeing is perfect 20/20 vision. He has little difficulty in allowing the Lord to use his physical weakness to show that Jesus is the Light of the world and he is very willing to be a disciple of the one who has given him both physical and spiritual sight. He was able to give good testimony and witness to his cure to the ones who questioned him and eventually rejected him.

Again this is a story about conversion. It shows that although sin does not make us physically blind it does blind us from seeing spiritually sometimes. It also tempts us into pretending that we can see when we really can't see at all.

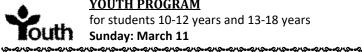
Under the light of this great Gospel, how well do we see? Where might we just be pretending to see when we really can't see at all? For what do we need healing? How will the Lord use our blindness to show us and others that he truly is the light of the world? Can we pray for a deeper conversion of faith and a more active faith life? Is our Lenten fasting, prayer and acts of charity improving our spiritual vision? Is Lent leading us to see more clearly how to live our baptismal commitment?

Lord God, open our eyes that we might see your face in the faces of all people and those who may be known as enemies to us. Help us see our way to your peace and help us see more clearly to be your faithful disciples. Amen.

March 18 after the 10:30 am Mass, there will be a simple lunch with soups or chili in the basement of Church. You are asked to bring soup or chili to share with others. At about 12:30pm there will be a Lenten program of song and a telling of a story by our youth group. Some of the many musicians from our parish and Bill Tonnis from Our Lady of Visitation will provide the music. This is a time for prayer, reflection and music with a Lenten focus. The program will last an hour to an hour and a half. Please stay after Mass and eat and pray some more with us. Thank you. *ૡ*ઌ૱ૡઌ૱ૡઌ૱ૡઌ૱ૡઌ૽૽ૡઌ



### YOUTH PROGRAM



for students 10-12 years and 13-18 years

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Sunday: March 11

# Servers' Club/Grupo de Alcolitos March 11/se reune 11 marzo



Immediately following mass. For students 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and up. You do not have to be a server to join.



**Volunteer Drivers Needed** 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

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office if you can help: 513-921-1044. 



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. Please call at 513-921-1044. 

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** 4 or 5 or 6 volunteers are needed to fold, tab and label our monthly newsletter. Usually needed the third week of the month for 3-4 hours if 3 or 4 people help out. The more hands, the faster the job gets done! Call Casey at 513-921-1044 ext. 30

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St. Clement Parish/School invites you to attend their next Super Bingo scheduled for Saturday, March 17<sup>th</sup>. There will be \$6,000 in total bingo pay-out along with thousands more given away in instants, split-the-pot, raffles, and door prizes. Cafeteria doors open at 10:30 a.m. and games begin at 1 p.m. Location: 4534 Vine Street, St. Bernard. All profits to benefit the students.

Join us for a Lenten musical celebration of God's mercy, goodness, forgiveness, and love Sunday afternoon, March 18. A simple soup lunch after the 10:30 am Mass will be followed by a time of reflection through music provided by parishioner Roni Nolasco, the Burundi women's choir, Bill Tonnis of our partner parish Our Lady of Visitation, and other musicians and groups from St. Leo's. The event is not a performance but an opportunity to spend time with God reflecting on God's presence with us and great love for us. The event will be coordinated by our newly formed youth group and provide an opportunity for youth to share their gifts with St. Leo's and the community. The youth will be working on making a sawdust carpet—called alfombras de aserrín—a traditional Lenten practice in Guatemala.

Santa Maria Community Services Family Health Fair. Sunday April 8<sup>th</sup> 12-3:00pm at Price Hill Recreation Center at 959 Hawthorne Ave, Cincinnati, OH 45205. Free Health Screenings! Blood Pressure, BMI, Depression, Cholesterol, Glucose, A1C, Hearing, Vision, STI, Pregnancy Tests, and more! Kids' Health Zone! Refreshments. To schedule a mammogram or for info call 513-557-7249. GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION - Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontificial Good Friday Collection for Christians in the Holy Land. Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education, and preserve the sacred shrines.

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