

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE**Saturday, February 16** – 6:00pm Mass;

Mass Intention for the People of the Parish;

Readings: Genesis 3:9-24; Mark 8:1-10

Sunday, February 17 – 10:30am Mass;

Mass Intention for Marie Antoinette & Frederick Macke;

Readings: Jeremiah 17:5-8; 1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20;

Luke 6:17, 20-26

Monday, February 18 – No Service.

Readings: Genesis 4:1-15, 25; Mark 8:11-13

Tuesday, February 19 – No Service

Readings: Genesis 5:5-8, 7:1-5, 10; Mark 8:14-21

Wednesday, February 20 – No Service.

Readings: Genesis 8:6-13, 20-22; Mark 8:22-26

Thursday, February 21 – 7:00pm Mass;

Mass Intention for Rev. Francis Massarella

Readings: Genesis 9:1-13, Mark 8:27-33

Friday, February 22 – No Service;

Readings: 1 Peter 5:1-4; Matthew 16:13-19

Saturday, February 23 – 6:00pm Mass;

Mass Intention for the People of the Parish;

Readings: Hebrews 11:1-7; Mark 9:2-13

Sunday, February 24 – 10:30am Mass;

Mass Intention for ;

Readings: 1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23;

1 Corinthians 15:45-49; Luke 6:27-38

MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS FOR FEBRUARY 17*Lectors* – Larry, Theo*Distributors* – Kate, Claudette, Berta M., Marina S., Shirley*Servers* – Angelica, Patience, Benediction**MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS FOR FEBRUARY 24***Lectors* – Shirley, Spes*Distributors* – Laura, Simeon, Pedro B., Amanda P., Becky*Servers* – Venyette, Pedro, Aimable**ST. LEO FOOD PANTRY****Serving Hours: Mon., Wed. and Fri. 1:00-3:30pm****Pantry Requirements:** Serving North Fairmount, English Woods, Roll Hill Apts., and Millvale once every 30 days. See website: www.saint-leo.org or call (513-921-1044) to see if your street is covered. To meet St. Leo's Acts of Mercy pantry donor guidelines, current proof of residence (Duke or telephone bill), photo ID & Social Security Cards for all members of household must be presented at each visit. **Plan ahead: Children must be supervised while at our Food Pantry.****Closed, January 21, 2019 for the Martin Luther King Holiday****ESL ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE CLASSES FREE!**
Saturdays, 10:00 – Noon**COMMUNITY PHONE NUMBERS**

North Fairmount Community Center/Referral Services:

Linda Klems: 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

ANGELS' ARMS STORE, 1882 Baltimore Ave. Accepting donations of clothing, kitchen, bath and bedding. Open Mon-Wed-Fri 9-3:00 and Tues-Thurs. 10-3:00. All Items Free! Call Linda Klems at 623-9897.**VISIT US! St. Leo's website:** www.Saint-Leo.org**Facebook:** St. Leo the Great Catholic Church**St. Leo's YouTube Channel:** [StLeoTheGreatParish](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCStLeoTheGreatParish)**YOUR GIFT TO ST. LEO
IS MOST APPRECIATED!**Collection for February 10: \$1,361.75
Catholic Campaign for Human Development: \$958.00

Thank you for generously supporting your parish!

EASY ONLINE GIVING AVAILABLE:Go to <http://saint-leo.org/DonateNow.aspx> and click on the Donate Now Button.**SHOP AT AMAZON SMILE AND SUPPORT ST. LEO:**<http://smile.amazon.com/ch/31-0538556>**SHOP AT KROGER'S AND SUPPORT ST. LEO:**<https://www.kroger.com/communityrewards> Enter St. Leo's #KC265 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 Westwood First Presbyterian.

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

We are called to be light in the world. Put your lamp on a stand and not under a bushel basket! Let your light shine before all to that they may see the goodness in your acts and give praise to God. Consider the priesthood or religious life.

LET US PRAY

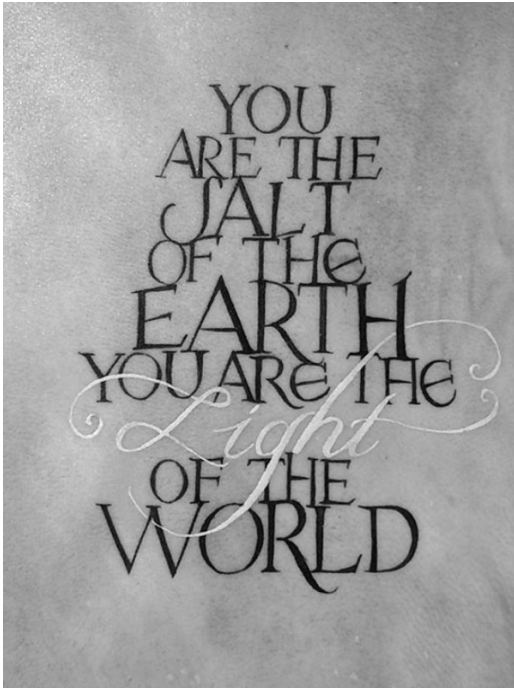
O God, who teach us that you abide in hearts that are just and true, grant that we may be so fashioned by your grace as to become a dwelling pleasing to you. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

February 15-17	Boys Retreat
February 17	All Youth Meeting
February 18	President's Day/Office Closed
February 23	Confirmation Retreat
February 24	All Youth Meeting

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.comTo receive the parish weekly bulletin by e-mail, go to www.DiscoverMass.com and search St. Leo in Cincinnati, OH. Under bulletin, click on sign-up for e-mail notification. Enter your user name and e-mail address.**Sign up to receive St. Leo's Monthly Newsletter:** call the office at 513-921-1044, email your name and address to: cbetzstleo@aol.com or sign up online at: <http://saint-leo.org/Publications/StLeoMonthlyNewsletter.aspx>

From Fr. Jim . . .



Salt and Light – Something more to think about: I know that last week’s Gospel was about Jesus calling his disciples “Salt” and “Light” and in last week’s column, we reflected on this but I wish to share some more about it again this week.

In calling his disciples “Salt” and “Light” Jesus was calling them and us the best that we are and can be. Salt is a preservative and it adds so much zest and flavor to food.

It is very difficult for salt to ever lose its flavor. In a similar fashion, disciples cannot stop seasoning the difficulties and challenges of the world with faith and witness to the Gospel. No sinfulness, darkness, weakness or imperfections are capable of stealing a disciple’s faith and love. We must use it as if we can never wear it out. Disciples will always be capable of being Salt. This remains the best of who they are and the best of God’s goodness in them, no matter what.

The image of light helps to strengthen this concept. Just as a city set on a hill cannot be hidden, so too disciples of Jesus Christ cannot hide their love for God and neighbor and God’s love for them. Just as it is unthinkable for someone to light a lamp and put it under a bushel basket and have it immediately extinguished, so too, is it unthinkable for disciples to not share the Good News of Jesus Christ that is within them to all the world. This truly remains the best about them – Salt and Light, indeed and always!

It is so important to remember and be reminded that Jesus considers us to be Salt and Light also. In the midst of difficulties and challenging times, it is most important for us to remember the best that God calls us to be. How about as we plan for the future in our pastoral region? In the midst of the challenges, struggles, fears, questions and difficulties that are concerning us, we are called to be Salt and Light. We are as individual parishes and we are each time we come together as a region.

In addition to gathering each week to celebrate the Eucharist as best as we can, I propose that we take time to learn, study and pray our mission statement for the parish region and pray the prayer that accompanies it. The Prophet Isaiah suggests that we are the best that God wants us to be when we put into action the corporal works of mercy. Our mission statement reminds us of our best with the corporal and spiritual works of mercy. This is who we are. This is our best.

The changes that we must face for the good of our future will help us continue to be Salt and Light. This is our hope and our goal. Whenever we have doubts, just pick up our mission statement and pray it into action. Remember who we are and be the best that God makes sure we can forever be, no matter what.

Many, many thanks to our Food Pantry Monthly Overhead Sponsor for February Ellis Family



Confirmation Retreat: February 23



YOUTH PROGRAM

February 17, Art for All People

February 24, All

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS FOR 2018

If you are itemizing on your tax return and need a contribution statement for your weekly envelope donations, please call the Parish Office at 921-1044.



Volunteer Needed! Help keep St. Leo’s church and rectory neat and tidy! 3-4 hours a week vacuuming and dusting the offices and meeting spaces, and cleaning the restrooms and kitchen. If you would like to help out, please call 513-921-1044 ext. 20.



Check out the following stations for St. Leo cancellations: WCPO-Channel 9, WXIX-Channel 19 and Facebook at StLeoTheGreatParish.

St. Leo Food Pantry will be CLOSED for inclement weather when Cincinnati Public Schools are closed. McCauley Convent is looking for a part-time cook (2-3 days/week) for 40-50 people; shifts vary from 6am-2:30pm to 8:30am – 5:00pm; must be willing to work some weekends. The cook prepares and cooks meals according to planned menus; monitors and replenishes servicing line; maintains a clean and sanitary environment; restocks and rotates food supplies. Starting wage is \$13.50-16/50 depending on experience. Contact Sr. Judy Gradel at 513-681-2100 or jgradel@mercysc.org.

80 new openings at Great American Ballpark! General labor, no experience required starting at \$11.00 an hour. Be on time to one of the following dates: Mon. Feb 18 at 10am, Tues Feb 19 at 2:pm, Wed Feb 20 at 6pm or Thurs Feb 21 at 8am. Immediate interview & application available. Join us under the stadium at Dock 3 intersection of Broadway & Pete Rose Way.

LENTE WEEKEND RETREAT - PRAYING THE SCRIPTURES - MARCH 15-17, 2019 Join us on a quest to grow in friendship and love with Jesus Christ in prayer like our great saints, including St. Alphonsus, St. Ignatius, St. Augustine and St. Teresa of Avila and more! Our Retreat Master, Karen Guilford, from Loved by Love Himself Ministry, will teach various styles of prayer used by the Doctors of the Catholic Church in their journey. The weekend retreat will be held at the beautiful Sisters of Charity Motherhouse Retreat Center 5900 Delhi Rd. Mt. St. Joseph Cincinnati, Oh. For more information and registration please visit: www.LovedbyLoveHimself.com or call 513-305-2824 before deadline of March 1

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Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - February 17, 2019

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Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursday, February 7: immediately following 7:00pm mass until 9:00pm.



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Keep your family safe, O Lord, with unfailing care, that, relying solely on the hope of heavenly grace, they may be defended always by your protection. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Cincinnati Film Society is looking for film screenings, and festival planners in support of the **Cincinnati Guatemalan Film Festival** supported by ArtsWave. The film festival will take place June 7th - 8th at St. Leo the Great Parish. Please contact us if you are interested in festival planning, being a vendor, musician, making a film, or being a screener for the films. info@cincinnatifilmsociety.org CincinnatiFilm.org

Free Teen Film Workshops For teens ages 13-18 interested in making a film for the Guatemalan Film Festival. Contact us at info@cincinnatifilmsociety.org. Workshops begin February.

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