

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 2 – 6:00pm Mass;
 Mass Intention for the People of the Parish;
 Readings: Sirach 17:1-15; Mark 10:13-16

Sunday, March 3 – 10:30am Mass;
 Mass Intention for Marguerite & Bernard Schutte;
 Readings: Sirach 27:4-7; 1 Corinthians 15:54-58 Luke 6:39-45

Monday, March 4 – No Service.
 Readings: Sirach 17:20-24; Mark 10:17-27

Tuesday, March 5 – No Service
 Readings: Sirach 35:1-12; Mark 10:28-31

Wednesday, March 6 – **Ash Wednesday, 7:00pm Mass, Lenten Intensions;** Readings: Joel 2:12-18; 2 Corinthians 5:20-6:2; Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday, March 7 – 7:00pm Mass; **Adoration following Mass;**
 Mass Intention for Francis Massarella
 Readings: Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Luke 9:22-25

Friday, March 8 – No Service; **7:00pm Way of the Cross**
 Readings: Isaiah 58:1-9; Matthew 9:14-15

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

Sunday, March 10 – 10:30am Mass;
 Mass Intention for Joseph Bresnahan;
 Readings: Deuteronomy 26:4-10; Romans 10:8-13; Luke 4:1-13

MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS FOR MARCH 3

Lectors – Diane, Marceline
Distributors – Myles, Pierre, Edgar V., Hector E., Jon T.
Servers – Elias, Angela, Beata

MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS FOR MARCH 10

Lectors – Mawo, Yvone
Distributors – Larry, Antonia, Carlos M., Rosaria B., Ivy
Servers – Stan, Christopher, Joseph

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



YOUR GIFT TO ST. LEO IS MOST APPRECIATED!

Collection for February 24: \$2,289.50
 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 Trinity Hill United Church of Christ.

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 cannot forget us. The Lord does not forsake us. Pray for the men and women in our parish who are being called to priesthood or religious life.

LET US PRAY

Grant us, O Lord, we pray, that the course of our world may be directed by your peaceful rule and that your Church may rejoice, untroubled in her devotion. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, on God, for ever and ever.

Important Dates to Remember

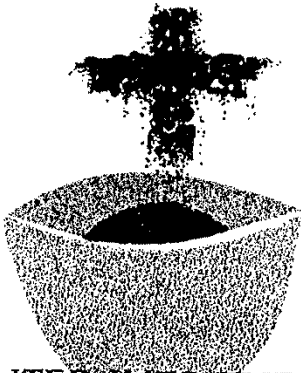
- March 3** Confirmation Meeting
- March 6** Ash Wednesday, 7:00pm Mass
Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe
- March 7** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
- March 9** High School – TRIP Encounter
- March 10** Middle School Youth

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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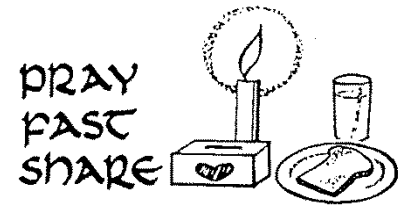
From Fr. Jim . . .



Lent is coming. This Wednesday, March 6 is Ash Wednesday. With the markings of an ash 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.

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.

ENTER INTO THE SEASON OF LENT



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. Also we will keep praying for the candidates for Confirmation from St. Leo who will receive this Sacrament May 5 at the cathedral with people from parishes in our Deanery. 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.

The Light is ON  for You.
Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation

The Light is On for You Also, again this year, St. Leo will participate with all the parishes in our Archdiocese and our two Bishops in “The light is on for you.” Each Catholic parish in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati will provide the opportunity for private confession on Tuesday, March 19, 2019 from 7:00pm – 9:00pm. Other opportunities for celebration of the Sacrament will also be available during Lent. If you have been reluctant to come to the sacrament, have been away for some time, or just find it difficult to get to a Saturday afternoon confession time or communal penance service, March 19 will be a wonderful opportunity to connect with Christ and his Church.



Also, I will be hearing confessions after Mass today, Sunday March 3, for the children who are preparing to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation in May and for anyone who wants to receive it.

Many, many thanks to our Food Pantry Monthly Overhead Sponsor for March John and Colleen Gerke



Confirmation Meeting: March 3



YOUTH PROGRAM

Sat., March 9, High School – TRIP Encounter
March 10: Middle School
March 17: High School



Stations of the Cross:

7:00pm, all Fridays during Lent, except Good Friday.

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.

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

Love to play bingo? If so, St. Clement Parish/School invites you to attend their next Super Bingo scheduled for Saturday, March 30th. 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 10:00 a.m. and games begin at 1 p.m. Location: 4534 Vine Street, St. Bernard. All profits to benefit the students. Hope to see you there!

“I would hope that, even in our daily encounters with those who beg for our assistance, we would see such requests as coming from God himself. When we give alms, we share in God’s providential care for each of his children. If through me God helps someone today, will he not tomorrow provide for my own needs? For no one is more generous than God.” -- Pope Francis

