

# St. Leo The Great Parish

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Welcome to everyone and everyone is welcome at St. Leo and especially to the Church that God is continuing to build. If you are visiting with us today, we want you to know how welcome you are. Thank you for praying with us and please feel free to join us as often as you are able.

## **PASTORAL STAFF**

Rev. James R. Schutte, Pastor

Stephanie Sepate, Business Manager, Food Pantry Administrator

Angela Anno, Pastoral Associate

Casey Betz, Development Director

Judie Kuhlman, Youth Minister

Burundi Ministry: contact Parish Office ~ Hispanic Ministry: contact Parish Office

## **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

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD:** ages 4 to completion of 2<sup>nd</sup> grade/First Communion, year-round, during Liturgy of the Word at Sunday Mass.

## **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, January 11** – 6:00pm Mass;

Mass intention for the people of the parish;

Readings: 1 John 5:14-21; John 3:22-30

**Sunday, January 12** – 10:30am Mass;

Mass Intention for Leonard Minges;

Readings: Issiah 42:1-4, 6-7; Acts 10:34-38; Matthew 3:13-17

**Monday, January 13** – No Service;

Readings: 1 Samuel 1:1-8; Mark 1:14-20

**Tuesday, January 14** – No Service;

Readings: 1 Samuel 1:9-20; Mark 1:21-28

**Wednesday, January 15** – No Service

Readings: 1 Samuel 3:1-10, 19-20; Mark 1:29-39

**Thursday, January 16** – 7:00pm Mass;

Mass intention for Mark Heck, Jr.;

Readings: 1 Samuel 4:1-11; Mark 1:40-45

**Friday, January 17** – No Service.

Readings: 1 Samuel 8:4-7, 10-22; Mark 2:1-12

**Saturday, January 18** – 6:00pm Mass;

Mass intention for the people of the parish;

Readings: 1 Samuel 9:1-4, 17-19, 10:1; Mark 2:13-17

**Sunday, January 19** – 10:30am Mass;

Mass Intention for Jim and Helen Gangloff;

Readings: Isaiah 49:3, 5-6; 1 Corinthians 1:1-3; John 1:29-34

**MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS FOR JANUARY 12**

Lectors – Tom, Albert

Distributors – Shirley, Antonia, James M., Edilma P., John T.

Servers – Angelica, Hassan, Benediction

**MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS FOR JANUARY 19**

Lectors – Linda H., Spes

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Collection for December 25, 2019: \$2,686.00

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**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 St. James Episcopal.

**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**

In Baptism we have become children of God. We are called to live a life of holiness. Am I being called to live that life as a priest, or religious?

**LET US PRAY**

Almighty ever-living God, who, when Christ had been baptized in the River Jordan and as the Holy Spirit descended upon him, solemnly declared him your beloved Son, grant that your children by adoption, reborn of water and the Holy Spirit, may always be well pleasing to you. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, for ever and ever.

**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](http://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 for inclement weather** when Cincinnati Public Schools are closed. **CLOSED Jan. 20, 2020**

**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,

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Hopple Street Neighborhood Clinic: 513-541-4500

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**Facebook:** St. Leo the Great Catholic Church

**St. Leo's YouTube Channel:** [StLeoTheGreatParish](http://StLeoTheGreatParish)



**Important Dates to Remember**

- January 12 Teen Bible Study
- January 19 Teen Bible Study/First Communion Class
- January 23,24,25 High School Trip/March for Life
- January 20 Martin Luther King Holiday/**Office Closed**
- Food Pantry Closed**
- January 26 First Communion Class
- CISE Appeal
- February 1&2 Catholic Ministries Appeal

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](mailto:cbetzstleo@aol.com)

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# Feast of the Baptism of the Lord- January 12, 2020

## From Fr. Jim . . .

This past week was National Migration Week. It is promoted by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. The intention of this National Week is to highlight the importance of migrants and immigrants in our country and to encourage welcome, Christian hospitality, peace and justice.

The Christmas story with the three Magi who traveled from the East to find the baby Jesus and pay him homage and the great message that the gift of salvation is for all people and nations, caravans of dromedaries bearing gifts going to Jerusalem, Mary and Joseph with the child Jesus fleeing into Egypt give indication that migration and immigration was a common way of life for the people in the time of Jesus. Even today's Feast of the Baptism of the Lord that officially ends the Christmas season and marks the beginning of Jesus' public ministry as an itinerate preacher, supports this theme. How many times did Jesus have to be careful passing through and preaching the Gospel in Samaria?

Yes, migration and immigration is in our Christian spiritual blood and we all accept that everyone is on a journey through this world to the next one. As we journey, we are meant to do so together, hand in hand with all of our brother and sister travelers, supporting one another. We were never meant to do this alone. We must do it together, praising God, building God's kingdom of love, mercy and peace and excluding no one along the way with our eyes constantly fixed on our eternal home of heaven. We are all strangers, no longer!

The following are wonderful prayers from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops:

**Prayer for Migrant Families:** Loving Father, we pray that you provide divine protection to all migrants, particularly those who are driven from their homes due to war or violence, who are uprooted due to environmental degradation and climate change, or whose material poverty pushes them to find opportunities elsewhere. Show us how we might reach out to these vulnerable populations and help them to begin a new life in a new home. Open our hearts, so that we may provide hospitality for all who come in search of refuge. Give us the courage to welcome every stranger, as Christ in our midst. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen. (2015 USCCB, Washington, D.C.)

**Prayer for Migrant Children:** Loving Father, in your infinite compassion, we seek your Divine protection for refugee children who are often alone and afraid. Provide solace to those who have been witnesses to violence and destruction, who have lost parents, family, friends, home, and all they cherish due to war or persecution. Comfort them in their sorrow, and bring help in their time of need. Show mercy to unaccompanied migrant children, too, Lord. Reunite them with their families and loved ones. Guide those children who are strangers in a foreign land to a place of safety and peace. Comfort them in their sorrow, and bring help in their time of need. Show us how we might reach out to those precious and vulnerable children. Open our hearts to migrant and refugee children in need, so that we might see in them your migrant Son. Give us courage to stand up in their defense against those who would do them harm. For this we pray through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen. (2009 USCCB, Washington D.C.)

My parish is composed of people like me. I help make it what it is. It will be friendly, if I am. It will be holy, if I am. Its pews will be filled if I help fill them. This we pray.

**WELCOME GUESTS!** If you are visiting with us today, we want you to know how welcome you are, whether you have come from another parish here in the Archdiocese, from across the river, or from further reaches. Thank you for praying with us. Feel free to join us as often as you can! REGISTER PLEASE! If you are attending St. Leo regularly and consider us "your parish," please register yourself and your family. Call the office at 513-921-1044 to register.

Many thanks to our St. Leo Food Pantry  
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### Youth Program

**Jan. 15<sup>th</sup> Homework Help/Tutoring Program Begins**  
Wednesday afternoons from 4:30-7:00pm, Centennial Hall  
To sign up: contact Judie Kuhlman at judiekuhlman@gmail.com

**Teen Bible Study:** Jan. 12, 19, Feb. 2, 9, 23, Mar. 1

**First Communion Class:** Jan. 19, 26, Feb. 2, 9, 16, 23, Mar. 8, 29  
April 5<sup>th</sup> Rehearsal  
To sign up: contact Judie Kuhlman at judiekuhlman@gmail.com

**First Communion:** Sunday April 19, 2020

We are looking for a secretary/clerk for the office beginning in January. The position is 2 or 3 days a week, 9am-3pm, answering phones and working on office projects involving computer/typing and some bookkeeping. Since the hours will be less than 20 per week, the position does not include benefits. However, as most of the staff agree, it is an opportunity to be involved directly in the mission of St. Leo's. If you or anyone you know is interested, please send information to steocinti@aol.com or call Stephanie at 921-1044x20.

### Snow NEWS!

Check out the following stations for St. Leo cancellations:  
WCPO-Channel 9, WKRC-Channel 12, WXIX-Channel 19



**Be sure to pick up your Sunday Contribution Envelopes and your 2020 Calendars** from the back of church. If you need envelopes, call the office at 921-1044.



**St. Leo Food Pantry will be CLOSED for inclement weather** when Cincinnati Public Schools are closed.

**THANK YOU:** This bulletin is furnished to the Parish without charge. The advertisements that appear completely defray all publishing costs with which the church would otherwise be burdened. Please patronize these sponsors as a thank you for their kind generosity.

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