

ST. LEO THE GREAT CHURCH, Cincinnati, Ohio

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Saturday, April 4 -No Service;

Readings: Ezekiel 37:21-28; John 11:45-56

Sunday, April 5 – 10:30am Live Stream Mass; Palm Sunday

Mass Intention for the people of the parish;

Readings: Isaiah 50:4-7; Philippians 2:6-11; Matthew 26:14-27:66

Monday, April 6 - No Service;

Readings: Isaiah 42:1-7; John 12:1-11

Tuesday, April 7 - No Service;

Readings: Isaiah 49:1-6; John 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday, April 8 - No Service;

Readings: Isaiah 50:4-9; Matthew 26:14-25

<u>Thursday, April 9</u> – 7:00pm Live Stream Mass, Holy Thursday

Readings: Exodus 12:1-8; 11-14; 1 Corinthians 11:23=26;

John 13:1-15

Friday, April 10 -Live Stream Service; Good Friday

Readings: Isaiah 52:13-53:12; Hebrews 4:14-16, 5:7-9;

John 18:1-19-19:42

Saturday, April 11 - Live Stream Mass; Easter Vigil

Readings: Genesis 1:1-3:2; Genesis 22:1-18; Exodus14:15-15:1;

Isaiah 54:5-14; Isaiah 55:1-11; Baruch 3:9-15, 32-4:4;

Ezekiel 36:16-17, 18-28; Romans 6:3-11; Matthew 28:1-10

Sunday, April 12 – 10:30am Live Stream Mass; Easter

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

Mass Intention for the people of the parish;

Readings: Acts 10:34, 37-43; Colossians 3:1-4; John 20:1-9

Communion Distributors please place a hand on the shoulder or on the head of those who approach at communion who cross their arms across their chest and say, "God bless you and God be with you."

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and safety of the guests and workers will be enforced until further notice.

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- You will be expected to wait outside.
- NO CHILDREN ALLOWED IN THE PANTRY, unless they are in a carrier.

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CDC's Official Website for COVID-19 Updates:

https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html



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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.

Do you need to take a Minimum Required Distribution from your IRA? Please consider a tax-deductible gift to St. Leo's.

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.

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. John's Westminster Union Church.

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

Blest are they who come in the name of the Lord. Am I being called to proclaim Jesus as a priest, deacon, brother, or sister?

LET US PRAY

Almighty ever-living God, who as an example of humility for the human race to follow caused our Savior to take flesh and submit to the Cross, graciously grant that we may heed his lesson of patient suffering and so merit a share in his Resurrection. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever.

Important Dates to Remember

All events, meetings, classes canceled until further notice.

Join Fr. Jim as he livestreams Sunday Mass at 10:30am on Facebook at: https://www.facebook.com/RCC-St-Leo-Church-Cincinnati-103955481239196/

Please check our web page or call the parish office for the times of the live streaming of our services. Holy Thursday is still at 7pm but Good Friday may be moved to 2 or 3pm and the Easter Vigil may start earlier than 8:45pm.

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

To 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.

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Palm Sunday - April 5, 2020

From Fr. Jim . . .

Holy Week: All of our services for this great week of prayer have been adjusted to account for the absence of an assembly in church and to follow safe distancing and cleansing procedures for the ministers and camera crew. For Palm Sunday there is no blessing, distribution and procession with palm branches. The gospel selection is the Passion of St. Matthew's Gospel. There are two major changes in Holy Thursday services. There will be no washing of feet and no procession at the end of Mass with the blessed Sacrament and likewise no adoration. Good Friday, there will be eleven petitions instead of ten. One has been added for the Pandemic. Also, the ministers who will reverence the cross are to do so without touching it. Easter Vigil, there will be no Easter Fire or procession with the Paschal Candle and the Sacraments of Initiation will not be celebrated.

With the Liturgy of Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion, we are all invited to enter and participate in the Passion of Christ as it unfolds throughout Holy Week in the liturgies and rituals that we celebrate. This is especially true with the Three days that we call the Triduum – Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil. We encourage all of you to join us from the friendly and safe confines of your homes. FACEBOOK: https://www.facebook.com/RCC-St-Leo-Church-Cincinnati-103955481239196/

This is the greatest week of prayer for the Church. Our liturgy throughout the year moves us to this week and climaxes in the three days of the Triduum and the celebration of Easter. "If we die with the Lord then we will truly rise with Him." here is no greater love than this than to lay down one's life for one's friends." his is what we believe, pray and live in this holiest of weeks.

As the church gathers all over the world to celebrate the liturgies of Holy Week as they have been given to us throughout the ages to be prayed, we grow together as the church, the Body of Christ, brothers and sisters in the Lord Jesus Christ. his holiest of weeks and the way that the Church of God is invited to pray sees itself as one with God, through Jesus and in their Spirit and one with each other in Christ.

As we enter into the prayer of Holy Week, can we do so with open hearts and with a genuine desire to let this greatest week of prayer in the church really change us? If the prayer of this week is about the continual formation of the whole church in the love and image of Christ then it, too, provides great formation for us, as St. Leo, to be formed into the Body of Christ, especially with our many and wonderful diversities. t is important for all of us to come together and pray this week of prayer.

For your reflection and prayer: William Arthur Ward, American author, teacher and pastor, 1921-1994, wrote: Fast from judging others; Feast on Christ dwelling in them. Fast from emphasis on differences; Feast on the unity of life. Fast from apparent darkness; Feast on the reality of light. Fast from thoughts of illness; Feast on the healing power of God. Fast from words that pollute; Feast on phrases that purify. Fast from discontent; Feast on patience. Fast from anger; Feast on patience. Fast from pessimism; Feast on optimism. Fast from worry; Feast on Divine order. Fast from complaining; Feast on appreciation. Fast from negatives; Feast on affirmatives. Fast from unrelenting pressures; Feast on unceasing prayer. Fast from hostility; Feast on non-resistance. Fast from bitterness; Feast on forgiveness. Fast from self-concern; Feast on compassion for others. Fast from personal anxiety: Feast on eternal truth. Fast from discouragements; Feast on hope. Fast from facts that depress; Feast on verities that uplift. Fast from lethargy; Feast on enthusiasm. Fast from thoughts that weaken; Feast on promises that inspire. Fast from shadows of sorrow; Feast on the sunlight of serenity. Fast from idle gossip; Feast on purposeful silence. Fast from problems that overwhelm; Feast on prayer that strengthens.

May our fasting lead us to the great love of Holy Week and the incredible glory of Easter!

Please check our web page or call the parish office for the times of the live streaming of our services. Holy Thursday is still at 7pm but Good Friday may be moved to 2 or 3pm and the Easter Vigil may start earlier than 8:45pm. I will announce the final schedule next Sunday and the times on our web page will be corrected.

Many thanks to our St. Leo Food Pantry Monthly Overhead Sponsor for April Jim and Barb Coffaro

All events, classes, and meetings at St. Leo's are canceled through April 30.

Join Fr. Jim as he livestreams Sunday Mass at 10:30am on Facebook at: https://www.facebook.com/RCC-St-Leo-Church-Cincinnati-103955481239196/

You can live stream mass at Our Lady of the Visitation Parish at:

Or at St. Peter In Chains Cathedral at:

You are invited to visit St. Leo Church to pray in the sanctuary, or to use the computers in Centennial Hall by appointment only. Fr. Jim is happy to administer the Sacrament of Reconciliation by appointment only.

Please the call the office, Monday through Friday, between the hours of 10:00am and 1:30pm to make your appointment.

You can read the Sunday bulletin at:

www.saint-leo.org/Pulications/StLeoSundayBulletin

You can **read Fr. Jim's letter** at:

www.saint-leo.org/Publications/FromtheDeskofFrJim

You can make your Sunday Offering at:

www.saint-leo.org/DonateNow

or, you can drop off your Sunday Offering in the slot in the back door of the rectory, or you can mail your Sunday offering to: St. Leo the Great Church 2573 St. Leo Place, Cincinnati, OH 45225.

For more information: visit our website at: www.saint-leo.org
Or visit our Facebook page at: St. Leo the Great Catholic Church.

We are taking all necessary precautions to keep our Food Pantry
functioning in a healthy and safe environment.

Food Pantry hours are Mon. Wed. and Fri. 1 to 3:30pm

Parish members are encouraged to visit the pantry if needed.

New Rules at the Food Pantry

Special considerations have been implemented at the Food Pantry.

- Call 921-1044 each day to be certain the pantry is open.
- You will be expected to wait outside.
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