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.

EUCHARIST

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

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 5:00-5:30 PM,

or by appointment

<u>BAPTISMS</u>: Call three weeks in advance <u>WEDDINGS</u>: Call six months in advance

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

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

All Masses will be Lived Streamed at Facebook.com/RCC-St-Leo-Church-Cincinnati

Saturday, May 23, No Service;

Readings: Acts 18:23-28; John 23-28

Sunday, May 24 - 10:30am Feast of the Ascension;

Mass Intention for the people of the parish;

Readings: Acts 1:1-11, Ephesians 1:17-23; Matthew 28:16-20

Monday, May 25 - No Service;

Readings: Acts 19:1-8; John 16:29-33

Tuesday, May 26 - No Service;

Readings: Acts 20:17-27; John 17:1-11

Wednesday, May 27 – 11:30am;

Mass Intention for Mark Heck, Jr.

Readings: Acts 20:28-38; John 17:11-19

Thursday, May 28 – 7:00pm; Mass Intention for Marianne Losekamp; Readings: Acts 22:30, 23: 6-11; John 17:20-26

Friday, May 29 – No Service;

Readings: Acts 25:13-21; John 21:15-19

Saturday, May 30

9:00 pm Mass Intention for the people of the parish;

Readings: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; John 21:20-25 Sunday, May 31 – 10:30am, Feast of Pentecost

Mass Intention in Thanksgiving for Alan;

Readings: Acts 2:1-11; 1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13; John 20:19-23

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."

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. New rules for the protection and safety of the guests and workers will be enforced until further notice.

- Call 921-1044 each day to be certain the pantry is open.
- You will be expected to wait outside.
- NO CHILDREN ALLOWED IN THE PANTRY, unless they are in a carrier.

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE CLASSES FREE!

Canceled until further notice.

COMMUNITY PHONE NUMBERS North Fairmount Community

Center/Referral Services: Linda Klems: 513-921-5842 Housing: 513-921-5889; Literary Network: 513-621-7323 Hopple Street Neighborhood Clinic: 513-541-4500

GED Referral: Roll Hill: 513-542-8333x5

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CDC's Official Website for COVID-19 Updates:

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

You are invited to join our entire parish community to pray together virtually every day at Noon and 6:00pm.

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YOUR GIFT TO ST. LEO IS MOST APPRECIATED!

Sunday Offerings for April 2020: \$3,206.00 Thank you for generously supporting your parish!

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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 Amos Proiect.

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

Here is where we are called to be servants of God's word in the world. Know that God calls you, and gives you what you need to serve.

LET US PRAY

Almighty God, who willed the Paschal Mystery to be encompassed as a sign in fifty days, grant that from out of the scattered nations the confusion of many tongues may be gathered by heavenly grace into one great confession of your name. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, for ever and ever.

Important Dates to Remember

All events, meetings, classes canceled until further notice.

Join Fr. Jim as he livestreams Sunday Mass at 10:30am at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ON7eJ2CwNMs&feature=y outu.be

or, https://www.facebook.com/RCC-St-Leo-Church-Cincinnati-103955481239196/

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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Feast of the Ascension - May 24, 2020

From Fr. Jim . . .

Please remember that next week is the great Feast of Pentecost. As a parish that speaks different languages and celebrates a diversity of gifts and has our unity in the one God, I look upon this Feast as kind of a parish feast day for St. Leo. If we were not named after St. Leo the Great, we could easily have taken the name of the Church of Pentecost or the Church of the Holy Spirit. Actually, any parish could have these names. Maybe the Feast of Pentecost is the Patronal Feast for the universal church throughout the world.

Particularly here at St. Leo, doesn't the description of the Pentecost event in the Acts of the Apostles remind you of our weekend liturgies? Isn't the Spirit so evident in the unity that is among the diversity of people, gifts and languages that we are so blessed to share? Our diversity is more a blessing than it is a barrier to us being church together. This, too, is due to the presence of the Spirit who is always by our side to show us the way, to teach us how to love God and one another, to help us love others as God loves us and to accept, tolerate, forgive, bear with, console and heal one another in the name of the Lord. This defines our unity in the midst of all of our diversity. We especially give thanks to God for the unity we know in receiving and in doing the spiritual and corporal works of mercy.

But as much as we are blessed and as much as we have grown and are growing in the love of God and the life of the Spirit, we must stay hungry for the ways of God and dependent on the Holy Spirit always for further growth. We must be aware of the barriers that still exist that can separate us or get in the way of the call to unity that God wants for us. Not being able to speak a common language well for all of us leads to normal and natural misunderstandings and hurt feelings and trusting each other when it looks like and feels like it is time to stand ground and fight, or appreciating other ways of doing things or that there is more than one right way or that any one culture is not the only way or always the best way, continue to challenge our patience, compassion and perseverance with one another. We must always lean on the Spirit for these challenges. The Spirit is the only one who can help us and who will give us attitudinal adjustments when needed. Come, Holy Spirit, Come! Fill the hearts of your faithful. Enkindle in us your fire. Recreate with us and renew the face of the earth.

Today is the Feast of the Ascension. Years ago, now, the Bishops of the United States gave permission to move this Feast from Thursday to the Sunday before Pentecost. It takes the place of the Seventh Sunday of Easter. The Readings and Prayers used for this weekend are from the Mass for the Feast of the Ascension. Where the Lord has gone, we hope to follow. With the grace and virtues of the Holy Spirit, may we all live now for then.

May 25, 2020: This Monday, we have been given permission by our bishops to start returning to church, if and only if we are able to follow certain safety precautions and restrictions. Because of the need for social distancing, we cannot have a full church. St. Leo now can only hold about 90 people. Although we are permitted to attend Mass, the obligation to do so is still suspended through the month of August. So as not to turn anyone away who wants to come to Mass in a safe environment, there will be opportunities to attend Mass throughout the week. You are strongly encouraged to attend one of the daily Masses during the week instead of everyone waiting until Sunday or Saturday. For any reason if you are not able to follow the health and safety regulations, such as the wearing of masks and keeping social distance, and the other necessary requests to the keep the church and yourself clean and healthy, it is ok to not come. For sure if you are sick or feel sick, please do not come. Our Sunday Mass, 10:30 am will still be live-streamed. The celebration of Mass will be different as we are used to it but there is still

considerable risk of becoming sick and catching the virus if we are not careful. For a complete list of Mass times, what will be different, and what you can do to help us maintain a safe environment, please check the post on our parish web page, saint-leo.org. Thank you so much for your patience, understanding, collaboration and cooperation.

Many thanks to our St. Leo Food Pantry Monthly Overhead Sponsor for May Generous Anonymous Donor

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The Catholic faithful who reside in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati and all other Catholics in the archdiocese continue to be dispensed from the obligation of attending Sunday Mass. Those who are at risk or fearful that they or their family might become sick are encouraged to stay home and join the Church by viewing live-streamed Masses.

All events, classes, and meetings at St. Leo's are canceled until further notice.

You are invited to join our entire parish community to pray together virtually every day at Noon and 6:00pm.

Join Fr. Jim as he livestreams Sunday Mass at 10:30am at: RCC St. Leo Church Cincinnati:

https://www.facebook.com/search/top/?q=rcc%20st%20leo%20church%20cincinnati&epa=SEARCH_BOX

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.

Hunger Walk is going VIRTUAL this year!

Support St. Leo Food Pantry by supporting the 2020 Hunger Walk JOIN OR DONATE TO OUR TEAM at:

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or, cincinnatihungerwalk.org. Be sure to look for St. Leo Church Pantry

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1141 Central Parkway, Cincinnati, OH 45202

Your support is VERY important! ALL money designated for St. Leo Food Pantry goes to our account. This is our "money in the bank." Due to your generosity last year, we currently have a balance in our account. Our goal this year is to have enough money at the FreeStore FoodBank to last us until the 2021 Hunger Walk! With your help we can do it!

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