

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

Sr. Tracy Kemme, SC, Pastoral Associate for Adult Formation

Amy Kleeman, Development Director

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

MISSION STATEMENT

St. Leo the Great Catholic Church is a diverse and welcoming Eucharistic Community living out our mission through liturgy, prayer, and outreach via the spiritual and corporal works of mercy.

We exist because the Lord has called us to receive and share the good news with all of God's people.

We behave as brothers and sisters in the Lord, as God's family.

It is a privilege to serve God's kingdom.

We embrace the cross in joy.

*We will succeed when we follow these strategic anchors:
grow a welcoming and diverse environment.*

become pioneers of leadership for running a diverse parish.

invest and value collaborating partners.

EUCCHARIST

Saturday Vigil Mass in Spanish: 6:00 PM

Sunday Mass: 10:30 AM

Wednesday Mass: 11:30 AM

Thursday Mass: 7:00 PM

EXPOSITION: Cancelled until further notice.

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

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

Saturday, December 26- 6:00 pm Mass; Mass Intention for the People of the Parish; Readings: Acts of the Apostles 6: 8-10, 7: 54-59; Matthew 10: 17-22

Sunday, December 27- 10:30am Mass; Feast of the Holy Family; Mass Intention for Robert Jones; Readings: Sirach 3: 2-6, 12-14; Colossians 3:12-21; Luke 2: 22-40

Monday, December 28- No Service; Readings: 1 John 1:5-2:2; Matthew 2:13-18

Tuesday, December 29- No Service; Readings: 1 John 2:3-11; Luke 2:22-35

Wednesday, December 30- No Service; Readings: 1 John 2:12-17; Luke 2:36-40

Thursday, December 31- No Service; Readings: 1 John 2:18-21; John 1:1-18

Friday, January 1- New Years Day 10:30 a.m. Mass; Mass Intention for the Solemnity of Mary; Readings: Numbers 6:22-27; Galatians 4:4-7; Luke 2:16-21

Saturday, January 2- 6:00 pm Mass; Mass Intention for the People of the Parish; Readings: 1 John 2:22-28; John 1:19-28

Sunday, January 3- 10:30am Mass; Epiphany of the Lord Mass Intention for Anna, Angie, and Bill Hartmann; Readings: Isaiah 60:1-6; Ephesians 3:2-3,5-6; Matthew 2: 1-12



YOUR GIFT TO ST. LEO IS MOST APPRECIATED!

Sunday Offerings for December 12th and 13th - \$2,617.05. Second Collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious- \$620.00. 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.

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<http://smile.amazon.com/ch/31-0538556>

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<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 Amy Kleeman 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.

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

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.

December 23rd - January 3rd - Food Pantry is CLOSED

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE CLASSES FREE!
Canceled until further notice.

COMMUNITY PHONE NUMBERS North Fairmount Community Center/Referral Services: Linda Klems: 513-921-5889
Housing: 513-921-5889; Literary Network: 513-621-7323
Hopple Street Neighborhood Health and Community Center: 513-517-2000

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

ANGELS' ARMS STORE, 1882 Baltimore Avenue Accepting donations of clothing, kitchen, bath and bedding. All Items Free! Call for Hours: 513-407-7902.

VISIT US! St. Leo's website: www.saint-leo.org

Facebook: St. Leo the Great Catholic Church

St. Leo's YouTube Channel: StLeoTheGreatParish

CDC's Official Website for COVID-19 Updates:

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

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 Santa Maria.

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

View this bulletin online at www.DiscoverMass.com

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

Yours may not be THE Holy Family, but you are still a holy family. Share an expression of gratitude for the gift of your family today. Pray for wholeness and holiness for all members of the family of God.

LET US PRAY

O God, who were pleased to give us the shining example of the Holy Family, graciously grant that we may imitate them in practicing the virtues of family life and in the bonds of charity, and so, in the joy of your house, delight one day in eternal rewards. 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

Join Fr. Jim as he livestreams Sunday Mass at 10:30am at

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ON7eJ2CwNMs&feature=youtu.be> OR, <https://www.facebook.com/RCC-St-Leo-Church-Cincinnati-103955481239196/>

January 1st -Office is Closed

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 Amy at 921-1044X30 or email to akleemanstleo@aol.com

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Feast of the Holy Family – December 27, 2020

From Fr. Jim . . .



Please let me say thanks for all the ways you have gifted me and the pastoral staff this holy season with prayers, presents, cards, blessings and well wishes. Thank you so much.

Also, I want to thank all of you for your generous giving of your time, talent and treasures to allow St. Leo to be and become the parish that God is calling us to be. God is truly uniting us in our diversity through the spiritual and corporal works of mercy

and through the Eucharist. Our prayer is strong and beautiful when we are all together and participating as fully as we can. Thanks for your welcome of each other and the sharing of your faith. Thanks for supporting the work we do here and for considering St. Leo not just "my parish" but "our parish."

We are all members of God's family. We are brothers and sisters in the Lord. Today, on this Feast of the Holy Family, we celebrate the joy of God taking on our flesh and dwelling in us and how we are made aware of this incredible gift in and through our families. Our nature is and can be a holy one. As God shares in our nature, we share God's holiness. As God used the Holy Family for the growth, development, and nurturing of God's merciful love, our Lord Jesus Christ, then all of our families are most holy because all of our families are places where God's mercy reigns – where mercy is received and given. I am so grateful for my own family and for God's family that we are truly becoming under the name of St. Leo. Thank you all so much for being God's holy family to your own families and to your church family.

I am so incredibly grateful for the gift of partners and friends of St. Leo.

Together we are accepting the call that it is not just your church or my church but our church together. It has been a blessing for St. Leo to be a beneficiary of the generosity of so many partners and friends. For our many physical needs and for some of our spiritual needs, there is no way we could meet all of them without the help of others. I am also grateful for your willingness to share what we have been given to help others and to do our part in the partnerships. Our prayer ministry is a big help to others and many people count on our care for them in this way. During the Christmas Season, please keep all our benefactors and partner parishes in your prayers in a special way. On each end of any partnership, giving and receiving are equally important for all participants. Again, thank you so much for understanding this and for your cooperation and collaboration in building the kingdom of God.

I and our great parish leadership team wish you God's every blessing for a peace-filled and Christ-filled New Year. You have our promise that you will remain in our prayers and we appreciate remaining in your prayers, too. May the Angel's announcement to the Shepherds be more of a reality for you and yours in 2021: "Peace on earth and good will to all!"

Many thanks to our St. Leo Food Pantry
Monthly Overhead Sponsor for December
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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.

Sunday Mass: 10:30am, limited seating available, or 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 can read the Sunday bulletin at:

www.saintleo.org/Publications/StLeoSundayBulletin

You can read Fr. Jim's letter at:

www.saint-leo.org/Publications/FromtheDeskofFrJim

St. Leo's is in need of Amazon Gift Cards for our wish list items and office needs. Please call the office at 513-921-1044 if you have questions or would like to donate these items.

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.

2021 Contribution Envelopes and Calendars

We have prepared the 2021 contribution envelopes and calendars. Since many of you are joining mass through Live Stream, please contact the office if you would like your envelopes to be mailed. If you have not received envelopes in the past, and would like to receive them please let us know. If you would like to make your contribution online instead please contact Amy Kleeman at 513-921.1044 ext. 30.



"Everyone is called to contribute with courage and determination to the respect for the fundamental rights of every person, especially the "invisible": of the many who are hungry and thirsty, who are naked, sick, outcast or imprisoned." ~ Pope Francis



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