

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

Reverend Rodolfo Coaquira, MCCJ, Pastor
Jenni Lindgren, Business Manager, Food Pantry Administrator
Angela Anno, Pastoral Associate
Amy Kleeman, Development Director
Judie Kuhlman, Youth Minister
Gloria Sweet- Facilities Manager

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.

EUCHARIST

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

RAPTISMS: Call three weeks in

BAPTISMS: Call three weeks in advance WEDDINGS: Call six months in advance

ST. LEO THE GREAT CHURCH, Cincinnati, Ohio

This Week's Schedule

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

<u>Saturday, December 3</u>– 6:00 p.m. Mass; Mass Intentions For the People of the Parish; Readings: Isaiah 30:19-21,23-26; Matthew 9:35-10:1,5,6-8

<u>Sunday, December 4</u>– **10:00 a.m. 2**nd Sunday of Advent; Mass Intention of the Donor; Readings: Isaiah 11:1-10; Romans 15:4-9; Matthew 3:1-12

<u>Monday, December 5-</u>No Service; Readings: Isaiah 35:1-10; Luke 5:17-26

<u>Tuesday, December 6</u> No Service; Readings: Isaiah 40:1-11; Matthew 18:12-14

Wednesday, December 7-11:30 a.m. Mass; Mass Intention of the Donor; Readings: Isaiah 40:25-31; Matthew 11:28-30

<u>Thursday, December 8-</u> 7:00 p.m. Solemnity of the Immaculate <u>Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mass;</u> Mass Intention of the Donor; Readings: Genesis 3:9-15,20; Ephesians 1:3-6,11-12; <u>Luke 1:26-38</u>

<u>Friday, December 9-</u>No Service; Readings: Isaiah 48:17-19, Matthew 11:16-19

<u>Saturday, December 10</u>– 6:00 p.m. Mass; Mass Intentions For the People of the Parish; Readings: Sirach 48:1-4,9-11; Matthew 17:9.10-13

<u>Sunday, December 11</u>– **10:00 a.m. 3**rd **Sunday of Advent;** Mass Intention of the Donor; Readings: Isaiah 35:1-6,10; James 5:7-10; Matthew 11:2-11

MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS FOR DECEMBER 4TH

Lectors – Marianne, Theo **Distributors**- Shirley C., Milleybe De Leon, Marina Solis, Juan Bernardo, Berta Morales **Servers**- Claudette, Joseph, and Blessing

MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS FOR DECEMBER 11TH

Lectors –Tom M., Albert **Distributors**-Linda H., Karina Solis, Anastacio Valesques, Ablino Lopez, Kate M. **Servers**- Norma, Mileybe and Johnny Sanchez

Please find a substitute if you are unable to fulfill your scheduled ministry assignment.

ST. LEO FOOD PANTRY-

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

Parish Office is CLOSED December 8th

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), and photo ID. New rules for the protection and safety of the guests and workers will be enforced 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 online class referral: CPS: 513-363-6100

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<u>VISIT US!</u> <u>St. Leo's website:</u> www.saint-leo.org <u>Facebook:</u> St. Leo the Great Catholic Church <u>St. Leo's YouTube Channel</u>: StLeotheGreatParish

December 4, 2022



YOUR GIFT TO ST. LEO IS MOST APPRECIATED!

Sunday Offerings for November 26th and 27th -\$2990.50, 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.

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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 Amy Kleeman at 513-921-1044 ext. 26.

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

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 Saint Leo Food Pantry.

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

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

Who will herald Christ in our world? Consider becoming a priest, brother, or sister.

LET US PRAY

Almighty and merciful God, may no earthly undertaking hinder those who set out in haste to meet your Son, but may our learning of heaven wisdom grain us admittance to his company. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Important Dates to Remember

Join St. Leo as we 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/

Parish Office is CLOSED December 8th

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 921-1044X26 or email to akleemanstleo@aol.com.

Sign up to receive St. Leo's Quarterly Newsletter: call the office at 513-921-1044, email your name and address to: akleemanstleo@aol.com or sign up online at: http://saintleo.org/Publications/StLeoMonthlyNewsletter.aspx

2nd Sunday of Advent-December 4, 2022

My Brothers and Sisters in the Risen Lord,



This week, as we light a second purple candle on our Advent wreath, we ponder a life-affirming theme to prepare for the birth of the Christ child: Peace... Ah, what a lovely word, and the strength of its meaning has been sought throughout time and throughout

the world. And in these troubled times and through the complexities of life all of us experience in one way or another, to be at peace is an aspiration many believe is far off and unattainable.

The Hebrew word for peace is shalom, which is employed hundreds of times in the Bible, and with many interpretations offered by religious scholars apart from the English translation of "a lack of war or conflict." In these analyses, peace (shalom) is a more far-reaching expression to encompass wholeness and well-being, a part of God's original creation, before mankind was tarnished by original sin. God promised in his covenant of peace (Ezekiel 34: 24-25a) to restore this sense of well-being by sending a Savior, "the Prince of Peace." And through our faith, we must take refuge in Jesus' words: "Peace I leave you; my peace I give you." (John 14: 27) Thus, with new understanding, instead of looking outside of ourselves for calmness and tranquility, we must look inward and examine our souls, our lives, to find shalom. Peace cannot be found by comforts of this world but is surely realized in the promise of Jesus Christ. As St. Bruno, founder of the Carthusian Order, said, "While the world changes, the cross stands firm."

Today is the Second Sunday of Advent, and we hear the prophetic voice of John the Baptist whose words continue to resound in our lives today. Each individual must "prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths," and work fervently in the Holy Spirit to find peace of heart until He comes again.

How urgent and timely is this call at both the personal and social level! God wants to come and dwell with the people of every time and place, and he calls them to co-operate with him in the work of salvation. But how? Today's liturgy gives us the answer: we must "straighten" injustices, "fill" the void with goodness, mercy, respect and understanding, "bring low" pride, barriers and violence, and "make smooth" all that prevents people from living a free and dignified life. Only in this way can we prepare to celebrate Christmas in an authentic way—Saint Pope John Paul II

Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me!

Yours in Christ, Father Rudy

You can **read the Sunday bulletin** at: www.saint-leo.org/Publications/StLeoSundayBulletin You can **read Fr. Rudy's letter** at: www.saint-leo.org/Publications/FromthePastor'sDesk

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"During this Advent Season, let us ask the Lord to help us keep the lamp of faith alit in our lives, to be prepared to receive him, and that he fills us with peace and joy." ~~ Pope Francis

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Many thanks to our St. Leo Food Pantry
Monthly Overhead Sponsor for December
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Upcoming Dates to Mark on your Calendar:

December 3rd and 4th- Toy and Clothing Sale

December 18th- Festival of Lights – FAMILY NIGHT, please see Judie on how to sign up or use this link

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TEMS NEEDED: The food Pantry has an urgent need for larger diapers size 5 and 6. Don't forget the Food Pantry is in dire need of items we hope you can help! You can see our latest request on our Amazon Wish List

Link:https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1Y6S276N39W08?ref_ =wl_share. Please call the office at 513-921-1044 if you have questions or would like to donate these items.

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We would love to receive gift cards to help with our everyday needs, please consider <u>Meijer</u>, <u>Walmart</u>, <u>Staples</u>, <u>Amazon</u>, <u>Kroger</u>, <u>or Home Depot</u> when donating. You can see our latest needs on our <u>Amazon</u> Wish List Link-

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/3TZJXLXNPGPQM?ref_=wl_share. Please call the office at 513-921-1044 if you have questions or would like to donate these items.

<u>Volunteers Needed-</u>St. Leo's Food Pantry is looking for volunteers to help serve our Community. The Food Pantry is open M-W-F from 1: 00 p.m. -3:30 p.m. and we ask volunteers to arrive around noon to help set-up. If you are interested in volunteering please call 513.921.1044.

June 6-16, 2023 travel from the Benedictine Monastery of Montserrat and the cave at Manresa, to the grotto at Lourdes where St. Bernadette met "the Immaculate Conception," to Lisieux to celebrate the centennial anniversary of St. Therese's beatification, to Tours, home of St. Martin. Please call and schedule an information meeting to answer your questions, contact Greg Niehaus at 513.541.5560.

Congratulations to the 4 Grand Winners for weeks 10-14:
Week 10: 42- Donna Murray, 123- Kathy Held, 369- Mark McGovern
Week 11: 89- Delores Wedig, 291-Laura Caldwell, 527-Christine
Keller

<u>Week 12:</u> 111- Sam Lenarsich, 438-Janet Nienaber, 447- Jim Hamer <u>Week 13:</u> 219-Chuck Kowzan, 225- Paige Klocke, 334- Lois Glacken <u>Week 14:</u> 67- Larry Jessup, 210-Samuel Lenatsich, 239- Nancy Ransbottom

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Toy and Clothing Drive This WEEKEND
Mark, your calendars for December 4th! From
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leave your children at home.





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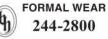
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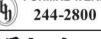
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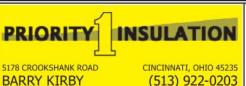
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