

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER / MAY 28, 2023

## ST. LEO THE GREAT PARISH



### 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.



*Pentecost*  
*Pentecostés*

### PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Rodolfo Coaquira, MCCJ, Pastor

Rev. Luca Roso, MCCJ, Parochial Vicar

Jenni Lindgren, Business Manager, Food Pantry Administrator

Nicole Cummings, Development Director

Angela Anno, Pastoral Associate

Judie Kuhlman, Youth Minister

Gloria Sweet, Facilities Manager

Burundi Ministry: contact Parish Office

Hispanic Ministry: contact Parish Office

### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Mass in Spanish: 6:00 PM

Sunday Mass: 10:30 AM

Wednesday Mass: 11:30 AM

Thursday Mass: 7:00 PM

Reconciliation: Sunday at noon after Mass or by appointment.

Baptisms and Weddings: Call the Parish Office

**Watch Sunday Masses Live Streamed at**  
**Facebook.com/RCC-St-Leo-Church-Cincinnati**

### OUR FAMILY OF PARISHES WEEKEND MASS TIMES

#### *Holy Family*

Saturday 4:00 PM English

Sunday 11:00 AM Bilingual

#### *St. Joseph*

Sunday 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM

English

#### *St. Boniface*

Saturday 4:00 PM English

6:00 PM Spanish

Sunday 9:00 AM Spanish

11:00 AM English

12:30 PM Spanish

#### *St. Thérèse Little Flower*

Saturday 4:30 PM English

Sunday 10:00 AM English

5:00 PM Spanish

Tues, Wed, Thurs 8:30 AM English



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**Masses and Readings for the week of May 28, 2023**

**Saturday, May 27**

Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Jn 21:20-25;  
Vigil Readings: Gn 11:1-9; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39  
For the People of the Parish

6:00 PM

**Sunday, May 28 *Feast of Pentecost***

Acts 2:1-11; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23  
Intention of the Donor

10:30 AM

**Monday, May 29** No Service— Gn 3:9-15, 20; Jn 19:25-34

**Tuesday, May 30** No Service— Sir 35:1-12; Mk 10:28-31

**Wednesday, May 31 *Feast of the Visitation***

Zep 3:14-18a; Lk 1:39-56  
Intention of the Donor

1:30 AM

**Thursday, June 1** Sir 42:15-25; Mk 10:46-52

7:00 PM Intention of the Donor

**Friday, June 2 *Feast of the Holy Trinity***

No Service Sir 44:1, 9-13; Mk 11:11-26

**Saturday, June 3** Sir 51:12cd-20; Mk 11:27-33

6:00 PM For the People of St. Leo Parish

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Acts 2:1-11; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23  
Intention of the Donor

10:30 AM

**STEWARDSHIP**

**Sunday, May 21, 2023**

Total .....\$1,809

**Online Giving Available.** Go to [www.saint-leo.org/donate-now](http://www.saint-leo.org/donate-now) and click on “Donate Now.”

**Shop Kroger and Support St. Leo.** Go to [www.kroger.com/communityrewards](http://www.kroger.com/communityrewards) and enter St. Leo’s #KC265 or search for St. Leo the Great Church.

**Leave a legacy** by remembering St. Leo the Great in your will. For more information, contact Jenni Lindgren, 513-921-1044x20 or [JenniL@saint-leo.org](mailto:JenniL@saint-leo.org).

**Drop off Sunday offerings** in the slot in the back door of the rectory, or mail it to St. Leo the Great, 2573 St. Leo Place, 45225.

***Thank you for your support!***

## Do we really mean “Peace be with you”?

### **My Sisters and Brothers of the Risen Lord,**

In the Christian tradition, Pentecost Sunday, the birthday of our Church, is the celebration of the Holy Spirit descending upon the apostles, Jesus’ mother, Mary, and other followers of Christ who were gathered in an upper room following his death. This story is told today in our first reading in the second chapter in the Acts of the Apostles. I ask you to listen to the tone and language of this narrative because it describes fully the transformational power and strength that conjoin with the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. This power will assuage grief and move us forward in space and time, armed with the knowledge that God is within us—always. This force has been given to everyone, then and now, as the spirit of truth, light, and faith is imbued in our hearts.

And yet, today, we reflect, as well, on the Gospel of John, and rather than “driving wind” and “tongues of fire,” Jesus gives us another powerful message: “Peace be with you.” What beauty and elegance in these words—peace be with you. It is a simple yet profound phrase, and if we truly embrace its meaning, we will be equipped well to know a softer side of existence and an effective way to accept the vagaries of this world.

Human beings crave a sense of peace, and it is why we turn to the “cures” of the world to help us obtain it. From the peace pipe to the peace sign to self-help books to physical calming techniques or exercise, we are on a never-ending road to find “calm” within ourselves and in our relationships with others. Even at Mass we relive Christ’s words as we offer the sign of peace to those in our midst. “Peace be with you,” we say, but is it a rote gesture on our part or is it something we have thought about and mean? Think about it. Peace be with you, and to all of us, when imploring the Holy Spirit to guide our path and send us forth to proclaim the universal message of our Lord Jesus Christ and share his mission in the world.

“Come, Holy Spirit, come. And from your celestial home, shed a ray of light divine. Come, Father of the poor. Come, source of all our store. Come, within our bosoms shine. You, of comforters the best; you, the soul’s most welcome guest; sweet refreshment here below. In our labor, rest most sweet; grateful coolness in the heat; solace in the midst of woe. . .”—the beginning sequence of *Veni, Sancte Spiritus*  
Yours in Christ,  
Fr. Rudy



## FOUR GRAND CLUB: WEEK 39 WINNERS

Congratulations to this weeks winners:

Donna Murray, Christina Roemer, Donna Klocke!

## FOOD PANTRY

Serving hours are Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, 1:00–3:30 PM. Serving North Fairmount, English Woods, Roll Hill Apts., and Millvale 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. Current proof of residence and photo ID is required.

## Monday, May 29, 2023 Memorial Day

Let's remember and honor the brave men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom on this Memorial Day!

**REMINDER: The Food Pantry and Church Office will be closed in observance of**



PROTECT  
THEM BOTH

## HELP PROTECT THE DIGNITY OF LIFE IN OHIO

Life in its earliest and most vulnerable stages is threatened by groups proposing an amendment to the Ohio Constitution for the November 2023 ballot to expand and enshrine

abortion at the expense of protections for preborn children and women. The Catechism of the Catholic Church proclaims that “human life must be respected and protected absolutely from the moment of conception.” The Church accompanies and supports women facing unexpected pregnancies and mothers through programs such as Walking with Moms in Need and the services of Catholic Charities.

The bishops of Ohio strongly encourage Catholics statewide to unite in prayer and work to defeat this proposed amendment and its grave consequences for women and preborn children in Ohio. Starting this week, the following **Protect Them Both** materials about the proposed amendment are available in Ohio parishes:

- **Protect Them Both Prayer Card:** Unite with Catholics across Ohio in asking God to strengthen us as we defend and accompany mothers and preborn children.
- **Dignity of Life Threatened in Ohio Flyer:** Learn more about the proposed amendment and what you can do now.

These are the first of many resources that will be available to help defeat the proposed amendment. Learn more about the **Protect Them Both** campaign and access resources

at: [ohiocathconf.org/protect](http://ohiocathconf.org/protect).



*All materials created by the Catholic Conference of Ohio (CCO), in collaboration with the dioceses across Ohio. CCO is the official voice of the Catholic Church in Ohio on public policy; advocating for the dignity of life at all stages, immigrants, Ohioans in need, and Catholic education.*  
[www.ohiocathconf.org](http://www.ohiocathconf.org)

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

- May 29** Hunger Walk
- June 4** Server Training, Noon to 1PM
- June 7** Youth Group-Art For All People, 12:30-3:30 PM
- June 12-16** Youth Group Horse Camp, 8-2PM
- June 28** Youth Day with Good Shepherd Church, 9-12:30PM
- June 30** Youth Group Cincinnati Zoo
- June 20** World Refugee Day
- July 8** St. Leo Festival, Noon to 10PM
- July 12** Youth Group Summer Fun 9am-12:30
- July 14** Youth Group Great Outdoor Expo 9AM –3PM
- July 26** Youth Group Movie Day
- August 9** Youth Group Summer Fun Day
- August 12** Day of HOPE
- August 13** Youth Group Kings Island-Teen Service Celebration

Announcement:

\*\*\* Teen Volunteering at the Food Pantry  
Monday, Wednesday and Fridays 12:30-3:30 PM  
Please use Sign Up Genius\*\*\*  
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E49ADAE28A46-stleosummer1>

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



## GET INVOLVED IN

### ST. LEO'S PARISH LIFE

Our parish is our spiritual home!  
Let's keep her beautiful and prospering! Contact Nicole at the Parish Office or at [nicolec@saint-leo.org](mailto:nicolec@saint-leo.org) to volunteer in these ways:

- Be a Mass lay minister: reader, Communion minister, server, usher, greeter, musician, or sing in the choir.
- Clean the sacristy and sanctuary once a month.
- Assist our Administrative Assistant on Monday mornings for 2 hours.
- Help with grounds control: remove debris from hill.
- Manage our social media accounts.
- Teach children songs for our Children's Liturgy of the Word during Mass once a month.



**THERE IS STILL TIME!!!!!!**

## ST. LEO'S LIGHTING THE WAY

Monday, May 29  
Walk, run, or sponsor a student to walk. Go to [www.cincinnatihungerwalk.org](http://www.cincinnatihungerwalk.org). Click on Teams to find St. Leo.



## PAPERWORK ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Aid with paperwork is available every second and fourth Thursday of the month, from 4:30–6:30 PM. in the church. Get help with mail and filling out forms!

## A VOCATION VIEW: Pentecost Sunday

“As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” The coming of the Spirit gives us the power and vitality to be a witness to Christ, no matter the cost. (John 20:21)