August 28, 2022 From Father Rudy,

It is the Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time, and we focus on two themes: how to exercise humility and Jesus' call for compassion to the marginalized, who cannot respond in kind. In Luke's Gospel today, Jesus links these concepts together to help us see how God *sees* his children and to offer a path so we may be counted among the "resurrection of the righteous." (Luke 14: 14)

When one thinks of selflessness, who better comes to mind but St Teresa of Calcutta, who had an unlimited capacity to give people unconditional love. She said this about humility: "These are the few ways we can practice humility: To speak as little as possible of oneself. To mind one's own business. Not to want to manage other people's affairs. To avoid curiosity. To accept contradictions and correction cheerfully. To pass over the mistakes of others. To accept insults and injuries. To accept being slighted, forgotten and disliked. To be kind and gentle even under provocation. Never to stand on one's dignity. To choose always the hardest."

Would you describe yourself as being kind and gentle? These are beautiful words, but do you fully embrace their meaning? It's something we all should think about and hold in one's heart.

Today, as it was in ancient times, some of us are preoccupied with social status based on money, power, and prestige, among others. From the "influencers on social media, to the titans of industry, to those VIPs we might know personally, we symbolically place these individuals in seats of honor at our own "table" in terms of our time and interest. However, Jesus has asked us, instead, to beckon "the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind" to honored seats, so we may honor and serve Him and those in need.

In other words, "Let no one ever come to you without leaving better and happier. Be the living expression of God's kindness: kindness in your face, kindness in your eyes, kindness in your smile." —St. Teresa of Calcutta

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

Join us on Sunday August 28th at 2:00 p.m. in St. Leo's undercroft. We will be holding a special session of formation and training for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. Please use the registration forms in church if you are interested.

Mass and Healing Service- You're invited on Wednesday September 7th at 7:30 p.m. at St. Ignatius Church located at 5222 North Bend Road. To Receive Jesus in the Eucharist, adores him in Eucharistic Exposition, and experience the Lord's love through individual personal prayer for healing of any concerns you may have. If you are having items shipped to Saint Leo's please have them shipped to Saint Boniface. We are having a lot of issues at Saint Leo's with deliveries. <u>Please send any deliveries to:</u> St. Boniface - Attn: Saint Leo -1750 Chase Avenue-Cincinnati, OH 45223



We have a family in need of a twin mattress. The food pantry is also in need of an upright 21 cubic feet freezer only. 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 <u>Amazon</u> Wish List Link:https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1Y6S276N39W08?r ef_=wl_share. <u>Please call the office at 513-921-1044 if you have</u> <u>questions or would like to donate these items.</u>

Upcoming Dates to mark on your Calendar:

August 28th – Eucharist Minister Training at 2 p.m. Archdiocese of Cincinnati will lead this in Spanish and English. September 17th and 18th – Sacrament sign-ups for all sacraments. September 18th – After mass join St. Johns West Chester Knights of Columbus with their tool box project.

PARISH FAMILY NEWS: Mark your calendars now for Sunday,

October 9th, for a get-acquainted party with other members of our parish family. Little Flower will be hosting us beginning at 1:00 p.m. We are asking people to bring a dish to share. Bring your own beverage. If the weather is nice, we will be outside on their beautiful grounds. There will be soccer and volleyball for the kids and adults. Or we can enjoy the opportunity to mingle and get to know each other. If the weather isn't nice, we will be in the parish undercroft.

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR – Sept. 21st to Oct. 19th - 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Do you want to experience God's love, power and presence? The Life in the Spirit Seminar is a life-transforming experience where you will discover Christ's personal and unconditional love for YOU. Listen to dynamic teachings and experience the gifts of the Holy Spirit. This seminar will take place on 5 consecutive Wednesday evenings at St. Ignatius Parish in Loyola Hall, 5222 North Bend Rd., Cincinnati, Ohio 45247. For more info or to register call Mary Ann at 513-378-4431, Lighthouse Renewal Center at 513-471-5483, or visit our website at www.LRC1.org.

The Cincinnati Hispanic Fest is happening on Sunday September 4th from noon – 10:00 p.m. at St. Boniface Church, located at 1750 Chase Avenue in Northside. Enjoy tasty food, music, dancing and FUN for the whole family!!! There is Free Admissions. For more information check out www.cincinnatihispanicfest. org.

The 18th annual Blue Mass Celebration is Sunday September 25, 2022! All Greater Cincinnati Police, fire, and public safety personnel are welcome to join at The Cathedral Basilica of Saint Peter in Chains. The blessing and procession begin at 10:45 a.m. with mass at 11:00 a.m. followed by a reception. For more information please call 513.421.5354.