THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME/JULY 2, 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.

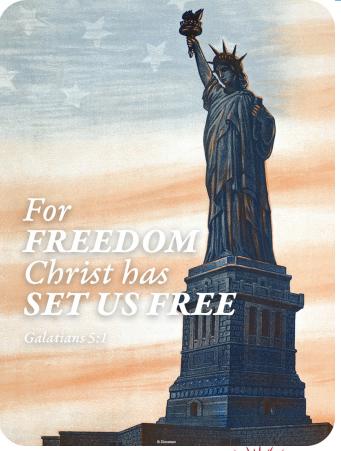
We exist because the Lord has called us to receive and Share the good news with all of God's people.

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.



PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Rodolfo Coaquira, MCCJ, Pastor Rev. Luca Roso, MCCJ, Parochial Vicar

Jenni Lindgren, Business Manager, Food Pantry Administrator

Nicole Cummings, Development Director Amanda Randolph, Administrative Assistant

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

2573 Saint Leo Place, Cincinnati, OH 45225-1960 Office: 513-921-1044 Fax: 513-921-8048 info@saint-leo.org www.saint-leo.org Parish Office Hours: Monday—Friday 9:00 AM —3:00 PM Follow us on Facebook and Instagram

Masses and Readings for the week of July 2, 2023

Saturday, July 1 Saturday of the Twelfth Week in Ordinary Time

6:00 PM Gn 18:1-15; Mt 8:5-17

For the People of the Parish

Sunday, July 2 Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:30 AM 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a; Rom 6:3-4, 8-11; Mt 10:37-42

For The Intention of the Donor

Monday, July 3 No Service— Eph 2:19-22; Jn 20:24-29 Tuesday, July 4 No Service— Gn 19:15-29; Mt 8:23-27

Wednesday, July 5 Wed. of the Thirteenth Week in Ordinary Time

11:30 AM Gn 21:5, 8-20a; Mt 8:28-34 For the Intention of the Donor

Thursday, July 6 Thursday of the Thirteenth Week in Ordinary Time

7:00 PM Gn 22:1b-19;Mt 9:1-8

For the Intention of the Donor

Friday, July 7 No Service — Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67;Mt 9:9-13

Saturday, July 8 Saturday of the Thirteenth Week in Ordinary Time

6:00 pm Gn 27:1-5, 15-29; Mt 9:14-17

For the Intention of the Donor

Sunday, July 9 *Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time* 10:30 AM Zec 9:9-10; Rom 8:9, 11-13;Mt 11:25-30

For the Intention of the Donor

Peter's Pence Collection

This week we are collecting for Peter's Pence Collection. When you participate in the collection, you join Catholics across the globe in supporting the pope's mission of mercy as well as the activities of the Holy See's dicasteries that assist his ministry.

Be a sign of Mercy

STEWARDSHIP

Sunday, June 25, 2023

Total\$3,280.00

Online Giving Available. Go to www.saint-leo.org/

donate-now and click on "Donate Now."

Shop Kroger and Support St. Leo. Go to

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.

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!

Help us Heat Our Church: Fundraising for a New Boiler

Our current goal is to raise funds for the installation of a new boiler in our church. We are looking into a split system to add air conditioning as well!

Together, let's make our church a place of warmth and inspiration. Donate today and help us create a welcoming space for all.

"The Costs and Rewards of Discipleship"

My Sisters and Brothers of the Risen Lord,

As I write to you today, my message is simple, yet for many of us, it is so difficult to understand, embrace, and be truly alive in our hearts. It is this: God must be the central focus of our lives. He must be loved beyond all others in order for us to love at all. Through God's grace and mercy, and yes, his love, we are able to maneuver through our human lives and fulfill our destiny. And, in this intimate, committed, and passionate relationship with our Lord, we will find all that we are looking for.

On this Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, we hear in Matthew's Gospel Jesus's words about our mission as disciples of Christ. It might be a bit jarring to hear Christ's instructions that we must love him beyond our loved ones, yet it is exactly what we must do because it is in our relationship with him that we are able to extend it outward toward others so that we may love them without ego or need for reciprocity. This gospel of love means the selfless ability to move out of ourselves in service and sacrifice. The idea of Christianity, then, birthed in the sacrament of our Baptism, enhances and develops our vision of the world and allows us to transform our lives, especially in our relationship with family, friends, and colleagues. Because we have a deep and abiding love of Christ, we are called to give of ourselves, sometimes in sacrifice and suffering for the benefit of others. In thinking about examples of those saints who gave up their lives for their faith or even those ordinary heroes whose stories inspire us daily, we, as human beings, are called to do the same. There may, indeed, be a cost to us, but alternatively, there is often a reward.

Even in a simple act of kindness that takes us out of ourselves, we know the delight in someone's eyes in doing so. A generous spirit, a generous action, a generous love—may we all be inspired in his name to transform lives so we may transform our own.

Batter my heart, three-person'd God, for you
As yet but knock, breathe, shine, and seek to mend;
That I may rise and stand, o'ethrow me, and bend
Your force to break, blow, burn, and make me new. . .
—John Donne, English poet, Holy Sonnet 14

Yours in Christ, Fr. Rudy

Custodian/Groundskeeper Needed

St. Boniface Church and School in Northside is seeking a full-time custodian/groundskeeper. Position is Monday through Friday from 9-5:30. There is an occasional weekend and/or evening. Ideal candidates will enjoy doing a great job and making things sparkle, have basic to intermediate skills in custodial and maintenance practices, be able to lift at least 50 lbs, able to stand and walk up to 8 hours per day, operate commercial lawn equipment, and have a valid drivers license. All candidates must pass a criminal background check and be in compliance with the Archdiocese of Cincinnati Decree of Child Protection. Benefits include health, dental, vision and life insurance, paid training, flex spending, long term disability, 401k, paid sick and vacation days. Pay is \$17 – \$19 per hour. Contact: Please submit a resume with references to Jenni Lindgren, Business Manager at jlindgren@stbonifaceschool.net

Food Pantry Monthly Overhead Sponsor

July Ron & Anna Bisher





The Archdiocese of Cincinnati, in keeping with its policies, has completed the five-year revision of the Decree on Child Protection. Each user with a SafeParish account will need to download, acknowledge to have read, and agree to abide by the requirements of the revised Decree. If this is not completed within 30 days of the promulgation of the Decree by the Archbishop, the user's SafeParish account will show as pending until the user completes the acknowledgement. Users with pending SafeParish accounts are not permitted to work or volunteer with youth until they have met all the child protection requirements and their SafeParish account is approved. Please contact your parish or school safe environment coordinator with any questions.

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 or call (513-921-1044) to see if your street is covered. Current proof of residence and photo ID is required.

ESL CLASSES

Our English as a Second Language (ESL) classes will be cancelled on July 8, 2023 as well as July 15, 2023.

Thank you for your understanding.

PAPERWORK ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Aid with paperwork is available every second and fourth Thursday of the month. Laura Marsan is a longstanding member of St. Leo, fluent in Spanish, and she can help. Please call 513-921-1044. By appointment only!

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FOUR GRAND CLUB: WEEK 44 WINNERS

Congratulations to this weeks winners:

Mary Ellen Yetter, Mr. & Mrs. Jerome Oberjoahnn,

Doug & Sandy Doxsey

UPCOMING EVENTS:

June 30 Youth Group Cincinnati Zoo
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 2 Youth Group-Art For All People, 9:30 AM-1 PM
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/10C0E49ADAE28A46stleosummer1



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 to volunteer in these ways:

- Interested in becoming a Festival Sponsor? Contact Nicole at nicolec@saint-leo.org or call 513-921-1044.
- 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.
- Teach children songs for our Children's Liturgy of the Word during Mass once a month.



Walk up Produce Pantry

St. Joseph Catholic Church, 745 Ezzard Charles Dr.

2nd Tuesday of every month

TEFAP Eligibility Guidelines: Household income at or below 200% the federal poverty line.

Tuesday, June 13th, 2023 from 11:00am-1:00pm Tuesday, July 11th, 2023 from 11:00am-1:00pm Tuesday, August 8th, 2023 from 11:00am-1:00pm

- Picture ID and current piece of mail necessary for registration.
- Please bring help or cart to carry food

For more information or to volunteer call 513-672-3720