

November 14, 2021

From Fr. Jim. . .

Catholic Campaign for Human Development: Next weekend is the annual collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD), the national, anti-poverty campaign of the U.S. Bishops. CCHD has been an immeasurable blessing for thousands in our Archdiocese over the years. The agencies funded by CCHD empower people to break the cycle of poverty through such feats as finding jobs, responsibly reentering society after prison, educating youth, and securing decent housing and public services for their communities. Through the grants that are made to well -vetted organizations, CCHD uniquely empowers those in poverty to identify their own needs and to become their own agents of positive change. Please prayerfully and generously consider how you will give on Collection Weekend, November 21-22. Your dollars are making real change! Visit www.usccb.org/cchd to learn more. Also check out the Archdiocesan CCHD website for more local information: www.catholiccincinnati.org/social.action. Thank you!

St. Leo Anniversary Song by Rick Nohle: Congratulations St Leo, 135 years!! To celebrate our anniversary, please stop by the food truck Sabor San Marcos after Mass. Free coffee, donuts, hot chocolate, hot dogs and chuchitos sponsored by the parish.

We are singing this song at Mass by our own Rick Nohle. November 10 was the memorial of St. Leo the Great, our patron saint and the day that we celebrate our anniversary of the founding of the parish or as the song says: "St. Leo Church is born." This song truly and succinctly captures the history and growth of our parish and the gratitude we feel for the wonders and marvels of God's love and all that God has done and is doing for us at St. Leo. In our diversity, we are truly one in the Lord. With Mary, our mother, we can say, "My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord and my Spirit rejoices in God my Savior." I thank Rick for his wonderful music. I asked Rick for his permission to print the lyrics to his song for your continued prayer, reflection, and thanksgiving.

*One hundred and thirty-five years ago, in the place where we now stand,
A small band of struggling immigrants, when you took them by the hand.
They did not have much money, but they gave you all they could,
And you multiplied their sacrifice, and we see that it was good. It was good!
From Germany and Italy, they traveled, from elsewhere in Europe, they came.*

*With various cultures and languages, but their hopes were much the same.
They set to work building an edifice, with mortar, brick and stone,
As a result of their laboring, St. Leo Church was born! It was born!
Would you lead us in the future, as you have led us in the past?
Give us faith, and hope, and charity, the only things that last.
In the love poured down from heaven, by the father and the Son,
We invite the Holy Spirit, to unite our hearts as one.
The immigrants now come from other lands, but our mission is the same,
Africa, Central America, Still we preach in Jesus' name,
Of the love poured down from heaven, by the Father and the Son,
And invite the Holy Spirit, to unite our hearts as one.
Imana Shimwe! Alabare al Senor! Everyone praise the Lord!
Gott sei dank! Grazie a Dio! Everyone thank the Lord!
Let us show the works of mercy, that we ourselves receive.
Let us mirror godly gladness Until everyone believes.
In the love poured down from heaven, by the Father and the Son,
And invite the Holy Spirit, to unite our hearts as...
One hundred thirty-five years ago, St. Leo Church was born!*

Thanks everyone for being the church that God has created us to be.



Cincinnati State is offering FREE ESL classes and conversation groups until December 18, 2021! Beginner and intermediate classes are Tuesday and Thursday 6:00 p.m. -7:30 p.m. in the main building. Contact Preston Frasch at preston.frasch@cincinnatiastate.edu. Conversation group will be Wednesdays from 2:00 p.m. -3:30 p.m. in the ATLC building contact Daniel Zimmer at Daniel.zimmer@cincinnatiastate.edu for details.

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.saint-leo.org/Publications/StLeoSundayBulletin

You can **read Fr. Jim's letter** at:

www.saint-leo.org/Publications/FromtheDeskofFrJim

We are in need of clothing racks for the upcoming toy and clothing drive. We would love to receive gift cards to help with our everyday needs, please consider Staples, Amazon, Kroger, or Home Depot when donating. You can see our latest needs 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.**

Thanksgiving Meal Distribution - Thanksgiving Day meals can be picked up on Thursday November 25th, right after the 10:00 a.m. mass.

MARCH FOR LIFE 2022- January 19th – 22nd in Washington D.C. This trip gives you the full March for Life experience with the march itself, the opportunity to meet with Ohio representatives and opportunities for prayer, processing and learning. We are in need of sponsors for this event, the cost of each student to go on this trip is \$325. If you are interested in sponsoring please call the office at 513.921.1044.

HEALING SERVICE- Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Center located at 5440 Moeller Avenue, in Norwood. On Wednesday November 17th will be holding a healing service after mass. Pray the rosary at 6:45 p.m. followed by mass at 7:15 p.m. All are welcomed!!

St. Nicholas Toy and Clothing Giveaway-Mark, your calendars for December 5th! from 2:00 p.m. -5:00pm in Centennial Hall, details to come.

Everyone is welcomed after Sunday November 14th Mass to celebrate our 135th anniversary with donuts, coffee, and giveaways in the parking lot!! JOIN US for the FUN!!!