



ST. LEO MAGNUS

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SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

February 23, 2025

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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses

Sat. Vigil: 5:15 pm + *Sunday:* 8:00 am & 10:00 am

Daily Mass

Tuesday: 6 pm + Wednesdays - Saturdays: 8:30 am
Saturdays: Rosary is recited at 8:00 am

Holy Day Masses

Evening before: 6:00 pm
On the day: 8:30 am & 12:05 pm

Sacrament of Penance (Confessions)

Wednesdays: 4-6 pm & Saturdays: 9 am

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament

Tuesdays 9 am - 6 pm + Thursdays 9 am - 7 pm



Holy Year of Jubilee 2025
Pilgrims of Hope

Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 22, 2025 + *The Chair of Saint Peter*

8:00 am **Rosary**

8:30 am **Mr. & Mrs. Patsy Sette** (Estate)

9:00 am **Confession**

Saturday, February 22, 2025 + *Vigil for Seventh Sunday in*

Ordinary Time

5:15 pm **Crieg Johnson**(Debby & Charlie Richards)

Sunday, February 23, 2025 + *Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 am **Jennie Morelli** (Mary Egger)

10:00 am **Mike Thompson** (Norma McDonson)

Tuesday, February 25, 2025 + *Weekday*

9 am - 6 pm **Adoration**

NO MASS

Wednesday, February 26, 2025 + *Weekday*

8:30 am **John Pontzer** (Dave Giovanini)

NO Confession

Thursday, February 27, 2025 + *Weekday*

8:30 am **Michael Kemick** (Mike & Sue Renaud)

9 am - 7 pm **Adoration**

Friday, February 28, 2025 + *Weekday*

8:30 am **Margaret C. Noble** (Scott, Missy & Michael Jacobs)

Saturday, March 1, 2025 + *Weekday*

8:00 am **Rosary**

8:30 am **The People of Saint Leo Parish**

9:00 am **Confession**

Saturday, March 1, 2025 + *Vigil for Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

5:15 pm **Special Intention** (Dave & Linda Giovanini)

Sunday, March 2, 2025 + *Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 am **Mary Jean Ceroni** (Dave & Lucy Bobby)

10:00 am **Deceased Members of Capital City Hose Co.**
(Capital City Hose Co.)

Altar Candles

Sanctuary ~ In memory of John T. Grieggs from his family

*May the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.
Amen*

Please contact the parish office if you would like to reserve a special candle in memory or in honor of a loved one.
Our candle offerings for 2025 include Sanctuary, Saint Leo and Saint John of God

The wine and hosts for February have been provided by Bill Jacobs in loving memory of his wife,
Mary Helen Jacobs

Liturgical Ministries March 1 & 2, 2025

	Altar Servers	Eucharist Minister	Lector
5:15 pm	Messineos	JP MacDonald	WJ Fernan
8:00 am	J Tettis A Stenta	V Stager	J Allenbaugh
10:00 am	L Kerr MJ Bish	J Williams	N Hoffman

Ministry Schedule
Week of March 2, 2025

Money Counter
Team #1

Altar Guild (2/28)
Group 2, Pew 2

Cancel the Cold

†We remember in our prayers†

February 23
Carl D. Lindberg

Prayer Chain ~

In need of prayers? Call Jan @ 814-776-1352

If you would like to pray for the needs of those requesting prayers, call the parish office to be included as a prayer chain warrior.



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Father Michael McGivney: An American Blessed

In May 2020, Pope Francis approved a miracle attributed to the intercession of Fr. Michael McGivney, paving the way for his beatification. This documentary highlights Fr. McGivney's fraternal charity, evangelization, and empowerment of the laity.

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Parish Contributions

Week of 2/16/2025

Weekly Offering.....	\$5,555
Weekly Goal.....	\$8,695
Year -To-Date (July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025)	
Actual.....	\$256,473
Budget.....	\$295,630



Ways to Remember

There are many ways to memorialize both living and deceased family and friends:

Mass - \$10/request

Candles: Sanctuary, Saint Leo, Saint John of God - \$20/week

Hosts and Wine - \$100/month

Beat the Heat/Cancel the Cold - \$10/date

Radio Mass Broadcast - \$100/week

Have an IRA? Would you like to gift to a qualified charity, tax free?

If you make donations, and are subject to required minimum distributions (RMD) rules for your IRA, gifting some of your RMD income using the qualified charitable distribution will count toward satisfying your RMD, and neither you or the charity will have to pay income taxes. Call the parish office for more details.

Online Giving

As we embrace the winter season and its serene beauty, we invite you to consider offering a gift to **St. Leo Magnus**. Your generosity during this time helps us continue our mission and support our community. Visit our parish website www.stleomagnus.org to make a one-time donation or to set up automated, recurring giving throughout the year. It's quick, easy, and convenient. Thank you so much for your generosity and support. Your contributions are a true blessing, and we are deeply grateful for your kindness.

Bulletin Deadline- Submit by Feb 25 at noon for Mar 2 bulletin

Contact St. Leo Parish

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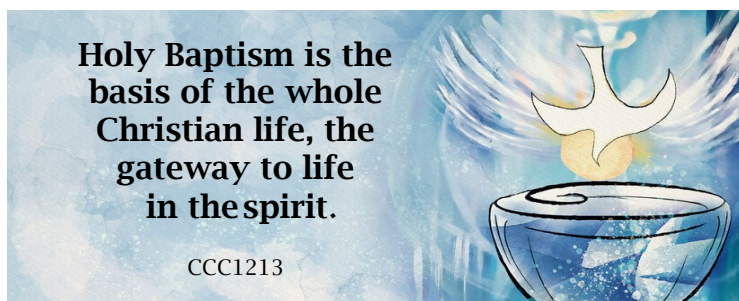
9:00 am - noon + 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Call the parish office for your cemetery needs

Happening This Week

Sat	1	First Reconciliation, 10 am, church
Sun	2	Confirmation Class, 11 am, social hall
Looking Ahead		
Wed	5	Ash Wednesday, Ashes during Mass, 8:30, 12:05 & 6 pm
Thu	6	Saint John of God Triduum
Fri	7	Saint John of God Triduum
Sat	8	Saint John of God Anointing Mass - 10 am

Historical items lent to Fr. Justin are ready to be returned. Stop in the parish office to get your items if you requested they be returned.



Holy Baptism is the basis of the whole Christian life, the gateway to life in the spirit.

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Celebrating the Sacrament of Baptism

Infant baptisms (for children from birth to just before their 7th birthday) are scheduled throughout the year after weekend Masses. **Baptisms are not performed during the solemn season of Lent (between Ash Wednesday and Easter Sunday).**

Before scheduling their child's baptism, parents and godparents should attend a baptism preparation class in person or online. Godparents that are not participating members of St. Leo Parish will have to request a **Sponsor Letter** from the parish where they attend weekly Mass.

We will be most happy to reserve a date for your child's baptism after all necessary documents are received in the parish office.

Baptism Preparation Class Schedule

Mar 22 10:00 am Sacred Heart, St. Marys 814-781-1019

Apr 16 6:00 pm St. Leo, Ridgway 814-772-3135

***Be sure to call ahead to reserve your spot!**

Pre-Cana class schedule

Mar 15 9:30 am - 6:15 pm Queen of the world, St. Marys
814-834-4701

***Be sure to call ahead to reserve your spot!**

Sick and Homebound

Please let the Parish Office know if a member of your family is sick and in need of anointing or would like to be placed on our First Friday Communion List.

CASH BASH

St. Boniface Parish will be hosting a Cash Bash on Saturday, March 1st in the Social Hall. No one under 21 permitted. Cost: \$10/Person which includes food, pop, beer and a chance to win \$500, \$750 or \$1,000. Other raffles, drawings, small games of chance throughout the night. Come and enjoy what is sure to be a fun filled night of music, laughter and luck! All proceeds to benefit St. Boniface Parish.

FAMILY HONOR ~REAL LOVE & REAL LIFE

Attention Parents of 7th and 8th grade students:

Family Honor will be presenting Real Love & Real Life, a chastity program series at St. Marys Church Parish Center on Sundays, March 2, 9 and 16, 2025. A Real Love & Real Life program includes parents and their teens and together we explore communicating effectively in families; relaying the need to respect the gift of our sexuality and the incredible power we have to give life; discusses other topics all teens are facing, such as peer pressure, dating and avoiding risky behaviors, all with the truths that our Catholic faith teaches. This is an incredible opportunity to spend quality time with your teen and open the door to communication on some really important issues. To register or find out more about this program, call or text Laurey Kraus 335-0124 or 781-6746.

ECC PTO MUSIC BINGO

Saturday, March 15, 2025 at Dream View Restaurant. Doors open at 5 pm. Music Bingo provided by: Bingo With A Beat from Pittsburgh. \$50/ticket includes: Buffet Dinner at 6 pm & Music Bingo. Questions contact Rhonda Hoffman at 814-335-1400

WEEKEND RETREAT FOR ADULTS

“Understanding the Mystery of the Human Person” Friday afternoon, March 21 and Saturday, March 22, 2025. St. Mary’s Catholic Church Social Hall, St. Marys, PA. ~ Find out the truth behind current “hot but- ton’ moral issues; Discover the beauty of Catholic teaching on marriage, family, and God’s gift of sexuality; Learn how to respond to challenging questions from friends and family on these topics.

This course is presented by Family Honor, Inc. Family Honor, created in 1988, provides a Catholic framework on the truth and meaning of sexuality, love, and family. Questions? Contact Jean in PA at 814-594-7405 or the Family Honor office at 803-929-0858.

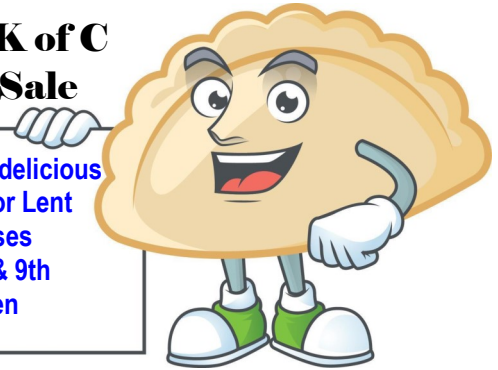
CINCH TOURNAMENT

To benefit Relay for Life on Sunday, March 23 at Sacred Heart Parish Center. Dinner at 12:15 pm and play to begin at 1 pm. \$10/person. To register call Sharon @ 814-594-5594 or Sacred Heart 814-834-7861

Kersey K of C Breakfast Buffet

Sunday, March 2nd from 8 am until 11:30 (sold out). Price is \$10 for adults and \$5 for 16 & under. All are invited to come and enjoy this breakfast buffet at St. Boniface.

**Ridgway K of C
Pierogi Sale**



**Homemade and delicious
Just in time for Lent
After masses
March 2nd & 9th
\$13/dozen**

22.32 Men’s Retreat

Good morning. St. Mark parish of Emporium is pleased to announce that we will be again hosting Men’s 2232 as a live stream event! Saturday March 1st in O’Connell hall we will view the Men’s 2232 conference live from Erie.

We welcome all men to this conference, of all faiths. We will gather from 8-8:30 a.m. for coffee, doughnuts and other beverages and snacks. The program begins at 8:30 and lasts until 11-11:15. Following the program there will be the opportunity for confession with Fr. Paul.

For those of you who have not taken part in Men’s 2232, the experience is fantastic! We encourage you to invite along with you members of your parish, Cursillo group reunion, K of C council, etc.

To register to attend, you MUST go to www.2232men.com

On the registration page you will choose “Live- streamed to St. Mark Emporium “ Choose “Group” to attend with even if signing up as a single person. The group setting allows Erie to know how many men will physically be at St. Mark parish and each of us will receive the group pricing discount. Each year we welcome a great group
Peace, Rev Paul S Siebert

K of C 300 Club Winners

	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6
\$40	J Marzella	Ed Shilk	P Hunt
\$30	C Gardner	Sam & Lois	A Messineo
\$30	F Wonderly	R Fannin	D Cavalline

**Ridgway K of C
Turkey Dinner
(includes turkey & all the fixings)
Sunday, March 2
11 am - sold out
At the K of C, Ridgway
\$12/plate - Eat in or Take out**

ST. LEO MAGNUS CATHOLIC CHURCH Membership Form

Name _____ Phone Number _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Please drop this form into the offertory basket or mail to Parish Office

- New Registration
- Change of Address or Phone
- Moving Out of the Parish
- Need Envelopes

From the Pastor's Desk

My dear parish family:

Is it possible to live the teachings of Jesus that we read and hear in today's Gospel? Jesus really went for it this week—*love the people who are hardest to love, pray for people you don't like, give things away, don't ask for them back, let people take things, don't ask for them back, let people strike you, don't strike back, don't judge, don't condemn, be kind, forgive, and . . . do it all without expecting anything in return.* Is this possible? Or is it unlivable?

Walking in South Africa in the 1890s, long before he became an internationally famous figure, Mahatma Gandhi was walking with white clergyman. At this point in South Africa, there was virulent racism between the Dutch colonial persons, who were white, and the native South African, who were black and the majority. Gandhi and the minister came upon a group of young white boys. The boys began to taunt the two men, threatening to the pickup nearby stones, and throw them at them. The minister said to Gandhi, "let's go another way," as to avoid this possible violence and assault of the dignity of his humanity. What did Gandhi do? What did he say to the minister? He quoted verbatim the Lord Jesus in the weekend's Gospel narrative from the evangelist Luke!



There's a flip side to today's message from Jesus. For every disciple who hears and acts on Jesus' words, for every person who pours themselves out, for every believer who refuses to judge, hate, condemn, or "get even," there is someone who is on the receiving end of that action, that outpouring.

Jesus does not ask us to do difficult things because He wants us to hurt or feel empty. It's because He wants more for us. **The human heart was made to give.** Moreover, the flip side—**the human heart was made to receive.** We are literally wired or programmed by God Himself to embrace gifts such as acceptance, forgiveness, encouragement, compassion, love, mercy, and even time. All of these and more need to be given by us. All of them need to be received by us. Jesus tells us that it isn't easy, but we know it is right. It is the way of love. It is possible. Yes, it is possible for our families, for our friends, and even for our enemies.

We might say to ourselves that we still don't have a clue and there is no way that we could love our enemy after what has been done to us. The truth is that many people have forgiven the most extraordinary crimes because God helped them to do so. It is not impossible to love enemies. If it were impossible, Jesus would not have asked us to it in the first place. In fact, if it were impossible or not worth it – He never would have forgiven those who drove the nails into His hands and His feet as He hung on the Cross at Calvary on that first Good Friday. Nevertheless, He did and continues to do so to those today who still profess an ignorance or hatred toward Him and His followers, like you and me.

Gandhi once said, "*If we take an eye for an eye, then whole world will go blind.*" Jesus asks us to put love into our lives, to break the spiral of hatred and negativity by putting love into our lives. Love is the only means to achieve anything. May we receive it today. May we give it today – tomorrow– and forever!

May God bless you in His abundance this week! 