



St. Leo Magnus

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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses

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

Daily Mass

Tuesdays: 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

Confession

Wednesdays: 4-6 pm & Saturdays: 9 am

Adoration

Tuesdays 9 am - 6 pm

Thursdays 9 am - 7 pm



150th Anniversary: 52 Weeks - 52 Photos

#47: A vintage look at the residence of Senator Harry Alvin Hall, that once stood at the corner of the current church parking lot, at the bottom of Boot Jack Hill.

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

NOVEMBER 3, 2024

Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 2, 2024+ ALL SOULS DAY

11:00 am **All the Faithful Departed**

Saturday, November 2, 2024+ Vigil for the Thirty-first Sunday

in Ordinary Time

5:15 pm **The Frederico Family** (Jim Laughner)

Sunday, November 3, 2024+ Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am **Sue Spiher** (Pat Fleming)

10:00 am **The People of Saint Leo Parish**

Tuesday, November 5, 2024+ Weekday

9 am - 6 pm **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

NO MASS

Wednesday, November 6, 2024+ Weekday

8:30 am **Elder J. Erlanson & Carolyn Erlanson** (Dave Erlanson & Family)

NO Confession Today

Thursday, November 7, 2024+ Weekday

9:00 am - 6 pm **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

6:00 pm **Jacqueline Renaud** (Family)

Friday, November 8, 2024+ Weekday

8:30 am **Marie Pasi, 1st anniv.** (Mary Egger)

9:00 am - 7:00 pm **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

7:00 pm **FORTY HOURS DEVOTIONS**

* **Confessions before (4 p.m.) and after services**

Saturday, November 9, 2024+ The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

8:00 am **Rosary**

8:30 am **Steve Buck & Jim Manno** (Manno Family)

9:00 am **Confession**

Saturday, November 9, 2024+ Vigil for the Solemnity of St. Leo Magnus

5:15 pm **Elaine Geyer** (Family)

Sunday, November 10, 2024+ Solemnity of St. Leo Magnus

8:00 am **Chester Viola, 21st anniv.** (Family)

10:00 am **Deceased of Judice-Boggia Families** (Mary Theresa Cianca)

The wine and hosts for November have been provided in loving memory of **Bob & Rita Gausman** by **Gene & Bonnie Gausman**

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.

Altar Candles

WILL BURN THIS WEEK IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

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| Sanctuary ~ | Jacqueline Renaud From her family |
| Blessed Mother Mary ~ | Dominic & Elvira Judice From Mary Theresa Cianca |
| Saint Joseph~ | Arthur Cianca, Jr. From Mary Theresa Cianca |

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

Liturgical Ministries Nov. 9 & 10, 2024

| | Altar Servers | Eucharist Minister | Lector |
|-------------------------|------------------------|--------------------|------------|
| Saturday 5:15 pm | R & M MacDonald | S Anderson | A Anderson |
| Sunday 8:00 am | MJ Bish H or T Bish | J Allenbaugh | L Caggese |
| Sunday 10:00 am | S & S Tettis | J Williams | N Hoffman |

Ministry Schedule
Week of Nov. 10, 2024

Money Counter
Team 2

Altar Guild ^(11/8)
Group 2, Pew 4

Cancel the Cold

†We remember in our prayers†

November 3

Peg Howard

Carl Lindberg

November 8

Nina Aiello

Happening This Week

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| Thu | 7 | Parish Council meeting, social hall, 6:00 pm |
| Fri | 8 | Rosary after 8:30 Mass Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9:00 am - 7:00 pm Forty Hours Devotions, 7:00 pm |

*The Parish offers our
prayers and sympathies to the family of:*

Donald Piccirillo

*May he, and all the faithful departed,
rest in eternal peace.*

Parish Collections

October 27, 2024

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| Weekly Offering..... | \$8,264 |
| Weekly Goal..... | \$8,695 |
| Year -To-Date | |
| (July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025) | |
| Actual..... | \$131,619 |
| Budget..... | \$147,815 |

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Ways to Remember

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

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

Our online offertory program is called Vanco. This offertory site can be accessed by visiting our church website at www.stleomagnus.org and click the **Vanco** button at the top of the page. Simply follow the directions to set up an account. You have total control of your donation. Your donation to St. Leo will be received and placed into the fund you chose. If you have questions, please call the parish office for information.

Baptism Preparation Class Schedule

Nov. 26 7 pm St. Marys Church, St. Marys 814-781-1019

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

Bulletin Deadline- Submit by Nov. 5 at noon for Nov. 10 bulletin.

Contact St. Leo Parish

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www.stleomagnus.org Ph: 814-772-3135
email: secretary@stleomagnus.org

Office hours: Mon. - Thur. 9:00 am - noon + 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Call the parish office for your cemetery needs

SPECIAL ANNIVERSARY EVENTS AT ST. LEO CEMETERY

11:30 AM SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10

Following 10 o'clock Mass, please gather at the cemetery for three anniversary moments!

Reposition of the Time Capsules + The two time capsules removed from the cornerstones (1883 & 1941) will be reinterred, along with a new time capsule from this anniversary year in a vault in the main mausoleum of the cemetery - to be opened in 2074 - the parish's 200th anniversary!

Blessing of the New Flagpole + Parishioners Kevin & Tina Clancy donated the funds for a beautiful new flagpole at the cemetery. We will raise Old Glory and bless the flagpole.

Reopening of Meagher Mausoleum + After extensive restoration efforts this summer both exterior and interior, Msgr. Michael Meagher, our founding pastor's burial site is ready to be unveiled as a fitting tribute to his 52 years as our shepherd.

CD of A~

Members - collection has begun for raffle items for the Christmas Basket. Items can be placed in the gathering space.

Please attend the CD of A Meeting on Tuesday, November 19th at 6:30 in the social hall.

Advent Candles will be on sale beginning November 16th. Watch for details.

St. Leo Church 150th Anniversary Banquet

November 17th after 2 pm Mass

At the Royal Inn

Call the parish office to make your reservation

All are welcome.

Christmas Ornaments

CD of A will be selling the St. Leo Christmas Ornaments after all weekend Masses. Cost \$15 each. Preorders can be picked up in the gathering space after Masses.

K of C

12 Knights of Christmas Raffle

Tickets are on sale now for \$20. Only 300 tickets will be sold.

Drawings daily from 12/13 until 12/24

Get your tickets from a Knight or the parish office.

St. Leo Christmas Raffle

Has Begun

Drawing will be held on December 15
7 Lucky Winners of \$1,000 each

If you would like additional tickets please call the parish office.

Holiday Gift Card Raffle

St. Boniface, Kersey. Cost: \$10/ticket. Prizes include: \$500 Walmart, \$200 Amazon, \$100 T.J. Maxx, \$100 Sheetz, \$100 GetGo. Drawing Saturday, Nov. 23. Call St. Boniface to get your tickets 814-885-4488

Sacred Heart Social Committee

Thanksgiving Pumpkin Roll Sale, Nov. 27. Price \$10 each. Pre-orders only ~ limited number. Call 814-834-7861 #1 to order. Pick up Wednesday, Nov. 27 from 2-5 pm at Sacred Heart Social Hall.

Christmas Holiday Craft Show

St. Mary Social Hall in Crown (address: 117 Lencer Drive; Leeper, PA), on Friday, December 6th and Saturday, December 7th. The show will run from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. each day. Over 40 tables filled with crafts and vendors will be available to complete your holiday shopping! Refreshments and a soup and sandwich luncheon will be available for purchase. The event will also include a Chinese Auction, 50/50 Raffle, and a 12 Days of Eating and Shopping Raffle (twelve \$50 gift cards - \$600 value). Admission is free. Proceeds benefit the St. Mary Faith Formation Program. See you there!

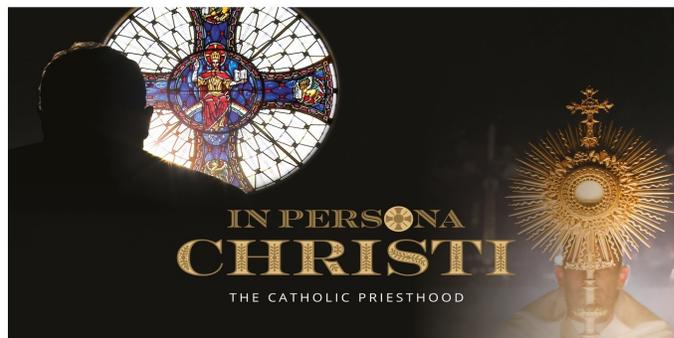
Change does not occur in a Flash

Come listen to Darrell "Flash" Gordon share his story at Boys & Girls Club in St. Marys on Thursday, Nov. 14 at 7:30 pm (doors open at 7 pm) For more information contact Joe Jacob at the Boys & Girls Club @ 814-781-1910 or jjacob@smboysandgirlsclub.com. Or Devin Brock @ 814-594-6015 devin.brock@te.com

THE 2025 MASS BOOK WILL OPEN NOVEMBER 4

WE WILL BEGIN WITH 3 MASS INTENTIONS. IT MAY BE POSSIBLE TO REQUEST ADDITIONAL MASSES LATER IN THE YEAR. WE'LL LET YOU KNOW WHEN.

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In Persona Christi: The Catholic Priesthood

The Catholic priesthood comes to us from Jesus Christ. Building on this pattern of priesthood from Old Testament times, Jesus chose twelve men to act in His place as priests of the new and everlasting covenant. This film explores the essential nature and theology of the sacred priesthood, the importance of a deep prayer life, the centrality of the Mass and Eucharistic Adoration, devotion to the Blessed Virgin, priestly fatherhood and celibacy, and the necessity of a missionary zeal.

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An offering from the AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE and GRACIAS PRESS

Bring your non-perishable food donations St. Leo Church from October 13 until November 17. They will be donated to the Good Samaritan Food Bank.



SAINT LEO HISTORY

Search your basements, attics, and closets for hidden treasures.

Throughout this coming anniversary year, Father Justin will be writing a new history of our parish. So please look for anything dealing with these past 150 years. Bring anything to the office and we will take photos, copy or scan whatever you have. Anything will help us enrich our parish archive.

Photos - Bulletins before 1995 - Old Yearbooks - Newspaper Articles - Mass Program - Historic Objects - Anything and Everything!

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:

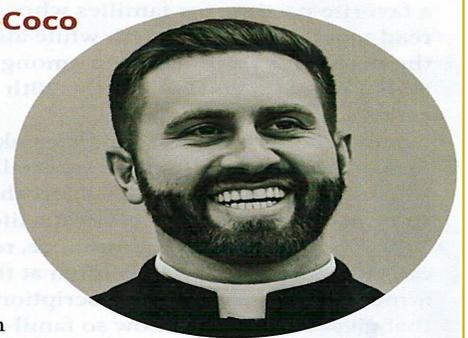
Please remember this coming weekend is our annual **Forty Hours Devotions**. Friday evening, November 8th will be our only evening service, as our traditional days of devotion overlap the weekend. Father Chris Singer will preach service Friday night and all the masses next weekend – in which we will celebrate our patronal feast of Saint Leo the Great. Also, please remember and make an effort to attend our **ceremonies at the cemetery next Sunday – the Feast of St. Leo** – when we will bury the time capsule, bless the new flagpole, and reopen our founder – Msgr. Meagher's mausoleum. Many festive events as we approach the big celebration on **Sunday, November 17th – the 150th Anniversary Mass with Bishop Persico**.

This week, in place of my own reflection, I wanted to share with you the article below that I recently came across. It is important that all of us read it and put it into practice. We all have family members who have – for whatever reason or reasons – wandered away from the practice of the faith. My family is no exception. I hope it helps to help them return to the Tables of Word and Sacrament that we gather around this Sunday. With hope, prayer, trust, and determination – our family who no longer practice will return next Sunday! It's easy to walk away. It's equally easy to walk back!

A blessed November to all of you. God love you! *Father Justin*

What's my duty to family members who aren't practicing the Faith?

By Father John LoCoco



As Christians, the Gospel demands that we should love the Lord with our whole heart, mind and soul. I don't know about you, but that is quite the demand! In my brokenness and woundedness, I know that there is still so much I hold back from God. We are told to not let the perfect become the enemy of the good, but that desire to simply be good enough, prayerful enough, holy enough is a path toward destruction. Instead of aiming toward the perfection God calls us to — “Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly father is perfect” (Mt 5:48) — we tend to choose the broader, more easily trodden path than the narrow one the Lord invites us to sojourn.

I think this is an important context when we think about engaging with nonpracticing or barely practicing members of our family. We can be tempted toward two extremes: either complete rejection of them or temptation toward an overbearing proselytizing. But remember, their struggle is our own struggle, too. They have decided what is good enough for them as well. In humility, manifesting our own growth in perfection — that is, in seeking to love the Lord wholly — is such a beautiful witness.

Of course, as Christians we have an obligation to remain in the truth of Christ and we can never engage in duplicity. For the Lord tells us, he has come not to bring peace, but the sword (cf. Mt 10:34). To live for Christ means to reject the wiles of this world and its empty promises. At the same time, in our zeal for the Lord we can sometimes lose sight of the reality of Jesus at work in our lives. As Pope Benedict XVI reminded us so beautifully in his encyclical on the love of God, *Deus Caritas Est*, “Being Christian is not the result of an ethical choice or a lofty idea, but the encounter with an event, a person, which gives life a new horizon and a decisive direction.” Your nonpracticing family member has yet to truly encounter the person of Christ, and more than any argument, ideology or philosophy that you might espouse, what remains your moral imperative is to manifest Christ to them by your fidelity to the living Word.

So, when it comes to engaging with the questions or arguments from your family members about the Faith, the moral teaching of the Church or her dogmatic truths, we must never waver in our faithfulness. At the same time, it remains of paramount importance that one also maintains the perspective that they, like each one of us, are somewhere on their journey with God. For even though they may have abandoned him, he has never let them go and is at all times seeking them out and inviting them into deeper communion. As a Christian, your love of God and witness to what is true, good and beautiful plays a collaborative role in his work and, ultimately, in his plan for their lives. +