

ST. LEO MAGNUS Roman Catholic Church

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Proclaiming the Hope of Jesus Christ here since 1874

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JULY 20, 2025

PARISH ADMINISTRATION

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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 + Thursdays 9 am - 6 pm



1983 + The Jubilee of Redemption

MASS INTENTIONS

<u>Saturday, July 19, 2025 + Votive Mass for the Blessed Virgin Mary</u> 8:00 am Rosary 8:30 am Edith, John & Stephen Fedus (Dolly MacDonald) 9:00 am Confession

<u>Saturday, July 19, 2025 + Vigil for Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</u> 5:15 pm Irene Facetti (Linda Johnson)

Sunday, July 20, 2025 + Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:00 am Harry, Virgina & Frank Richards (Charlie & Debby Richards) 10:00 am Donna Hinton (Ken Hinton & Family)

<u>Tuesday, July 22, 2025 + Saint Mary Magdalene</u> 9:00 am - 6:00 pm Adoration

6:00 pm Art Cianca (Joe & Sandy Viglione)

<u>Wednesday, July 23, 2025 + Weekday</u> 8:30 am **Joan Martin** (Anne & Mike Proske)

4:00 pm - 6:00 pm **CONFESSION**

<u>Thursday, July 24, 2025 + Weekday</u> 8:30 am **Joan Ferragine** (Chris & Susie Klase) 9:00 am - 6:00 pm **ADORATION**

<u>Friday, July 25, 2025 + Saint James</u> 8:30 am The People of Saint Leo Parish

Saturday, July 26, 2025 + Saints Joachim and Anne 8:00 am Rosary 8:30 am Sr. Victoria Marconi (Cyndi Aiello) 9:00 am CONFESSION

<u>Saturday, July 26, 2025 + Vigil for Seventeenth Sunday</u> <u>in Ordinary Time</u> 5:15 pm Romeo Caggiano (Paul & Rita Reed)

Sunday, July 27, 2025 + Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:00 am Joe & Jean Urmann (Family) 10:00 am Deceased member of Capital City Hose Company



The wine and hosts for July have been provided in loving memory of Jennie Morelli by SMTM Group, friends of the family.

ALTAR CANDLES

WILL BURN THIS WEEK IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

SANCTUARY - Evelyn Newell by Jan Wonderly

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

Sanctuary Candle, Saint Leo and Saint John of God Intentions

If you wish to have the Sanctuary Lamp, Saint Leo Candle or Saint John of God Candle burn in memory of a loved one, to honor a special occasion, or a special intention make arrangements with Rena. The cost of the candle is \$20. It will burn for 1 week. The memorial will also be published in the Bulletin.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES JULY 26 & 27, 2025

	Altar Servers	Eucharistic Minister	Lector
Saturday, 5:15 pm	P Messineo G McCloskey*	M Facchine	H Bish
Sunday, 8:00 am	J Bobnar J Hoyle*	J Allenbaugh	M Stager
Sunday, 10:00 am	Simon Tettis D Scarnati*	S or L Fink	D Paige
Money Counters	Team #4	Altar Guild (7/25)	Group 7 Pew 5

IN NEED OF PRAYERS? CALL JAN @ 814-776-1352 SHE WILL ADD YOUR INTENTION TO OUR PRAYER LIST



Sts. Joachim and Anne | Catholic Saints

Though they never appear in canonical Scripture, Sts. Joachim and Anne—the grandparents of Jesus—hold a place of great importance in the Church's tradition. Discover more about the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary in this episode of Catholic Saints with Mary McGeehan and Augustine Institute professor Dr. Carl Vennerstrom.

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An offering from the 😝 AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE

BEAT THE HEAT tWe remember in our prayerst

July 19 **Facchine Family** Zameroski Family Linda Giovanini Lucy Johnson

July 20

Art Cianca, Jr. **Dominic & Elvira Judice Deceased of Judice-Boggia Families** Souls in Purgatory Jane Judice Jeff Penfield John Fernan

> July 24 Cecelia Johnson

Year Long 50/50 is going strong! **Current Pay out** \$5,525 Tickets are available in the Gathering

Space or the parish office. Drawing will be held December 28, 2025

ONLINE GIVING

Now that summer is here, we know how busy things can get. Even if you can't be here every Sunday, your generous donations can! Simply visit our online giving page. It can be found on our parish website www.stleomagnus.org. We hope you'll find the experience quick 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.

CONTACT ST. LEO PARISH

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Call the parish office for your cemetery needs

Bulletin Deadline: Submit information by July 22 for the July 27 Bulletin

KEEP IN TOUCH WITH US VIA EMAIL & TEXT!

TO SIGN UP TEXT STLEO TO 84576 OR STLEO.FLOCKNOTE.COM





SWEET SUM ME SLS HELD THEIR ANNUAL SUMMER PICNIC ON JULY 10 WHERE FUN WAS HAD BY ALL! THERE WAS GREAT FOOD, A WATER BALLOON TOSS. AND LOTS OF SMILES AND LAUGHTER. THERE WAS EVEN A MOVIE TO END THE NIGHT THANKS TO THE K OF C! WE SURE DID MISS OUR STUDENTS!

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SPOTLIGHT ON





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.



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sleepwalking nun?

A Roamin' Catholic



"NOAH" BUS TRIP

Two opportunities to take a bus trip to Sights and Sound Theatre in Lancaster:

- 1. Friday, July 25, sponsored by St. Joseph, Force, \$217/ person. Reserve by June 10. Call 814-371-0108.
- November 14 & 15, sponsored by QW Rosary Altar Society. Includes "Noah" on Friday. Dinner Show at the Dutch Apple Theatre, overnight at the Country Inn and much more. Everything, including transportation \$519/person double or \$575/person - single. Reserve by July 1. Call 814-781-3481.

FR. LARRY RICHARDS AT CHRIST THE KING, HOUTZDALE

Get ready to be inspired! Fr. Larry Richards, a popular conference speaker and pastor from Erie, will be speaking on 'Faithfully Following Christ' at Christ the King Church in Houtzdale, PA on Monday, August 4 at 6 pm. Mark your calendar!

K OF C 3RD DEGREE MEMBERS

Become a 4th Degree Member through an enlightening oneday program and ceremony called 'Exemplification' which highlights the unique role Catholics played in America's history and growth. You'll discover a stronger sense of purpose and perspective in your faith - one that transforms you into a 4th Degree Knight. Join us on Saturday, September 13 at Sacred Heart Church. For more information reach out to Joe Daghir @ 814-594-1653

DIOCESAN ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

For couples celebrating 25, 40, 50, 60 or more years in 2025 will be held at two locations this summer. Sunday, August 3 at Our Lady of Peace, Erie at 2 pm and Sunday, August 24 at St. Tobias, Brockway at 3 pm. Register by calling the Family Life Office @(814)824-1210 by July 24 for the Erie celebration or August 14 for the Brockway celebration.

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH GOLF OUTING

Sunday, August 17 at Treasure Lake - Silver Course Shotgun start at 1 pm. Cost \$80/person (\$65/member) includes greens fees, cart, boxed lunch, dinner, prizes and refreshments on the course. To sign up call Jude Lander @ 814-913-1480 or Jim Allegretto @ 814-594-9708

PARENTING POINTERS ~

Curbing Undue Consumerism (Part 1) "There are two ways to get enough. One is to accumulate more and more. The other is to desire liess." (G.K. Chesterton) Does your child ever whine and plead for the latest toy, electronic gadget, or just more stuff? It's natural, but you don't need to feed their every craving. "No" and "Not Now are not dirty words.





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K OF C MOVIE NIGHT THURSDAY AT DUSK THIS WEEK SHOWING: IF



St. Leo School offers one of the most well-rounded curriculums available. Don't take my word for it though, just read some of the other testimonials and test scores on this page if you want to see the proof. My wife Christa and I are fortunate that all three of our children attend St. Leo School.

But what do we as parents expect from our schools? It probably helps to start with a definition. According to Dictionary.com, a "school" is:

- an institution where instruction is given
- a regular course of meetings of a teacher or teachers and students for instruction
- the activity or process of learning under instruction

Check, check, and check. The teachers and administration are top notch (again, check the previous testimonials for proof). So, what makes St. Leo's different? While the proper descriptive words escape me, I can offer an analogy. Imagine yourself at a funeral for a loved one. Everyone in attendance has, at some point, cared deeply about

the deceased. It's likely that a smaller number of people in attendance cared so much that they helped shape their morals and often encouraged your loved one to turn to God, especially when it was easier to stray from His teachings. If we're smart, these are the people we strive to surround ourselves with. At St. Leo's, students have an entire staff whose main goal is to shape their minds and intentions with God at the center. For seven hours a day they are the core group that helps your loved ones' mold virtuous personalities

and discover their souls. Biblical teachings are intertwined throughout the curriculum and everyday activities. While outcomes are no guarantee, I can't think of a better environment for children to develop strong core beliefs and values that will carry into adulthood (outside of proper formation and examples set at home, of course). As St. Teresa of Avila once described, "It's important to be aware that you are in God's presence and to remember who this God is". A sentiment

that is impossible to forget for students who attend St. Leo's. If you're like us, the vocation of parenthood is likely your most important yet difficult calling. The school and staff have become one of our most valuable resources and we're excited to lean on them for years to come.

From the Pastor's Desk

TU ES PETRUS (YOU ARE PETER): *Recognizing the Bishops of Rome since 1846* XI: Joseph Alois Ratzinger (POPE BENEDICT XVI)

My dear parish family:

With two more popes of more recent memory to go, we arrive at one that truly touched my heart. In 2005, I was seriously contemplating whether or not a vocation to the priesthood is where God was calling me. Then Cardinal Ratzinger became Pope Benedict XVI. His precise and to the point approach to explaining theology saved my vocation! His words and writings are just treasure-troves and road map to finding our God, who is Love – the title of Benedict's first encyclical. In 2012, just days before I was ordained a deacon, I had the great privilege and high honor of meeting Pope Benedict and shaking his hands. His smile has remained with me all these years. Let's all meet him again.

<u> THE MAN</u> –



Bonchitus PP XY

<u>HIS LIFE</u> – Born: 16 April 1927 + Elected Pope: 19 April 2005 (age 78) + Died: 31 December 2022 (age 95) – Pope Benedict XVI, was far more than the pope who resigned (on 28 February 2013), although he was the first to do so in nearly 600 years. A towering figure in the Church for over half a century, Joseph Ratzinger shaped Catholic thought as an innovative theologian, head of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, and ultimately as pope. A key architect of the Church's post-Vatican II path, he championed continuity over rupture, resisting secular trends like relativism. Ordained a priest, alongside his brother Georg, in 1951, he rose to prominence during Vatican II and later helped draft the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Benedict emphasized the harmony of faith and reason and sought reform rooted in Tradition. Though criticized over the Church's handling of clergy abuse scandals, he was among the first Vatican officials to take decisive action. After retiring, he lived in quiet prayer until his death.

<u>HIS WORDS</u> — "Holiness does not consist in not making mistakes or never sinning. Holiness grows with capacity for conversion, repentance, willingness to begin again, and above all with the capacity for reconciliation and forgiveness. God seeks us where we are, not so that we stay there, but so that we may come to be where He is, so that we may get beyond ourselves. Each of us has a mission . . . each of us is called to change the world, to work for a culture of life, a culture forged by love and respect for the dignity of each human person. We have come to believe in God's love: in these words the Christian can express the fundamental decision of his life. 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"

NEWS FROM ERIE — When Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI passed into eternity our Bishop, *The Most Reverend Lawrence Thomas Persico (b. 1952)*, made a statement to the diocese on New Year's Eve 2022: "He was a true disciple of Christ who used the many gifts he had to serve the Catholic Church with great generosity. He made no secret of the fact that he had not expected to be elected to the papacy and that he, in fact, had hoped to live out his retirement in prayer and scholarly pursuit. Yet upon his election, he accepted the new mission that was given to him. I feel a closeness to Pope Benedict since he is the one who appointed me as the tenth bishop of the Diocese of Erie. I am grateful for the appointment as well as the many writings he shared during his lifetime, including from his perspective as pope. But I also am grateful for the remarkable example he gave each of us. Even in his 80s, he continued to listen closely to what the Lord was asking of him, eventually surprising us all with the bold discernment in 2013 that it was time for him to retire."

Pope Benedict XVI + pray for Pope Leo XIV + pray for us, the Holy Church!

Let us continue to give thanks for Leo XIV and those who served before him, recalling Jesus' words, – "Remember vou are Peter and upon this rock I will build My Church!"

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