

ST. LEO MAGNUS

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

March 30, 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

"Lent is the favorable season for renewing our encounter with Christ, living in his word, in the sacraments and in our neighbor."

- Pope Francis

Holy Pear of Hope
Jubilee 2025

Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 29, 2025 + Lenten Weekday

8:00 am Rosary

8:30 am **Genevieve Stanley** (Family)

9:00 am Confession

Saturday, March 29, 2025 + Vigil for Fourth Sunday of Lent

5:15 pm Frank & Dorothy Armanini (Family)

Sunday, March 30, 2025 + Fourth Sunday of Lent

8:00 am Veronica DePanfilis (Family)

10:00 am The Laughner Family (Jim Laughner)

Tuesday, April 1, 2025 + Lenten Weekday 9 am - 6 pm Adoration

6:00 pm John Pontzer (Dave & Joey Kepple)

Wednesday, April 2, 2025 + Lenten Weekday

8:30 am Noel Feronti (Steve, Pam & Mike Lynch)

4-6 pm Confession

6:00 pm Mary Costanzo (Linda Facchine)

Thursday, April 3, 2025 + Lenten Weekday

8:30 am **J. Sam Delhunty** (Dave & Joey Kepple)

9 am - 6 pm Adoration

1:00 pm Stations of the Cross

6:00 pm The People of Saint Leo Parish

Friday, April 4, 2025 + Lenten Weekday

8:30 am Allison Ciami (Family)

6:00 pm **Joan Ferragine** (The Bomba Family)

Saturday, April 5, 2025 + Lenten Weekday

8:00 am Rosary

8:30 am Joan Martin (Dave & Joey Kepple)

9:00 am Confession

Saturday, April 5, 2025 + Vigil for Fifth Sunday of Lent

5:15 pm Joseph & Janice Casolo (Family)

Sunday, April 6, 2025 + Fifth Sunday of Lent

8:00 am **Delores & Mike Smithbauer** (Family)

10:00 am **Jim Facchine** (Family)

1:00 pm Confirmation Mass



Sacrament Schedule

Confirmation Practice ~ Friday, April 4 at 7:00 pm at St. Leo Magnus

Confirmation ~ Sunday April 6 at 1:00 pm at St. Leo Magnus

First Holy Communion Retreat ~ Saturday, April 12, 9 am - noon at St. Leo Social Hall. Students only

First Holy Communion Practice ~ Saturday, May 3, 10 am, Students and Parents. Breakfast provided in the social hall by K of C #1064

First Holy Communion ~ Sunday, May 4 at 10 am

The wine and hosts for March have been provided by Mary Therese Cianca in loving memory of her husband, **Arthur Cianca**, **Jr**.

Liturgical Ministries April 5 & 6, 2025

	Altar Servers	Eucharist Minister	Lector	
5:15 pm	M & R MacDonald	H Bish	J Challingsworth	
8:00 am	H Bish N Washburn	J Allenbaugh	L Caggeso	
10:00 am	Bobnars	J Williams	C Tutton	

Ministry Schedule	Money Counter	Altar Guild (4/4)
Week of April 6, 2025	Team #1	Group 7, Pew 1

Cancel the Cold

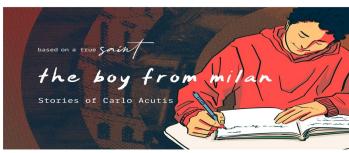
†We remember in our prayers†

March 29

Bowers Family Laughner Family

March 30

Carl Lindberg





The Boy from Milan | Trailer

You may have heard of him, the sneaker-wearing, computer-loving "gamer saint" of our time. But beyond the headlines and hashtags, the real story of Carlo is something deeper, something the world desperately needs to hear. Known for his deep love of God, devotion to the Eucharist, and quiet acts of charity, Carlo's life was a testament to everyday holiness.

Our parish has a Formed subscription. Visit formed.org/signup and select our parish Scan the QR code to download the Formed app to your phone.



Parish Contributions

Week of 3/23/2025

Weekly Offering........\$6,507
Weekly Goal......\$8,695
Year -To-Date
(July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025)
Actual......\$296,312
Budget....\$347,800



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

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 spring blossoms with new life, 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 Apr 1 at noon for Apr 6 bulletin

Contact St. Leo Parish

111 Depot St, Ridgway PA 15853 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

Lent Penance Services

Tue. April 1 6:30 pm St. Marys Church, St. Marys

Wed. April 9 6:00 pm St. Leo, Ridgway

Sun. April 13 2:00 pm St. Joseph, Force

Happening This Week

Thu 3 Finance Council Meeting, 6:30 pm, social hall

Thu 3 Stations & Soup, and The Seven Last Words, 1 pm, church and social hall

Fri 4 Confirmation Practice, 7 pm, church

Looking Ahead

Sun 6 Confirmation, 1 pm

Stations, Soup and The Seven Last Words

Every **Thursday at 1 pm** join us to pray a different version of the **Way of the Cross** in Church, ending with Benediction. Then we gather in the Social Hall for **homemade soup** from Fr. Justin's kitchen. We conclude with a reflection and discussion on the **Seven Last Words of Christ** led by Fr. Justin.







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

Baptism Preparation Class Schedule

Apr 30 6:00 pm St. Leo, Ridgway 814-772-3135

May 22 6:30 pm St. Marys, St. Marys 814-781-1019

*Be sure to call ahead to reserve your spot!

Pre-Cana class schedule

Apr 27 St. James, Erie RSVP 814-899-6178

Jul 12 St. Mark Catholic Center, Erie RSVP 814-824-1216

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.

FISH FRY

St. Boniface Parish, Kersey is offering Fish Fry during Lent. Fridays 4- 6:30 pm at the St. Boniface Social Hall. Cost: \$15 and under 10 - \$8.

LUNCH WITH THE LORD

Thursdays during Lent at noon in the Sacred Heart Social Hall. Lunch will be followed with 5-10 minutes of a spiritual message. To reserve your spot call Sacred Heart Parish Center @ 814-834-7861 #1.

40 Days for Life

March 5 through April 13. This is an International Campaign of Fasting Prayer and Community Outreach to end Abortion. You can help save babies by participating in the 40 Days Rosary after Tues. 8:30 Mass at St. Marvs Church and after Fri. 6:15 Mass at Sacred Heart. 40 Day Prayer Sheets at entrances of Churches. Sponsored by Elk County Right To Life. For more information contact Mary Ross @ 814-781-6867.

St. Boniface Knights of Columbus Breakfast

Buffet Breakfast will be served April 6th from 8 am until 11:30 (sold out). Price is \$10 for adults and \$5 for 16 and under. All are invited to come and enjoy this breakfast buffet.

CRAFT, VENDOR AND GARDEN SHOW

Saturday, April 26, 2025 from 9 am to 4 pm at St. Mary Social Hall, Crown PA. Admission is FREE. Dozens of tables will showcase handcrafted items including jewelry, woodcrafts, home décor, potpourri, country primitive, tote bags, and more. Plants, trees, herbs, and other garden products will also be available. Food will be available for purchase. Proceeds benefit St. Mary/St. Ann Faith Formation program.

MOTHER DAUGHTER TEA

A Special time to connect, talk about becoming a woman, prepare for puberty (for girls age ten and older and their moms)

April 5 at St. Mary's Church, St. Marys from 1-4 pm or May 3 at St. Mark Catholic Center, Erie, from 1-4 pm.

For more information and to sign up: https://www.eriercd.org/chastity/ tea.html

BENECITINE GIFT SHOP

A very well stocked Catholic Gift Shop located at 139 Church St., St. Marys. Come find the perfect gift for your loved one's sacrament or Easter. Open Tues - Fri 9:30 am - 5 pm, Sat 10 am - 1 pm. Closed Sun, Mon and Holy Days. **If you've never been to the Gift Shop, NOW is the perfect time to visit!

WAGON WHEELS A' ROLLIN'

A rootin' tootin' comedy featuring St. Leo grades 5-8. April 10 & 11. Curtain @ 6:30 pm. St. Leo Social Hall.



OPERATION RICE BOWL

Learn more about the local ministries who will benefit from your generous support through the CRS Rice Bowl. This year your donations will help the Good Samaritan Food Bank and the Helping Hand Food Pantry.



SPOTLIGHT ON

LATIN IS ALIVE! At St. Leo School, we take pride in the time-tested

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classical education that we joyfully provide for our students. One of the primary focuses in a classical education is a classical language. You may be thinking to yourself, "Why study a "dead" language like Latin?" to which we would reply, "Latin is not a dead language!"

Latin is used and read by many still to this day, with many classics printed in Latin and even modern books translated to Latin. Latin assists in many aspects of our daily lives. This includes an increase in SAT scores, a better understanding of English vocabulary and grammar, and achieving a better mental

development. Latin is taught to grades 2 - 8 at SLS. Pictured below are our 6th grade students during Latin class with Ms. Zore,







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From the Pastor's Desk

THE SEVEN LAST WORDS OF CHRIST: Lent Meditation Series + Part 5

My dear parish family:

The Seven Last Words are an expression of an ancient spiritual tradition. For centuries, communities of faith – parishes and individuals alike – have heard and reflected these words as a way of devotion and inspiration for the journey of closeness to Jesus, especially mediating on His Passion during these weeks of Lent. The number seven is a meaningful scriptural number. It occurs numerous times within the pages of Sacred Scripture and Tradition. In itself, it symbolizes the *fullness* of life. Remember the seven days for creation that God the Father used to make everything out of nothing in the Bible's inaugural book of Genesis. Then in the final pages of the Word of God, the Book of Revelation calls to mind seven diadems or crowns. There are the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit that will be called down upon 29 students next Sunday when Bishop Persico joins us for Confirmation, one of the *Seven* Sacraments. All of these examples point us toward a sense of fulfillment or completion. We are now nearing the fulfillment of Jesus' mission – His Passion, Death, and Resurrection, which includes the salvific events of Good Friday.

As Good Friday comes closer, we hear the Lord's voice a fifth time......

The Fifth Word "I THIRST." (John 19: 28)

Two simple words, right? Here is another reminder that Jesus, the carpenter from Nazareth and the Man on the Cross, is truly human. Yes, He thirsts. The Eternal Word who was in the beginning, who was with God, and who was God as John reminds us in the Prologue of his fourth gospel narrative, (cf. John 1:1) agreed to take on the weakness, the emptiness, and the fragility of human flesh. Yes, He was joined to the creatures He, as God the Father, created in the Garden of Eden. Then on the first Good Friday, near another garden, where He was to rest for three days in a tomb,

Jesus endured intense human suffering and bloody horrific pain to save us, so that we might have a home with Him in the new garden - a new paradise, where we will thirst no longer.

Do we take any time to think of the lonely people in our lives for whom Christ died and of how they might thirst for attention? The Church has always recognized that we are not disembodied souls, but bodies fused with an immortal soul; both are good and deserving of care. We need to look after our bodies, minds, and souls – and look after other too, as Jesus does to this day.

Sometimes with all this advanced stuff at our fingertips, we spend so much time in the digital or elec-tronic world that we forget that we all have bodies with needs we can help each other fulfill. When a text or an e-mail replaces a phone call, we have cut ourselves off from another's voice. When a call replaces a face-to-face encounter, we cut ourselves off not only from that person's face, but from their soul. True God has given people the amazing talents in creating such technological marvels, but God also gives us ways communicate that are far more intimate, personal, and meaningful. If a friend is thirsty, how can we hand them a drink over a cell phone? If a loved one is lonely and thirsts for love, and if we just text them some message, how they know in body, mind, and spirit, that we truly do love them? If we encounter Jesus Christ on the street and He is thirsty for a companion along the way, how can we walk with Him, unless we are there physically and see His face?

See Jesus' face this week. Hear Him when he cries out in thirst. Offer Him yourself so that He may know your love!

May the human voice of Christ from the Cross this Lent lead us to the divine glory of Easter morning!