



Saint Leo Magnus Parish

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Sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ
in Elk County since 1874

THE TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 11, 2022



REMEMBERING SEPTEMBER 11, 2001

After 21 years, may we never forget!

PRAY FOR **PEACE** IN EVERY CORNER OF OUR WORLD!
PRAY FOR SANCTITY AND PROTECTION OF ALL **HUMAN LIFE**!

Interested in Becoming Catholic?

Jesus Christ has founded the Catholic Church in order to pass on His teachings to a world so desperately in need of truth and in order to lead all men to heaven.

Are you a non-Catholic interested in becoming a Catholic? Do you know a non-Catholic or a lapsed Catholic who has questions about the Catholic faith?

If you would like to learn more about the claims and teachings of the Catholic Church, please contact parish office by phone or e-mail in order to learn more about the classes that are forming. There is nothing to lose, and eternity to gain!

ST. LEO PARISH OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY - THURSDAY 9:00 AM - NOON 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
PHONE: 814-772-3135

CALL THE PARISH OFFICE FOR YOUR CEMETERY NEEDS

**Children's Liturgy
is offered at the
10 am mass each Sunday.**

**We are in need of volunteers. Reach out to
Amanda Straub (814.590.8115) to help out!**

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS AND MINISTRIES CONTACT PERSONS

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R.C.I.A.....	Lucy & Dave Bobby

ST. LEO MAGNUS CATHOLIC CHURCH *Membership Form*

Name _____ Phone Number _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

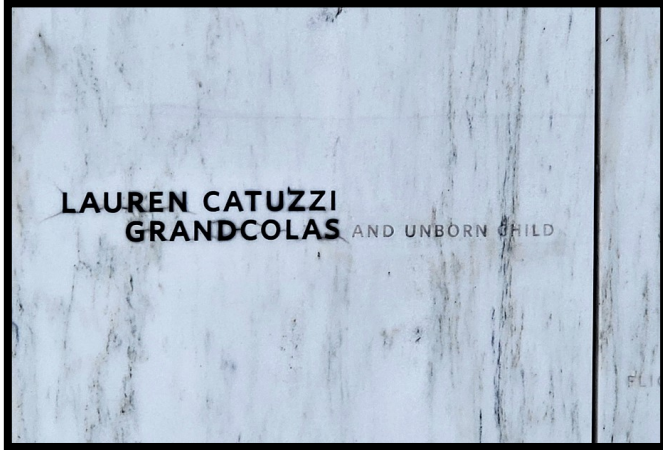
Please drop this form into the offertory basket or mail to Parish Office

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

From the Pastor's Desk

My dear parish family:

Last July I visited for the first time the Flight 93 Memorial and Museum near Shanksville, which as we all know was the site – 21 years ago this weekend – of one of the three horrific terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001. I have been to our nation's capital since that infamous day, but did not venture near the Pentagon. I too have visited Manhattan in the past two decades, but could not go near Ground Zero, where the Twin Towers once stood, and as I mentioned last year my cousin Mary Ann died that fateful day. So going to Shanksville this summer, accompanied by Father Mark Groeger, was an extraordinary and spiritual experience. I will have to go back again, because one cannot grasp everything with just one visit.



At the memorial, there are large magnificent slabs of marble, just a few feet away from the actual crash site, which, of course, is also a cemetery, and on the marble are engraved the names of all the victims of the plane crash. One in particular caught my eye immediately. I offer the image to you in this column. Two victims: a mother, Lauren Catuzzi Grandcolas; and her unborn child! Notice that the unborn child's nameless engraving is not as dark as the mother's name! Why is this child on the womb not exacted the same privilege as his mother? Both were alive at the time of the crash. I will touch on this in my homily this weekend.

On this September 11th – let us recommit ourselves not only to peace in our troubled world – to end to all forms of hatred, division, persecution, prejudice, religious intolerance, and violence; but also to a DAILY – a daily – consistent commitment to praying for the sanctity of all human life from the very moment of conception until God calls our soul home at a natural death.

I have copied a beautiful Litany for Life in the bulletin today on the rose colored legal sheet of paper. Take it home – take it to work – take it to school – take it to church and pray it. Yes, pray it every day. I thank the Diocese of Covington, KY, who included this litany in their diocesan newspaper. I am glad to share it with you, along with this consecration prayer. Pray it too – daily!

ACT OF CONSECRATION TO MARY, THE MOTHER OF LIFE

O Mary, Queen of Heaven and earth, Mother of the Word Incarnate, and our most loving Mother, God willed to entrust the Author of Life to your most loving heart. As a community of faith, we come before you sinful and sorrowful for the ways in which we have failed to love God and our neighbor as we ought. We cast ourselves at your feet, humbly imploring that you aid us through your Immaculate Heart to uphold the dignity of every human person from the very moment of their conception, until God Himself calls them home through natural death. To you, O Mary, the Mother of Life, we solemnly entrust and consecrate ourselves. Accept this act that we carry out with confidence and love. Grant that hatred and discord may end, and faith, hope, and love spread throughout our community. It was through your "Yes" to the will of God that you became the Mother of Life. We trust that through your Immaculate Heart, all life will once more be upheld as beautiful.

To you we consecrate the future of the Church, especially her children, our needs and expectations, our anxieties, our hopes and joys. Through your intercession, may the love and mercy of God be poured out upon the earth. May you on whom the Holy Spirit descended, restore among us the unity and harmony that comes from God. In your womb Jesus took flesh; help us to foster a growth in the awareness of the beauty and the splendor of every life. Obtain for us, we pray, the grace of conversion of heart and growth in holiness. Amen.

*All life is holy – all life is precious – all life is from God!
May He bless you abundantly this week!*

Father Justin



Weekend of September 4, 2022

**Bulletin submitted before
information was available**

**CSA--
due by January 2023
\$49,429**

To Date -
\$ 25,508
By 87 families

Remember, anything collected
over the \$49,429 will stay in our
parish for our projects.

PARISH LOAN

*St. Leo requested a loan from the
Diocese of Erie to pay our school
subsidy December, 2019 in the
amount of \$185,000*

Balance due: \$104,000

***Have an IRA?
Would 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.

Confirmation News

Bishop Persico will be at St. Leo to celebrate Confirmation with the
2021-2022 class on **Sunday, September 25 at 2:00 pm**. Be sure to
mark your calendar!

New student Confirmation meeting and registration will take place on
Sunday, **September 11 at 6:00 pm** in the social hall. This meeting is
for the incoming 2022-2023 Confirmation students and parents. This
group includes 10th and 11th grade students from RHS and ECCHS.

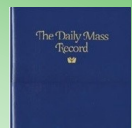
Saint Leo Parish Summer Raffle Winners

\$5,000	Judi Rendon, Ridgway
\$1,000	Beth Constable, Ridgway
\$500	Peg Nearing, Ridgway
\$500	Nick & Erica Mitcheltree, Ridgway
\$250	Debby Richards, Ridgway
\$150	The DeVittorio Family, Ridgway
\$100	The Forringer Family, Ridgway

**Are you wondering if you should stop in to
schedule Masses for 2023?**

The answer is NO.

THE 2023 MASS BOOK WILL OPEN NOVEMBER 1ST.



WE WILL BEGIN WITH 3 MASS INTENTIONS. SOMETIME IN THE SPRING,
ADDITIONAL MASS INTENTIONS CAN BE REQUESTED. WE'LL LET YOU KNOW
WHEN.

WAYS TO REMEMBER

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

Mass -- \$10
Sanctuary Candle -- \$10/week
Hosts and Wine -- \$40/month
Beat the Heat/Cancel the Cold -- \$10/date
Radio Mass Broadcast -- \$100/week
Memorial Space on the bulletin ads - \$50/week
Or anything you would like to see in the parish -
statues, artwork, equipment.

Please contact Rena in the office or Father Justin.

Saint Leo Parishioners -

The 2022-2023 Confirmation students are running a hot meal delivery service as part of the service hour project. A hot, fresh meal will be delivered twice a month to church members who are in need (sick, home bound, new baby, etc.) If you or anyone you know could benefit from this free service, please contact Rena at the rectory office or Margie Gausman at 814-335-0695 ASAP.

**K of C Super 300 Club Winners**

Sept. 1	\$100	Joan Dutchcot
Sept. 1, bonus	\$250	Brian Hinton
Sept. 2	\$100	Tom Buck
Sept. 3	\$100	Diane Piccirillo
Sept. 4	\$100	Karen Marzella
Sept. 5	\$100	Brittany Wendel
Sept. 6	\$100	Tom Carobine

Diocesan Child Protection Policies: The Diocese of Erie, is committed to protecting minors who are entrusted to our care. The Diocese has policies and procedures in place to address the national problem of child abuse, to aid in the prevention of abuse and to maintain safe environments. All those who minister to minors are screened, trained, and agree to a Code of Conduct. To read the Policy that includes the Code of conduct, go to: Policy effective March 15, 2021. For more information, contact Mrs. Cindy Zemcik, in the diocesan Office for the Protection of Children at 814-824-1195.

**ONLINE GIVING IS MOVING!**

Our online offertory program is moving to VANCO.

This new offertory site can be accessed by visiting our church website at www.stleomagnus.org and clicking the button on 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 deposited into the fund you choose. If you have questions please reach out to the parish office @ 814.772.3135

Remember to cancel you account at OSV (the old online giving site). If you need help with this step call the parish office.

*****Please note: The "old" online giving site will not be accepting payments for St. Leo's after September 16, 2022.***

Prayer Chain

Call Felcia @ 814-772-5460 if you, or someone you know, are in need of prayers

Registration for the Saint Leo Religious Education Program for grades Kindergarten - 9th grade will be Wednesday, September 28th, 4:30 - 7pm in the social hall of the church.

DO YOU KNOW HIM?

We recently found this porcelain photo plaque in the cemetery storage shed. If you know who this young man was, please contact the parish office, so that we can have him returned to his gravestone as soon as possible. Thank you!

***Pope's Prayer Intention for September******Abolition of the Death Penalty***

We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country.

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC FAMILY OF SAINT LEO MAGNUS IN RIDGWAY, PENNSYLVANIA

Merry Widows ~ will be meeting at Sacred Heart Parish Center, Sept. 12 with a picnic indoors. Lunch will be served at noon. Cost \$10.

Sacred Heart Drive Thru Dinner - Thursday, September 15. 4pm until sold out. Cost: \$12. Menu: Boneless Breaded Chicken Breast, Mashed Potatoes, Stuffing, Gravy, Green Beans, Coleslaw, Rolls & Dessert.

Pro Life Bus Trip -To Harrisburg, PA on September 19, 2022 for the second PA March around the Capital at noon. Departure 6am from St. Marys Church. Return late afternoon/early evening. Cost: FREE. Pack your food/beverages for the day, we won't be stopping. Questions call: Fuzzy Cappiello @ 814-594-2140 or Mary Bea Maloney @ 814-834-3834. Trip sponsored by St. Marys K of C, 4th Degree and Elk County Right to Life.

Religious and Pro Life Lending Library-

The library, located on the main floor, front room of the Sacred Heart Parish Center, is open to all. Hours are the same as parish office hours, 9am to 4pm, Monday thru Friday. Not open on Holy Days or Holidays.

The Maternity Closet is OPEN-

The 1st three weeks of each month on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Babies and children up to 3rd birthday in need are welcome. Wednesday 2-3 pm, Thursdays 1-2:30 pm. The Maternity closet is located at 139 Church St., St. Marys. Next to the Benedictine Gift Shop.



Ministry Schedule Week of September 18, 2022

Money Counters	Team 3
Ridgmont Minister	M Skraba
Altar Guild (9/9)	Group 5, Pew 5

SACRAMENT PREPARATION

Pre-Cana Class for Engaged Couples

Call ahead for reservations

- **Sept. 18** 8-5 pm Our Lady of Mercy, Harborcreek 814-699-5342
- **Oct. 8, 9** Noon - 4 pm Church of the Good Shepherd, West Middlesex, 724-813-4848

Baptismal Training Sessions

Call ahead for reservations

- * **Sept. 21** 7:00 pm Holy Rosary, Johnsonburg 814-965-2819
- * **Oct. 8** 10:00 am Sacred Heart, St. Marys 814-834-7861

++Online classes for Pre-Cana and Baptismal training are available. Please contact your parish office for details.

BEAT THE HEAT

† WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK †

SEPTEMBER 11

LEWIS AND HELEN MILLER
FACCHINE FAMILY

SEPTEMBER 12

MARY HELEN JACOBS



CD of A News

Meeting **Tuesday, September 20th at 6:30 pm** with a Tureen Dinner

Officers will be sworn in at this time.

Any questions call Linda Facchine

Mass Ministry Schedule Weekend of September 18, 2022

	5:15 pm	8:00 am	10:00 am
Altar Servers	I & A Macer	N & P Washburn	K Matha, S Zamoski
Eucharistic Minister	L Caggese	D Richards	R or d Foringer
Lector	WJ Fernan	J DeVittorio	M Tettis

Mass Intentions



Saturday, September 10, 2022 + Vigil for The Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:15 pm **Barb Jordan** (The Gino Coppello Family)

Sunday, September 11, 2022 + The Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am **The People of Saint Leo Parish**

10:00 am **Liz Mitchell** (Nina Stolburg and Family)

Monday, September 12, 2022 + Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:30 am **Communion Service**

Tuesday, September 13, 2022 + Saint John Chrysostom

6:00 pm **Monica Martin** (Family)

Wednesday, September 14, 2022 + The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

8:30 am **Francis, Alice and John Kennedy** (Dolores Miller)

Thursday, September 15, 2022 + Our Lady of Sorrows

8:30 am **Clara Jane Mago** (George and Karen Kutcher)

Friday, September 16, 2022 + Saints Cornelius and Cyprian

8:30 am **Laurie Casolo** (Family)

Saturday, September 17, 2022 + Vigil for The Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:15 pm **Luigi and Caroline LaValle** (Frank and Caroline Armanini)

Sunday, September 18, 2022 + The Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am **The People of Saint Leo Parish**

10:00 am **M/M Clyde Miller and M/M Fred Kastner** (Ken and Twila Miller)

Pope Paul VI called the Mass "THE MOST PERFECT FORM OF PRAYER."

Offering Mass for our loved ones is an honored way to unite ourselves in prayer with those we have loved.



The wine and hosts for the month of September have been donated in memory of M/M Ray Cenni by Dave & Linda Giovanini.

The Sanctuary Candle for the week of September 11 will burn in memory of Liz Mitchell from Nina Stolburg.