



Saint Leo Magnus

Roman Catholic Church

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FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 29, 2023

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Weekend Masses:

Saturday evening: 5:15 p.m.
Sunday: 8:00 & 10:00 a.m.
Radio Mass: Sundays, 9:00 a.m.
(97.5 WDDH)

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday: 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday thru Saturday: 8:30 a.m.

Holy Day Masses:

Evening before: 6:00 p.m.
On the Holy Day: 8:30 a.m. &
12:05 p.m.

Confessions:

Wednesdays - 4-6 p.m.
Saturdays - 9 a.m.

The Beatitudes

- 1 Blessed are the poor in spirit:
the reign of God is theirs.
- 2 Blessed are the sorrowing:
they shall be consoled.
- 3 Blessed are the lowly:
they shall inherit the land.
- 4 Blessed are the who hunger and thirst for holiness:
they shall have their fill.
- 5 Blessed are they who show mercy:
mercy shall be theirs.
- 6 Blessed are the single-hearted:
for they shall see God.
- 7 Blessed are the peacemakers:
they shall be called sons of God.
- 8 Blessed are those persecuted for holiness' sake:
the reign of God is theirs.

Catholic Faith Store

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesdays 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Thursdays 9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

CANCEL THE COLD

† WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK †

JANUARY 29
ARTHUR AIELLO

FEBRUARY 3
DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE LAVALLE FAMILY

Baptismal Training Sessions

Feb. 7 7:00 p.m. St. Joseph
Force, 814-787-4151

Feb. 23 7:00 p.m. St. Mark
Emporium, 814-486-0569

Online classes are also available. Please call for details 814-772-3135

THIS WEEK AROUND THE PARISH

- Jan. 29 Catholic Schools Week begins
- Jan. 31 6:30 pm Bible Study, social hall
- Feb. 1 5:30 pm St. Leo School Daddy-Daughter Social, social hall
- Feb. 2 6:30 pm Finance Council Meeting,

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 the child is baptized, parents and godparents must attend a baptism preparation class. Call us for more details. 814-772-3135

WE MAKE HOUSE CALLS !

If you or a family member are ill or facing surgery, and would like to be anointed, please contact the office. Our number is 814-772-3135

Are you homebound and need Holy Communion, call 814-772-3135. We'd be happy to bring Him to you.

Please Pray for the Priests of our Diocese

- Jan. 29 Rev. Joseph Petrone
- Jan. 30 Rev. Stephen Schreiber
- Jan. 31 Rev. David Baetzold
- Feb. 1 Rev. James Campbell
- Feb. 2 Capt. Joseph Campbell
- Feb. 3 Rev. Richard Toohey
- Feb. 4 Rev. David Renne

The Pope's Prayer Intention for January, 2023

FOR EDUCATORS

We Pray that educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all.

PRAYER CHAIN

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

ST. LEO PARISH OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY - THURSDAY 9:00 AM - NOON + 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

PH: 814-772-3135 EMAIL: SECRETARY@STLEOMAGNUS.ORG

CALL THE PARISH OFFICE FOR YOUR CEMETERY NEEDS

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:

As a spiritual exercise this week, let's take a look at the gospel wherein Jesus shared with his disciples 2,000 years ago and us, his present day disciples: the Beatitudes.



Matthew's gospel narrative reminds us that after Jesus had gathered His disciples, He began to proclaim the Gospel of the Kingdom of God (chapter 4). The Lord then led his friends up the mountain and there He began to teach them. Yes, Jesus is our Lord and Savior, but He is also our Teacher or as our Orthodox sisters and brothers poetically call Him – The Pantocrater. Biblical scholars and theologians have long taught that the Beatitudes show a direct comparison between the Old Testament person of Moses (the law giver) to Jesus in the New Testament – He Who is the fulfillment of the law. No wonder we refer to Jesus not only as the New Adam, but also the New Moses. On the mountain, Jesus will go to the heart of the Law. Remember He doesn't obliterate the Old Law, but adds to it, expands upon it, and gives us, His followers and witnesses, a new way of relationship with God through the Law.

Let us remember the Law was not meant to be the “be all” or the “end all” in order to be in God's graces or to achieve our return to heaven. Rather, the Law was meant to keep us in a right and loving relationship with God and with our neighbor. Yes, rather than completing a ten-part (A.K.A. The Ten Commandments ala Moses) pass or fail test, Jesus challenges us with the Beatitudes to get to the heart of the Law. Jesus' Beatitudes from this weekend's gospel for the Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time offer us rewards (blessings) for “good behavior,” rather than the “thou-shalt-nots” written on Moses' tablets. However, in no way does Jesus intend to dismiss the commandments. The cancel culture or replacement mentality of our present age absolutely does not apply here! Rather, and very thankfully, the Lord Jesus fulfills the Decalogue (The Ten Commandments) by His words and deeds. Indeed, His words must be our words today. We must imitate Jesus' deeds now. The prayer of Jesus in the Beatitudes is necessary for us every day.

Which of the Beatitudes is your favorite? And why? Take the Gospel home with you this week or look it up online, or better yet, find your Bible and turn the pages. Reread the Beatitudes and re-discover their beauty and spend some time with the one that really strikes you today – the one that you need to peel back the layers, like an onion, that your life right now needs to touch you and reenergize you.

This weekend is the beginning of Catholic School's week. As we reflect on Jesus' teaching on the mountain, consider also this week in praying for our Catholic School students and their teachers. Offer a prayer for our students and faculty in our schools as well as in our parishes' Religious Education programs.

One of my favorite mass hymns might put us all on the right path today, tomorrow, and always. Sing it out loud – live the words!

*Open my eyes, Lord. Help me to see your face. Open my eyes, Lord. Help me to see!
Open my ears, Lord. Help me to hear your voice!
Open my ears, Lord. Help me to hear!
Open my heart, Lord. Help me to love like you. Open my heart, Lord Help me to love!*

May God bless you in His abundance this week! Father Justin

Parish Support

January 21 & 22, 2023

Contributions.....\$7,302
 Weekly Budget..... \$9,747

Year - to - Date

Contributions.....\$233,392
 Budget\$292,410

Envelopes mailed.....336 # Returned.....122
 Online contributions...21

Parish Share

Assessments Due to Diocese of Erie.....\$33,768.25

*Please continue to use the yellow debt reduction envelopes found in your envelope packet to help us pay our share of assessments to the Diocese of Erie.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED
 SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH!**

Donation statements for 2022 will be available soon. Call the parish office to receive yours.

**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.

WAYS TO REMEMBER

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

- Mass -- \$10
- Sanctuary Candle -- \$20/week
- Hosts and Wine -- \$100/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.



**Thank you
 CD of A**

Your very generous donation of funds for our parish assessment debt due to the diocese is truly appreciated.



The Parish offers our prayers and sympathies to the families of:


- Kathryn Kinkead - mother of Diane Stenta*
- Tina Leonard - niece of Jan Wonderly*
- Mark Zameroski - uncle of JJ Zameroski*
- Bernadean Neiger*



K of C 300 Club

Tickets are now available at the rectory.
 Drawings will start on January 27.
 Tickets are good for 12 weeks of drawings.
 Cost \$20 each

ONLINE GIVING

Our online offertory program is 
 This 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

GET READY FOR LENT

Saint Leo Magnus Parish

Bible Study

Bible study and discussion about the sin of Adam and the Temptations of Christ in the desert

*Led by:
Lucy Bobby*

*Tuesdays - January 24, January 31,
February 7 and February 14*

6:30 p.m.

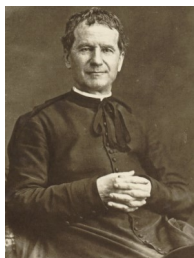
Saint Leo Social Hall

Material covered is appropriate for teens and older

A Family Perspective -

It is in our family where we learn to be merciful and peaceful and comforting to others. The Beatitudes of the Kingdom of God begin at home and depend on you. Parents lead the way.

Prayer to Saint John Bosco



O glorious Saint John Bosco, who in order to lead young people to the feet of the divine Master and to mould them in the light of faith and Christian morality didst heroically sacrifice thyself to the very end of thy life and didst set up a proper religious Institute destined to endure and to bring to the farthest boundaries of the earth thy glorious

work, obtain also for us from Our Lord a holy love for young people who are exposed to so many seductions in order that we may generously spend ourselves in supporting them against the snares of the devil, in keeping them safe from the dangers of the world, and in guiding them, pure and holy, in the path that leads to God.

Amen

CD of A Members — Through the generous funding of the Erie Religious Education Enrichment Fund, Mary's Mantle books and prayer journals have been purchased for our members. Mary's Mantle Consecration: 46 Days of Prayer for Heaven's Help is a special program that has resulted in miracles in the lives and hearts of its members and their loved ones. St. Pope John Paul II said that his consecration to Mary was "a decisive turning point in my life." Join us **Thursday, February 9 at 6:00 p.m.** in the social hall to receive your book and listen to guest speakers discuss the main pillars of the retreat. This is a home study program which will begin on Ash Wednesday, February 22 and conclude Good Friday, April 7.



The CD of A motto is "Unity and Charity". We provide a unique opportunity, through charitable acts, for women to develop their God-given talents in meaningful ways. Jesus Christ is the heart of our organization. If you would like to become a member of this dynamic group of women contact Linda Facchine at 814-594-4567 for more information.

SERVICE

projects

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The Confirmation meal delivery service project is in full swing. The project recently received funding provided through a grant from the Education Endowment of the Catholic Foundation of Northwest Pennsylvania.

If anyone is interested in receiving meals twice a month, please contact Margie Gausman at the rectory.



Radio Mass

For the month of January is being sponsored by

**Knights of Columbus
Council #1064 of Ridgway, PA
In memory of their deceased members**

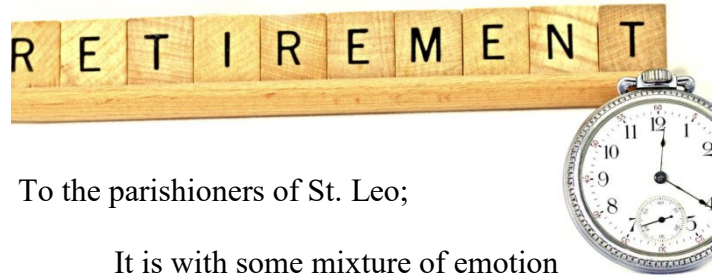
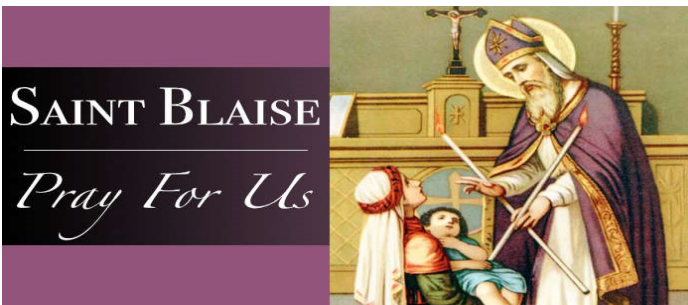
Thank you for supporting our radio mass which can be found on WDDH, 97.5 FM, The Hound.

Eucharist: Food for the Journey

Talk #4, **The Eucharist as Sacrifice**, will be presented by **Monsignor Charles Kaza** on **Thursday, March 2** at St. Marys Church, Reynoldsville. The program begins at 6:00 p.m. and consists of a Reflection by Msgr. Kaza, time for Eucharistic Adoration, an opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation, activities for children, and a light meal. It is open to the public and free of charge.

Msgr. Henry Krebs will be turning 90 years old on January 31st. Msgr. Krebs has been such a blessing to so many people over the years, and it would be wonderful to shower him with birthday cards and well wishes for this special occasion. He would definitely love hearing from friends near and far! If you would like to send a birthday card to him, his address is: Msgr. Henry Krebs, 526 Ogden Ave., Clearfield, PA 16830

Sacred Heart Super Bingo - Friday, February 3rd. Jackpot @ \$2,500 in 52 #. Doors open at 4 p.m. FREE Lunch @ 5:30 and early birds at 6:30. Benefit Sacred Heart Parish



To the parishioners of St. Leo;

It is with some mixture of emotion that I announce my retirement from the diaconate.

Having reached the mandatory retirement age of 75, a deacon is to submit a letter to the Bishop requesting his retirement. After considering all circumstances the Bishop has accepted my request. However, I will be consulting with Father Justin to continue some form of service to you and St. Leo.

After 15 years of joyful service, I am truly thankful for those years and for all the goodwill you have shown me.

God bless you all.
Deacon Larry



Welcome to our newest Catholics!

**Brycen and Isabella
Ehrensberger**

Children of
Troy and Crystal Ehrensberger

We pray God will bless her, and her family, as they grow in faith.



Mass Ministry Schedule Weekend of February 4 & 5, 2023

	5:15 pm	8:00 am	10:00 am
Altar Servers	D Tutton J Bobnar	J & M Toncich	Washburns
Eucharistic Minister	L Caggese	D Richards	J Fink
Lector	J Challingsworth	J DeVittorio	C Tutton

Ministry Schedule Week of February 5, 2023

Money Counters
Team 1

Ridgmont Minister
T McLaughlin

Altar Guild (2/3)
Group 6, Pew 2

Mass Intentions



Saturday, January 28, 2023 + *Saint Thomas Aquinas*

8:00 am Recitation of the Rosary
 8:30 am **Joan Papa** (Chris & Susie Klase)
 *Confessions available after Mass

Saturday, January 28, 2023 + *Vigil for the Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

5:15 pm **Sandi Lewis** (Friends)

Sunday, January 29, 2023 + *Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 am **Bill Gausman** (Mr. & Mrs. David Giovanini)
 10:00 am **Colleen Malee** (CD of A Court 356)

Tuesday, January 31, 2023 + *Saint John Bosco*

6:00 pm **Stella Anderson** (Janet Polinski)

Wednesday, February 1, 2023 + *Weekday in Ordinary Time*

8:30 am **The Vincent DeFazio Family** (Dolly MacDonald)

Thursday, February 2, 2023 + *The Presentation of the Lord*

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

Friday, February 3, 2023 + *Weekday in Ordinary Time*

8:30 am **Ruth Bowes** (Tim & Val Kelly)

Saturday, February 4, 2023 + *Votive Mass of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

8:00 am Recitation of the Rosary
 8:30 am **Eve Metelski, 11th anniv.** (Family)
 *Confessions available after Mass

Saturday, February 4, 2023 + *Vigil for the Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

5:15 pm **Billy Egger, Catherine & Rita Vinski** (Egger Family)

Sunday, February 5, 2023 + *Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 am **Caroline Addeo** (Bob & Jen Mercer)
 10:00 am **Mark Stolburg** (Nina Stolburg)

Mass intentions
 offered by Fr. Justin
 away from the parish
 in January:

Maureen Viglione
 Jean H. Gier
 Clara Jane Mago
 Kitty Johnson
 Greg Maddalena

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 January have been donated in memory of **Stella Maddalena** by her family.*

*The Sanctuary Candle for the week of January 29th will burn in memory of **Irene and Ethel Facetti** by **Linda Johnson**.*