



St. Leo Magnus

Roman Catholic Church

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*Building God's Design in Unity here
in the heart of Elk County since 1874!*

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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

CONFESSIONS: Wednesdays 4-6 pm



150th Anniversary: 52 Weeks - 52 Photos

#1: Ted Bomba (1935 - 2019) served as a page of honor for Bishop John Mark Gannon in 1942 for the solemn dedication mass of the present church.

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

November 26, 2023

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

Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 25, 2023 + *Saint Catherine of Alexandria*
8:30 am **No Mass**

Saturday, November 25, 2023 + *Anticipated for Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe*
5:15 pm **Dora Santiso** (Karen & Mike Herzing)

Sunday, November 26, 2023 + *Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe*
8:00 am **Betty Lewis** (Patty Lewis)
10:00 am **Mary Margaret Facetti** (Linda Johnson)

Tuesday, November 28, 2023 + *Weekday in Ordinary Time*
6:00 pm **Jim Facchine** (Dave & Linda Giovanini)
****Adoration: 9am - 6pm****

Wednesday, November 29, 2023 + *Weekday in Ordinary Time*
8:30 am **Dorik Metelski** (Felcia Nelson)

Thursday, November 30, 2023 + *Saint Andrew*
9:00 am **Richie Nelson** (Felcia Nelson)
****Adoration: 9am - 7pm****

Friday, December 1, 2023 + *Weekday in Ordinary Time*
8:30 am **Daniel Martin, 6th anniv.** (Joan Martin)

Saturday, December 2, 2023 + *Votive Mass for the Blessed Virgin Mary*
8:30 am **Mr. & Mrs. Tony Viglione** (Rosa Aiello & Family)

Saturday, December 2, 2023 + *Anticipated for First Sunday of Advent*
5:15 pm **The People of Saint Leo Parish** (Karen & Mike Herzing)

Sunday, December 3, 2023 + *First Sunday of Advent*
8:00 am **Rose Heindl** (Family)
10:00 am **Deceased of Capital City Hose Co.**
(Members of Capital City Hose)



Mass Ministry Schedule Weekend of December 2 & 3, 2023			
	5:15 pm	8:00 am	10:00 am
Altar Servers	J & P Bobnar	P & M Messineo	M & J Toncich
Eucharistic Minister	S Anderson	J Allenbaugh	T Gilmore
Lector	WJ Fernan	J Allenbaugh	M Tettis

Altar Candles

Burn in loving memory:

Saint Leo - Deceased of Saint Leo Parish

Sanctuary - Kathy Pino from Janet Polinski

Blessed Mary - Souls in Purgatory

Saint Joseph - Deceased of Saint Leo Parish

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.
And let perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace.
Amen.*

Cancel the Cold

†We remember in our prayers†

November 26

Elizabeth Erickson

Vincent Foley

Julia Adeo

Helene Caggiano

Edith Zambanini

November 28

Joseph & Edith Fusco

Living & Deceased of the DePanfilis Family

Prayer Chain

Call Felcia @ 814.772.5460

If you, or someone you know are in need of prayers.

Ministry Schedule Week of December 3, 2023

Money Counters	Team #1
Ridgmont Minister	
Altar Guild (12/1)	Group 1 Pew 3

St. Leo Parish

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

Call the parish office for your cemetery needs

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.

Ways to Remember

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

Mass - \$10

(The 2024 Mass book is open)

Sanctuary, Saint Leo, Blessed Mother
or Saint Joseph Candle - \$20/week

Hosts and Wine - \$100/month

Beat the Heat/Cancel the Cold - \$10/date

Radio Mass Broadcast - \$100/week

Contact the parish office for details.

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.

50/50 DRAWING

We'll draw 1 winner on December 17th

Winner will get at least \$9,025!!

Tickets can be found in the gathering space or at the parish office.

St. Leo Christmas Cash Drawing

December 17th

7 winners of \$1,000 each

Tickets for sale at the parish office
\$20 each/3-\$40

Religious Education Program

2023-2024

Registration details will be published soon.

Keep an eye on the bulletin

THE GIFTS OF THE MAGI WILL ONCE AGAIN BE FEATURED AT SAINT LEO CHURCH. THE TREE WILL BE UP IN THE GATHERING SPACE IN TIME FOR BLACK FRIDAY SHOPPING. WISHES MAY BE TAKEN FROM THE TREE AND ATTACHED TO AN UNWRAPPED GIFT AND RETURNED TO THE TREE NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 10. PLEASE NOTE THAT EACH TAG HAS GIFT HINTS FOR YOUR SHOPPING CHOICES. THESE ARE HELPFUL HINTS AND NOT A MUST. CALL THE PARISH OFFICE WITH YOUR QUESTIONS.



This Week At St. Leo

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| Tue Nov 28 | Concert Choir of Elk County Program in the body of the church, 7 pm |
| Wed Nov 29 | First Holy Communion Religious Ed Class, social hall, 6 pm |

Advent Candle Sale

Sponsored by the CD of A

A ring with candles \$20

Candles only \$5

In the gathering space until mid
December



Bulletin Deadlines -

- Submit by noon on November 28th for the December 3rd bulletin
- Submit by noon on December 4th for the December 10th bulletin
- Submit by noon on December 7th for the December 17th bulletin
- Submit by noon on December 13th for the December 24th bulletin

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Interparish celebration will be held on Sunday, November 26, 2023 at Sacred Heart Church with Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament immediately following the 10:30 am Mass. Vespers and Benediction at 4 pm.

CD of A Members

Join us Wednesday, November 29, at 6:00 pm at the Brew Bank for dinner and discussion of our Fall Book club selection *The Rocking Chair Prophet* by Matthew Kelly. Please make your reservation by calling Lisa Martin at 814-772-2261 by November 27.

Baptismal Training Session

November 28 at 7:00 pm - St. Marys Church. Phone 781-1019 to reserve your spot. Parents and godparents must attend training before a baptism can be scheduled at Saint Leo Parish.

Concert Choir of Elk County

Presents **REJOICE AND BE MERRY** Tuesday, November 28, 7:30 pm at St. Leo Church and Saturday, December 2, 7:30 pm at Sacred Heart Church. This event is a great way to usher in the season of Advent.

Sacred Heart's 31st Annual "Bah-Humbug" Festival

December 9, 2023 9 am until 2 pm. Sacred Heart Parish Center. There will be vendors and a large variety of food for purchase.

Pilgrimage to Holy Land

March 1-10, 2024 with Fr. John Szada, priest of the Diocese of Harrisburg. Join us as we travel to Bethlehem, Jericho, Cana, Nazareth, Galilee, Mount Tabor, Jerusalem and more. Pricing includes: Basic Tour and Guided Sight-seeing, Round-trip International Airfare, Entrance Fees, First Class Hotels, Daily Breakfast and Dinner, Deluxe Motor coaches, Hotel Gratuities and More! Price from Pittsburgh is \$4,246. Other departure cities available. Please call for price. For more information or to register, please visit www.Qohtours.com or call 1-800-213-4295.



K of C 12 Knights of Christmas

300 tickets will be sold for this raffle. Cost \$20
24 drawings over 12 days beginning December 13. All tickets stay in drum through the final \$1,000 draw! Tickets available in the parish office or from a knight.

A Christmas Holiday Craft Show

St. Mary Social Hall in Crown (address: 117 Lencer Drive; Leeper, PA), on Friday, December 1st and Saturday, December 2nd. 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 special raffle. Admission is free. Proceeds benefit the St. Mary/St. Ann Faith Formation Program. See you there!

Planning your wedding in 2024?

An Engagement Encounter is scheduled for January 19-21 at St. Mark Catholic Center in Erie. Call the Family Life Office at 814-824-1261 or email familylife@eriercd.org. <https://www.eriercd.org/familylifeoffice> for more information and registration. EE satisfies diocesan requirements for marriage preparation. Catholic and Interfaith couples are encouraged to attend. Remember, "A wedding is one day, but marriage is for a lifetime".

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).

We will be most happy to reserve a date for your child's baptism after all necessary documents are received in the parish office. Call 814-772-3135 to find out what is

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:

You will notice the cover of the bulletin has been slightly altered as we begin to celebrate our 150th anniversary over the next twelve months. Each week we will have a historic photo from our parish's rich history. Again, please share any photos or memorabilia with me, so we can make copies of the parish archives and have them for our new history that I am writing.

Last May, I woke up very early on the first Saturday of that month. In part to be prepared for rehearsal for First Holy Communion and to meet our students. Also to get ready for Saturday morning rosary and mass (which I was 5 minutes late). Why was I late? Well, my historical yearnings got the best of me – because I was glued to my television watching the coronation ceremony of Their Majesties King Charles III and Queen Camilla of the United Kingdom. I love pageantry and ceremony and boy I was not disappointed in the least. The moment that truly gave me chills was when Queen Camilla and the King entered the choir area of Westminster Abbey, just steps away from their thrones and high altar of magnificent sacred space. When pages of honor carrying their heavy robes – royal guards around them – the church filled to capacity – as the world watched, trumpets began to soar throughout the light filled sanctuary and the choir perched high above in a balcony near the ceiling, they sang loud, clear, and proud: *Vivat Regina Camilla! – Vivat! Vivat! Vivat!*, followed by *Vivat Rex Carolus – Vivat! Vivat! Vivat!* In a much-anglicized pronunciation of the Latin text, they were chanting – announcing – proclaiming – cheering: Long live, Queen Camilla! Long live, King Charles! I remember thinking, “Wow! This is for real now!” I can only imagine what the King and Queen were feeling.

This weekend, after hopefully a joyous celebration of Thanksgiving with our loved ones and friends, we continue to give thanks and rejoice on this great and solemn feast of Christ the King of the Universe! Our King – the Lord – wears a crown not of gold, but of thorns. He bears not a royal specter in His hands, but still the nail marks. He was adorned with a crimson and fur lined royal cloak carried by pages of honor, but was covered in blood from the weight of the Cross that He carried. There were no choirs for Him singing that He may live long – but angry crowds that shouted to crucify Him! Yet He is greater – more majestic – and eternal than any king or queen of this earth. At the coronation, for the first time in public, we saw King Charles kneel in humble reflection before the altar and aloud prayed to Jesus Christ, shortly after he spoke the first words of his coronation ceremony, quoting the Lord in the Gospel: “I come to serve, not be served.”

Every time we enter into the sacred mysteries of our redemption by participating and sharing in the Eucharist at Mass, we encounter our King – we hear the trumpets blast – we witness a royal procession as the Lord of All Life and Hope in the Bread that becomes His Body surrounds us, and then we walk to Him and bow too in humble prayer, as He becomes one with us. I wish at every Mass – at every altar – when the priest raises that host that by the power of the Holy Spirit is transformed into the Body of Christ, that trumpets could sound like in May in London and a choir would intone – declare – announce the reality of what we are encountering **VIVAT REX CHRISTUS! LONG LIVE CHRIST THE KING!**



Our King must live in us and through us. Our King is the way to and the truth of eternal life – where we our salvation will not merely be long, but forever. Think of that trumpet-heralding phrase next week when you approach our King in the communion line on the first weekend of Advent and every time we are privileged to bow before and unite our bodies with the King of the universe: *Vivat Rex Christus! Vivat! Vivat! Vivat!*

Let us give thanks for these past 150 years and move forward together as one family of faith in Christ!

Father Justin