

Saint Leo Forty Hours Celebration

NOVEMBER 8 - 9 - 10 , 2022



*O Sacrament Most Holy, O Sacrament Divine,
All Praise and Glad Thanksgiving be Every Moment Thine!*

FORTY HOURS DEVOTIONS SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8TH

8:30 am – **Mass** (Votive Mass for the Holy Eucharist)

**The Litany for Life will be prayed during Mass.*

9:00 am – **Adoration** of the Blessed Sacrament begins.

**We will pray the Stations of the Eucharist after Mass.*

+ + Adoration continues throughout the day + +

4:00-5:00 pm– **Confessors** will be available for the Sacrament of Penance

7:00 pm – **Forty Hours Devotions with Guest Preacher. Msgr. Joseph Riccardo**

**We will pray the Rosary, listen to Scripture, and have Benediction*

**Confessors will be available after services also*



WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9TH

8:30 am – **Mass** (Feast of the Lateran Basilica)

**The Litany for Vocations will be prayed during Mass.*

9:00 am – **Adoration** of the Blessed Sacrament begins.

**We will pray the Rosary after Mass.*

+ + Adoration continues throughout the day + +

4:00 -5:00 pm – **Confessors** will be available for the Sacrament of Penance

7:00 pm – **Forty Hours Devotions with Guest Preacher, Fr. John Detisch**

**We will celebrate Evening Prayer, listen to Scripture, and have Benediction*

**Confessors will be available after services also*

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10TH

9:00 am – **Adoration** of the Blessed Sacrament begins with **Morning Prayer**.

+ + Adoration continues throughout the day + +

+ + The **Relic of Saint Leo** will also be available for veneration throughout the day+ +

1:00 pm – **Mid-Day Prayer** will be celebrated in the church

4:00 -5:00 pm – **Confessors** will be available for the Sacrament of Penance

7:00 pm – **Mass for the Feast of St. Leo Magnus with Guest Preacher, Fr. Matt Kujawinski**

**During Mass we will conclude our Forty Hours Devotions with a procession inside church and Benediction*

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 I have been mentioning in the past weeks, our parish will host the traditional three-days of devotion known as Forty Hours on November **8-9-10**. There will be moments of prayer each morning (mass on Tuesday and Wednesday), and each evening we will gather for devotions at 7 p.m. in the church. Adoration will begin each day at 9 am and continue until devotions each evening. There will be an opportunity for confessions before services from 4-5 p.m. in the two sacristies. Thursday the 10th we will close Forty Hours with Mass in honor of our patron saint – Saint Leo. Please join us each evening. I am grateful for our three guest priest homilists, who will join us this week: Msgr. Riccardo from Punxsutawney and a former assistant at Johnsonburg; Fr. Detisch, who is the new pastor in Brockway; and Fr. Kujawinski, who will be coming from Erie to join us for the feast day mass. Again, please join us each day as we continue to reorient ourselves and revive in our hearts, the love for the Holy Eucharist. With that in mind, here are some thoughts on this central mystery of our Catholic faith.

The disciples once ask Jesus the following question: ***“Where will you have us go and prepare for you to eat the Passover?”*** This was prompted by an unusual request by the Lord just seconds earlier, namely: ***“Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you; follow him, and wherever he enters, say to the householder, ‘The Teacher says, where is my guest room, where I am to eat the Passover with my disciples?’”*** (Mark 14:12-14) And so it happened, as it usually does with Jesus! Our Lord had thought it out and prepared it with care. To celebrate the Passover dinner, He chose this large upper room, carpeted, with everything ready!

Jesus gave great focus and weight to this act of preparing. It is one of the tasks or responsibilities He typically reserved for Himself to do in heaven: ***“I will go and prepare a place for you. And when I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you also may be”*** (John 14:2-3). In the beauty and importance of “preparing a place for us in heaven”, the Eucharist is already a foretaste – an introduction – a glimpse at that place. The Eucharist is a promise – a pledge – an assurance of future glory for the human race. Each time we come together to eat the Body of Christ and drink the Blood of Salvation, the place where we gather to celebrate it (whether it be in a church building or outdoors at a mass, wherever the sacrifice of the priest and community take place) that specific place here on earth becomes for a moment our place in heaven. In the celebration of the Eucharist heaven touched earth in a profound way, that can NEVER be replicated anywhere else. Every place in which the mass is offered – in a gold-gilt basilica, a humble little chapel, or a catacomb – is an anticipation of our definitive place in heaven, which overflows in the communion of all the redeemed with the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

How beautiful, after receiving communion, to think of our life as a continuation of the mass! After receiving the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ our Lord and God we take His true transforming presence into our families, our neighborhoods, our schools and our work places. Like the disciples, we can ask Jesus once more today: ***“Where do you want us to prepare the Eucharist?”*** And He will make us feel that today, too, He has everything prepared. There are many places in our city – in our homes – in our hearts, where the Lord is already present, sharing His Bread of Life and Cup of Salvation to the hungry and thirsty; and there are many places already prepared to receive His life-giving light; but there are still places that are hungry and thirsty and naked and abandoned. They need a place too! And we can help the Lord prepare space – a personal place of encounter – a large room for them and us to gather with Jesus Christ.

Walking with our Lord and filling up these spaces with love must be a priority for all committed Christians throughout the world, including us in this city in our five parishes, all working together. If we embrace our **ENTIRE** community with our faith and hope and love; if we beg God with an honest and burning desire that He would transform us into places for the Eucharist – large open rooms to welcome His Son, where **EVERYONE** gives thanks, where we are **ALL** invited to share in the Lord’s gifts, where we can **ALL** give the best of ourselves for everybody, especially the forgotten, abused, marginalized and suffering – if we come together in this way, our joy, our love – the joy and love of Jesus Christ will do and continue to do wonderful things!

Ask the Lord Jesus today: “Where, Lord, would you like us to prepare your Eucharist today? Where do you want us to walk and open the door for you so that you can break bread for us and with us? Where Jesus, where?” We will find the answer when we look in a mirror!

See you at Forty Hours! *Father Justin*

Stewardship

October 29 & 30, 2022

Contributions.....\$6,335
Weekly Budget..... \$9,747

Year - to - Date

Contributions..... \$124,612
Budget \$175,446

Envelopes mailed.....340 # Returned.....95
#Online contributions...14

Catholic Service Appeal

Assessment..... \$49,429
Collected \$31,526
Families Contributing95

Parish Loan

Borrowed from the Diocese of Erie..... \$180,000
Balance Due \$97,000

***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.

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.



Baptism We Welcome into the Catholic Faith

Dante Michael Nortum

Son of Andrew and Joanne Nortum

We pray God will bless him as he grows in his faith.

How many rosaries do the parishioners of St. Leo Magnus pray?

Our final tally -

24 Parishioners have prayed **640** rosaries during the month of October!

Saint Leo School Students contributed an additional **1005** to that total.

That is more than 87,000 Hail Marys!

Thank you for participating in this little demonstration
Continue to pray the Rosary

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

St. Leo Parish Food Drive

Please bring your donations to the gathering space no later than November 11th. Your donations will help those who struggle during the holiday season.

CLEAN UP THE CEMETERY FOR WINTER

Please remove all decorations, flowers and pots from the cemetery by November 10th. Thank you!

Children's Liturgy

Every Sunday, during 10:00 o'clock mass, students in grades preschool thru 2nd grade are brought down to the social hall for kid-friendly, age-appropriate activities based on that week's Gospel reading and message. Please join us!

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

PRAYER CHAIN

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

Contact the parish office for Baptism Prep class and Pre-Cana Class schedules.
Our ph. 814-772-3135
email: secretary@stleomagnus.org

Volunteers needed!

We are looking for volunteers to bake sugar cookies for an upcoming Advent project. Please reach out to Margie Gausman at 814-772-3135 if you are interested in helping

PREPARE THE WAY OF THE LORD

Advent is coming so the CDof A is starting their annual Advent Candle Sale on November 6. The price is the same as last year 1 box of candles \$5.00 or a complete set ring and candles for \$20.00 Please use the honor system for payment. Thank you

K of C

Christmas Raffle starts Dec. 13. Ticket cost \$20. 300 tickets sold and put back in until final drawing. To purchase, ask any Knight or at St. Leo Parish office.

Ridgway K of C		★ 12 Nights of Christmas Raffle★	
Dec. 13 thru Dec. 17	\$100 per day	Dec. 24	1st Drawing \$750
Dec. 18	\$200		2nd Drawing \$500
Dec. 19 thru Dec. 23	\$100 per day		3rd Drawing \$250
			5 Drawings of \$100 each
			6 Drawings of \$50 each
S.G.O.C. #2102-18		\$20.00 per Ticket	

THAT MAN IS YOU

TMIY begins with 6 pm Mass every Tuesday at St. Leo Parish

Questions - Call Charlie Richards @ 773-7990

THE 2023 MASS BOOK IS OPEN

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

St. Leo's Parish Children's Liturgy Food Drive

Children who participate in 10am Children's Liturgy are encouraged to bring a can of food to mass to donate THROUGHOUT the month of October! We will be making a donation to our local food pantry just in time for Thanksgiving!



***ALL SAINTS DAY CELEBRATION
WITH ST. LEO SCHOOL
STUDENTS***



AREA HAPPENINGS

Catholic Rural Ministry will be hosting an overnight retreat On living a Eucharistic Spirituality at the Olmsted Conference Center, Ludlow, PA from Thursday, Nov. 10 at noon until Friday, Nov. 11 at noon. Cost \$60. For more information call 814-677-2032.

Christmas Holiday Craft Show, Dec. 2 & 3. 9 am - 4 pm each day. St. Mary/St. Ann Parish , Crown, PA. Dozens of tables of crafts and vendors will be available to complete your holiday shopping! Refreshments and lunch will be available for purchase. Admission Free.

St. Boniface Stuffing Balls - Homemade and delicious. Cost \$3.50/6 or \$7/12. Pre-order by November 12. Pick up and payment in St. Boniface Social Hall on November 19 & 20 after Masses. Additional info - call Mary @ 814-772-0923.

Concert Choir of Elk County presents "Christmas is Coming" Nov. 29 at St. Leo and Dec. 3 at Sacred Heart. 7:30 pm both evenings followed by a social. Free will offering. Questions, call Lois @ 814-834-2321



CANCEL THE COLD

† WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK †

NOVEMBER 10
ROB FERNAN & FELLOW MARINES

NOVEMBER 11
JOANNE MARIE PICCIRILLO

Ministry Schedule Week of November 12 & 13, 2022	
Money Counters	Team 2
Ridgmont Minister	M Skraba
Altar Guild (11/11)	Group 2, Pew 2

**Mass Ministry Schedule
Weekend of November 12 & 13, 2022**

	5:15 pm	8:00 am	10:00 am
Altar Servers	I & A Macer	J & I Nicklas	A Eagen, A Corl
Eucharistic Minister	J Wonderly	B Gausman	J or C Fink
Lector	J Challingsworth	J DeVittorio	D Paige

Mass Intentions



Saturday, November 5, 2022 + Vigil for the Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:15 pm **Lori Spangler** (Ruth Steis)

Sunday, November 6, 2022 + Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am **Dutch DePanfilis** (Family)

10:00 am **Deceased members of Ridgway K of C** (Ridgway K of C)

Monday, November 7, 2022 + Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:30 am **Communion Service**

Tuesday, November 8, 2022 + Votive Mass for the Holy Eucharist

8:30 am **Jacqueline Renaud** (Family)

Wednesday, November 9, 2022 + Feast of the Lateran Basilica

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

Thursday, November 10, 2022 + Solemnity of Saint Leo the Great

7:00 pm **Ted Bomba** (Family)

Friday, November 11, 2022 + Saint Martin of Tours

8:30 am **Gertrude Dinsmore** (Family)

Saturday, November 12, 2022 + Vigil for The Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:15 pm **Elaine Geyer** (Family)

Sunday, November 13, 2022 + Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am **Phil Mitchell** (The Urmann Family)

10:00 am **Ginni Hauber** (Dave & Linda Giovanini)

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 November have been donated in memory of Jacqueline Renaud by her family.

The Sanctuary Candle for the week of November 6th will burn in memory of Johnny Smith by the Mitcheltree Family.