

# Saint Leo Magnus Roman Catholic Church

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### TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

September 10, 2023

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### Mass Times

Saturday Vigil - 5:15 pm, Sunday - 8 & 10 am Tuesdays - 6:00 pm Wednesday - Saturday - 8:30 a.m.

> **Confessions** Wednesdays 4-6 pm Saturdays 9 am

**Adoration** Tuesday 9am - 6 pm Thursday 9am - 7 pm

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The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

# Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 9, 2023 + Saint Peter Claver 8:00 am Rosary 8:30 am Vincent Foley (Family) \*\*Confessions after Mass\*\*

Saturday, September 9, 2023 + Anticipated for the Twenty-third Sunday 5:15 pm M/M Ray & Emma Cenni (Dave & Linda Giovanini)

Sunday, September 10, 2023 + Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:00 am Deceased members of the Dellaquila Family (Family) 10:00 am The People of Saint Leo Parish

<u>Tuesday, September 12, 2023 + The Most Holy Name of Mary</u> 6:00 pm **Bob Weidert** (Laura Jones) \*\*Adoration: 9am - 6pm\*\*

Wednesday, September 13, 2023 + Saint John Chrysostom 8:30 am Edward & Elizabeth Flannigan \*\*Confessions: 4-6 pm\*\*

Thursday, September 14, 2023 + *The Exaltation of the Holy Cross* 8:30 am Francis, Alice & John Kennedy (Dolores Miller) \*\*Adoration: 9am - 7pm\*\*

Friday, September 15, 2023+*Our Lady of Sorrows* 8:30 am Laurie Casolo (Family)

Saturday, September 16, 2023 + Saints Cornelius and Cyprian 8:00 am Rosary 8:30 am Francine, Marcy & Renee (Mary Detwiler) \*\*Confessions after Mass\*\*

Saturday, September 16, 2023+*Anticipated for the Twenty-fourth Sunday* 5:15 pm Anthony "Toke" Santiso (Karen & Michael Herzing)

Sunday, September 17, 2023 + *The Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time* 8:00 am Mike Quattrone, 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary (Family) 10:00 am Louis Bonini (Dave & Joey Kepple)



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.

Mass Ministry Schedule Weekend of September 16 & 17, 2023					
	Altar Servers	Eucharistic Minister	Lector		
5:15 pm	M MacDonald E Leuschel	L Caggeso	WJ Fernan		
8:00 am	N & P Washburn	J Allenbaugh	N Hoffman		
10:00 am	J & M Toncich	S or L Fink	C Tutton		

### This Week At St. Leo

Sun Sept. 10	Grandparent's Day - Donuts after 10 a.m. Mass - Provided by St. Leo School
Tue Sept. 12	6:30 p.m Outreach meeting
Sat Sept. 16	1 p.m. Wedding

\*\*Note: The hall will be closed for a deep cleaning on Sept. 12 & 13.

**Wine and Hosts** for the month of September have been donated in memory of Mark Stolburg and Liz Mitchell by Nina Stolburg.

### **Prayer Chain** Call Felcia @ 814.772.5460 If you, or someone you know are in need

of prayers.

## Beat the Heat

*†We remember in our prayers†* 

<u>September 10</u> Fred Wonderly Don & Martha Olson

Rourney in Fath

## 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? Are you a Catholic who would like to learn more about our faith?

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

Ministry Schedule Week of September 17, 2023				
Money Counters	Team #3			
Ridgmont Minister	J Allenbaugh			
Altar Guild (9/15)	Group 6 Pew 4			

# Parish Support - Information not available

# Are you wondering if you should stop in to schedule Masses for 2024?

### 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.

# 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.

# **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 Sanctuary Candle - \$20 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

Contact the parish office for details.

## St. Leo Parish Office Hours

Mon. - Thur. 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

# FIRST ANNUAL ST. LEO PARISH YEAR-LONG 50/50

Pay out as of September 1, 2023



We'll report prize amount in the bulletin every month. Watch the winnings climb! Drawing will be held Sunday, December 17th. You could win a huge prize just in time for Christmas!

Need tickets? Call 814-772-3135

### WE MAKE HOUSE CALLS !

Are you homebound and in need of Holy Communion? Are 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.

### 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

# **Baptismal Training Sessions**

Oct 14	10:00 am	Sacred Heart
		St. Marys, 814-834-7861
Nov 14	7:00 pm	St. Boniface
	_	Kersey, 814-885-8941

Be sure to call ahead to reserve your spot!

If you will be having your child baptized at St. Leo, you may take an online class. Call the parish office for details.

# **Religious Education Program** 2023-2024

Registration details will be published soon. Keep an eye on the bulletin

Bulletin Deadline -

Submit by noon on September  $12^{th}$  for the September  $17^{th}$  bulletin

CD of A Members - The September Meeting/Tureen Dinner is scheduled for Tuesday, September 19 at 6:30 p.m. in the Social Hall. Feel free to bring your favorite side dish or dessert to accompany the main entrée. We look forward to seeing you!

ECC Music Booster Mum Sale! - Purchase tickets now. pick up at Morning Glory Greenhouse from September 1st - 21st. 9"pot - \$12. Call ECC at 814-834-7800 or Cathy at 814-512-0818. Must present ticket to receive mum!

Elk County Ecumenical Group - This is a newly formed group with a purpose to serve our community. We welcome all to join with us to help where we can in our community. We meet at the Bethlehem Lutheran Fellowship Hall. Contact Mary Ann Cianca at 814.903.0401 for more information.

### Kendra VonEsh

Will present "What is Spiritual Warfare and How Do We Fight in Today's Culture?" Sunday, September 24 at Elk County Catholic High School. The day begins with a meet and greet at 8:00 a.m. and includes a light lunch (cost \$10), Adoration and Confession, and Mass. RSVP - Mary Ellen at 814.594.5288 or frankmary1954@gmail.com.

#### **Organ and Choral Concert**

St. Catherine of /Siena roman Catholic Church in DuBois, PA will host concert featuring the historic 1910 Hook & Hastings Pipe Organ Opus 2247. Sunday, September 17 at 2 p.m.

### Pray for the Priests of our Diocese

- September 10 Rev. Jason Glover
- September 11 Rev. Gregory Passauer
- September 12 The Most Rev. Lawrence Persico
- September 13 Rev. Cesar Segovia
- September 14 Rev. Kyle Seyler

Name

Address

- September 15 Rev. Joseph Petrone
- September 16 Rev. Walter Packard



In the Sacrament of the Eucharist You, Lord Jesus Christ, make present to us the memorial of Your Passion the outpouring oblation of love to the Father that brings salvation to the world, for our journey unto everlasting life.

Holy Spirit, stir up and awaken within us, within our diocese, within our parishes, and within all the faithful a lively devotion, profound reverence, and deep love for this Sacrament of Sacraments. Grant us the grace to hunger and thirst for You in the Eucharist. Help us to approach You in Holy communion frequently and to receive You worthily and fruitfully.

Strengthen us that we may hear you calling us to the altar, to the tabernacle, and to the monstrance, that we may joyfully bask in Your Eucharistic Presence with all the angels and saints and call all people to faith in the Most Holy Eucharist. May Mary, Your mother and ours, teach us to be docile and humble in the sight of this wondrous Mystery. And may Your Eucharistic Heart, so fully and totally present to us, be ever praised, adored, and loved at every moment, in all the tabernacles of the world, even unto the end of time.

#### AMEN

(Catholic Diocese of Sioux Falls)



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

From the Pastor's Desk

My dear parish family:

There is a section of my family – a grouping of eight siblings – that have fought for decades – with no end in sight. They have held grudges over insignificant things for years. I asked my grandmother once why these cousins of ours don't just get along. I wanted to know what they did to one another to cause such division. What was so horrible that it came to a point that when there was a family funeral, half of the brothers and sisters would call ahead to the funeral home to see if the "other ones" were still there! My grandma, one day, revealed the truth. It was over a 2-foot property line dispute!

Nursing grudges is a serious obstacle in the Christian life. On the road of faith that all of us tread upon together – grudges are worse than potholes – they're dangerous sinkholes, if you really want to be honest! Constantly recalling people's sins (or what we manufacture or interpret as "sin") against us and thinking of ways to get back at them (aka – revenge) does nothing but drain our souls of the much needed grace to be authentic and committed disciples of Jesus Christ.. The energy we need to be utilizing for our spiritual wellbeing is therefore wasted. This type of useless bitterness prevents us from receiving the Lord into our lives, and thereby sharing Him with others making us all better witnesses to His truth. It blocks the goodness and holiness that we all need and need to share.

Only rarely do we succeed in damaging an offender more than we damage ourselves. The harder we try to get back at someone, the more we get hurt. As our mind reaches out in search of revenge, bitterness reaches into us, and distracts us from doing the good work God needs us to do. Daydreams of getting even devour our time during the day. At night, we lose sleep to our hurt feel-ings. Resentment, grudges, refusing to forge and move on are spiritual poisons. They infect our souls. We don't need any of this. We need what the Lord provides, what He sketches out in the gospels for us every weekend – every day.

The Lord deals with us according to a dif-ferent standard, a standard of mercy. He doesn't ignore us on account of our sin. In the face of an endless litany of bad decisions and wrongs and even offenses against



Him, Jesus still came to us and embraced death to cancel out our sins. He forgives those who trespassed against Him. He unbinds our sins - and binds up our wounds, so that you and I can be saved.

A common mistake is to think that forgiveness is something a person *feels* rather than something a person *does*. If we wait until we feel like forgiving, we'll proba-bly take those same grudges to the grave. It helps to feel like forgiving someone we must forgive, but if we don't feel like it, we should go ahead and forgive any-way. Once we have stopped dwelling on the sin against us, our feelings toward the person will improve. Through the power of forgiveness, many people have

ended up liking some-one they thought they would always hate. It did eventually happen, I am gratefully able to admit, with some (not all) of my cousins before they themselves were laid out in a funeral parlor.

Jesus reminds us this week: *"Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.*" This pairs beautifully with Saint Paul's advice to his friends, the Romans: *"Owe no one anything, except to love one another."* The Lord gives us the grace to forgive and love. Yes, to forgive and love more generously – to forgive and love often. We should begin again this way of life each morning we are granted the gift of waking up to a new day. Yes, must begin anew right now!

God love you and bring you His peace, mercy, and hope! Father Justin