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THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 13, 2020



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MASS & CONFESSION TIMES

WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday evening: 5:15 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 & 10:00 a.m.

Radio Mass: 9:00 a.m. (97.5 WDDH)

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday thru Friday: 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:

Dec. 1-22 Tuesday & Thursday 4-8 p.m.

Or by appointment

ST. LEO MAGNUS ADORATION TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS 9 AM TO 6 PM

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

RECONCILIATION

Tuesdays & Thursdays from 4 p.m. until 8 p.m. beginning
November 30th thru December 22nd

BAPTISM

Please call the rectory for scheduling.

MARRIAGE

Please notify the pastor at least 6 months before the marriage.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Call anytime for emergencies. Notify the office if someone is hospitalized, seriously ill, or in need of a priest



PARISH ORGANIZATIONS AND MINISTRIES CONTACT PERSONS

Cursillo Movement.....
Parish Festival
Choir.....
Catholic Daughters of America
Knights of Columbus
Food Bank.....
Prayer Chain
Fish Fry
That Man is You (TMIY)
Cancer Care Ministry
Website Manager
Prison Ministry.....
Altar Guild
Funeral Luncheons
Money Counters
Eucharistic Ministers
Ushers
Lectors
Altar Servers
Baptismal Preparation Classes
Adoration
R.C.I.A.....
Sacristy

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ST. LEO MAGNUS CATHOLIC CHURCH *Membership Form*

Name _____

Phone _____

Num- _____

Address _____

City _____

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
- ☐ Zip
- ☐ Need Envelopes

From the Pastor's Desk

My dear parish family:

REDISCOVERING THE SACRAMENTS (Part 7 of 7) *Holy Orders: Called to Serve, Not be Served*

If you have ever attended the ordination of a deacon, priest or bishop, following the man's promises of obedience to the Church, the presiding bishop says this: *"May God who has begun the good work in you bring it to fulfillment."* This is a wonderful prayer for all seven sacraments, because our lives of faith are built upon being recipients of God's grace so that we can do His works – good works. Indeed this is the life of every Christian – of every Catholic, but in a special way we encounter those called to serve as priests, religious sisters and deacons. This life is not for everyone, but those of us who live it (myself and Deacon Larry) we can say that is, if I may use a famous movie title, "a wonderful life!"

But the wonderful life of any vocation – single life, marriage, religious life – begins at home. I found the strength and trust to follow Christ as a priest in my own life because of the example of my parents and grandparents. I saw that God was an inseparable part of their day to day lives. Mass on Sundays and Holy Days was NOT optional. Our faith was the beginning and the end of our family. We must reignite that fire of faith in our homes, so that our young people are not lost in darkness, but follow the light of Christ.

Many priests, religious and deacons will say that it was their home parish community that greatly encouraged them and it was there that God's voice was the loudest. Together we must encourage vocations – all vocations – but especially to religious life. The Vatican recently released that the number of priests was increasing – but not enough. There is a hunger out there in the world – a hunger for purpose, for love, for God. I can already see in the young men and women of our parishes that they want God in their lives. I pray that one of them one day soon will come to me and say, "Father Justin, I want to be a priest. I want to be a religious sister. I want to live my life for others. I never want to be separated from God." My hope for those conversations continues. If you see someone who you think who make a good, holy and dedicated servant for the Church – TELL THEM – TELL ME and together we can build up God's kingdom.



Holy Orders is a sacrament of service. Holy Orders is a sacrament of sacrifice. On the day of my ordination I laid on the marble floor of St. Peter's Cathedral, crying my eyes out, to the point of a visible puddle of tears collected on the floor before me. They were not tears of sadness – that I had lost something. No! They were tears of sacrificial joy – that Christ chose me, as weak and imperfect as I am, to be Him for others – for you. He gave me so much at that moment and continues to do so.

I hope I have been Christ for you in these past months, because every time I baptize one of your children, every time you and I experience God's mercy in the confessions, every time the Holy Spirit allows me to consecrate the Holy Eucharist and share it with you, every time two of you become one in marriage before my eyes, every time I anoint your foreheads and hands with oil, every time I witness the outpouring of God's love in a new priest, sister or deacon – after all that I know that we are one! We are together on the same journey. We are a sacramental people that must depend on God no matter what!

All of us are called to holiness, whether we serve God as religious or not. All of us are called to live out our baptism each day. And we are all called, when it comes to God, "to serve not be served." I hope these meditations have been helpful to you and your faith journey. Let's continue to on road to find God together. Every morning we must hear the words Jesus asked Peter along the seashore – he asks you and me same: "DO YOU LOVE ME?" Well, do we?

May God who is manifested in the Sacraments pour forth His abundant grace upon us!

Father Justin

SAINT LEO STEWARDSHIP

Weekend of December 6, 2020

<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Weekly</u>
<u>Contributions</u>	<u>Budget</u>
\$9,710	\$9,915
<u>Contributions</u>	<u>Budget</u>
<u>Year to Date</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
\$163,615	\$228,045

CSA-- \$50,737 is due in 2020

To date 88 Families have
pledged \$29,155
and \$28,3311 has been collected.

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: \$160,000

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 your
or the charity will have to pay income
taxes.

**THANK YOU FOR
YOUR CONTINUED
GENEROSITY**

BAPTISM PREPARATION

Classes are for first time parents and godparents. They are offered throughout our Deanery. A new schedule is being organized now. These in-person classes are free of charge.

There are online classes available also. Included in this group are:

⇒ **Belonging In the Family of God** - Certificate Course. This class is for both parents and godparents. It can be found at www.AscensionPress.com
The cost is \$9.95.

If you have questions about baptism please call the parish office @ 772-3135.



BENEDICTINE GIFT SHOP

139 CHURCH ST, ST. MARYS, PA

HOURS: TUESDAY - FRIDAY 9:30 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.
SATURDAY - 10:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

A GREAT PLACE TO CHRISTMAS SHOP!

Breaking Bread Mass Books

The new 2021 books are available for purchase in
the parish office
Cost \$5.00

Limited quantity available.

We are unable to place books in the pews due to COVID restrictions.

A Family Perspective -

Today's gospel reports "I am the voice of the one crying out in the desert." Who in your family is crying out with their crazy schedules, suppers that start too late and end too early, cars that don't start, misunderstandings, piles of laundry, unmatched socks and stretched food budgets? Although the list feels endless, there is one who hears you. The words spoken at mass, "The Lord is with you," are not just a hope, they are a fact.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION

The Marriage and Family Life Office of the Diocese of Erie is happy to offer a new, completely online, community-focused option for marriage preparation beginning in 2021. The Mentor-Cohort option takes place over four weeks in a small group with one or two mentor couples and engaged couples. It includes private time for couples to discuss and grow, space in a small community to process and wrestle with significant themes, and direct instruction from Dynamic Catholic's Better Together program. For more information, dates and a profile of couples for whom this would be a benefit, please see the attached flier or visit <https://www.eriercd.org/familylifeoffice/mentor-cohort.html>.



Get your tickets in!

**Drawing Sunday
December 20**

First Prize: \$7,500!

***K of C
300 Club Winners
Week 19 & Final***



Week 19

FINAL DRAWING

\$40 B Goldinger

\$1,000 Rosa & Dean

\$25 Nora D

\$100 E Petrosky, D Lewis, A Gardner,
L Caggese, C Lawrie

\$15 J Fusco

\$10 F Griech,
J Steis,
M Detwiler

\$50 N Murphy, M Eberly, G Petrosky,
M Fernan, M Oldani, J Dutchcot,
R Dinardo, B MacDonald,
K Clark, J Marzella



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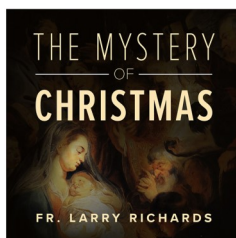
PICK OF THE WEEK

December 13, 2020

LISTEN

**THE MYSTERY OF CHRISTMAS
BY FR. LARRY RICHARDS**

In this talk, Fr. Larry Richards reminds us that in the mystery of Christmas, God gives humanity his greatest gift—the gift of his Son to the world.



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ADORATION

Tuesdays and Thursdays

*9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
During Advent*

*Nothing can compare to the
intimate presence of the Lord
Jesus in the Eucharist.*

Come be with Him.

Prayers are answered

PRAYER CHAIN

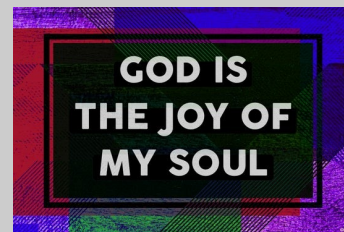
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COORDINATOR

FELCIA NELSON AT

814-772-5460

IF YOU, OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW,
ARE IN NEED OF PRAYERS.



**MONTHLY SPONSOR
SPOTLIGHT**

On behalf of Father Justin and the entire parish we want to thank all of our sponsors who advertise in the bulletin. This month we especially recognize:

***Cenni's
distributor***

***Thank you
to our
ADVERTISERS***

GLPI



Lucky 13 tickets - If you would like more please call the Parish Office. The drawing will be held Sunday, December 20th. Winning \$7500 would make your Christmas very merry indeed! (Benefit St. Leo Church)

CD of A Christmas Basket Raffle - Cost \$5 per ticket and will be available before and after masses. Drawing for the basket will take place with the Lucky 13 drawing on December 20th.

TMIY - That Man Is You will meet Tuesday evening at the K of C

CD of A Members - It's time to pay your 2021 dues of \$25. Make checks out to CD of A Court #356. Mail them to Theresa Zamoski, 3071 Elk Drive, Ridgway, PA 15853. Or pay at our next meeting.

St. Leo Lucky Lion Lotto Calendar - Want 365 chances to win CASH!? St. Leo School will be selling Lucky Leo Lotto Calendars after every St. Leo mass in December (until sold out - limited quantity available). Calendars are \$25 each. These make great gifts - just make sure you have the address and phone number of the calendar recipient. You can also pick up a calendar at the Ridgway Record, Monday through Friday 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. or the St. Leo Parish office Monday through Thursday 9 a.m. - noon & 1-4 p.m. (Fridays 9 a.m. - noon).

Pasta with a Purpose - Ridgway Moose will host a Spaghetti Dinner for **Donnie Steger** on December 13th from 11-3 p.m. at the Ridgway Moose. The menu is Spaghetti with Meatballs, Salad, Roll & Dessert. Cost \$9. Take out or Eat in (if COVID rules allow). There will also be a basket raffle and 50/50.

Order beautiful, fresh holiday wreaths, centerpieces, garlands, trees and more! - Shop ECCSS's Lynch Creek Farm fundraiser at <https://www.lynchcreekfundraising.com/c/249241>. Sale ends December 16th

ECC Music Boosters Cash Bash! - January 16, 2021- \$100 drawing every 5 minutes; \$200 drawing every 15 minutes; \$2000 Grand Prize! Tickets \$50 each - call ECC to purchase tickets #834-7800.



Marriage Moment-

"Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing. In all circumstances give thanks." (1 Thessalonians 5:16) Impossible you say! OK, how about choosing one thing that gives you joy, say one prayer, and be thankful for one thing today. Share.

DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

For the **December 27** bulletin please have submissions, in writing, to the parish office by 4 pm on **December 16**.

For the **January 3, 2021** bulletin please have submissions, in writing, to the parish office by 4 pm on **December 22**.

SIGN UP FOR THESE GREAT RESOURCES FROM ST. LEO'S

FORMED.ORG

Diving into the beauty of the Faith has never been easier; at home, on the go, or from any internet connected device. Discover thousands of books, audio talks, movies, documentaries, and studies...there is something for every member of the family to help them grow closer to Christ and His Church. Visit [Formed.org](https://www.formed.org) to get started.

PARISH COMMUNICATIONS

Flocknote is an email/text tool used to communicate with parishioners. Sign up to get the latest info on Church happenings. Visit www.StLeoMagnus.org to get started.

ONLINE GIVING

Visit www.StLeoMagnus.org, click the Online Giving link, and begin giving. Your support throughout the year helps sustain our church.



WAYS TO REMEMBER

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

Mass -- \$10

Sanctuary Candle -- \$10/wk

Hosts and Wine -- \$40/month

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

Radio Mass Broadcast -- \$100/week

Memorial Space on the bulletin ads - \$50/wk

Or anything you would like to see in the parish -

statues, artwork, equipment.

Please contact Rena in the office or Father Justin.

Date	Time	Intention	Requested by
Saturday, December 12 Vigil - Third Sunday of Advent	5:15 p.m.	Frank Armanini	Bob & Carol Connicher
Sunday, December 13 Third Sunday of Advent	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Veronica DePanfilis, anniv. People of St. Leo Parish	Family
Monday, December 14 St. John of the Cross, Priest & Doctor of the Church	8:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	Mr. & Mrs. Frank Quattrone, Jr. Clara Jane Mago	Family Kim Racon
Tuesday, December 15 Advent Weekday	8:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	Mary Butera Donald Sherry	Estate The bud-fly fishing team
Wednesday, December 16 Advent Weekday	8:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	Rita Blint John Bonghi	Anthony Marino & Family Nina Stolburg
Thursday, December 17 Advent Weekday	8:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	Edith Bogacki Marianne Drathman	Family Jim & Rena Urmann
Friday, December 18 Advent Weekday	8:30 a.m.	Michael DeStefano	Family
Saturday, December 19 Vigil - Fourth Sunday of Advent	5:15 p.m.	Deceased members of the Bomba Family	Family
Sunday, December 20 Fourth Sunday of Advent	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	People of St. Leo Parish Kelley Aiello	Joe & Julie Aiello

CONFESSIONS

TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS

4 P.M. - 8 P.M.

DECEMBER 1 - 22.

The wine and hosts for the month of December are in memory of Al Paladino from his wife, Helen Paladino.

The Sanctuary Candle for the week of December 13th will burn in memory of Susan Cianca from Mary Ann Cianca.

Ministry Schedule

Week of December 20, 2020

Money Counters

Team 3

Altar Guild

For 12/18 Group 5, Pew 5

CANCEL THE COLD

† WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS †

DECEMBER 20

BERTHA VERBECK

JIM VERBECK

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 9 am - noon & 1pm - 4 pm

Friday: 9 am - noon

