



# Saint Leo Magnus

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THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 14, 2023



A Blessed and Happy  
**MOTHER'S DAY**

*Saint Monica -*

*Pray for all our mothers living and deceased  
Pray for and intercede for us!*

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### **Weekend Masses:**

Saturday evening: 5:15 p.m.

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

Radio Mass: Sundays, 9:00a.m.

(97.5 FM, WDDH)

### **Weekday Masses:**

Tuesday: 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday thru Saturday: 8:30 a.m.

*\*Rosary every Saturday at 8:00 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.

## ***PRAYER CHAIN***

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

## **THIS WEEK AROUND THE PARISH**

May 16 5:00 p.m. St. Leo School  
8<sup>th</sup> grade banquet

May 18 Ascension Day  
Holy Day of Obligation

## ***Second Harvest Food Bank***

*Distribution May 15, 2023*

*Call United Methodist Church to*

*Pre-Register 814-772-5212*

## ***Baptismal Training Sessions***

May 25 7:00 p.m. Sacred Heart  
St. Marys, 814-781-1019

Aug 22 6:30 p.m. St. Mark  
Emporium, 814-486-0569

If you will be having your child baptized at St. Leo, you may take an online class.

Please call for information - 814-772-3135.

### ***Bulletin Deadline***

Submit by noon on May 16th for the May 21st bulletin

### **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:

THE SABBATH IS THE SEVENTH DAY OF THE WEEK. AFTER SIX DAYS IN WHICH HUMANITY IN SOME SENSE PARTICIPATES IN GOD'S WORK OF CREATION, THE SABBATH IS THE DAY OF REST. BUT SOMETHING QUITE UNPRECEDENTED HAPPENED IN THE NASCENT CHURCH: THE PLACE OF THE SABBATH, THE SEVENTH DAY, WAS TAKEN BY THE FIRST DAY. AS THE DAY OF THE LITURGICAL ASSEMBLY, IT IS THE DAY FOR ENCOUNTER WITH GOD THROUGH JESUS CHRIST WHO AS THE RISEN LORD ENCOUNTERED HIS FOLLOWERS ON THE FIRST DAY, SUNDAY, AFTER THEY HAD FOUND THE TOMB EMPTY. THE STRUCTURE OF THE WEEK IS OVERTURNED. NO LONGER DOES IT POINT TOWARDS THE SEVENTH DAY, AS THE TIME TO PARTICIPATE IN GOD'S REST. IT SETS OUT FROM THE FIRST DAY AS THE DAY OF ENCOUNTER WITH THE RISEN LORD. THIS ENCOUNTER HAPPENS AFRESH AT EVERY CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST, WHEN THE LORD ENTERS ANEW INTO THE MIDST OF HIS DISCIPLES AND GIVES HIMSELF TO THEM, ALLOWS HIMSELF, SO TO SPEAK, TO BE TOUCHED BY THEM, SITS DOWN AT TABLE WITH THEM. THIS CHANGE IS UTTERLY EXTRAORDINARY, CONSIDERING THAT THE SABBATH, THE SEVENTH DAY SEEN AS THE DAY OF ENCOUNTER WITH GOD, IS SO PROFOUNDLY ROOTED IN THE OLD TESTAMENT. IF WE ALSO BEAR IN MIND HOW MUCH THE MOVEMENT FROM WORK TOWARDS THE REST-DAY CORRESPONDS TO A NATURAL RHYTHM, THE DRAMATIC NATURE OF THIS CHANGE IS EVEN MORE STRIKING. THIS REVOLUTIONARY DEVELOPMENT THAT OCCURRED AT THE VERY THE BEGINNING OF THE CHURCH'S HISTORY CAN BE EXPLAINED ONLY BY THE FACT THAT SOMETHING UTTERLY NEW HAPPENED THAT DAY. THE FIRST DAY OF THE WEEK WAS THE THIRD DAY AFTER JESUS' DEATH. IT WAS THE DAY WHEN HE SHOWED HIMSELF TO HIS DISCIPLES AS THE RISEN LORD. IN TRUTH, THIS ENCOUNTER HAD SOMETHING UNSETTLING ABOUT IT. THE WORLD HAD CHANGED. THIS MAN WHO HAD DIED WAS NOW LIVING WITH A LIFE THAT WAS NO LONGER THREATENED BY ANY DEATH. A NEW FORM OF LIFE HAD BEEN INAUGURATED, A NEW DIMENSION OF CREATION. THE FIRST DAY, ACCORDING TO THE GENESIS ACCOUNT, IS THE DAY ON WHICH CREATION BEGINS. NOW IT WAS THE DAY OF CREATION IN A NEW WAY, IT HAD BECOME THE DAY OF THE NEW CREATION. WE CELEBRATE THE FIRST DAY. AND IN SO DOING WE CELEBRATE GOD THE CREATOR AND HIS CREATION. YES, WE BELIEVE IN GOD, THE CREATOR OF HEAVEN AND EARTH. AND WE CELEBRATE THE GOD WHO WAS MADE MAN, WHO SUFFERED, DIED, WAS BURIED AND ROSE AGAIN. WE CELEBRATE THE DEFINITIVE VICTORY OF THE CREATOR AND OF HIS CREATION. WE CELEBRATE THIS DAY AS THE ORIGIN AND THE GOAL OF OUR EXISTENCE. WE CELEBRATE IT BECAUSE NOW, THANKS TO THE RISEN LORD IT IS DEFINITELY ESTABLISHED THAT REASON IS STRONGER THAN UNREASON, TRUTH STRONGER THAN LIES, LOVE STRONGER THAN DEATH. WE CELEBRATE THE FIRST DAY BECAUSE WE KNOW THAT THE BLACK LINE DRAWN ACROSS CREATION DOES NOT LAST FOREVER. WE CELEBRATE IT BECAUSE WE KNOW THAT THOSE WORDS FROM THE END OF THE CREATION ACCOUNT HAVE NOW BEEN DEFINITELY FULFILLED: "GOD SAW EVERYTHING THAT HE HAD MADE, AND BEHOLD, IT WAS VERY GOOD" (GEN 1:31). AMEN.

*[Pope Benedict XVI's Easter Homily + April 23, 2011]*

I have always said that I love the way the late Pope Benedict wrote and spoke. This sizable excerpt from his penultimate, next to the last, that is, Easter homily of the Holy Father shows us two aspects for our meditation, prayer, and reflection on this next to the last Sunday of the official Easter season. First, the utmost importance of the Lord's Day – the Sabbath – Sunday! Do we rest from our labors on Sunday? Do we rest enough as to contemplate the awesome wonder and love that God has given us, especially through the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of His Only Son – the Risen Jesus, to whom we see, receive, and share every time we accept Him in the form of the Holy Eucharist? Yes, first, do we keep, respect, and promote a holy Sabbath-Sunday? The second point and I believe Pope Benedict makes it quite clear in the above paragraph of his homily, do we recognize and even more so, do we value the fact that far as Pentecost and the end of the official 50 days of Easter, that every Sunday *is* Easter?

Re-read this section of the Benedict's Easter thought. Maybe even three or four more times! See how he repeats over and over – almost in every sentence it seems – the gift of newness concerning Sunday – our celebration together of the Eucharist at Mass – the wonder and magnificence of Easter. Yes, every Saturday evening – every Sunday morning, when we come as a community of believers to encounter Jesus at the tables of Word and Sacrament, let us see with eyes of faith, let us hear, let us touch, let us love the newness of the Sabbath – the newness of Easter all year long – the newness of finding once again the Risen Jesus. Amen - so bet it!!

*Father Justin*

# Parish Support

May 6 & 7, 2023

Contributions.....\$8,235  
Weekly Budget..... \$9,747

## Year - to - Date

Contributions.....\$349,107  
Budget .....\$438,615

## CSA

Our contribution.....\$52,838  
Pledges to date.....\$19,566  
Gifts to date.....\$16,831

**[THANK YOU]**  
for your generosity



## 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.

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

Prize as of May 1st

**\$5,092.50**

We'll report prize amount in the bulletin every month.

Watch the pay-out climb!

You could win a huge prize right before Christmas.

Need tickets? Call 814-772-3135

## Please Pray for the Priests of our Diocese

May	14	Mothers of Priests
May	15	Rev. Daniel Hoffman
May	16	Rev. Philip Pinczewski
May	17	Rev. Msgr. Robert Smith
May	18	Ascension Day
May	19	The Most Rev. Lawrence Persico
May	20	Rev. Christopher Singer

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## ONLINE GIVING

Our online offertory program is

This offertory site can be accessed by visiting our church website at [www.stleomagnus.org](http://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







Saint Leo School students participated in the annual May Crowning. Shown here is our May Queen, Ava Corl, with representatives from each grade at St. Leo.

## BEAT THE HEAT

† WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK †

### May 13

Mary Helen Jacobs

### May 14

Caroline Addeo

Pasqualina Ritucci

Dora Addeo

Edith Fusco

Elizabeth Verbeck

Pearl Peterson

Mary Foley

Mary Helen Jacobs

Janice Casolo

Arthur & Susan Cianca

Jeanne Gier

Karen Whitlow

Joe Westover

Joe Wilhelm

Evelyn Airgood

Joe MacDonald

Anna Mae Haberberger

Tom Fitch

Mike Iorfida

Deceased member of Cianca & Caggese Families

### May 18

Mary Helen Jacobs



With praise and thanksgiving to Almighty God

His Excellency  
The Most Reverend Lawrence T. Persico, JCL  
Bishop of Erie

cordially invites  
the Reverend Diocesan and Religious Clergy,  
and the Faithful  
of the Diocese of Erie  
to the Presbyteral Ordination of

The Reverend Mr. Christopher Alan Beran  
The Reverend Mr. Cory Lee Pius

Friday, May 26, 2023  
7:00pm

St. Peter Cathedral  
230 W. 10<sup>th</sup> Street  
Erie, Pennsylvania

The Diocese of Erie is one of  
39 American dioceses with the  
privilege of hosting the relics of  
**Blessed Carlo Acutis**  
*the first millennial to be beatified*  
and **St. Manuel González García**  
*the Bishop of the Abandoned Tabernacle*

**BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS**

### A Moment of Grace

Visit our site for May tour dates and  
locations of the relics in the diocese  
and more information about  
Blessed Carlo and St. Manuel.  
[www.ErieRCD.org/relics.html](http://www.ErieRCD.org/relics.html)

**ST. MANUEL GONZÁLEZ GARCÍA**

Public veneration of relics will be held at St. Leo on Tuesday  
May 30 from 4pm - 8 pm. Mass will be celebrated at 6:00 pm.

Welcome to our newest Catholic!

**Jaxton Dean**

Child of

Hunter and Samantha Crum

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

## Area Events

### Holy Rosary Parish, Johnsonburg, A Parish Mission

Bread for the Journey, Strength for the Trip will be presented by Fr. Kevin MacDonald, C.Ss.R. in Holy Rosary Church Sunday - Tuesday, **May 14-16<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.** The 3-night Mission focuses on the healing power of the Eucharist. We all need time to slow down and allow God to speak to us. In this Mission through stories and silence Fr. Kevin will guide you in being more attentive to hearing God's voice. On the first night the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed on the altar. Fr. Kevin will lead the congregation in short meditations and reflections. While many mission experiences are spent listening to a main speaker, this one will mostly be spent listening to God. The second night will be much like the first adding a penance service at the end of the evening. On the third night we will close the mission with a Mission Mass.



### *Cursillo is Back!*

We are happy to announce that the next Elk/Cameron Women's Cursillo #260 will be **August 11, 12 & 13, 2023 at Elk County Catholic High School, St. Marys, PA.** We have openings for women to make this next Cursillo weekend. If you are interested in attending or know anyone that would like to make a Cursillo, please fill out an application on the Erie Website: <https://eriecursillo.org/> or email Julie with any questions at [elkcameroncursillo@gmail.com](mailto:elkcameroncursillo@gmail.com).

Women's Cursillo #260 is open to all women of all faiths. Women no longer need to wait until their spouses have made it.

Making a Cursillo with many women just like yourself can be an amazing experience and a great way to deepen your relationship with Christ and others. Please consider joining us!

**CD of A Meeting for May will be held on Tuesday May 23rd. (not May 16). The time is still 6:30 p.m. Please mark you calendars!**

**K of C Chicken BBQ Saturday May 20th - 11 a.m. until sold out. Cost \$12. In the parish yard next to the K of C.**



**May Curry Scholarship** for financially needy females from St. Leo Parish attending Gannon University. Need not be incoming freshman. Call the parish office for application details.

**Elk County Concert Choir** to host Dinner and Song June 8 & 9 at the Royal Inn. Tickets available at the Ridgway or St. Marys Chamber of Commerce. Cost: \$35. Call the Royal for dinner reservations @ 814-773-3153 by June 1.

**St. Tobias Church in Brockway will be offering an evening Mass once a month** in hopes of reaching out to those individuals who are unable to attend Mass due to work schedules as well as anyone else who would like to attend. The next Mass will take place at **6:00 pm on Sunday, June 4th.** All are welcome.



**Pro-Live/Child Baby Bottle Campaign** sponsored by 4th Degree Knight of Columbus will begin **May 14th and conclude June 18th.** Pick up a baby bottle and fill it with change. Return it to church by June 18th. Proceeds to benefit children in Elk and Cameron counties.



**Thank you!**

**St. Marys Inter Parish Faith Formation is looking for a Youth Minister - for details or to apply please call Mary Lynn Carnovale at 814-781-1042.**

Mass Ministry Schedule		Weekend of May 20 & 21, 2023	
	5:15 pm	8:00 am	10:00 am
<b>Altar Servers</b>	J Sorg, A MacDonald	N & P Washburn	K Petrosky, A Eagen
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	F or K Griech	D Richards	K Gerber
<b>Lector</b>	P Gilmore	L Caggese	D Paige
<b>Ministry Schedule Week of May 21</b>	<b>Money Counters</b> Team 3	<b>Ridgmont Minister</b> C Tutton	<b>Altar Guild (5/19)</b> Group 5, Pew 5

# Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 13, 2023 + Easter Weekday

8:00 am Recitation of the Rosary

8:30 am **Billy Egger & Catherine & Rita Vinski** (Family)

*\*\*Confessions are available after Mass\*\**

Saturday, May 13, 2023 + Vigil for the Sixth Sunday of Easter

5:15 pm **Ted Bomba** (Family)

Sunday, May 14, 2023 + The Sixth Sunday of Easter

8:00 am **Jean H. Gier** (Dave & Joey Kepple)

10:00 am **Liz Mitchell** (Nina Stolburg)

Tuesday, May 16, 2023 + Easter Weekday

6:00 pm **James & Doris Tettis** (Family)

Wednesday, May 17, 2023 + Vigil for the Solemnity of the Ascension

6:00 pm **George Newell** (Jan Wonderly & Family)

Thursday, May 18, 2023 + Solemnity of the Ascension

8:30 am **Deceased members of the Ely Family** (Family)

12:05 pm **People of Saint Leo Parish**

Friday, May 19, 2023 + Easter Weekday

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

Saturday, May 20, 2023 + Vigil for the Seventh Sunday of Easter

5:15 pm **Florence Caggiano** (Paul & Rita Reed)

Sunday, May 21, 2023 + The Seventh Sunday of Easter

8:00 am **James & Lily Piccirillo** (Steve & Diane Piccirillo)

10:00 am **Mr. & Mrs. Clyde Miller** (Kenneth & Twila Miller)



***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 May have been donated in memory of **Daniel Martin** by his wife, Joan.*

*The Sanctuary Candle for the week of May 14th burns in memory of **Jacqueline Renaud** by her family.*