# Saint Leo Magnus Roman Catholic Church

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TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**OCTOBER 17, 2021** 



## Eucharistic Adoration Tuesdays & Thursdays 9 am - 9 pm ~ Please sign up for an hour

### PARISH ADMINISTRATION

## Rev. Justin Pino, Pastor

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## Weekend Masses:

Saturday evening: 5:15 p.m. Sunday: 8:00 & 10:00 a.m. Radio Mass: Sundays, 9:00 a.m. (97.5 WDDH)

#### **Weekday Masses:**

Tuesday 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**:

Wednesdays 4:00-6:00 p.m.

#### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

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



## SLS celebrated the Feast of the Holy Rosary

Our middle school girls constructed a balloon rosary containing over 100 prayer intentions from SLS students. They then gathered everyone in the church to pray the Rosary together, followed by the Rosary launch. Perhaps you noticed it floating in the parking lot.



## PARISH ORGANIZATIONS AND MINISTRIES CONTACT PERSONS

Altar Servers	Catholic Daughters of America	nariehelen@yahoo.com  ert, 776-1950 72-5460 773-7990 72-1352 /Rena Urmann  , 773-7772 eich, 776-1540  aariehelen@yahoo.com 1, 776-6662
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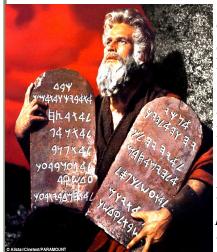
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## From the Pastor's Desk

## BEING HAPPY WITH WHAT YOU HAVE: God's Tenth Command

Ten Commandments Reflection Series Part X of X

My dear parish family:



This week brings to completion our reflections on the Decalogue – the Ten Commandments and then next week we will examine the greatest commandments as taught by Jesus in the New Testament. For the mean time here's the final commandment carved into stone by the hand of God on Mount Sinai thousands of years ago, that as we have learned these past ten weeks are still relevant, appropriate and needed today! Here's an interesting take on the tenth commandment from an article I recently discovered on National Public Radio

At President Lyndon Johnson's second inauguration in 1965, Rabbi Hyman Schachtel said, "happiness is not having what you want, but wanting what you have." His statement got psychologist Jeff Larsen thinking: How can people truly be happy? Is it really possible to just be happy with what you have? I and many if not all of us have thought the same things. The Rabbi's statement is "a little too simplistic in suggesting that happiness is not one

thing, it's the other," Larsen told National Public Radio. "What our data suggest is that happiness is both having what you want and wanting what you have." There are really two ways of being happier, according to Larsen: One is to go out and buy more things that you want. He says, "It may not be such a bad thing -- if you've got some extra money lying around, and you've got some unfulfilled want -- to go out and buy it." But there is a cheaper way to happiness, according to Larsen: "Take the things that you've already got and want them more than you do." The happiness isn't simply complacency, either. "What we've found is that people who want what they have actually find more meaning in their life," according to Larsen. "They're not just happier; they live a more meaningful life." For many in the United States, Larsen advises people to look at what they have and "call your attention to those things. "He also advises that people "avoid paying attention to the things you don't have. But that can be a big challenge."

This article is quite correct: it is a big challenge to be satisfied – content – fulfilled – with have we already have and not be so greedy and self-absorbed about the things we don't. And really – is it things that make us happy or is it much we can experience, invite and share God day after day with one another, by JOYFULLY keeping and teaching His commands? Some people search their whole lives – waste decades, energy and love – in desperate search for meaning – something that makes then whole and happy. Moreover, nine times out of ten, what they were looking for – hoping for – they had with them all along. The words of former British Prime Minister William E. Gladstone (1809-1898) are a wonderful summation for the tenth commandment and our reflections in these past summer weeks: "BE HAPPY WITH WHAT YOU HAVE AND ARE, BE GENEROUS WITH BOTH AND YOU WON'T HAVE TO HUNT FOR HAPPINESS." Look to God, my friends, for happiness and the search will be over!

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, keep me always faithful to your commandments, and never let me be parted from you.

(Private Preparation Prayer for the Priest before Communion)

-Father Justin



## Weekend of October 10, 2021

Weekly
Contributions
\$8,344

Weekly Budget \$10,160

Contributions
Year to Date
\$113,731

Budget Year to Date \$152,400

## CSA-due by January 2022 \$46.962

Received to date: \$27,266
75 Families have contributed

## **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: \$128,000



# 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.

## EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

## What's in it for me?

I think we've all been guilty of looking at a situation and wondering what's in it for us. It doesn't matter if it's a particular work assignment, someone at the parish asking for help with the mission trip bake sale, or your spouse asking if you'll take over the grocery shopping this week. Often, our first reaction to one of these requests is a heavy sigh and the thought: "If I do this, what will I get?"

Sometimes it surprises us to realize that the Apostles were no different. We tend to idolize these contemporaries of Christ as giants who walked with the Savior. But in reality, these individuals were merely human beings struggling to commit to the task of everyday stewardship.

In the Gospels, we see glimpses of them longing for praise and affirmation. We see them jockeying for positions of power within the group of twelve. We see them expect earthly rewards like honor and admiration. We see them acting a lot like us.

But in the end, we see them transformed by the grace of God. Like all the saints, their holiness stems from their commitment to their call. They stumble through, and as they stumble, they keep trusting God. They keep turning to Him. They keep asking for help. They don't give up just because they keep failing at it.

We are defined by what we give when we have no hope of being reimbursed, rewarded, or recognized. The Apostles understood this, eventually, and they gave accordingly. Most of them gave their very lives.

Remember, they're just like us. If they can do it, we can too.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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# Have you, or someone you know, thought about becoming Catholic?

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is here to answer your questions about the catholic faith.

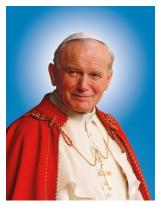
If you are not baptized, baptized in another Christian tradition or a Catholic who has not received the Sacrament of confirmation, we would love to hear from you!

There is no commitment other than to let us know how we can help.

We ask all our St. Leo parishioners help by letting those who have questions know about RCIA.

Please contact the parish office at secretary@stleomagnus.org or call 814-772-3135.

## St. John Paul II | Feast Day October 22



St. John Paul II was born Karol Wojtyla in the small Polish town of Wadowice. During World War II, when the Nazis invaded Poland, Karol secretly studied for the priesthood in an underground seminary. He was ordained to the priesthood in 1946, appointed Archbishop of Krakow in 1964, and three years later he was made a cardinal. In 1978, he was elected the 264<sup>th</sup> pope, where he took the name John Paul II.

St. John Paul II made evangelization a key part of his papacy and made pastoral visits to all parts of the world. In 1981, he was shot twice

in an assassination attempt. Following Jesus' example of compassion, he later met with his would-be assassin in his prison cell, where he forgave him for what he had done.

St. John Paul II was well-known to be an active sportsman throughout his life, hiking and skiing well into his 60s. In 1992, his health began to decline, and it was later discovered that he suffered from Parkinson's disease, a degenerative disorder of the central nervous system. Near the end of his papacy, it became difficult for him to speak, and his poor health and physical suffering made public appearances difficult. Still, he continued his pastoral work. He died April 2, 2005, and he was declared blessed on May 1, 2011. He became a saint on April 27, 2014. ©LPi

# 40 DAYS FOR LIFE.

September 22 - October 31, 2021

Jesus spent 40 days in the desert praying for mankind. Now we can spend 40 days praying to save babies from destruction by abortion. Each Tuesday beginning Sept. 28, we will be praying the Rosary following the 8:30 Mass at St. Marys Church. Please join in this crusade for life.

The tender wording of the beautiful prayers for each day of the 40 Days For Life are available at the entrances of the churches.

Rachael's Vineyard - Support is available for both Women and Men who are struggling with the emotional and spiritual pain of abortion. Don't carry this burden any longer. To learn more call 1-877-467-3463.

40 Days for Life is sponsored by Elk County Right to Life. Call Mary Ross @ 814-781-6867 for more information

## **ADORATION**

Tuesday and Thursday 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

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

Come be with Him.

Prayers are answered



## Prayer Chain

CALL OUR PRAYER CHAIN
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:

Reliable Remodelers

## ACTIVITIES & EVENTS

## **Baptismal Training Sessions**

Nov. 9 at St. Boniface, Kersey, 814-885-8941 Nov. 29 at St. Mary's, St. Marys 814-781-1019 Be sure to call ahead for a reservation!

**St. Joseph, Force - Fall Fish/Shrimp Dinner** - Every Friday from September 17 - October 29. Noon - 6:30 pm. All dinners \$13. Call 814-787-4151 #6 to order. Carry out ONLY. Dinners include: baked or fried fish or fantail shrimp, choice of potato, choice of coleslaw, applesauce or macaroni salad plus a roll and a dessert.

**The Guardian Angel Center**, Kersey is now open with back-to-school clothing. For more info call 814-885-6192 or go to their Facebook page.

You Are Invited! St. Joseph Church, Force PA, is pleased to announce a <u>Mission on the Eucharist</u> with Rev. Kevin MacDonald, C.Ss.R. Fr. Kevin will introduce the mission experience and preach at all weekend Masses Saturday, October 30 at 5:30pm and Sunday, October 31 at 9:15am. The mission will be from Sunday, October 31 thru Tuesday, November 2. Service begins each evening at 7:00pm. The public is invited to attend this "Parish Mission" and to share with St. Joseph parishioners and family members a mission experience. A preview of Fr. Kevin's mission message can be found at <a href="https://www.redemptoristmission.com/come-to-the-mission">https://www.redemptoristmission.com/come-to-the-mission.

Please join us at St. Joseph Church, 17744 Bennetts Valley Hwy, Force, PA!

## **ECC Athletic Association Virtual Outdoor Bash**

Sunday, October 24, 2021 at noon. Tickets can be purchased by contacting Tricia Wasko @ 814-592-6430. Check out all the great prizes at www.eccss.org/outdoorbash/

#### Sacred Heart Social Committee is hosting a Fall Dinner

Thursday, Nov. 4. The menu includes Stuffed Chicken Breast or Stuffed Pork Chop with Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Vegetable, Coleslaw, Homemade Rolls and Light Dessert. Dinners must be pre-ordered by Friday, Oct. 29 at 3:00pm. Drive thru pick up Nov. 4 from 4-5:30pm. Cost is \$12.

**The Maternity Closet is open** the 1st 3 weeks of each month on Wednesday from 3-3:30pm and Thursdays 1-2:30pm. Babies and children to 3<sup>rd</sup> birthday in need are welcome.

Please complete and return the parish census form.

If you have not received one call the parish office at 814.772.3135.

Or pick one up in the Gathering Space after Mass.

## Are you wondering if you should stop in to schedule Masses for 2022? The answer is NO.

The 2022 Mass Book will open later this year.

Watch the bulletin for the date. It will be published several weeks before the book opens.





If you are currently using weekly envelopes to make your church contributions, we encourage you to consider ONLINE GIVING.

Online giving offers flexibility I the frequency of your donations and allows you to choose the source of funds: checking, savings, or credit card. You can give weekly or monthly or customize how often and how much you contribute.

In addition to personal convenience, online giving is a great way to practice good stewardship. Without having to send out monthly packets of envelopes, the parish saves over \$1,000 per year - funds that can be used for other community assistance purposes. More online giving = more annual savings for the parish! In addition to saving money, it's more eco-friendly and an opportunity to practice going green!

Please contact Rena Urmann to discuss your online giving options and have your sign up questions answered at 814-772-3135 or email secretary@stleomagnus.org.





Saturday, October 16 - Vigil -Twenty-ninth Sunday in

**Ordinary Time** 

5:15 pm Adam Karpinski (Family)

Sunday, October 17 - Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary

Time

8:00 am **Josephine Quattrone, 1**<sup>st</sup> anniv.

(Roseann Gausman & Family)

10:00 am Msgr. Michael Meagher, 95<sup>th</sup> anniv.

(Parish)

Monday, October 18 - St. Luke, Evangelist

8:30 am Communion Service

Tuesday, October 19 - Sts. John de Brébeuf & Isaac

Jogues, Priests, & Companions, Martyrs

8:30 am Martha Laughner. (Joe + Mary

Addeo)

Wednesday, October 20 - Votive Mass of St. Joseph

8:30 am Roseann Kucenski (Dave + Lynne

Kucenski)

Thursday, October 21 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:30 am Mr. + Mrs. Earl Wonderly (Jan

Wonderly + Family)

Friday, October 22 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:30 am **Rosalbino Esposito** (Nina Aiello's

daughter)

Saturday, October 23 - Vigil - Thirtieth Sunday in

Ordinary Time

5:15 pm **Ethel Facetti** (Linda Johnson)

Sunday, October 24 - Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am **People of St. Leo Parish** 

10:00 am Frank Clark, 22<sup>nd</sup> anniv. (Ron+ Mom)

CANCEL THE COLD
†WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYER†

October 17
Larry Johnson
Catherine & Fred Bowers

The Sanctuary Candle for the week of October 17<sup>th</sup> will burn in memory of Luigi + Caroline LaValle from Frank + Caroline Armanini, Jr.

The Wine and hosts for the month of October have been donated in memory of Ruthie Cooney from Annie Schield.

Ministry Schedule Weekend and week of October 24, 2021					
	5:15 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.		
Altar Servers	J & D Williams	M Gilmore Tucker Bish	Percy & Moe MacDonald		
Eucharistic Minister	M Martinez	B Gausman	L Caggeso		
Lector	WeeJ Fernan	Jeanne Allenbaugh	Dean Paige		
Money Counters	Team 4	Altar Guild For 10/22	Group 1 Pew 1		
Ridgemont Minister	Jan Wonderly	Hi-Rise Minister	Coming Soon!		

## 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.

## This Week Around the Parish

Oct. 19 9am - 9pm ADORATION

Oct. 19 6:30pm TMIY at the K of C

Oct. 21 6:00pm Parish Council, Social Hall

Oct. 21 9am - 9pm ADORATION

## OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday 9 am - noon & 1pm - 4 pm, Friday - CLOSED

CLOSED HOLY DAYS AND HOLIDAYS