

# Saint Leo Magnus Parish

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#### THE TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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#### **OCTOBER 2, 2022**

#### MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses Saturday Vigil: 5:15 p.m. Sunday: 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

**Daily Mass** *Tuesday: 6:00 p.m. Wednesday thru Friday: 8:30 a.m.* 

Holy Day Masses Evening before: 6:00 p.m. On the day: 8:30 a.m. & 12:05 p.m.

CONFESSIONS Wednesdays: 4:00-6:00 p.m. (Sacristy)



## 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?

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



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

CALL THE PARISH OFFICE FOR YOUR CEMETERY NEEDS

PH: 814-772-3135 EMAIL: SECRETARY@STLEOMAGNUS.ORG

#### Questions - Call Charlie Richards @ 773-7990

#### PARISH ORGANIZATIONS AND MINISTRIES CONTACT PERSONS

Finance Council Chair
Parish Council Chair
Children's Liturgy
Cursillo Movement
Choir
Catholic Daughters of America
Knights of Columbus
Food Bank
Prayer Chain
Fish Fry
That Man is You (TMIY)
Prison Ministry
Altar Guild
Money Counters
Eucharistic Ministers
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<b>ST. LEO MAGNUS CA</b>	ATHOLIC CHURCH Membership Form	New Registration
Name	Phone Number	<i>Change of Address or Phone</i> <i>Moving Out of the Parish</i>
Address Please drop this form into t	CityZip he offertory basket or mail to Parish Office	Moving Out of the Further

From the Pastor's Desk

**October:** The Month of the Rosary + LUMINIOUS MYSTERIES REFLECTIONS Week I: The Baptism of Jesus

My dear parish family:

Two years ago during Lent, we reflected both here in the bulletin and during the weekend masses on the five Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary. Then last year during Advent, we delved into the Joyful Mysteries. This past Easter we walked through the Glorious Mysteries; and finally, we come to the Luminous Mysteries or the Mysteries of Light, which we will explore during these five weeks of October, that, along with the month of May, has been dedicated to the Blessed Mother and her Rosary.

During this month of October, I will praying the Rosary with the school students at their masses on Friday mornings. I would also like to pray the Rosary before masses not only on the weekend, but daily mass as well. If any of you would like to volunteer to lead the Rosary before masses this month, please call the office.

The first Luminous Mystery to reflect upon is the Baptism of the Lord. Saint Pope John Paul II wrote the following in his apostolic letter, Rosarium Virginis Mariae, in 2002, when he officially introduced these new mysteries to the Church and world. He says: "Each of these mysteries is a revelation of the Kingdom now present in the very person of Jesus. The Baptism in the Jordan is first of all a mystery of light. Here, as Christ descends into the waters, the innocent one who became "sin" for our sake (cf. 2 Cor 5:21), the heavens open wide and the voice of the Father declares him the beloved Son (cf. Mt 3:17 and parallels), while the Spirit descends on him to invest him with the mission which he is to carry out."



We read of the first mystery of light in Matthew's gospel narrative (3: 13-17): Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to John, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented Him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now; for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. And when Jesus was baptized, He went up immediately from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and alighting on Him; and lo, a voice from heaven, saying, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

In His own baptism, Jesus is calling us to follow Him. It is a personal invitation to all of us. When He reveals Himself to us, He gives us the basis of our faith and the hope of our own salvation. He is showing us how much He loves us by coming personally into our lives. Our baptism is our initiation into our faith—the beginning. In our baptism, God reveals Himself to us and personally invites us to follow Him.

Think this week: do we accept the invitation of God to follow Him, which begins at our baptism and continues each day of our lives? Do we renew our baptism each day by repenting our sins, rejecting the Devil's empty promises, which lead us into temptation, selfishness, and sin, and following Jesus, the true light – the only light – the way, the truth, and the life?

Let us pray this week and we journey into these mysteries of light – shedding a laser beam of God's bright truth into the darkness that surrounds us, that each day we recall our baptism of repentance— our beginning of our lives in Christ; that we are filled - over flowing - brimming so much we must share - with the Holy Spirit and renewed in our faith in God. Yes, a faith, that, as Jesus did, must share with one another - family, friends, and even strangers. Jesus did this. Jesus was baptized, as we were in this Church or another. May we share Him also, as He did!

May we be lights of Christ to the world this month and always! Father Justin

# Stewardship

#### September 24 & 25, 2022

Contributions.....\$5,686 Weekly Budget.....\$9,747

#### Year - to - Date

Contributions	\$85,838
Budget	\$126.711

# Envelopes mailed......338 # Returned......104
#Online contributions......14

#### **Catholic Service Appeal**

Assessment	\$49,429
Collected	\$27,003
# Families Contributing	92

#### Parish Loan

Borrowed from the Diocese of Erie	\$180,000
Balance Due	\$104,000

#### 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.

# Are you wondering if you should stop in to schedule Masses for 2023?

#### 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.







### **ONLINE GIVING IS MOVING!**

Our online offertory program is moving to VANCO.



This new 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

# FAITH FORMATION NEWS

**Saint Leo Parishioners** - The 2022-2023 Confirmation students are running a hot meal delivery service as part of their service hour project. A hot, fresh meal will be delivered twice a month to church members who are in need (sick, homebound, new baby, etc.) If you or anyone you know could benefit from this free service, please contact Rena at the rectory office or Margie Gausman at 814-335-0695.

# Children's Liturgy

Is offered during the 10 am Mass every Sunday. This program is for kids who started preschool through 3rd grade. Older kids should stay and celebrate Mass.

#### Be Careful What You Wish For

You've probably heard the phrase "Be careful what you wish for." In my experience, it's not often utilized with a lot of charity. You usually hear it said as a warning. The unspoken sentiment behind it is this: *You're not as strong as you think you are.* 

As Christians we shouldn't be surprised to look ourselves in the mirror and own that reality. We are not as strong as we may think. We are time and time again shocked and dismayed by our own weaknesses, our own fears, our own shortcomings.

Should we be careful what we wish for? The apostles asked Jesus to increase their faith, and He told them it would take work. It would take suffering. It would take patience. But He didn't say it was impossible.

As everyday stewards, we need to continue wishing recklessly. Ask God for anything and everything, come to Him with all your needs. Beg Him for grace without limit.

When we hear God's voice, it does not always say what we want to hear. But it always speaks the perfect truth. If it tells us of a hardship that we think we cannot bear, let us take solace in the knowledge that we are the stewards — not the landlord.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

#### 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!

## October is the Month of the Rosary

Next to the Mass, the Rosary is the most powerful prayer. Never has there been a greater need for prayer. Our Blessed Mother begs us, particularly those graced with the knowledge and appreciation of the power of the Rosary, to pray the rosary every day, for peace, for the end of abortion, for souls in purgatory, for the intentions of the Holy Father, and especially for those in need of God's mercy.

#### How can we say "NO" to our Blessed Mother?

St. Leo will participate in "The Parish Rosary Program\*" It is so simple. Keep track of the number of rosaries prayed during the week and place the sheet in the collection on Sunday. There are tally sheets near the bulletins. Take one and try it. Watch the bulletin for our growing tally!

\*The Parish Rosary Program is from www.parishprojects.com

Fr. Justin will pray the Rosary with school students on Fridays during morning Mass in the month of October.

## Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for October

### A Church Open to Everyone

We pray for the Church; ever faithful to, and courageous in preaching the Gospel, may the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of



**Forty Days for Life** begins September 28 and ends November 6, 2022. It is an International Campaign of Fasting and Praying to end Abortion. Since the beginning of Forty Days in 2004, 22,013 lives have been saved, 242 Abortion clinic workers quit and 120 Abortion clinics have closed. **40 Days daily Prayer Sheets are available in the gathering space.** 40 Days for Life is sponsored by Elk County Right To Life.

**Elk County Right To Life National ProLife Life Chain** will be held **October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022** from 2-3 p.m. in downtown St. Marys. Life Chain is a peaceful, prayerful, public witness of ProLife individuals standing praying for the end of Abortion. Participants may gather at 1:45 p.m. at the St. Marys K of C to pick up Prayer signs. Sponsored by Elk County Right To Life.

#### The Maternity Closet is OPEN ~

The 1st three weeks of each month on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Babies and children up to 3rd birthday in need are welcome. Wednesdays 2-3 p.m., Thursdays 1-2:30 p.m. The Maternity Closet is located at 139 Church St., St. Marys, next to the Benedictine Gift Shop.

**Spaghetti Dinner and Basket Raffle** to benefit Dakota Dworsky. Saturday October 15. 2 p.m. until sold out. At the Ridgway Eagles. Cost \$11. Eat in/Take out. Call Randy at 814-389-3501 for more information or to make a donation.

**Mercy Mission Tour with Steve Angrisano**-an internationally recognized Catholic composer and passionate music missionary. He shares a unique blend of humor, story, and song in his message of God's mercy and healing love, connecting head to heart, renewing faith and inspiring young and old alike.

Oct. 24, 3 pm - Divine Mercy Chaplet and Prayer Service 7 pm - Mercy Mission Night of Renewal. Cost is Free.



#### K of C SUPER 300 Club Drawing

Day	Winner	Prize
21st	Steve Straub	\$100
22nd	Walt Robertson	\$100
23rd	Diane Piccirillo	\$250
24th	Ed LaValle	\$100
25th	Mario Salvadori	\$100
26th	Linda Facchine	\$100
27th	Paul Lavalle	\$100

#### **BAPTISM PREP CLASS**

October 8, at 10:00 am Sacred Heart, St. Marys. 814-834-7861

Be sure to call for a reservation.

#### Prayer Chain

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



#### Ministry Schedule Week of October 9, 2022

Money Counters	Team 2
<b>Ridgmont Minister</b>	J Wonderly
Altar Guild (10/7)	Group 3, Pew 3

Mass Ministry Schedule Weekend of October 8 & 9, 2022				
	5:15 pm	8:00 am	10:00 am	
Altar Servers	A Corl, A Eagen	J & I Nicklas	J Sorg, K Petrosky	
Eucharistic Minister	S or L Fink	B Gausman	J or C Fink	
Lector	J Challingsworth	J Allenbaugh	C Tutton	

#### **OCTOBER 2, 2022**

# Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 1, 2022 + Vigil for The Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time5:15 pmMary Morelli (Betty Rutigliano and Family)

Sunday, October 2, 2022+The Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time8:00 amNash Aiello (Joe and Julie Aiello)10:00 amRicky Cherry (Jim and Karen Catalano)

Monday, October 3, 2022+Weekday in Ordinary Time8:30 amNO Communion Service

Tuesday, October 4, 2022 + Saint Francis of Assisi6:00 pmJeff Luchini (Bill and Karen Yonker)

Wednesday, October 5, 2022+Weekday in Ordinary Time8:30 amJeremiah F. and Mary Ann Shae (Kathy Roemer)

Thursday, October 6, 2022+ Weekday in Ordinary Time8:30 amPeople of Saint Leo Parish

Friday, October 7, 2022+ Our Lady of the Rosary8:30 amJim Detwiler (Mary Detwiler and Family)

Saturday, October 8, 2022 + Vigil for The Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time 5:15 pm Adam Karpinski (Ruth Steis)

Sunday, October 9, 2022+ The Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time8:00 amNeil and Marcella Wonderly (Family)10:00 amNina Aiello (Her daughters)

**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 October have been donated in memory of **Richard "Chip" Manno** by his wife, Betty. The Sanctuary Candle for the week of October 2nd will burn in memory of Jane Mago by George and Karen Kutcher.

