



Saint Leo Magnus

Roman Catholic Church

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THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 21, 2023



Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesdays 9a.m.-6p.m.

Thursdays 9a.m. ~ 7p.m.

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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.

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.

Saturdays - 9:00 a.m.

Rosary

Saturdays: 8:00 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 23 6:30 p.m. CD of A Meeting - social hall

May 24 10:30 a.m. PreK Graduation - social hall
1:00 p.m. Kindergarten Graduation -
social hall

Baptismal Training Sessions

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

July 6 7:00 p.m. St. Joseph
Force, 814-787-4151

Aug 7 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 24th for the May 28th bulletin

Submit by noon on May 30th for the June 4th bulletin

Parish office will be closed
Monday May 29
In observance of

MEMORIAL DAY

ST. LEO PARISH OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY - THURSDAY 9:00 AM - NOON + 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

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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 following text is the last Easter Sunday message (April 8, 2012) Pope Benedict XVI offered the world before his retirement as Bishop of Rome. He spoke to thousands of pilgrims cramming into Saint Peter Square and to billions of more faithful watching from around the Christian world. The late pope's words speak for themselves. Let us especially focus on the pope's words about trust – and that *“the Resurrection testifies to the victory of life over death, love over hatred, mercy over vengeance.”* These are excellent meditations for this last official week of Easter, as the Church prepares for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. On that day – as it was 2,000 years ago – the Church is reborn – the Church begins our mission!

“SURREXIT CHRISTUS, SPES MEA” – “CHRIST, MY HOPE, HAS RISEN.”

MAY THE JUBILANT VOICE OF THE CHURCH REACH ALL OF YOU WITH THE WORDS WHICH THE ANCIENT HYMN PUTS ON THE LIPS OF MARY MAGDALENE, THE FIRST TO ENCOUNTER THE RISEN JESUS ON EASTER MORNING. SHE RAN TO THE OTHER DISCIPLES AND BREATHLESSLY ANNOUNCED: “I HAVE SEEN THE LORD!” (JN 20:18). WE TOO, WHO HAVE JOURNEYED THROUGH THE DESERT OF LENT AND THE SORROWFUL DAYS OF THE PASSION, TODAY RAISE THE CRY OF VICTORY: “HE HAS RISEN! HE HAS TRULY RISEN!”

EVERY CHRISTIAN RELIVES THE EXPERIENCE OF MARY MAGDALENE. IT INVOLVES AN ENCOUNTER WHICH CHANGES OUR LIVES: THE ENCOUNTER WITH A UNIQUE MAN WHO LETS US EXPERIENCE ALL GOD'S GOODNESS AND TRUTH, WHO FREES US FROM EVIL NOT IN A SUPERFICIAL AND FLEETING WAY, BUT SETS US FREE RADICALLY, HEALS US COMPLETELY AND RESTORES OUR DIGNITY. THIS IS WHY MARY MAGDALENE CALLS JESUS “MY HOPE”: HE WAS THE ONE WHO ALLOWED HER TO BE REBORN, WHO GAVE HER A NEW FUTURE, A LIFE OF GOODNESS AND FREEDOM FROM EVIL. “CHRIST MY HOPE” MEANS THAT ALL MY YEARNINGS FOR GOODNESS FIND IN HIM A REAL POSSIBILITY OF FULFILLMENT: WITH HIM I CAN HOPE FOR A LIFE THAT IS GOOD, FULL AND ETERNAL, FOR GOD HIMSELF HAS DRAWN NEAR TO US, EVEN SHARING OUR HUMANITY.

BUT MARY MAGDALENE, LIKE THE OTHER DISCIPLES, WAS TO SEE JESUS REJECTED BY THE LEADERS OF THE PEOPLE, ARRESTED, SCOURGED, CONDEMNED TO DEATH AND CRUCIFIED. IT MUST HAVE BEEN UNBEARABLE TO SEE GOODNESS IN PERSON SUBJECTED TO HUMAN MALICE, TRUTH DERIDED BY FALSEHOOD, MERCY ABUSED BY VENGEANCE. WITH JESUS' DEATH, THE HOPE OF ALL THOSE WHO HAD PUT THEIR TRUST IN HIM SEEMED DOOMED. BUT THAT FAITH NEVER COMPLETELY FAILED: ESPECIALLY IN THE HEART OF THE VIRGIN MARY, JESUS' MOTHER, ITS FLAME BURNED EVEN IN THE DARK OF NIGHT. IN THIS WORLD, HOPE CAN NOT AVOID CONFRONTING THE HARSHNESS OF EVIL. IT IS NOT THWARTED BY THE WALL OF DEATH ALONE, BUT EVEN MORE BY THE BARBS OF ENVY AND PRIDE, FALSEHOOD AND VIOLENCE. JESUS PASSED THROUGH THIS MORTAL MESH IN ORDER TO OPEN A PATH TO THE KINGDOM OF LIFE. FOR A MOMENT JESUS SEEMED VANQUISHED: DARKNESS HAD INVADDED THE LAND, THE SILENCE OF GOD WAS COMPLETE, HOPE A SEEMINGLY EMPTY WORD.

AND LO, ON THE DAWN OF THE DAY AFTER THE SABBATH, THE TOMB IS FOUND EMPTY. JESUS THEN SHOWS HIMSELF TO MARY MAGDALENE, TO THE OTHER WOMEN, TO HIS DISCIPLES. FAITH IS BORN ANEW, MORE ALIVE AND STRONG THAN EVER, NOW INVINCIBLE SINCE IT IS BASED ON A DECISIVE EXPERIENCE: “DEATH WITH LIFE CONTENDED: COMBAT STRANGELY ENDED! LIFE'S OWN CHAMPION, SLAIN, NOW LIVES TO REIGN”. THE SIGNS OF THE RESURRECTION TESTIFY TO THE VICTORY OF LIFE OVER DEATH, LOVE OVER HATRED, MERCY OVER VENGEANCE: “THE TOMB THE LIVING DID ENCLOSE, I SAW CHRIST'S GLORY AS HE ROSE! THE ANGELS THERE ATTESTING, SHROUD WITH GRAVE-CLOTHES RESTING”.

DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS! IF JESUS IS RISEN, THEN – AND ONLY THEN – HAS SOMETHING TRULY NEW HAPPENED, SOMETHING THAT CHANGES THE STATE OF HUMANITY AND THE WORLD. THEN HE, JESUS, IS SOMEONE IN WHOM WE CAN PUT ABSOLUTE TRUST; WE CAN PUT OUR TRUST NOT ONLY IN HIS MESSAGE BUT *IN JESUS HIMSELF*, FOR THE RISEN ONE DOES NOT BELONG TO THE *PAST*, BUT IS *PRESENT* TODAY, ALIVE. CHRIST IS HOPE AND COMFORT IN A PARTICULAR WAY FOR THOSE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES SUFFERING MOST FOR THEIR FAITH ON ACCOUNT OF DISCRIMINATION AND PERSECUTION. AND HE IS PRESENT AS A FORCE OF HOPE THROUGH HIS CHURCH, WHICH IS CLOSE TO ALL HUMAN SITUATIONS OF SUFFERING AND INJUSTICE.

Father Justin

Parish Support

May 13 & 14, 2023

Contributions.....\$6,824
Weekly Budget..... \$9,747

Year - to - Date

Contributions.....\$355,931
Budget\$448,362

CSA

Our contribution.....\$52,838
Pledges to date.....\$20,566
Gifts to date.....\$17,611

[THANK YOU]
for your generosity

Please Pray for the Priests of our Diocese

May	21	Rev. John Fischer
May	22	Rev. Mark Mastrain
May	23	Rev. Joseph Dougherty
May	24	Rev. Thomas Trocchio
May	25	Pray for Consecrated Life
May	26	Rev. John Santor
May	27	Rev. Stanley Swacha

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.

SAVE THE DATE St. Leo School Reverse Raffle

MASQUERADE PARTY

Saturday, November 4, 2023
Royal Inn in Ridgway

SILENT AUCTION • LIVE AUCTION • 50/50
DINNER • CASH BAR • LIVE BAND
FINAL REVERSE RAFFLE DRAWING

Contact Sara Anderson at (814)-389-5775 for tickets
\$75.00/couple



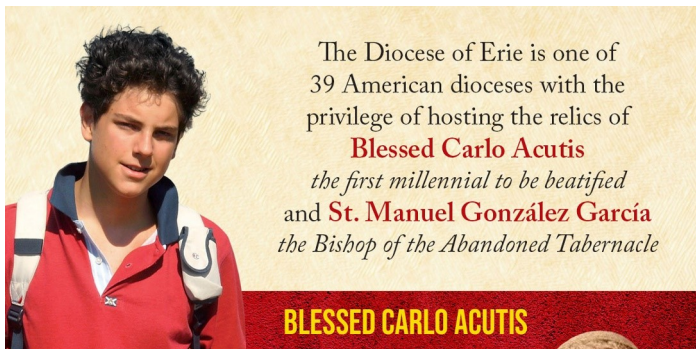
ONLINE GIVING

Our online offertory program is

This 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





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.

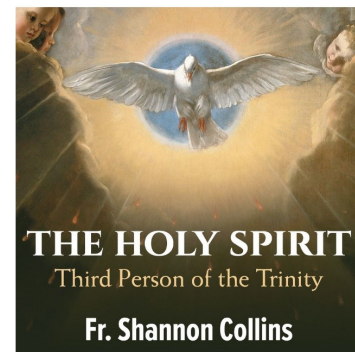
BEAT THE HEAT

† WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK †

May 21
Arthur Aiello
Eve Metelski

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The Holy Spirit: Third Person of the Trinity by Fr. Shannon Collins

In this captivating presentation, Fr. Shannon Collins discusses the essential character of the Holy Spirit and his role in salvation history. Drawing upon Scripture and Tradition, Fr. Collins explains the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit and how he works in the lives of believers. Listeners are sure to come to a better appreciation of this "sweet guest of our soul" who seeks to bring us closer to divine life.

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An offering from the AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE and ignatius press



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. 10th Street
Erie, Pennsylvania

Parenting Pointers

It's hard to raise kids these days. Heck, it's always been hard but in different ways in different eras. What do you think was the hardest part of raising a child during your own parents' or grandparents' day? Is it easier or harder now? There's no answer to this, just something to thin about.

The Pope's Prayer Intention for May, 2023

For church movements and groups

We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.

Area Events



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.

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!

Diocesan Anniversary Celebrations for couples celebrating 25, 40, 50, 60 or more years of marriage in 2023 will be held at tow locations in the Diocese of Erie this summer:

Sunday, August 6 at Our Lade of Peace, Erie at 2:00 p.m.

Sunday, August 20 at Sts. Cosmas and Damian, Punxsutawney at 2:00 p.m.

Register online at www.eriercd.org/familylifeoffice/anniv or call your parish office (St. Leo - 814-772-3135) Registrations are being accepted until July 21 for Erie celebrations and until August 4 for Punxsutawney celebrations.

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!

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-Life/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.

A Family Perspective: As Jesus appointed apostles, he also appoints parents to represent Him in the family; "make disciples of your children, baptizing and teaching them all I have taught you. Don't worry, I am with you always."

Mass Ministry Schedule		Weekend of May 27 & 28, 2023	
	5:15 pm	8:00 am	10:00 am
Altar Servers	Messineos	S & J Tettis	D LaBenne, L MacDonald
Eucharistic Minister	C Armanini	L Caggese	J Fink
Lector	WJ Fernan	N Hoffman	M Tettis
Ministry Schedule Week of May 28	Money Counters Team #4	Ridgmont Minister J Wonderly	Altar Guild (5/26) Group 6, Pew 6

Mass Intentions

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)

Tuesday, May 23, 2023 + Easter Weekday

6:00 pm **James Manno, 1st anniv.** (Virginia Manno & Family)

Wednesday, May 24, 2023 + Easter Weekday

8:30 am **The People of Saint Leo Parish**

Thursday, May 25, 2023 + Easter Weekday

8:30 am **Bernadine Neiger** (Judy Fusco)

Friday, May 26, 2023 + Saint Philip Neri

8:30 am **Marlene Kenner-Knecht** (Gennaro & Cyndi Aiello)

Saturday, May 27, 2023 + Easter Weekday

8:00 am *Recitation of the Rosary*

8:30 am **Florence Caggiano** (Paul & Rita Reed)

Confessions are available after Mass

Saturday, May 27, 2023 + Vigil for Pentecost

5:15 pm **John Caribardi** (Dave & Linda Giovanini)

Sunday, May 28, 2023 + Pentecost Sunday

8:00 am **Chester & Grace Viola** (Family)

10:00 am **Maureen Viglione** (Dave & Linda Giovanini)



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 21th
 burns in memory of **Living and Deceased members**
 of Saint Leo Parish.*