



# Saint Leo Magnus Parish

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in Elk County since 1874

THE TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 28, 2022

## PARISH ADMINISTRATION

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## 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.

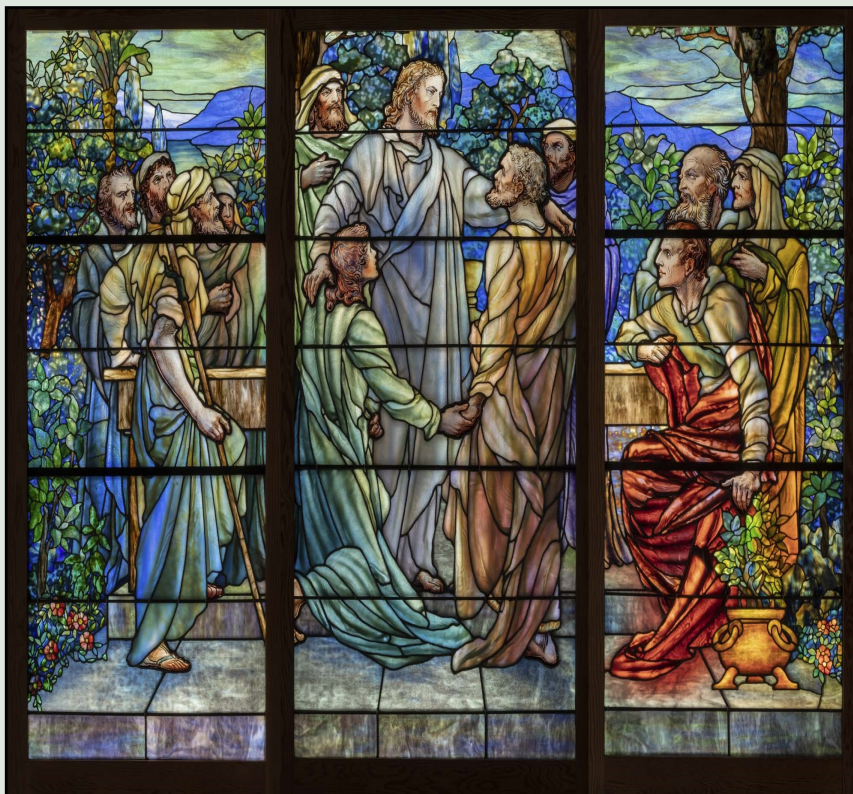
**Holy Day Masses**

*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)



*"Do not recline at table in the place of honor. A more distinguished guest than you may have been invited...and the host who invited both of you may approach you and say, 'Give your place to this man,' and then you would proceed with embarrassment to take the lowest place."*

*~Lk 14:8bc,9*

## PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

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ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

TUESDAYS 9AM + 6 PM

THURSDAYS 9 AM + 7 PM

**Children's Liturgy  
is offered at the  
10 am mass each Sunday.**

**We are in need of volunteers  
Reach out to Amanda Straub  
(814.590.8115) to help out!**

**ST. LEO PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

**MONDAY - THURSDAY 9:00 AM - NOON 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM  
PHONE: 814-772-3135**

**CALL THE PARISH OFFICE FOR YOUR CEMETERY NEEDS**

The parish office will be closed Tuesday mornings  
during the month of August.  
We will be attending parish data base software  
training.

***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!



**PARISH ORGANIZATIONS AND MINISTRIES CONTACT PERSONS**

Finance Council Chair .....	Jim Urmann
Parish Council Chair .....	Andy Messineo
Children's Liturgy .....	Amanda Straub, 814-590-8115
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Knights of Columbus .....	Ed LaValle
Food Bank.....	Sam & Lois Markert, 814-776-1950
Prayer Chain .....	Felcia Nelson, 814-772-5460
Fish Fry .....	Charlie Richards, 814-773-7990
That Man is You (TMIY).....	Deacon Larry Caggese
Prison Ministry .....	Molly Fernan
Altar Guild .....	Debby Richards
Money Counters .....	Linda Facchine
Eucharistic Ministers.....	Fran & Kathy Greich, 814-776-1540
Ushers .....	Jim Catalano
Lectors .....	Wee J. Fernan
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R.C.I.A.....	Lucy & Dave Bobby

**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***REFLECTIONS ON THE WORDS OF POPE JOHN PAUL I: *Part (IV)***

My dear parish family:



Last Friday was the 44<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the election of Albino Luciani. By the time we gather next Sunday, the pope will be Blessed John Paul I. In this fourth week of reflections, I turn toward the end of the pope's earthly life before his sudden death on September 28, 1978. The day before his death the Holy Father held his last Wednesday General Audience. He, unlike popes before him, would often call up young people to dialogue as part of his catechesis to visitors. That day he called a fifth grader named Daniele (a photo of them talking that day is here in this article), who told the pope he'd like to stay in fifth grade instead of moving on to sixth grade. As our school students returned this week to their school studies, John Paul's words are very appropriate.

**“YOU SEE DANIELE, THE LORD HAS PUT INSIDE US A STRONG DESIRE TO MAKE PROGRESS, TO ADVANCE. SOMEONE IN FIRST GRADE SAYS, ‘JUST WAIT UNTIL I’M IN SECOND.’ SOMEONE IN SECOND GRADE WANTS TO BE IN THIRD. AND IT’S THE SAME WITH GROWN-UPS TOO, YOU KNOW. EVERYONE WANTS TO ADVANCE. THE LORD HAS GIVEN US THIS STRONG DESIRE TO MAKE PROGRESS. LOOK. WE BEGAN LIVING IN CAVES, IN LAKE DWELLINGS, THEN IN HUTS, THEN WE PUT UP HOUSES, THEN PALACES, NOW THERE ARE SKYSCRAPERS. ALWAYS ADVANCING. THE LOVE OF GOD IS A KIND OF JOURNEY. WE MUST MAKE PROGRESS HERE TOO. ‘LORD, MAKE ME LOVE YOU MORE AND MORE.’ NEVER STOP. MAKE PROGRESS, WITH THE HELP OF GOD, IN LOVING GOD.”**

Pope John Paul never fails in explaining the extraordinary in such simple terms, but always circling back to link the ordinary and seemingly normal back to God – always back to God, like everything good in our lives. Every particle of our faith – every instance that we embrace the hope of Jesus Christ – each moment that we are aware (and even sometimes when we are unaware) of the piercing love of God penetrating our hearts – we need more! Yes, more. Is there any point in our faith journeys thus far, that we wouldn't have appreciated more faith – more hope – or more love? Certainly not. Remember the old commercial from the 1970s and 80s – “There's also room for Jello?” The same applies to God – to His Son – to the intercession of the angels and saints – to the promptings of the Holy Spirit – there is always more room in our hearts, minds, and souls for them to increase in us. It is comfortable to stay where we are in our lives – to stay sedentary, rather than the heavy lifting or long distances in life. Nevertheless, as Pope John Paul reminded young Daniele, progress is part of our journey not only on earth, but toward heaven – always toward God. This week let us ask God – let us ask John Paul I – for the strength to carry on – move forward – advance to an increase in faith, hope, and love – to progress one step closer to heaven.

In next week's bulletin, I want to share some final thoughts with John Paul's meditations on love. Finally today, here are some descriptions of the pope's funeral. This first description comes from an anonymous religious sister describing that afternoon of October 4, 1978: **“DURING MASS, RAIN FELL IN TORRENTS AND ONLY LET UP A LITTLE WHEN IT WAS TIME TO DISTRIBUTE HOLY COMMUNION TO THE PEOPLE. THE LARGE PASCHAL CANDLE BESIDE THE CASKET FLICKERED, BUT IN SPITE OF THE RAIN, IT DID NOT GO OUT.”** Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, who attended the funeral as Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger, remarked the following, when he was interviewed during the process for John Paul's beatification: **“THE DAYS OF THE POPE'S FUNERAL WERE DAYS OF GREAT SADNESS FOR ME. THE MOOD WAS MATCHED BY THE POURING OF RAIN. EVEN NATURE SEEMED TO BE GRIEVING WITH US.”**

Next Sunday in Rome the same light of Christ that would not go out on that Paschal Candle 44 years ago will be emanating strongly from St. Peter's Square when Pope Francis declares Albino Luciani a blessed for the Church – one step closer to being called a saint, which I believe he will be shortly. Nature will rejoice that morning – the Church will rejoice that we will have one more holy person in heaven interceding for us.

*Soon to be Blessed John Paul I, pray for us!* *Father Justin*





**Weekend of August 21, 2022**

<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Weekly</u>
<u>Contributions</u>	<u>Budget</u>
\$6,040	\$9,747
<u>Contributions</u>	<u>Budget</u>
<u>Year to Date</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
\$52,560	\$77,976

**CSA--**

**due by January 2023**  
**\$49,429**

To Date -  
\$ 25,508  
By 87 families

Remember, anything collected  
over the \$49,429 will stay in our  
parish for our projects.

**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: \$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.

***Confirmation News***

Bishop Persico will be at St. Leo to celebrate Confirmation with the  
2021-2022 class on **Sunday, September 25 at 2:00 pm**. Be sure to  
mark your calendar!

New student Confirmation meeting and registration will take place on  
Sunday, **September 11 at 6:00 pm** in the social hall. This meeting is  
for the incoming 2022-2023 Confirmation students and parents. This  
group includes 10th and 11th grade students from RHS and ECCHS.

***St. Marys K of C, 4th Degree  
And Elk County Right to Life***

are sponsoring buses to Harrisburg, PA on **September 19, 2022** for the  
second PA March around the Capital at noon.

We March for the lives of our Preborn babies and end of Abortion.

Departure 6 AM from St. Marys Church Annex.  
Pack your food/beverages for the day, we won't be stopping  
Return late afternoon/early evening  
Travel provided by Muccio Transportation



**DO YOU KNOW HIM?**

*We recently found this porcelain  
photo plaque in the cemetery  
storage shed. If you know who  
this young man was, please contact  
the parish office, so that we can  
have him returned to his gravestone  
as soon as possible. Thank you!*

**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.*

***Diocesan Respect Life Sunday Mass with Bishop Persico***

All are invited to celebrate life on October 2 at 11:30 am at The Epiphany of the Lord Parish, Meadville. There will be a reception to follow immediately after. Prolife Groups are encouraged to RSVP and attend together. Groups can RSVP by visiting [www.ErieRCD.org/socialjusticelife](http://www.ErieRCD.org/socialjusticelife).

***Readings for the week of August 28, 2022***

**Sunday:** Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29/Ps 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11/Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a/Lk 14:1, 7-14

**Monday:** 1 Cor 2:1-5/Ps 119:97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102/Mk 6:17-29

**Tuesday:** 1 Cor 2:10b-16/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13ab, 13cd-14/Lk 4:31-37

**Wednesday:** 1 Cor 3:1-9/Ps 33:12-13, 14-15, 20-21/Lk 4:38-44

**Thursday:** 1 Cor 3:18-23/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 5:1-11

**Friday:** 1 Cor 4:1-5/Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 27-28, 39-40/Lk 5:33-39

**Saturday:** 1 Cor 4:6b-15/Ps 145:17-18, 19-20, 21/Lk 6:1-5

**Next Sunday:** Wis 9:13-18b/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14-17/Phlm 9-10, 12-17/Lk 14:25-33

***A Family Perspective ~***

Family life well lived confirms the words of Jesus in today's gospel, "Those who humble themselves will be exalted." Commitment, intimacy, loyalty and love are the rewards of humble service and care for one another.

***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](http://www.stleomagnus.org) and clicking the button on the top of the page.



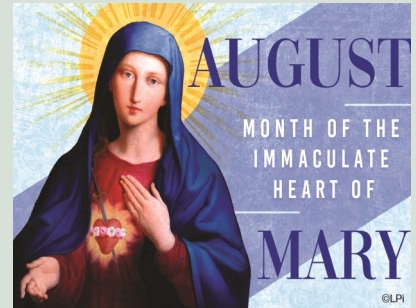
Simply follow the directions to set up an account. You have total control of your donation. Your donation to St. Leo will be received and deposited into the fund you choose. If you have questions please reach out to the parish office @ 814.772.3135

Remember to cancel you account at OSV (the old online giving site). If you need help with this step call the parish office.

***\*\*Please note: The "old" online giving site will not be accepting payments for St. Leo's after September 16, 2022.***

***Prayer Chain***

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

***Prayer to Saint Monica***

*Exemplary Mother of the great Saint Augustine, you perseveringly pursued your wayward son not with wild threats but with prayerful cries to heaven.*

*Intercede for all mothers in our day so that they may learn to draw their children to God.*

*Teach them how to remain close to their children, even the prodigal sons and daughters who have sadly gone astray.*  
*Amen*

***Pope's Prayer Intention for August******Small Business***

*We pray for small and medium sized businesses; in the midst of economic and social crisis, may they find ways to continue operating, and serving their communities.*

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

### ECC Music Boosters Mum Sale!

\$12 each - 9" pot. But ticket now and pick up at Morning Glory Greenhouse Sept. 1-21st. *Must present ticket at time of pick up!*

**Sacred Heart BINGO ~ Friday, September 2nd.** Doors open at 4 pm ~ FREE lunch at 5:30 pm ~ Early Birds at 6:30 pm ~ Regular games at 6:45 pm ~ 4 Specials @ 2,500 in 52 #'s or less ~ Guaranteed 1,000 ~ Door Prizes and More! **Hope to see you there!!**

**Merry Widows ~** will be meeting at Sacred Heart Parish Center, Sept. 12 with a picnic indoors. Lunch will be served at noon. Cost \$10.

### Religious and Pro Life Lending Library ~

The library, located on the main floor, front room of the Sacred Heart Parish Center, is open to all. Hours are the same as parish office hours, 9 am to 4 pm, Monday thru Friday. Not open on Holy Days or Holidays.

### Single and Catholic? ~ September 16<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Join hundreds of single Catholics coming from all parts of the US (and beyond!) at the 21<sup>st</sup> National Conference for Single Catholics at the Westfields Marriott in Chantilly, VA. The weekend includes talks by dynamic speakers, music, social events, Mass, adoration, opportunities for confession, fellowship, food and more. **Register with this promo code (Parish22) to get \$50 off!** Discount for the first 50 sign ups nationwide to use this code. Visit [NationalCatholicSingles.com](http://NationalCatholicSingles.com) for more information and to register. (Can't find your question answered on the website? Call 512-766-5798.)

## SACRAMENT PREPARATION

### Pre-Cana Class for Engaged Couples

**Call ahead for reservations**

- **Sept. 18** 8-5 pm Our Lady of Mercy, Harborcreek  
814-699-5342
- **Oct. 8, 9** Noon - 4 pm Church of the Good Shepherd,  
West Middlesex, 724-813-4848

### Baptismal Training Sessions

**Call ahead for reservations**

- \* **Sept 6** 6:30 pm Queen of the World, St. Marys  
814-834-4701
- \* **Sept 21** 7:00 pm Holy Rosary, Johnsonburg  
814-965-2819

++Online classes for Pre-Cana and Baptismal training are available. Please contact your parish office for details.



### CD of A News

Meeting **Tuesday, September 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm**  
with a Tureen Dinner

Officers will be sworn in at this time.

Any questions call Linda Facchine  
@ 814-776-6789

## BEAT THE HEAT

† WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK †

AUGUST 29

ART AIELLO

SEPTEMBER 1

DONNY STEGER

### Ministry Schedule

Week of September 4, 2022

Money Counters	Team 1
Ridgmont Minister	K Roemer
Altar Guild (9/2)	Group 4, Pew 4

### Mass Ministry Schedule Weekend of September 4, 2022

	5:15 pm	8:00 am	10:00 am
Altar Servers	T Bish, J Tettis	J & T Gardner	Mary & Leo MacDonald
Eucharistic Minister	N or H Nicklas	M Detwiler	J or C Fink
Lector	Consult your schedule.....		

# Mass Intentions



Saturday, August 27, 2022 + Vigil for The Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:15 pm **Phil Mitchell** (Dave & Linda Giovanini)

Sunday, August 28, 2022 + The Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am **Maria Villella** (The Rosa Aiello Family)

10:00 am **Donovan Clancy** (Mary Detwiler)

Monday, August 29, 2022 + The Passion of St. John the Baptist

**NO Communion Service**

Tuesday, August 30, 2022 + Weekday in Ordinary Time

6:00 pm **The People of St. Leo Parish**

Wednesday, August 31, 2022 + Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:30 am **Greg Maddalena** (Nancy & Julie)

Thursday, September 1, 2022 + Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:30 am **Lino Morelli** (The Betty Rutigliano Family)

Friday, September 2, 2022 + Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:30 am **Billy Egger** (Dave & Linda Giovanini)

Saturday, September 3, 2022 + Vigil for The Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:15 pm **Leon, Darlene & Craig Piurkoski** (The Rick Barber Family)

Sunday, September 4, 2022 + The Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am **Alice Szczotka** (The McDonson Family)

10:00 am **Sabatino Magrini** (Dolly MacDonald)

**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 August have been donated in memory of **Dorothy and Frank Armanini** by **Bob and Carol Connacher**.*

*The Sanctuary Candle for the week of August 28<sup>th</sup> will burn in memory of **Stella Anderson** by **Janet Polinski**.*