



Saint Leo Magnus

Roman Catholic Church

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THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 19, 2023

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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: 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday - Saturday: 8:30 a.m.

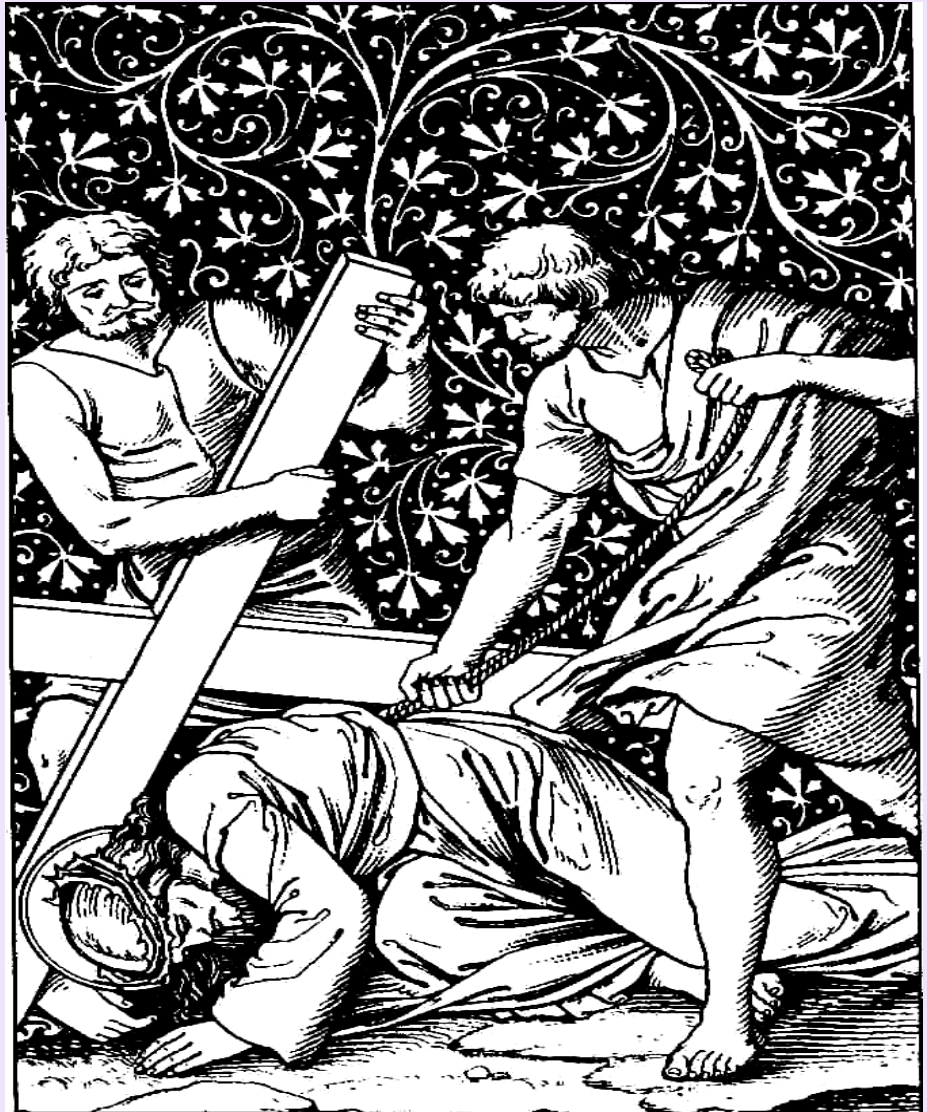
*Rosary Saturdays at 8:00 a.m..

Holy Day Masses:

Evening before: 6:00 p.m.

On the Holy Day: 8:30 a.m. &

12:05 p.m.



Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesdays 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Thursdays 9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

CONFESSIONS

Wednesdays 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. Saturdays 9:00 a.m.

CANCEL THE COLD

† WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK †

MARCH 19

DON & MARTHA OLSON
JOSEPH FUSCO
JOSEPH CASOLO
DOMINIC & ELVIRA JUDICE
THE JUDICE AND BOGGIA FAMILIES
SOULS IN PURGATORY
GENEVIEVE STANLEY
MARY FOLEY
JEFF PENFIELD
SIS GEITNER
RON SWANSON

THIS WEEK AROUND THE PARISH

Mar. 19 Religious Ed
Mar. 21 6:30 p.m. C.D. of A. Meeting
Mar. 22 Religious Ed

Please Pray for the Priests of our Diocese

Mar. 19 Rev. Howard King
Mar. 20 Rev. John Jacquet
Mar. 21 Rev. William Laska
Mar. 22 Rev. Raymond Gramata
Mar. 23 Most Rev. Lawrence Persico
Mar. 24 Rev. Daniel Hoffman
Mar. 25 Rev. Msgr. Bernard Urbaniak

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

Baptismal Training Sessions

March 25 10:00 a.m. Sacred Heart
St. Mary's, 814-834-7861

April 18 7:00 p.m. St. Leo
Ridgway, 814-772-3135

St. Leo accepts some online classes. Please call for information - 814-772-3135.

Celebrating the Sacrament of Baptism

Infant baptisms (for children from birth to just before their 7th birthday) are scheduled throughout the year after weekend Masses. *Baptisms are not performed during the solemn season of Lent* (between Ash Wednesday and Easter Sunday). Before the child is baptized, parents and godparents must attend a baptism preparation class. Call us for more details. 814-772-3135

WE MAKE HOUSE CALLS !

Are you homebound and in need of Holy Communion? Are you or a family member ill or facing surgery, and would like to be anointed, please contact the office. Our number is 814-772-3135.

**LENT PENANCE SERVICE AT ST. LEO
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29 AT 6:30 P.M.**

The Pope's Prayer Intention for March, 2023 FOR PARISHES

We pray that parishes, placing communion at the centre, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need.

PRAYER CHAIN

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

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:



On one occasion when I myself was going to confession to celebrate God's merciful transformation in my own life, I recall kneeling in a darkened confessional. The priest confessor and I had proceeded through the usual ritual motions. After I confessed my sins and he spoke to me for a brief moment, I then proceeded to forget the Act of Contrition. Yes, you read right. I completely blanked on how to pray a prayer I had known since I was 8 years old! I made it to "O my God I am heartily sorry...." Then....nothing. The priest was very kind. He paused a moment and then helped me along. The rest of the words all came back in rush of warm memories. I was simultaneously embarrassed and relieved. I was ashamed on one hand, but very grateful for the priest's kindness in reminding me of what I had inadvertently forgotten – temporarily, thankfully.

Sometimes when I am on "the other side of the screen," when I am hearing a confession, I have to admit I am stuttered at times in the prayer of absolution – those words of God's mercy and forgiveness, that issues forth the beautiful words: "I absolve you of your sins." Not my voice – not my action, but God, the Father of All Mercies, working through me.

Therefore, we come to the fourth reflection this Lent on the ritual actions of the Sacrament of Reconciliation: the Prayer of the Penitent (Act of Contrition) and Absolution. Here are the major texts that recently were "tweaked" by the liturgists in the Vatican. Really, it was just a few words. However, for those of us who have been praying these words for many years, that's just enough to be little bumps on the road.

PART IV: THE PRAYER OF THE PENITENT AND ABSOLUTION

One change in the new translation is for the act of contrition, the prayer of the penitent. There are now ten options for the prayer of the penitent. Each of them is a new translation, though the central theme is still rich in their expression, and most have biblical overtones. If a penitent is to use any one of these prayers they would certainly need a copy from which to choose the one they wish to use. After Easter, these newly enriched prayers will be available to anyone who enters into the grace of the sacrament. Alternatively, (as it is always been) you can spontaneously voice a prayer of your own inspiration. These are often the most meaningful, emotional, and impactful prayers we can utter. The insert on purple paper this week, has a sampling of these newly translated acts of contrition. Next week, I will share with you the entire new ritual celebration I have been reflecting on throughout Lent.

Another translational part is found in the absolution prayer imparted by the priest. The phrase "*and sent the Holy Spirit among us*" now reads "**and poured out the Holy Spirit.**" Both phrases express the action of God through Christ. The verb *sent* clearly states the intention of God on behalf of the people of God, especially those who seek the grace of reconciliation. The words *poured out* more graphically express the abundance of grace that comes with the gift of the Holy Spirit. To pour is a lavish gesture! God always gives us so much for than we ask. An additional change in the absolution is in the phrase "*May God give you pardon and peace.*" This now reads, "**May God grant you pardon and peace.**" The difference of the two words is admittedly subtle; perhaps the verb *grant* expresses a more generous action by God. Anyone can give something to another; but to *grant* elevates the action from simply offering a thing to bestowing an honor or a favor out of love for the other. Surely, that is what God does when we are forgiven our sins.

During these Forty days of nights of Lent, let us remember:
GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD, FOR HE IS GOOD;
HIS MERCY ENDURES FOREVER!

Father Justin

Parish Support

March 11 & 12, 2023

Contributions.....\$6,535
Weekly Budget..... \$9,747

Year - to - Date

Contributions.....\$290,152
Budget\$360,639

Envelopes mailed.....336 # Returned.....116
Online contributions...15

Parish Share

Assessments Due to the diocese.....\$31,756.44

*Please continue to use the yellow depbt reduction envelopes found in your envelope packet to help us pay our share of assessments to the Diocese of Erie.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED
SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH!**

**Donation statements for 2022 are available.
Call the parish office to receive yours.**

***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 -- \$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.

CD of A Members – *The next CD of A meeting will be held Tuesday, March 21 at 6:30 in the Social Hall. After the meeting a group discussion will be held to discuss the Mary's Mantle Consecration program. Please bring your book and prayer journal.*

K of C 300 Club Winners

	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6
\$40	M Detwiler	Pickle	J Brunner
\$30	J Allegretti	J Delhanty	J Kopnick
\$30	R Laughner	D Young	M Heindl



Congratulations to our February 2023 St. Leo School Lucky Lion Lotto Winners!

B Streich \$30	S Klase \$30
C Gardner \$50	A Weible \$50
G Bobby \$50	C Steinbach \$30
B Urmann \$30	P Chileski \$30
K Wittman \$30	J Aiello Jr \$50
G Auman \$50	A Dollinger \$30
B Myers \$100	J Zamoski \$30
M Ireland \$30	J Polinski \$30
M Holmberg \$50	H Ronnenberg \$50
L Bucher \$30	A Constable \$30
J Messineo \$30	J Paropacic \$30
D Cristini \$30	S Szczotka \$50
J LaBenne \$50	E Biondi \$45

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



Congratulations to our young parishioners, who celebrated the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time on Saturday March 11, 2023, May there be many more opportunities for them and all of us to know God's loving mercy in this beautiful moment of grace. May God who has begun the good work in them and in us, bring it to fulfillment!



St. Joseph Church, Force - Lenten Fish Fries

Fish or Fantail Shrimp Dinners beginning Ash Wednesday, Feb. 22 and Every Friday during Lent in their social hall. Eat-in hours: Noon - 6:30 p.m. All dinner include Baked or Fried Haddock Fish or Fantail Shrimp, choice of Potato, Cup of Soup, Choice of Salad plus a Roll, Dessert, and drink. Cost: \$14. Questions - call 814.787.4151 #6.

St. Boniface Church, Kersey - Lenten Fish Fries

Ash Wednesday & every Friday during Lent from 4:00-6:30 pm in the St. Boniface Social Hall. Menu includes Fried, Baked, Beer Batter Fish or Chicken; Potato, Mac & Cheese, Macaroni Salad, Coleslaw, Applesauce, Desserts and Beverages. Cost: Adults \$15(Fish), \$10 (Chicken), Children under 10: \$8. Take outs available. Proceeds benefit St. Boniface Parish.

Bulletin Deadline

March 26th bulletin submit by noon on March 21st
 April 2nd bulletin submit by noon on March 27th
 April 9th bulletin submit by noon on March 30th
 April 16th bulletin submit by noon on April 11th

Lenten Penance Services

Wed, Mar 22	6:30 pm	Queen of the World
Sun, Mar 26	4:00 pm	St. Mark, Emporium
Wed, Mar 29	6:30 pm	St. Leo
Thu, Mar 30	6:30 pm	Sacred Heart
Sun, Apr 2	2:00 pm	St. Joseph, Force



FAMILY HONOR will be presenting Real Love & Real Life, a chastity program series at St. Marys Church Parish Center on Mondays, March 20, 27, and April 3, 2023. Real Love & Real Life is for parents with your 7th or 8th grade son or daughter. This Family Honor program includes communicating effectively in families; respecting the gift of our sexuality and the incredible power we have to give life; discusses other topics all teens are facing, such as peer pressure, dating and avoiding risky behaviors. This is an incredible opportunity to spend quality time with your teen and open the door to communication on some really important issues. To register or find out more about this program, call or text Laurey Kraus 335-0124 or 781-6746.

AREA HAPPENINGS

Lenten Vesper Service (prayer, song, scripture, and featured speaker) 6:30-7:30 p.m., St. Catherine of Siena Church, DuBois, PA

Sunday, Mar. 19: **Pastor Jake Jacobson**, Grace Lutheran Church, Clarion

Sunday, Mar. 26: **Maureen Horan**, Ph.D., Retired Professor, Coach, Sports Psychologist.

All are welcome

Lenten Retreat- All are Welcome

Queen of the World will host a Lenten retreat featuring Fr. Ben Dagher on the evenings of Sunday March 19th thru Tuesday March 21st at 6:30 pm. Fr. Ben, a native of St. Mary Church and a priest of the Diocese of Erie, will lead us each evening in prayer and reflection with the theme, *"Deny yourself, take up your cross, and follow me."* Let us look forward to this sacred time in our Lenten season as our community gathers with Fr. Ben and with one another.

Walnut Roll Sale - Queen of the World Parish

April 1 & 2. Call 834-4701 to order by March 28. Cost: Full loaf; \$10, 1/2 loaf: \$6. Pick up orders after Masses on April 1 & 2.

18th Annual St. Leo School Fishing Derby- April 22 & 23. Tagged fish range in value from \$10 - \$1,500! Vendor info and registration are available at www.stleosfishingderby.com.

Stop by the Derby Headquarters @ Ridgway Firemen's Lot for food, music, games, kids derby, and raffles! Camping is also available on site.



Food Fest - Sacred Heart Parish Center

Sat. April 1 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Baked Goods and more! No pre-orders!

40 Days for Life - Feb. 22 until April 2, 2023

40 Days for Life is an International Campaign for Fasting, Prayer and Community Outreach to End Abortion. 40 Days for Life Rosary will be recited after 8:30 Tues. Mass at St. Marys Church and after 6:15 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart on Fridays. For more information contact Mary Ross @ 814.781.6867.

Coming this Lent At St. Mary's Parish -

Throughout Lent, Fr. Thomas More Sikora, O.S.B. will provide a series of presentations on ways that the Holy Rule of Saint Benedict can offer insights to all Catholics. These will take place on **Tuesday evenings, from 6 - 7 p.m.**, in the St. Mary's Parish Center Cafeteria beginning Tuesday, Feb. 28.

St. Boniface Lenten Mission March 19-21. Fr. Dan Molochko, a priest of the Diocese of Richmond, VA, and a close friend of Fr. Kevin. Fr. Dan will explore the practical ways to live out our faith by comparing Mary and Martha. Confessions will be offered following his presentations at 7 p.m. on Sunday (3/19) and Monday (3/20) with a reception following on Tuesday (3/21). Each talk will last roughly 45 minutes and will surely be an excellent way to encounter God in our busy lives.

Bus trips to Lancaster Sight & Sound Theatre -

Wed. July 26th 'Moses' \$190. Includes bus, ticket, lunch and tips. Leaving at 7:30 a.m. and have lunch in Lancaster before the 3 p.m. show. **Fri. Nov. 10th 'The Nativity'** \$200. Includes bus, ticket, lunch or supper TBD & tips. Call St. Mary Parish Office to reserve your seat. 814.781.1019

Walleye Fishing Trip for 4 at Lampe Marina, Erie. Charter departs at 6 a.m., July 22nd. Chances \$5 each and be purchased at ECCHS, 814.834.7800. Raffle benefits ECC Music Boosters

Mass Ministry Schedule Weekend of March 25 & 26, 2023

	5:15 pm	8:00 am	10:00 am
Altar Servers	L & M MacDonald	Volunteers	J & D Williams
Stations of the Cross - Altar Servers for Friday, March 24 at 7 p.m - F, P, M			
Eucharistic Minister	C Armanini	L Caggese	K Gerber
Lector	J Challingsworth	J Allenbaugh	C Tutton

Ministry Schedule Week of March 26, 2023

Money Counters - Team 4

Ridgmont Minister
J Wonderly

Altar Guild (3/24)
Group 5 , Pew 3

Mass Intentions



Saturday, March 18, 2023 + Vigil for the Fourth Sunday of Lent

5:15 pm **Eugene Facchine** (Family)

Sunday, March 19, 2023 + The Fourth Sunday of Lent

8:00 am **Carlotta "Caroline" Addeo** (CD of A Court 356)

10:00 am **Tom Drabant** (M/M Kenneth Miller)

Tuesday, March 21, 2023 + Lenten Weekday

6:00 pm **Donnie Aiello** (Daughters-Mary Ann, Donna & Nancy)

6:30 pm **EVENING PRAYER**

Wednesday, March 22, 2023 + Lenten Weekday

8:15 am **MORNING PRAYER**

8:30 am **Anastasia McMahon Fenton**

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

6:30 pm **EVENING PRAYER**

Thursday, March 23, 2023 + Lenten Weekday

8:15 am **MORNING PRAYER**

8:30 am **Jeanette Kissinger** (Dolly MacDonald)

6:00 pm **Donna Brazinski** (Joe & Sue Dellaquila)

6:30 pm **EVENING PRAYER**

Friday, March 24, 2023 + Lenten Weekday

8:15 am **MORNING PRAYER**

8:30 am **Larry Johnson** (Linda Johnson)

6:00 pm **Billy Egger** (The Mercer Family)

6:30 pm **EVENING PRAYER**

7:00 pm **STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

Saturday, March 25, 2023 + Lenten Weekday

8:30 am **No Morning Mass**

Saturday, March 25, 2023 + Vigil for the Fifth Sunday of Lent

5:15 pm **Frank & Dorothy Armanini** (Bob & Carol Connacher)

Sunday, March 26, 2023 + The Fifth Sunday of Lent

8:00 am **Veronica DePanfilis** (Family)

10:00 am **Bernadean Neiger** (Betty Manno)

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 March have been donated in memory of **Ruthie Cooney** by **Annie Schield**.*

*The Sanctuary Candle for the week of March 19th will burn in memory of **Ruthie Cooney** by **Annie Schield**.*