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#### OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE NOVEMBER 21, 2021



Eucharistic Adoration Tuesdays & Thursdays 9 am - 7 pm ~ Please sign up for an hour !

#### **PARISH ADMINISTRATION**

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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.

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

# St. Leo School Students Celebrate the Feast of St. Leo the Great



Fifth grade students, with their teacher Miss Boyer, venerate the relic of St. Leo the Great.



Leo MacDonald along with Fr. Justin and our statue of St. Leo. Leo is holding the relic of St. Leo the Great.

### PARISH ORGANIZATIONS AND MINISTRIES CONTACT PERSONS

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From the Pastor's Desk

My dear parish family:

One of my old friends from Coalport and I have been exchanging Christmas gifts for over 20 years. We email each other around this time with our gift selection, usually from amazon.com. I typically (surprise, surprise) ask for a history book. This year I asked for a near 500-page biography by British historian, Andrew Roberts entitled The Last King of America: George III. Most of us learned about King George in elementary social studies class when we studied the American Revolution. Most Americans dismiss King George as a buffoon or a heartless tyrant that people like George Washington and Benjamin Franklin kicked to the curb during our War for Independence. Dr. Roberts in this new book makes the point repeatedly that King George was in fact a highly cultured, intelligent, caring, and charming king. Yes, kings can be misunderstood! This book, which I am very excited to read, will set the record straight and allow me to look at our last king with new eyes.



Our real king – our true king – is Jesus Christ. He too was misunderstood in his lifetime and even today by those who supposedly follow Him and by those who still fight against Him and wound Him. Let's look at our king on this last Sunday in Ordinary Time - The Solemnity of Jesus Christ, the King of the Universe!

The last thing Jesus looked like as he hung upon the Cross on Good Friday was a king. He was bathed in blood, not clothed with royal purple. He was hammered to a Cross, not seated on a throne. He was crowned with thorns, not with gold, silver, or platinum, alongside precious shimmering jewels. Pontius Pilate had ordered that an inscription in three languages be placed above His head: "Jesus of Nazareth, King of the Jews." This was to further humiliate and mock the Son of God – The King of the Universe. And the crowd did just that. The chief priests mocked Him. The Roman soldiers mocked Him. Even the bad thief on His left mocked him. "If you're truly the king of the Jews, the Messiah, the Christ, come down from that Cross and save yourself."

Like the Jewish leaders (those foolish, blind and hypocritical Pharisees and Scribes), the Romans were unprepared for a king like Jesus. Pilate asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "My kingship is not of this world; if my kingship were of this world, my servants would be fighting that I not be handed over to the Jews; but my kingship is not of this world." Then Pilate snapped, "So you are a king?" Jesus replied by describing more specifically what type of king he was and what type of kingdom he was establishing. "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I have come into the world, to bear witness to the truth. Every one who is of the truth hears my voice." Jesus was not a king like Caesar, but a king of truth!

Even the apostles had a false idea about what it meant to be in the service of the king. We see throughout the Gospel that they were competing against each for the greatest positions. Recall after James and John got their mother to go up to Jesus to ask him to do whatever she asked and to grant that her babies sit on his immediate right and left as began his kingdom, Jesus used it as a lesson for all, who were hungering after the same false kingship/power: "You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great men exercise authority over them. It shall not be so among you; but whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be your slave; even as the Son of man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." That is Jesus' kingdom. To enter into His kingdom with Him, to be His right hand, to be His friends - His loving friends and co-workers, means to be willing to give our life to God and others, to serve rather than be served, to offer rather than take.

When we pray, "Thy kingdom come!" we are asking for the grace to enter with Jesus into His kingdom. It means to be with Him in giving witness to the truth even if we should have to die for it, to be with Jesus in laying down our lives in service of others, to be with Jesus in suffering and death, even on the Cross. To say, "Thy kingdom come," to seek to enter His kingdom, is to reign with Him by living with Him a life carrying the same Cross He sacrificed Himself on for all humanity. This is what we celebrate today.

Have a happy Sunday and may God bless you in His abundance! Father Justin

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Weekend of November 14, 2021

Information not available

CSA-due by January 2022 \$46,962 Received to date: \$27,384

76 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: \$125,000



### 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.



# St. Leo Parish Angel Tree is back!

The Angel Tree will be in the gathering space in time for your Black Friday shopping! You are welcome to choose an angel from the tree and attach it to an UNWRAPPED gift and return it to the tree no later than December 12. Please note that the hints on the angels are suggestions for your shopping convenience. Happy shopping.!

Call Jeanne Hall with any questions (814-772-2569). 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.

#### Masses, sanctuary candles and Host & Wine are now being scheduled for 2022

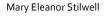
Call or visit the rectory to schedule. Our number is 814-772-3135.

The parish office is open Monday thru Thursday 9am - noon and 1 - 4pm. (Closed holidays and holy days)



### During the month of November, we remember those who have passed away this year.









Carol Dickant



Margaret Gustitus



Mackina Harrier



Inez Grieggs



Margaret Clements

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Mario Mascioni

#### A Family Perspective

Joseph Piccirillo

When we are young, our parents "tell us about Jesus" and we believe what our parents believe. At some point, we must leave our parents faith and ask Pilate's question: "Are you the King?' Pilate is just asking these question on our behalf.

# ADORATION

Tuesday and Thursday 9 a.m. to 7 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.



We Welcome into the Catholic Community **Ellianna Elizabeth Hoyle,** daughter of Jacob and Melissa Hoyle

We pray God will bless her as she grows in her faith.



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:

Thompson Funeral Home

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# ACTIVITIES & EVENTS

#### **Baptismal Training Sessions**

**Nov. 29** at St. Mary's, St. Marys 814-781-1019 Be sure to call ahead for a reservation!

St. Leo School Sunday Supper - November 21, 3 pm until sold out. Drive through. On the menu this month is Homemade Pierogies, Homemade Haluski and Homemade Polish Kielbasa. Get it while you can!

**St. Mary/St. Ann Parish will be hosting a Christmas Holiday Craft Show** at the St. Mary Social Hall in Crown, PA on Friday, December 3rd and Saturday, December 4th. The show will run from 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. each day. Dozens of tables filled with crafts and vendors will be available to complete your holiday shopping! Refreshments and lunch will be available for purchase. The event will also include a Chinese Auction, 50/50 Raffle, and a Black and Gold Pressure Washer raffle. Admission is free. See you there!

Sacred Heart Church Pumpkin Roll Sale - Preorder ASAP by calling 814-834-7861 #1. Cost \$10. Pick up Wednesday, November 24, 2-5 pm.

**Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe** - Interparish Celebration. Sunday, November 21, 2021 Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament immediately following the 11 am Mass until 4 pm at Sacred Heart Church. Vespers and Benediction will take place at 4 pm.

**An Evening of Inspirational Music** with Bart Foradora & Charlie Prescott in concert at St. Bernards Church, Falls Creek, PA. Sunday, November 21 at 7:00pm. All are welcome.

**St. Leo School will be having a soup and homemade bread sale** Saturday, November 27th in the social hall. Stop down and get some delicious soup while your out shopping.





#### Engaged couples: Plan ahead for a happy, healthy marriage

The Marriage and Family Life Office is hosting an Engagement Encounter weekend this January 28-30, 2022. Engagement Encounter is a restful retreat designed to proved engaged couples the tools for a happy, holy, and lasting marriage. Here's what folks have loved in the past: Time as a couple to focus on their relationship, a community that prays and has fun together, a non-judgemental atmosphere, the chance to set a good foundation for their marriage, and the opportunity to retreat from busy wedding details and enjoy each other. Learn more or register at https:// www.eriercd.org/familylifeoffice/ee.html. We would love to welcome you this January!

### **Holiday Bulletin Deadlines**

Please note the dates below for Bulletin Submissions. It's important to keep these dates in mind if you plan on submitting a Cancel the Cold or would like to advertise you club's events.

Submit by Nov. 17 for the Nov. 28 bulletin Submit by Nov. 30 for the Dec. 5 bulletin; Submit by Dec. 5 for the Dec. 12 bulletin Submit by Dec. 9 for the Dec. 19 bulletin Submit by Dec. 15 for the Dec. 26 bulletin Submit by Dec. 21 for the Jan. 2 bulletin



Saturday, November 20 - Vigil -Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe **Dutch DePanfilis** (Family) 5:15 pm Sunday, November 21 - Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe 8:00 am **Debbie Young** (Lewis Family) 10:00 am **People of St. Leo Parish** Monday, November 22 - St. Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr **Communion Service** 8:30 am Tuesday, November 23 - Weekday in Ordinary Time Theresa A. Zameroski (Estate) 8:30 am Wednesday, November 24 - St. Andrew Dûng-Lac, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs 8:30 am Eugene Herzing, 3rd anniv. (Family) Thursday, November 25 - Weekday in Ordinary Time Mr. & Mrs. George Newell (Jan 9:00 am Wonderly & Family) Friday, November 26 - Weekday in Ordinary Time No Mass/No Communion Service Saturday, November 27 -Vigil - First Sunday of Advent Mary Margaret Facetti (Linda 5:15 pm Johnson) Sunday, November 28 - First Sunday of Advent 8:00 am Mark Cacchio (Cousins) 10:00 am **People of St. Leo Parish** 

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The Wine and hosts for the month of November have been donated in memory of Elaine Geyer from Janet Polinski.

*The Sanctuary Candle for the week of November 21<sup>st</sup> will burn in memory of Eugene Herzing from his family.* 

The Parish offers our prayers and sympathy to the family of Dr. Guillermo Udarbe. May he and all the faithful departed, rest in eternal peace.

#### CANCEL THE COLD †WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYER†

<u>November 21</u> Dominic & Elvira Judice Deceased member of the Judice-Boggia Families Mary Foley Genevive Stanley Sis Geitner Jeff Penfield Souls in Purgatory

<u>November 25</u> Deceased members of the Verbeck Family Deceased members of the Peterson Family Joseph & Janice Casolo Barb King John Addeo Frank Clark Elizabeth Erickson

<u>November 27</u> Joseph, Angeline & Eugene Facchine Art Aiello

Ministry Schedule Weekend and week of November 28, 2021				
	5:15 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.	
Altar Servers	Nov. 25 - T & M Gilmore I Nicklas, P Messineo	Frank Messineo Tucker Bish	Ava Corl Josie Sorg	
Eucharistic Minister	Nov. 25 - K Gerber J Wonderly	B Gausman	L Caggeso	
Lector	WeeJ. Fernan	Neil Hoffman	Beau Grove	
Money Counters	Team 4	Altar Guild For 11/26	Group 6 Pew 6	
Ridgemont Minister	Marsha Skraba	Hi-Rise Minister	Coming Soon!	