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"If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." Taking a child, he placed it in their midst, and putting his arms around it, he said to them, "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me." - Mk 9:35b-37a

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

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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

Adoration

The Adoration team is in desperate need of help.

If you are willing to help please sign up for an hour in the Gathering Space or call the parish office at 814.772.3135



PARISH ORGANIZATIONS AND MINISTRIES CONTACT PERSONS

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ST. LEO MAGNUS CA	ATHOLIC CHURCH Membership Form	New Registration
Name	Phone Number	Change of Address or Phone Moving Out of the Parish
Address	CityZip	—— Need Envelopes
Please drop this form into th	he offertory basket or mail to Parish Office	

From the Pastor's Desk

My dear parish family:

I had intended to continue our reflections on the Ten Commandments this week, but that can wait until next weekend with our meditation on the seventh commandment.

As all of us were aware, last Saturday marked the 20th anniversary of the horror of September 11, 2001. As I remarked to the schoolchildren at their weekly mass, none of existed 20 years ago, but their teachers and I lived through the terrible events of 9/11. It became for my generation a day to never forget, like December 7, 1941 (Pearl Harbor) was for my grandparents, and November 22, 1963 (JFK Assassination) was for my parents. One of my classmates at Gannon that day was terrified for her father was a military official at the Pentagon. In addition, my own family was stunned to find out that my cousin, Mary Ellen, had died at the World Trade Center in Manhattan.

I do not know about you, but I have avoided over these past two decades to really stop and look at images of that day. As a historian, you would think I would be immersed in the documentaries that aired on television this past week. I did not watch any of them. Perhaps the terror is still too real for me. Perhaps it is the continued violence, war, terrorism, and hatred that is plaguing our humanity, infected by the poison of sin. Perhaps it just too sorrowful.



On Sunday, I did look at a picture from 20 years ago – an image I had never seen before and it really struck me. It is the image I have included in this reflection. I had heard of Father Mychal Judge – a priest who had died in New York City that day, but had never really known the details and seen the aftermath. This image was included in a montage of images from that horrible day entitled: "The 9/11 photos we will never forget." There were images of the planes crashing into the World Trade Center. There was the moment President Bush was told what was happening. There was the aftermath of the carnage. Moreover, there was this photo.

This is the text that was captioned below the photo: *"People carry the Rev. Mychal F. Judge, the chaplain of the New York City Fire Department, after he was fatally struck by falling*

debris at the World Trade Center. Judge had just administered last rites to a firefighter at the site. "I will never forget the surreal moment of sunlight that was making its way through all the destruction and chaos on that clear September day. That is when I saw the men carrying Father Judge in a chair," Reuters photographer Shannon Stapleton said. "I could tell that he had been killed, but it profoundly struck me that all these men from various agencies were doing their best to preserve his body. I had no idea who he was. "After making these photos, I looked down at the small display screen and knew at that point I had made a picture that needed to be seen by the rest of the world."

I agree. I needed to see this photo of selfless sacrifice. We all need to this photo of a man – a priest – a believer who as last week's gospel reminds us of the Lord's mandate to "deny ourselves, pick up the Cross and follow Him!" May this somber reminder ignite in our hearts the fervent desire to not only serve one another, even those who we do not know; but to embrace always – every day – the inedible and undeniable hope that is Jesus Christ. From the darkest moments in our human history and in our own personal journeys/struggles, the Lord of All and Savior of every single human person is here to lead us into His own wonderful, inexhaustible, and perpetual light!

In these days of remembering the tragic past, of trying to deal with the turmoil of the present, and embracing an abiding hope for the future – may the sacrifice of Father Judge on 9/11 – may the sacrifice of Jesus Christ on the Cross of Calvary – and may the bright promise of eternity given to each one of us not only encourage us, but bring us together as never before!

God bless and let's continue to pray for peace! Father Justin



Weekend of September 5, 2021

	Weekly
<u>Cor</u>	ntribution
	\$9,560

Weekly Budget \$10,160

Contributions Year to Date \$75,746 Budget Year to Date \$101,600

Weekend of September 12, 2021

<u>Weekly</u> <u>Contributions</u> \$6,253	<mark>Weekly</mark> <u>Budget</u> \$10,160
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Year to Date	Year to Date

CSA-due by January 2022 \$46,962

Received to date: \$26,516 73 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: \$136,000

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.





Parishioners who have difficulty walking in the communion line to receive the Eucharist during Mass may wish to sit in a side pew. Eucharist is brought to all parishioners sitting in the smaller side pews.

Are you wondering if you should stop in to schedule Masses for 2022? The answer is NO.

The 2022 Mass Book will open later this year. Watch the bulletin for the date. It will be published several weeks before the book opens.





Have you, or someone you know, thought about becoming Catholic?

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

(RCIA) is here to answer your questions about the catholic faith.

If you are not baptized, baptized in another Christian tradition or a Catholic who has not received the Sacrament of confirmation, we would love to hear from you!

There is no commitment other than to let us know how we can help.

We ask all our St. Leo parishioners help by letting those who have questions know about RCIA.

Please contact the parish office at secretary@stleomagnus.org or call 814-772-3135.

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

What does it mean to be God's servant? In essence, it means being willing to call the world back to its childlike innocence, showing all that a joy-filled playfulness has a place in life. The servant of God serves to foster the Kingdom of God. God's kingdom is not a sterile, unhappy, strict, and rigid reality. It is quite the opposite. It is a kingdom devoid of jealousy and selfish ambition where peace, gentleness, mercy, and good works abound. To be a servant of this kingdom means that selfish ambition must be set aside so that others can be first, and justice pursued at all cost. The prayer of this kind of servant is not focused on self-advancement or need. Rather, the servant's prayer seeks to detach from self-concern in order to be used by God. In this way, we who are servants can be inspired, guided, empowered, and led by God. We can then be used to lay the cornerstones of the kingdom: faith, hope, and love. It is upon these that God's firm dwelling is built. Accepting this call may place us last in the world's eyes but first in God's.

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Readings for the week of September 19, 2021

Sunday:	Wis 2:12, 17-20/Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 [6b]/Jas 3:16—4:3/Mk 9:30-37
Monday:	Ezr 1:1-6/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Lk 8:16-18
Tuesday:	Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5]/Mt 9:9-13
Wednesday:	Ezr 9:5-9/Tb 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghn, 7-8 [1b]/Lk 9:1-6
Thursday:	Hg 1:1-8/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Lk 9:7-9
Friday:	Hg 2:1-9/Ps 43:1, 2, 3, 4 [5]/Lk 9:18-22
Saturday:	Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13 [cf. 10d]/Lk
	9:43b-45
Next Sunday:	: Nm 11:25-29/Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14 [9a]/Jas 5:1-6/Mk
	9:38-43, 45, 47-48

WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

Question: Why are Catholics required to fast before Communion?

Answer:

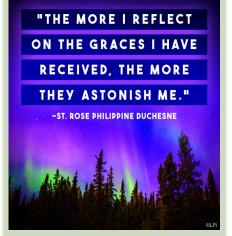
How we prepare for an important event helps us with the intentionality of our actions and raises our awareness. We prepare our house for guests. We wash our car before an important trip. We create a nursery for a newborn child. All of these actions heighten our senses for what is about to come.

The fast required by canon law before Holy Communion has its roots in Jewish spiritual practices. We fast for cleansing and to demonstrate our reliance on God. Catholics used to fast for much longer periods of time, but it was Pope Paul VI in 1964 who set the time at one hour in an attempt to encourage people to receive the holy Eucharist more frequently. That one-hour observance allows us to pause and reflect on what we will participate in in the very near future. We deny our bodies so that we can focus more clearly on the Body of Christ that we will consume.



Tuesday and Thursday 9 a.m. to 9 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.

<u>MONTHLY SPONSOR</u> <u>SPOTLIGHT</u>

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:

> Dollinger's Home Improvements

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ACTIVITIES & EVENTS

CD of A Meeting/tureen dinner has bee CHANGED to TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 21, at 6:30 p.m. in the Social Hall. Feel free to bring your favorite side dish or dessert to accompany the main entrée.

Baptismal Training Sessions

Sept. 22 at Holy Rosary, Johnsonburg, 814-965-2819 Oct. 9 at Sacred Heart, St. Marys, 814-834-7861 Be sure to call ahead for a reservation!

Bethany Retreat Center - Fall Work Day. September 25, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. There are jobs for all ages and skill levels. Com and stay for a few hours or the entire day. For more information 814-263-4855 call or email DeborahBRC12@qmail.com

St. Joseph, Force - Fall Fish/Shrimp Dinner - Every Friday from September 17 - October 29. Noon - 6:30 pm. All dinners \$13. Call 814-787-4151 #6 to order. Carry out ONLY. Dinners include: baked or fried fish or fantail shrimp, choice of potato, choice of coleslaw, applesauce or macaroni salad plus a roll and a dessert.

Flavors of Fall Festival, Ridgway - September 25. 9-3 pm. Visit St. Leo School's booth for delicious food and drink featuring fresh squeezed lemonade.

Queen Esther Bus Trip to Lancaster

Wednesday, October 20th. The bus will depart from St. Mary's Parish Annex at 9:15a.m. And return by midnight. \$165 includes bus, show ticket, supper and all tips. Call St. Mary's parish office to make your reservation @ 814-781-1019.

> K of C Super 300 Winners September 7 - 14, 2021

<u>Day</u>	<u>Prize</u>	<u>Winner</u>	<u>Ticket #</u>
7	\$100	Joe L Sluberski	160
8	\$100	Mark Caruso	188
9	\$100	Jeff Schutz	035
10	\$100	Debby Richards	127
11	\$100	Viv Pagone	250
12	\$100	Clinton Woodford	145
13	\$100	Marie Buhler	199
14	\$100	George & Nancy Peterson	286



Please complete and return the parish census form. If you have not received one call the parish office at 814.772.3135. Or pick one up in the Gathering Space after Mass.

ATTENTION ALL MEN

Need a boost to your faith? Want to gather with other like-minded Catholic men and add a new dimension to your faith? The "That Man is You (TMIT) may be for your. Our program will begin on Tuesday September 14th at 6:30 p.m. in the Ridgway Knights of Columbus building. Great speakers, great comradery and good food. If your Cursillo GR is looking for a venue to meet, then this is the place. Any questions - call Deacon Larry Caggeso 814-772-4111 @ or email at LarryCaggeso@gmail.com

You don't want to miss this!!







Saturday, Septe	ember 18 - Vigil -Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time		
5:15 pm	Leo & Theresa Zameroski (Family)		
Sunday, September 19 - Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary			
8:00 am	Time Marshall Armanini (Family)		
10:00 am	Deceased members of K of C Court #1064		
Monday, Septe 8:30 am	mber 20 - Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn, Priest, and Paul Chŏng Ha-Sang, and Companions, Martyrs Communion Service		
Tuesday, Septe	mber 21 - St. Matthew, Apostle and		
8:30 am	Evangelist Jim Tettis (Dave & Joey Kepple)		
Wednesday, Se 8:30 am	ptember 22 - Votive Mass of St. Joseph Elizabeth Verbeck (Family)		
Thursday, Sept 8:30 am	ember 23 - St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest John Kennedy (Dolores Miller)		
Friday, September 24 - Weekday in Ordinary Time 8:30 am Albert Paladino (Helen Paladino)			
Saturday, Septe	ember 25 -Vigil - Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time		
5:15 pm	Michael Quattrone & Rose Guidice (Josephine Quattrone & Family)		
Sunday, Septer	nber 26 - Twenty-sixth Sunday in		
8:00 am	Ordinary Time People of St. Leo Parish		
10:00 am	Donovan Clancy (The Clancy Family)		

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. The Sanctuary Candle for the week of September 19th will burn in memory of Clara jane Mago from George & Karen Kutcher.

The Wine and hosts for the month of September have been donated in memory of Jerry & Anne Kennedy from Annie Schield.

Ministry Schedule Weekend and week of September 26, 2021

	5:15 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.
Altar Servers	J Bobnar F Messineo	M & T Gilmore	P & M MacDonald
Eucharistic Minister	J Wonderly	M Detwiler	L Caggeso
Lector	J Chal- lingsworth	P Gilmore	D Paige
Money Counters	Team 4	Altar Guild For 9/24	Group 3 Pew 3
Ridgemont Minister	K Roemer	Hi-Rise Minister	Coming Soon!

CANCEL THE COLD †we remember in our prayer†

September 19

Art Aiello Dominic & Elvira Judice Deceased of Judice-Boggia Families Mary Foley Genevive Stanley Sis Geitner Jeff Penfield Souls in Purgatory

> <u>September 25</u> Frank Clark

This Week Around the Parish

Sun. 9/19 Sunday Supper, 3 pm - sold outTues. 9/21 CDofA meeting and Tureen Dinner 6:30 pmThur. 9/23 Parish Council Meeting 6:00 pm

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday 9 am - noon & 1pm - 4 pm , Friday - CLOSED CLOSED HOLY DAYS AND HOLIDAYS