

# Saint Leo Magnus Roman Catholic Church

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## *Palm Sunday*

March 28, 2021

*"Why did all this take place? Once again, it was done for our sake, to serve us. So that when we have our back to the wall, when we find ourselves at a dead end, with no light and no way of escape, when it seems that God himself is not responding, we should remember that we are not alone. Jesus experienced total abandonment in a situation he had never before experienced in order to be one with us in everything. He did it for me, for you, for all of us; he did it to say to us: "Do not be afraid, you are not alone. "*

Pope Francis - Palm Sunday Homily (5 April 2020)

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



**BAPTISM**

Please call the parish office to schedule.

**MARRIAGE**

Please notify the pastor at least 6 months before the marriage.

**ANointing OF THE SICK**

Call anytime for emergencies. Notify the office if someone is hospitalized, seriously ill, or in need of a priest

**PARISH ORGANIZATIONS AND MINISTRIES CONTACT PERSONS**

Cursillo Movement .....  
Parish Festival.....  
Choir.....  
Catholic Daughters of America .....  
Knights of Columbus .....  
Food Bank.....  
Prayer Chain .....  
Fish Fry .....  
That Man is You (TMIY).....  
Cancer Care Ministry.....  
Website Manager .....  
Prison Ministry .....  
Altar Guild .....  
Funeral Luncheons.....  
Money Counters .....  
Eucharistic Ministers.....  
Ushers .....  
Lectors.....  
Altar Servers .....  
Baptismal Preparation Classes .....  
Adoration .....  
R.C.I.A .....  
Sacristy.....

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Deacon Larry Caggese, 772-3135

**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*

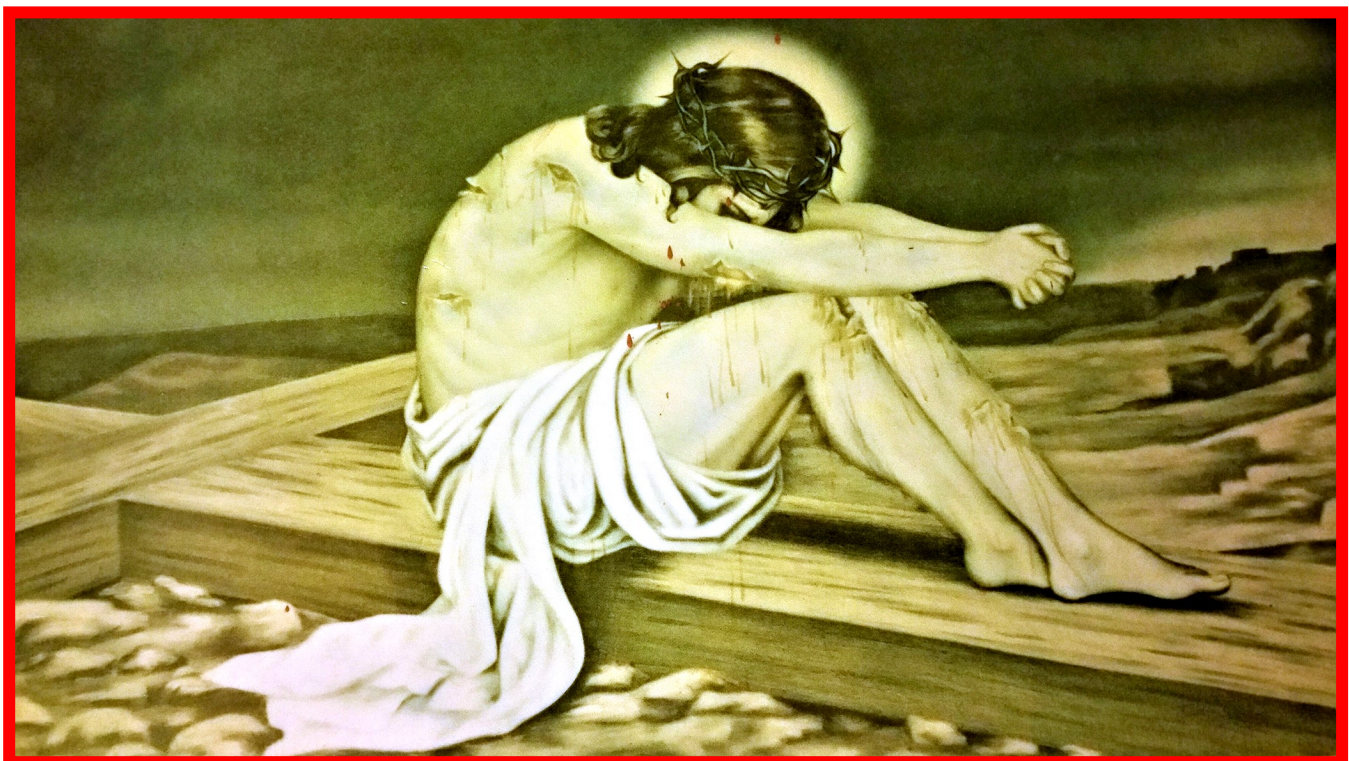
MY DEAR PARISH FAMILY:

HOLY WEEK OBSERVANCES BEGAN IN JERUSALEM IN THE EARLIEST DAYS OF THE CHURCH, WHEN DEVOUT PEOPLE TRAVELED TO JERUSALEM AT PASSOVER TO REENACT THE EVENTS OF THE WEEK LEADING UP TO THE RESURRECTION. THE PURPOSE OF HOLY WEEK IS TO reenact, relive, and participate IN THE PASSION OF JESUS CHRIST.

A NUMBER OF YEARS AGO I CAME ACROSS THIS IMAGE BELOW. I HAD NEVER SEEN AN IMAGE OF THE SUFFERING OF OUR LORD QUITE LIKE THIS BEFORE OR SINCE. I SHARE IT WITH YOU TO REFLECT UPON THIS HOLY WEEK.

WHEN WE SEE JESUS THERE ABOUT TO BE NAILED ON THE CROSS TO DIE FOR THE SINS OF THE WORLD — WHAT DO YOU SEE? WHAT DO YOU FEEL? LOOKING AT HIM, HOW WILL WE AS INDIVIDUALS — AS A PARISH — AS A CHURCH — REENACT, RELIVE, AND PARTICIPATE THIS HOLY WEEK?

*Father Justin*



## SAINT LEO STEWARDSHIP

Weekend of March 21, 2021

**Weekly Contributions**  
\$6,154

**Weekly Budget**  
\$9,915

**Contributions Year to Date**  
\$292,406

**Budget Year to Date**  
\$376,770

### CSA--

is due by January 2022  
\$46,962

Pledged to date: \$11,375  
Received to date: \$10,100  
33 Families have pledged

### 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: \$151,000

### 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 your or the charity will have to pay income taxes.



## Lent Devotions at St. Leo This Week

**Evening Weekday Masses** - Tuesday and Wednesday 6 p.m.

**Sacrament of Penance** - Wednesday evening from 4-6 p.m. this week  
Confessions will be celebrated in the Sacristy.

**Stations of the Cross** - Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m.  
Way of the Cross celebrated after Mass

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** -  
Tuesday and Thursday from 9:00 a.m. until 7:30 p.m.

**Holy Thursday Mass** at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday evening.

**Good Friday Service**- 1:00 p.m.



FORMED

PICK OF THE WEEK

March 28, 2021

LEARN

### FORMED NOW! HOLY SATURDAY-- JESUS' DESCENT INTO HELL

What do we mean when we profess that Jesus descended into Hell? Join Drs. Tim Gray and Michael Barber as they discuss this mysterious event of Holy Saturday.



To set up your free account visit [formed.org/signup](https://formed.org/signup) and select our parish.

### Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments - Pledge to Heal:

The Diocese of Erie remains committed to helping victims of clergy sexual abuse heal and recover. Counseling assistance is available for victims and/or their family members through the diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator, VAC for short, Dr. Gerard Tobin, who can be reached at 814-451-1521. The diocese encourages anyone who has experienced abuse or misconduct by a member of the clergy or any employee or volunteer of the church to contact law enforcement. To report abuse to the independent investigators retained by the diocese, email [ErieRCD@KLGates.com](mailto:ErieRCD@KLGates.com). Victims or concerned individuals can report abuse directly to the diocese by calling 814-451-1543. For particular questions you may call: **Cindy Zemcik, Coordinator for the Office for the Protection of Children and Youth in the Diocese of Erie at 814-824-1195.**

**CD of A Members** - The book selected for the "Lenten Book Club" is *I heard God Laugh* by Matthew Kelly. Get your free copy in the box marked CD of A Members - Lenten Book Club in the Gathering Space. If you are unable to pick up your copy contact Lisa Martin @ 772-2261 and one will be delivered to your home. A group discussion will take place prior to the April meeting for those interested.

The next CD of A meeting will be held  
**Tuesday, April 13, 2021, at 6:30** in the Social Hall.





*St. Leo Magnus Parish  
Confirmation Class, 2021*

### ***Family Perspective***

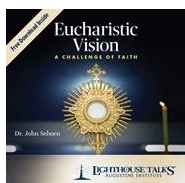
The Passion of Jesus makes it clear, no one escapes suffering. Suffering is inevitable, but no one should suffer alone. That is one of the primary roles of families, to stand with and support each other in suffering.

***Holy Week at Home from the Diocese of Erie*** - We are mindful that many of our families are not yet comfortable returning to Mass in-person. However, our homebound households are still valued members of our parish community. We look forward to celebrating Mass together in-person whenever it is safe for everyone to return. In the meantime, St. Leo wants to support the faith lives of all our parishioners, near and far, during this sacred time in our Church's liturgical year. Starting on Palm Sunday, the diocesan Office of Faith Formation will be sharing a slate of prayers, video reflections, and family activities for Holy Week at the website listed below. These activities are designed particularly with the needs of homebound families in mind, but they are open to everyone. The website will include prayer resources relevant to all ages, including people who live alone and young families. Have a blessed Holy Week. <https://www.eriecd.org/holyweekathome.htm>

## **Lighthouse Catholic Media Pick of the Week**

### **Eucharistic Vision: A Challenge of Faith**

**DR. JOHN SEHORN**



In a recent Pew survey, two-thirds of Catholics reported that they did not know or believe in the Church's teaching on the Eucharist. Diving into the writings of early doctors and fathers of the Church, and drawing upon his own experience as a scholar of history, practicing Catholic, and former Protestant, Dr. John Sehorn addresses the "mind-boggling" and difficult truth

of Jesus' presence in the Blessed Sacrament. It is a truth that confronts us, challenges us, and is one of the greatest gifts that we will ever receive.

## ***ADORATION***

***Tuesday Only (this week)  
9 a.m. to 7:30 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,

## ***CONFESSIONS***

***WEDNESDAY  
4P.M. TO 6 P.M.***

***IN THE SACRISTY  
PLEASE WEAR A MASK***

## ***MONTHLY SPONSOR SPOTLIGHT***

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:

***Elk County  
Foods***



**St. Joseph Lenten Fish Fries** - St. Joseph in Force, PA will offer Fish/Shrimp dinner Ash Wednesday and every Friday during Lent from noon to 6:30 p.m. Take-out only. For \$12, the dinner includes: Haddock or Fantail Shrimp, Baked Potato or French Fries, Cole slaw or Applesauce, Roll and Dessert. To order, call 814-787-4151 #6.

**St. Boniface Lenten Fish Fries** - Fridays during Lent from 3-7 pm or until sold out. Call 814-885-8611 to order. To review your specific choice options go to the St. Boniface website. Take-out or limited dine-in.

**Rosary for Seminarians** - is held every Wednesday at Sacred Heart Church in St. Marys. The rosary begins at 7 pm. Pray for our local seminarians.

**Baptismal Training Sessions - April 20 at St. Leo.** Please call 772-3135 to reserve your spot. Online programs are available for baptism preparation. Contact the parish office for a list of approved classes.

**St. Leo School Sunday Supper** - Sunday, March 28 from 3 p.m. until sold out. St. Leo Church Parking Lot. This dinner features Shepherd's Pie with an Irish Pub Salad for \$10. Add Boston Cream Pie for \$4.

**Good Friday Stations of the Cross Outdoor Service** - Bethany Retreat Center, Frenchville, Friday April 2<sup>nd</sup> beginning at 10 a.m. For more information call 814-263-4855 or [www.bethanyretreatcenter.org](http://www.bethanyretreatcenter.org)

## **VIOLA FUND**

The late Chester and Grace Viola and their family have always embraced the value of Catholic education. Several years ago, the Chester and Grace Viola Tuition Assistance Fund was established for Saint Leo School. These funds have remained largely untouched. However, the family would like to begin to use this fund to help students and their families attend their parish school. It is our goal that each child baptized at St. Leo Church will receive the gift of a \$100 voucher to be used towards kindergarten tuition. In order to reach more students both now and in the future, we would like to see this fund grow. If you value Catholic education as Chet and Grace did, the family humbly asks that you consider making a donation in their memory. The funds raised will be administered by the Elk County Community Foundation and used solely for students at Saint Leo School. If you would like to contribute to this tuition assistance fund, please send donations to:

Elk County Community Foundation  
32 S St. Marys Street  
St. Marys, PA 15857

On the memo line, simply put Chester and Grace Viola Fund  
Or, you can go to the Elk County Community Foundation website and choose DONATE NOW and mention the Chester and Grace Viola Fund when asked on the form.

The children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren of Chet and Grace thank you for your steadfast support of Catholic education here at St. Leo School.

## ***SIGN UP FOR THESE GREAT RESOURCES FROM ST. LEO'S***

### ***FORMED.ORG***

*Diving into the beauty of the Faith has never been easier; at home, on the go, or from any internet connected device. Discover thousands of books, audio talks, movies, documentaries, and studies...there is something for every member of the family to help them grow closer to Christ and His Church. Visit [Formed.org](http://Formed.org) to get started.*

### ***PARISH COMMUNICATIONS***

Flocknote is an email/text tool used to communicate with parishioners. Sign up to get the latest info on Church happenings. Visit [www.StLeoMagnus.org](http://www.StLeoMagnus.org) to get started.

### ***ONLINE GIVING***

Visit [www.StLeoMagnus.org](http://www.StLeoMagnus.org), click the Online Giving link, and begin giving. Your support throughout the year helps sustain our church.

## ***WAYS TO REMEMBER***

There are many ways to memorialize both living and deceased family and friends:

Mass -- \$10

Sanctuary Candle -- \$10/wk

Hosts and Wine -- \$40/month

Beat the Heat/Cancel the Cold --  
\$10/day

Radio Mass Broadcast -- \$100/week

Memorial Space on the bulletin ads -  
\$50/wk

Or anything you would like to see in  
the parish -

statues, artwork, equipment.

*Please contact Rena in the office or  
Father Justin.*

### **Deadline for bulletin submissions**

For the **March 21** bulletin please have submissions, in writing, to the parish office by 4 pm on **March 15**.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Intention</u>	<u>Requested by</u>
Saturday, March 27 VIGIL - PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD	5:15 p.m.	Eugene Facchine	Sister
Sunday, March 28 PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Burniece "Sis" Geitner Genevieve Stanley	Altar Guild Family
Monday, March 29 Monday of Holy Week	8:30 a.m.	Communion Service	
Tuesday, March 30 Tuesday of Holy Week	6:00 p.m.	Nina Aiello	Dave & Theresa Zamerowski
Wednesday, March 31 Wednesday of Holy Week	8:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	Eve Metelski People of St. Leo Parish	Felcia Nelson
Thursday, April 1 HOLY THURSDAY	7:00 p.m.	Edward MacDonald	K of C
Friday, April 2 GOOD FRIDAY	NO MASS	1:00 p.m. Good Friday Service	
Saturday, April 3 EASTER VIGIL	8:30 p.m.	Donna Hinton	Dave & Joey Kepple
Sunday, April 4 EASTER SUNDAY	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Gerry Gausman Deceased members of the Casolo Family	Kevin & Marilyn Gahr Family

*The Sanctuary Candle for the week of March 21<sup>st</sup> will burn in memory of Clara Jane Mago from George Kutcher.*



*The wine and hosts for the month of March are in memory of Larry Johnson from Linda Johnson.*

*The Parish offers our prayers and sympathy to the family of Mario Mascioni, father of Marcia Wildnauer. May he, and all the faithful departed, rest in eternal peace!*

### **Ministry Schedule Week of April 4, 2021**

#### **Money Counters**

Team 1

#### **Altar Guild**

For 4/2 - Group 2, Pew 2

#### **Parish Office Hours**

Monday - Thursday 9 am - noon & 1pm - 4 pm

Friday: 9 am - noon

CLOSED HOLY DAYS AND HOLIDAYS

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

#### **MARCH 27**

**SANDI LEWIS**

**RICHARD & HELEN GOETZ**

#### **MARCH 28**

**JOSEPH & EDITH FUSCO**

**DOMINIC & ELVERA JUDICE**

**DECEASED MEMBERS OF JUDICE-**

**BOGGIA FAMILIES**

**GENEVIEVE STANLEY**

**MARY FOLEY**

**SOULS IN PURGATORY**

**SIS GEITNER**

#### **MARCH 29**

**HANK VIGLIONE**

