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Roman Catholic Church

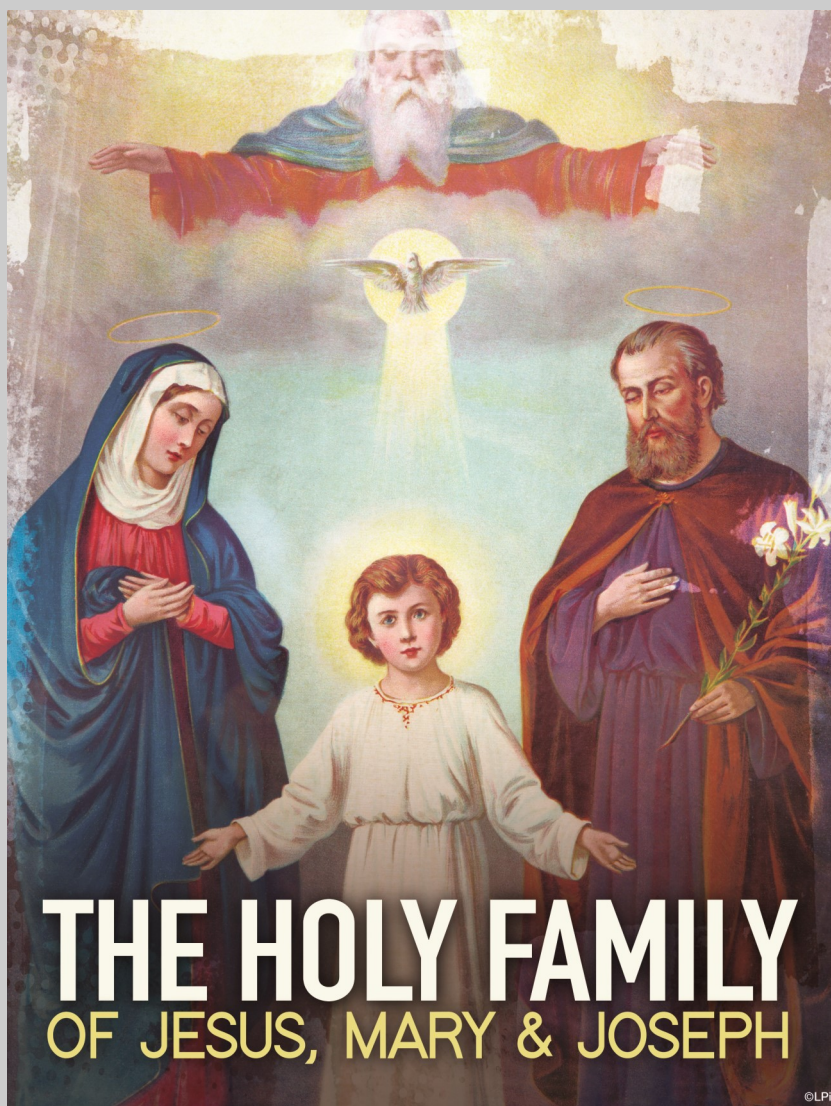
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THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

DECEMBER 27, 2020



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MASS & CONFESSION TIMES

HOLY DAY MASSES:

Evening before: 6:00 p.m.

On the holy day: 8:30 a.m. & 12:05 p.m.

ST. LEO MAGNUS ADORATION TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS 9 AM TO 6 PM

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

RECONCILIATION

Tuesdays & Thursdays from 4 p.m. until 8 p.m. beginning
November 30th thru December 22nd

BAPTISM

Please call the rectory for scheduling.

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
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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:

In one of the guest rooms of the rectory I have atop a cabinet an old statue – actually is a combination of three statues of Jesus, Mary and Joseph, the family we honor this weekend. For over 40 years, it stood on top of the heater in my aunt and uncle's living room. After my Aunt Mary died in 2003, it was given to me. I treasure it. All of us treasure little keepsakes from our family's past – meaningless or even worthless to others, but absolutely irreplaceable and priceless to us. Every time we see one of these treasures the memories of our loved ones, many times now gone to God, come rushing back with such tenderness. This happens to me when I look at my Holy Family statue.



Christmastime is one of those moments that nostalgia comes in full force. Families gather and stories of the past are told and re-told. Many of the stories we heard before and can many times repeat them verbatim, but it just doesn't seem like a family gathering without them. Let me share with you some brief stories about my aunt, uncle and cousin, whose statue I now possess.



My uncle was named Andrew, although we never called him that. He was Uncle Shine and he was a very hard worker (like St. Joseph) and provided for his family. He made sure that his wife and son would be protected and he did this to the best of his ability. The love he had for my aunt was tangible when you entered their home. His impeccable garden was legendary. He looked in physical appearance like my grandfather, his brother Leonard; and since my grandfather died when I was two, I always imagined that if he had lived, he would like just like Uncle Shine. He would drive me and my grandma to church on Saturdays. We lived only a few blocks away, but always left 30 minutes early to pray. Uncle Shine left us off at the curb and parked the car; always arriving just as mass began. Until I was in my twenties, after he had died, I always thought it took him that long to park the car, but then realized he just waited in the car to listen to the baseball game scores!



Aunt Mary, my grandmother's sister and Uncle Shine's wife for 55 years was such a faithful and amazing woman (like the Blessed Virgin Mary). Her and my uncle lived next door to my grandparents (two brothers married two sisters). When my grandparents bought a new appliance, Aunt Mary brought it the next day; it was like mirror images. Her rosaries never left her side nor did her daily cup of tea. Her smile was infectious and her whisper of a voice was so gentle. She loved calling family on the phone and all of us felt the sting of sorrow in 2003 after she died and the phone calls went silent. The most endearing memory of Aunt Mary is when one of us nephews or nieces would try to say goodbye to her at the end of a visit. A woman who never raised her voice in anger or frustration would bark at us and say, "Don't say goodbye, say I'll see you later!" It was that kind of hope that we will all see each other later (in heaven) that got her and my uncle through the most tragic moment of their lives.



That day of horror came on June 9, 1968 when their only child (like Jesus), my cousin Billy, drowned the day before his 20th birthday. Billy had just finished college and already had a job secured with Penn Dot as an architect, when he fell into a quarry in Tyrone. Billy never did learn how to swim. Even though my cousin died 13 years before I was born, I knew him through his parents. Every Saturday after 1968 until Aunt Mary died in 2003 a candle was lit for Billy at Holy Trinity Church, their home parish. It was the light of hope – the light of Christ that never dimmed in their hearts. My uncle and aunt could have given up and blamed God for this tragedy and forgotten about church and the faith; but their faith got even stronger because they both believed that they would see Billy later, and they did.

At Aunt Mary's funeral I offered the eulogy and I brought up the statue and I remarked that heaven now had two holy Families. Every father can find a steady companion in St. Joseph. Every mother can find a wonderful example in Mary of Nazareth. Every child can find trust in the person of Jesus Christ. Andrew, Mary and William Mick now live forever with the first Holy family. We too can do the same.....later. However, for now while we still can, show your family love, support, faith, hope and unity. In our world where the family has been so horribly abused and disfigured, let us be different. So gather some more as New Year's approaches and tells some family stories, dig out those mementoes and rejoice in one of the gifts of the stable....the family, our family!

May 2021 greet all of you and your families with health and hope!

Father Justin

SAINT LEO STEWARDSHIP

Weekend of December 13, 2020

<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Weekly</u>
<u>Contributions</u>	<u>Budget</u>
\$14,731	\$9,915
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<u>Year to Date</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
\$178,346	\$251,691

CSA-- \$50,737 is due in 2020

To date 89 Families have
pledged \$29,255
and \$28,661 has been collected.

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: \$160,000

***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.



The Angel Tree this year may have looked a bit
different but the support from this parish made it a success.
Thank you all so much, your contributions for the children
during this trying time make many smiles happen at
Christmas and beyond. A very Merry Christmas to each of
you and may God's Blessings bring a Happy and Healthy
New Year.

Jeanne Hall
814-772-2569



MEMORIAL DONATIONS

Donations have been received by St. Leo Magnus Church
during the months of September, October, November and
December in memory of:

John Bonghi
St. Mary Joan Beuseigneur, S.S.J.
Josephine Quattrone
Nina Aiello

Thank you
to all who donated for the brick repair project.
Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

Breaking Bread Mass Books

The new 2021 books are available for purchase in the parish office
Cost \$5.00
Limited quantity available.

DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

For the **January 10, 2021** bulletin please have submissions, in writing, to the parish
office by 4 pm on January 4.

For the **January 17, 2021** bulletin please have submissions, in writing, to the parish
office by 4 pm on **January 11.**



During mass on the Third Sunday of Advent Fr. Justin unveiled a custom made statue of our patron, St. Leo Magnus. He is holding a replica of our church in his hand. This statue was donated to the church in loving memory of the living and deceased members of the Gausman family.

Fr. Justin also dedicated a relic case to hang on the wall near St. Leo. Several of the relics were found in the rectory during renovations. The relic case was donated by Mr. & Mrs. Edgar Donachy

St. Leo in his new home. He is holding our church in his hand.



ADORATION

Tuesdays and Thursdays

*9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
During Advent*

*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.

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:

***Cenni's
distributor***

***Ministry Schedule
Week of January 3, 2021***

Money Counters

Team 1

Altar Guild

TBA



CD of A Members - It's time to pay your 2021 dues of \$25. Make checks out to CD of A Court #356. Mail them to Theresa Zamerowski, 3071 Elk Drive, Ridgway, PA 15853. Or pay at our next meeting.

St. Leo Lucky Lion Lotto Calendar - Want 365 chances to win CASH!? St. Leo School will be selling Lucky Leo Lotto Calendars after every St. Leo mass in December (until sold out - limited quantity available). Calendars are \$25 each. These make great gifts - just make sure you have the address and phone number of the calendar recipient. You can also pick up a calendar at the Ridgway Record, Monday through Friday 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. or the St. Leo Parish office Monday through Thursday 9 a.m. - noon & 1-4 p.m. (Fridays 9 a.m. - noon).

ECC Music Boosters Cash Bash! - January 16, 2021- \$100 drawing every 5 minutes; \$200 drawing every 15 minutes; \$2000 Grand Prize! Tickets \$50 each - call ECC to purchase tickets #834-7800.

Pre Cana - Sacred Heart Church January 23, 2021. Call for reservation 814-781-7861

Baptismal Training Sessions -

January 5, 2021 7 p.m. Queen of the World, St. Marys, 834-4701

January 20, 2021 7 p.m. Holy Rosary, Johnsonburg, 965-2819

Be sure to call ahead for reservations.

A Family Perspective

The gospel today shows Mary and Joseph weren't 'perfect' parents. If you have ever been 'amazed' and 'astonished' at what came out of your child's mouth, then you are in good company. If there were times you 'didn't understand' your children or felt 'anxious' about their behavior so did Mary and Joseph. Parenting is tough but it is also the stuff of holiness.

Lighthouse Catholic Media

*Books, CD's & pamphlets are available for purchase in the gathering space.
Stop and shop!*

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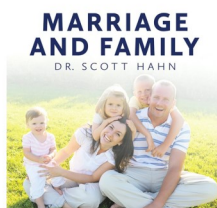
PICK OF THE WEEK

December 27, 2020

LISTEN

MARRIAGE AND FAMILY: LOVE UNVEILED BY DR. SCOTT HAHN

This presentation combines recordings of Fulton Sheen's timeless reflections on the meaning of Christmas, mixed with Gregorian chant and seasonal music. It is sure to become a family favorite!



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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 to get started.

ONLINE GIVING

Visit 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.

Date	Time	Intention	Requested by
Saturday, December 26 Vigil - Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph	5:15 p.m.	Sandy Lewis	Dave & Joey Kepple
Sunday, December 27 Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph	8:00 a.m.	Dec. mbrs. Of the Judice-Boggia Families	Art & Mary Therese Cianca
	10:00 a.m.	Robert Caffrey	Mr. & Mrs. Leonard Papa
Monday, December 28	8:30 a.m.	Communion Service	
Tuesday, December 29	8:30 a.m.	Communion Service	
Wednesday, December 30	8:30 a.m.	Communion Service	
Thursday, December 31 Vigil - SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD	6:00 p.m.	Gerald Ditch	Joseph & Rita Ditch
Friday, January 1 SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD	10:00 a.m.	Francis Kennedy	Dolores Miller
Saturday, January 2 Vigil - EPIPHANY OF THE LORD	5:15 p.m.	Alexander David Amico, Sr.	Family
Sunday, January 3 EPIPHANY OF THE LORD	8:00 a.m.	People of St. Leo Parish	Family
	10:00 a.m.	John Addeo, 19th anniversary	

CANCEL THE COLD

† WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS †

DECEMBER 24

MR & MRS THOMAS VERBECK & FAMILY
TED BOMBA

JOSEPH, ANGELINE & EUGENGE FACCHINE

DECEMBER 25

EDITH & JOSEPH FUSCO
MARY HELEN JACOBS
JOSEPH & JANICE CASOLO
FRANCESCO & MARIA VILLELLA
ERNIE AIELLO
MARY FRANK CARIBARDI
LARRY JOHNSON
F. FACETTI FAMILY
JUNE LUCHS
RON McDONSON

JANUARY 1

EDITH & JOSEPH FUSCO
GIUSEPPIE VILLELLA
ERINIE AIELLO
DON PETERSON
SANDY LEWIS
MIKE THOMPSON

The Sanctuary Candle for the week of December 27th will burn in memory of Susan Cianca from Mary Ann Cianca .

The wine and hosts for the month of December are in memory of Al Paladino from his wife, Helen Paladino.

