



# Saint Leo Magnus

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THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 26, 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 26  
MARY FOLEY  
ARTHUR AIELLO

## THIS WEEK AROUND THE PARISH

Mar. 28 9:00 a.m. Senior Safe Driving - social hall  
Mar. 29 6:30 p.m. Penance Service  
Mar. 31 7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

## Please Pray for the Priests of our Diocese

Mar. 26 Rev. Msgr. Henry Kriegel  
Mar. 27 Rev. Lawrence Richards  
Mar. 28 Pray for Consecrated Life  
Mar. 29 Rev. Jerry Priscaro  
Mar. 30 Rev. Richard Allen  
Mar. 31 Rev. Philip Pinezewski  
Apr. 1 Rev. Justin Pino

**St. Leo**  
**Penance Service**  
**Wed. Mar. 29, 6:30 PM**

### 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

April 18 7:00 p.m. St. Leo  
Ridgway, 814-772-3135  
May 25 7:00 p.m. Sacred Heart  
St. Marys, 814-781-1019

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.*



## 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:

Have you ever had a wonderful culinary experience at a restaurant out on the town or at the dinner table at home? Every part of it – every course was excellent, especially the appetizer at the beginning and the dessert at the end? It's a dining experience starts and concludes with some great food, and then it's a memorable experience. I especially believe this when the food is simple and not too complicated.

I hope that over the past weeks of Lent, these reflections of the Sacrament of Penance and the homilies have shown that this celebration of God's inexhaustible mercy is not complicated at all. The start of the liturgical ritual of confession and the end are like a fine meal – simple and very satisfying.



Every liturgical action of the Church finishes with those who have celebrated it being sent into the world with new divine life. A sending forth by the Church is nothing less than the sacramental form of being sent by Jesus Christ himself. The Lord therefore reminds us: "As the Father has sent me, even so I send you." These are the words of the new and Risen Jesus as recorded in John's gospel narrative. In the Rite of Penance this is accomplished swiftly and with just one line which the priest pronounces as a minister of Christ and the penitent experiences as being sent by the Church: "The Lord has freed you from your sins. Go in peace." Again, what a simple and satisfying way to experience this beautiful moment of God's merciful grace

being poured into our hearts. Moreover, always remember His mercy is always full and ready to be encountered again and again in the confessional – as many times we are called to return and share in it!

Lent is a period of change and transition. Such things are common in our human experiences. Major and minor times of change can be opportunities for renewal and refocus. That is the goal of the somberness of Lent to the utter joy of Easter, which will soon burst forth into the world again. When we buy a new vehicle or clothes we have committed to whether we know it or not letting go of the old and embracing the new. In other words, we have replaced one for another – something broken, torn, or worn for something healed and repaired. For Catholic Christians this spiritual and liturgical renewal can not only be found inside a church building at a ceremony, but most importantly inside each of us as our sinfulness is repaired and healed by God's mercy. Each celebration of the Sacrament of Penance is a moment of transition, allowing us an opportunity for conversion from sin to new life.

### PART V: THE PROCLAMATION OF PRAISE & THE DISMISSAL OF THE PENITENT

The final segment in the ritual dialogue is "the proclamation of praise and the dismissal of the penitent." The words of praise and the response of the penitent remain the same: ***"Give thanks to the Lord for he is good. / For his mercy endures for ever."*** The words of the dismissal, *"The Lord has freed you from your sins. Go in peace"* are changed to ***"THE LORD HAS FORGIVEN YOUR SINS. GO IN PEACE."*** Although these changes, like so many in the re-translation of a few aspects of the Rite of Penance are not drastic, neither are the words synonymous. Each offer a certain nuance that might convey a greater or lesser meaning to the ear of the penitent. For example, to hear that God has forgotten my sins (cf. Jeremiah 31:34) offers a very different image of God's tenderness and mercy than the image of God forgiving my sins. May we know this every time we enter into the sacred mystery of this sacrament. May Penance not be a forgotten sacrament, but one used, appreciated, and celebrated often!

*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 18 & 19, 2023

Contributions.....\$6,571  
Weekly Budget..... \$9,747

### Year - to - Date

Contributions.....\$296,723  
Budget .....\$370.386

Envelopes mailed.....336 # Returned.....114  
Online contributions...14

### CSA

Our contribution.....\$52,838  
Gifts to date.....\$2,003

### Parish Share

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

\*Please continue to use the yellow debt 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!**

### *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.

## St. Leo School Trout Derby

Ridgway, PA

**April 22 & 23, 2023**

Come enjoy a fun weekend at the Trout Derby  
Register now for only \$20.00 to fish a beautiful  
7 mile stretch of Elk Creek

### Catch Lucky Leo and win \$1500.

All fish will be tagged with CASH from \$10 to \$1500!

### Kids Derby

Saturday April 22 starting at 2pm is a great time to teach little ones to fish and win prizes, all kids will receive a prize!

You don't have to fish to join in the FUN!  
Live Music on Saturday by Chet Unplugged and Friends!

Kids crafts, games, bake sale, basket raffle and MORE!!!

Mass Saturday April 22 at 7 pm at the Firemen's Grounds by Father Justin

For more information and to register go to [www.stleofishingderby.com](http://www.stleofishingderby.com)

email [trout\\_derby@hotmail.com](mailto:trout_derby@hotmail.com)

**See you at the Derby!**

Fish donations and sponsorships still accepted!

## Children's Liturgy

Every Sunday, during 10:00 o'clock mass, students in grades preschool thru 2nd grade are brought down to the social hall for kid-friendly, age-appropriate activities based on that week's Gospel reading and message.  
Please join us!

## ONLINE GIVING

*Our online offertory program is*



This offertory site can be accessed by visiting our church website at [www.stleomagnus.org](http://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

## Second Harvest Food Bank

Mobile Food Pantry

**DATES:** **APRIL 17<sup>th</sup> 2023**  
**May 15<sup>th</sup> 2023**  
**June 19<sup>th</sup> 2023**

Call Trinity United Methodist Church  
**To Pre-Register**  
**(814) 772.5212**

Office hours are 9:00 -1:00  
**OR leave a message with your**

**NAME & PHONE NUMBER**

**Also Bring A Container and I.D.**



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### Lenten Penance Services

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



(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

### Offerings

*Offer it up.* My grandmother used this phrase with her children, and my mother, in turn, used it with me. It's a kind of verbal heirloom, a gift of wisdom from a generation that knew suffering all too well.

We know it to be true that God will work through our suffering if we invite him to. We know it and we have seen it — we have only to look at Lazarus and his sisters Martha and Mary.

But, often, I invite God into my suffering only to tell Him where I want Him to stand. I make an offering of suffering but expect God to do something very specific with it. *Teach me this, please. Give me this specific grace. Show me this specific answer.*

The happy ending in today's Gospel is not the alleviation of the sorrow Martha and Mary feel because it isn't alleviated, Lazarus is still human, and death still awaits him. Someday, his sisters will have to mourn at his tomb. That loss and pain will not be avoided.

The happy ending is that he is resurrected *now*, and in doing so, brings so many to belief. The happy ending is that Martha and Mary do not abandon discipleship because things didn't work out exactly the way that they wanted. They run out to meet Christ, eyes dim with tears. They fling themselves into his company and onto his providence.

They made an offering of their suffering, and their happy ending is that their offering was accepted.

*"You are not in the flesh, on the contrary, you are in the spirit."* — Romans 8:9

## 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. 26: Maureen Horan**, Ph.D., Retired Professor, Coach, Sports Psychologist.  
All are welcome

### **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.



**Food Fest - Sacred Heart Parish Center**  
Sat. April 1 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Baked Goods and more! No pre-orders!

### **St. Boniface Church, Kersey - Lenten Fish Fries**

Every Friday during Lent 4:00 - 6:30 p.m. in the St. Boniface Social Hall. Menu includes Fried, Baked, Bear 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.

### **St. Joseph Church, Force - Lenten Fish Fries**

Fish or Fantail Shrimp Dinners every Friday during Lent in their social hall. Eat-in hours: Noon - 6:30 p.m. All dinners include Baked or Fried Haddock or Fantail Shrimp, Potato, Soup, Salad, Roll, Dessert, Beverage. Cost: \$14. Questions call 814-787-4151 #6.



### **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.

### **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

### **PHE Peppermint Stick Gift Shop**

Easter Sale March 20 - 30. 20% off our Easter display. Hours: Mon. thru Thurs. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

## *Bulletin Deadline*

April 2<sup>nd</sup> bulletin submit by noon on March 27<sup>th</sup>  
April 9<sup>th</sup> bulletin submit by noon on March 30<sup>th</sup>  
April 16<sup>th</sup> bulletin submit by noon on April 11<sup>th</sup>

Mass Ministry Schedule		Weekend of April 1 & 2, 2023	
	5:15 pm	8:00 am	10:00 am
<b>Altar Servers</b>	K Petrosky A Eagen	L & M MacDonald	A Gardner J Sorg
<b>Stations of the Cross - Altar Servers for Friday, March 31 at 7 p.m. - Aaron, Leo, Mary MacDonald</b>			
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	J Wonderly	D Richards	J Fink
<b>Lector</b>	WJ Fernan	Volunteer	M Tettis

Ministry Schedule Week of April 2, 2023
<b>Money Counters - Team 1</b>
<b>Ridgmont Minister</b> C Tutton
<b>Altar Guild (3/31)</b> Group 2 , Pew 6



# Mass Intentions

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)

Tuesday, March 28, 2023 + Lenten Weekday

6:00 pm **People of St. Leo Parish**  
6:30 pm **EVENING PRAYER**

Wednesday, March 29, 2023 + Lenten Weekday

8:15 am **MORNING PRAYER**  
8:30 am **Richard Allenbaugh** (Family)  
6:30 pm **Penance Service**

Thursday, March 30, 2023 + Lenten Weekday

8:15 am **MORNING PRAYER**  
8:30 am **Jim Facchine** (Mary Facchine & Family)  
6:00 pm **R. Joseph & Lavina Tettis** (Family)  
6:30 pm **EVENING PRAYER**

Friday, March 31, 2023 + Lenten Weekday

8:15 am **MORNING PRAYER**  
8:30 am **Rose Heindl** (Family)  
6:00 pm **Geraldine Raubenstrauch** (George & Nancy Peterson)  
6:30 pm **EVENING PRAYER**  
7:00 pm **STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

Saturday, April 1, 2023 + Lenten Weekday

8:30 am **Billy Egger** (Egger Family)

Saturday, April 1, 2023 + Vigil for the Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

5:15 pm **Genevieve Stanley** (Family)

Sunday, April 2, 2023 + Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

8:00 am **Jean H. Gier** (Betty Manno)  
10:00 am **John & Mary Lee Urmann** (Mike & Christie Aiello)

*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 26th will burn in memory of **Cindy Fink**.*