Saint Leo Magnus Roman Catholic Church

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TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 10, 2021



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

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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 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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St. Teresa of Ávila | Feast Day October 15

St. Teresa of Ávila (1515-1582) was a Spanish Carmelite nun who lived in the 16th century. She was a mystic and author of spiritual writings and poems. The originator of the Carmelite Reform, she founded numerous convents throughout Spain and restored a contemplative life to the order. She became well known for the mystical experiences, many of which she described in her autobiography.

The first of only four women to be named a Doctor of the Church, St. Teresa's ascetic doctrine and Carmelite reforms shaped Roman Catholic contemplative life, and her writings on the Christian soul's journey to God are considered works of art. Her writings, especially the "Way of Perfection" and "The Interior Castle," have helped generations of believers.

St. Teresa of Avila died on Oct. 15, 1582. She was canonized on March 22, 1622, along with three of her greatest contemporaries: St. Ignatius Loyola, St. Francis Xavier, and St. Philip Neri.

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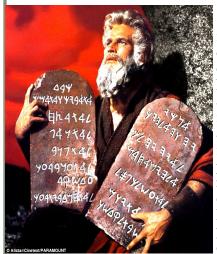
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ST. LEO MAGNUS CAT	☐ New Registration		
Name	Phone Number	Change of Address or Phone	
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From the Pastor's Desk

LIVING WITHOUT COVETING, BUT WITH JUSTICE: The Ninth Command to Love from Sinai Ten Commandments Reflection Series Part IX of X

My dear parish family:



When we are restless or worried we should be open about what's missing in our lives – honest about it too – and ask what will bring us peace. Instead of daydreaming just for the sake of wasting away our precious time, why not concentrate on the challenges we face and how we can look differently at our human limitations and turn them into solutions. We should never be afraid or ashamed or angry when we ask ourselves the "difficult" questions in life: for instance, do I need a better relationship – a more honest dialogue with God? How about, do I need to be more honest – more open – more AWARE of my imperfections and shortcomings, instead of being a so-called "expert" about other people's imperfections and forgotten to cultivate love? And do I need to recommit myself to what the ancient writer of the psalms once sung, to have "a contrite heart" and live out and share a true spirit of repentance, forgiveness and healing? Final question: do I need to dive deeper into imitating Christ? Well, if you haven't figured it out yet – the answer to all these questions – for me – for all of us if we are committed to God – the answer is a resounded. YES!

This is why the ninth commandment (You shall not covet your neighbor's wife) is not just about having lustful desires about the spouse of someone else, but the heart of the penultimate command of God's love is justice. Justice is the fulcrum of our relationships with others. It is an assurance of respect. Justice assists us in not only treating people fairly, but to give them freedom. To covet another person's spouse is a breakdown – a wound to and a malfunction of justice. When we covet – when we reduce human beings to objects of selfishness and sport – then justice fails, and fails miserably; for to covet is to be miserable. First, it violates the promise that we would be faithful and honor our own spouse; we have lied! Second, by coveting we have replaced our loved one as the center (with God) of our lives. By pushing our spouse, who we promised before God to love and honor ALL the days of our lives, aside, a vicious circle of unfulfilled fantasy has begun to spin. Third, again the issue of justice, by coveting we are thinking of stealing that which is not ours; not that a husband or wife is property, but it is extremely unjust to attempt to steal away the union another has with their spouse because of selfish fantasy. Finally, I must reiterate the idea of looking at someone as an object. Human beings are NEVER to be viewed or worse used as mere playthings for someone else's pleasure. That behavior and lifestyle is absolutely wrong and when this occurs God truly weeps! He created us to love one another in mutual respect, not to be treated like toys or disposable things. No! Every human person is just that a person – a person with a dignity and sacredness as a child of God and must be respected! As Saint John Paul II reflected, "human persons are willed by God; they are imprinted with God's image. Their dignity does not come from the work they do, but from the persons they are."

The Second Vatican teaches us from the Constitution on the Church in the Modern World, Gaudium et Spes, this about respect, humanity and dignity: "Whatever insults human dignity, such as subhuman living conditions, arbitrary imprisonment, deportation, slavery, prostitution, the selling of women and children; as well as disgraceful working conditions, where human persons are treated as mere tools for profit, rather than as free and responsible persons; all these things and others of their like are infamies indeed. They poison human society, but they do more harm to those who practice them than those who suffer from the injury." (no. 27) Therefore by living out the Ninth Commandment to it's fullness – in it's honesty we must stop injuring one another and live out lives of healing – of respect – of justice – of love. God is love and that is the only path to His gift of eternal life. Let us continue to love our God – to love our neighbors – to love the person God fashioned who looks back at us every morning in the mirror. That person deserved respect too – start there and you will be amazed! Amen – again let us all say AMEN – Yes, it is true!!

-Father Justin

Parish Support

Weekend of October 3, 2021

Weekly Contributions \$9,146 Weekly Budget \$10,160

Contributions
Year to Date
\$105,387

Budget Year to Date \$142,240

CSA-due by January 2022 \$46,962

Received to date: \$27,266
75 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: \$128,000



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.

The Feast of St. Francis of Assisi was celebrated with BLESSING OF THE PETS at St. Leo Parish





EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

If Heaven were like Harvard

There's no getting around it: life on earth can seem easier if you're rich. Most of the bodily and material needs a person could have are fulfilled if you've got a little bit of money behind you. So why doesn't this same theory apply to entering the kingdom of Heaven? Why isn't Heaven like an Ivy League school, where a connection and a hasty tuition check might open a lot of doors?

When you think about it, the virtues required to enter Heaven — things like charity and justice and courage — should be even closer within the grasp of those who never had to worry about where their food is coming from. In theory, your capacity for good works should only increase with the resources at your disposal.

The same is true for stewardship potential. Let's say I've got a lot of talent. Maybe I've got a lot of free time. On paper, it should be easier for me to give freely of these gifts, because I have the luxury that eluded the widow and her two coins: I can see my ample gift being put into action, when so many can only offer what they have and remind themselves that God sees it and appreciates it.

But here we get into the mess of humanity: if we have a lot of something, it means we have a lot of something we could use any way we want. And then we hear the whisper of the serpent: *Think of what this (money, time, talent) could do for you.*

May we pray for God to give us the heart of the widow, no matter our resources.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments

Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments- Bullying Prevention Month: Cyberbullying is bullying that takes place over digital devices like cell phones, computers, and tablets. Cyberbullying can occur through SMS, Text, and apps, or online in social media, forums, or gaming where people can view, participate in, or share content. Cyberbullying includes sending, posting, or sharing negative, harmful, false, or mean content about someone else. It can include sharing personal or private information about someone else causing embarrassment or humiliation. Some cyberbullying crosses the line into unlawful or criminal behavior. The most common places where cyberbullying occurs are: Social Media, such as Facebook, Instagram, Snapchat, and Tik Tok; Text messaging and messaging apps on mobile or tablet devices; Instant messaging, direct messaging, and online chatting over the internet; Online forums, chat rooms, and message boards, such as Reddit; Email; and online gaming communities. Adults should take the same approach to address it: support the child being bullied, address the bullying behavior of a participant, and show children that cyberbullying is taken seriously. To see what the diocese is doing to help maintain safe environments, visit https://www.eriercd.org/childprotection/



September 22 - October 31, 2021

Jesus spent 40 days in the desert praying for mankind. Now we can spend 40 days praying to save babies from destruction by abortion. Each Tuesday beginning Sept. 28, we will be praying the Rosary following the 8:30 Mass at St. Marys Church. Please join in this crusade for life.

The tender wording of the beautiful prayers for each day of the 40 Days For Life are available at the entrances of the churches.

The Elk County Right to Life will sponsor Life Chain, National Pro-Life Campaign, on Sunday, Oct. 3, in downtown St. Marys from 2 - 3 p.m.. Life Chain is a peaceful, prayerful public witness of Pro-Life individuals standing for 1 hour praying for our nation and the end of Abortion. Participants are invited to gather at 1:45 p.m. at the St. Marys K of C on Washington St. in St. Marys. Prayer signs will be handed out at this time. All Welcome!

Rachael's Vineyard - Support is available for both Women and Men who are struggling with the emotional and spiritual pain of abortion. Don't carry this burden any longer. To learn more call 1-877-467-3463.

40 Days for Life is sponsored by Elk County Right to Life. Call Mary Ross @ 814-781-6867 for more information

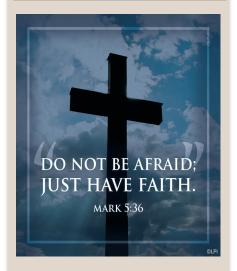
ADORATION

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.

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:

Reliable Remodelers

ACTIVITIES & EVENTS

Baptismal Training Sessions

Nov. 9 at St. Boniface, Kersey, 814-885-8941 **Nov. 29** at St. Mary's, St. Marys 814-781-1019 Be sure to call ahead for a reservation!

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.

The Guardian Angel Center, Kersey is now open with back-to-school clothing. For more info call 814-885-6192 or go to their Facebook page. Grand Re-Opening for the Guardian Angel Center is Sunday, October 10th.

ECC Athletic Association Virtual Outdoor Bash

Sunday, October 24, 2021 at noon. Tickets can be purchased by contacting Tricia Wasko @ 814-592-6430. Check out all the great prizes at www.eccss.org/outdoorbash/

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.

The Maternity Closet is open the 1st three weeks of each month on Wednesdays from 2-3:30 pm and Thursdays 1-2:30 pm. Babies and children to 3rd birthday in need are welcome.

K of C 300 Club Winners

	Week 9	Week 10	Week 11
\$40	J MacDonald	B. Emmanuale	Tony Leithner
\$25	Jennie	Joyce Steis	Amy Fedus
\$15	Barb Viglione	Marion Oldani	Les Shull
\$10	Lois Markert	Mark Washburn	Jim Martin
\$10	Mark Zilcosky	Unsold	Al Leithner
\$10	Nora Johnson	Joe S.	Ken Hinton, Jr.

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.

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.



K of C <u>Super</u> 300 Winners September 29 - 30, 2021

<u>Day</u>	<u>Winner</u>	Ticket #
29	Judy Fusco	77
30	John Bullers	133
Bonus	Nicole Hallehen	65
Bonus	Pete Straub	224
Bonus	Francine Papa	293

Thank you to all who support the Knights of Columbus. Watch for our drawings next year





Saturday, October 9 - Vigil -Twenty-eighth Sunday in

Ordinary Time

5:15 pm Luigi & Caroline LaValle (Frank &

Caroline Armanini, Jr.)

Sunday, October 10 - Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary

Time

8:00 am Arthur & Susan Cianca (Art & Mary

Therese Cianca)

10:00 am **Joseph J. Pino, 5th anniv.** (Fr. Justin)

Monday, October 11 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:30 am Communion Service

Tuesday, October 12 - Weekday in Ordinary Time 8:30 am **Jeffery A. Penfield, Sr.** (Betty Walter)

Wednesday, October 13 - Votive Mass of St. Joseph

8:30 am **Jeanne Angelo** (Gino & Karen Copello

& Family)

Thursday, October 14 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:30 am No Mass. No Communion Service.

Friday, October 15 - St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and

Doctor of the Church

8:30 am Cheryl Herzing (CD of A Court #356)

Saturday, October 16 - Vigil - Twenty-ninth Sunday in

Ordinary Time

5:15 pm **Adam Karpinski** (Family)

Sunday, October 17 - Twenty-ninth Sunday in

Ordinary Time

8:00 am Josephine Quattrone, 1st anniv.

(Roseanne Gausman & Family)

10:00 am Msgr. Michael Meagher, 95th anniv.

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 October 10th will burn in memory of Buddy Roof from the Roof Family.

The Wine and hosts for the month of October have been donated in memory of Ruthie Cooney from Annie Schield.

The Parish offers our prayers and sympathy to the family of Benjamin Gnan, Jr., broth of Ruth Steis. May he and all the faithful departed, rest in eternal peace.

Ministry Schedule Weekend and week of October 17, 2021					
	5:15 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.		
Altar Servers	C Toncich D Tutton	T Gilmore D LaBenne	M Toncich A Macer		
Eucharistic Minister	C Armanini	N Murphy	L Caggeso		
Lector	J Chal- lingsworth	P Gilmore	M Tettis		
Money Counters	Team 3	Altar Guild For 10/15	Group 6 Pew 6		
Ridgemont Minister	K Roemer	Hi-Rise Minister	Coming Soon!		

CANCEL THE COLD †WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYER†

OCTOBER 10

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

This Week Around the Parish

Oct. 12 9 am - 9 pm ADORATION

Oct. 12 6:30 pm TMIY at the K of C

Oct. 12 6:30 pm CD of A meeting, social hall

Oct. 13 7:00 pm K of C meeting at the K of C

Oct. 14 9 am - 9 pm ADORATION

Oct. 17 3 pm - sold out St. Leo School Sunday Supper