

Saint Leo Magnus

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER + GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY

APRIL 25, 2021



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MASS & CONFESSION TIMES

WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday evening: 5:15 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 & 10:00 a.m.

Radio Mass: 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 4-6 p.m.

Confessions are held in the sacristy

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

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.....	Mark & Kellie Martinez, mam533@pitt.edu
Parish Festival	Chris & Susie Klase, Klase4@windstream.net
Choir	Joey Kepple, jomariehelen@yahoo.com
Catholic Daughters of America	Linda Facchine
Knights of Columbus	Gary Leithner
Food Bank.....	Sam & Lois Markert, 776-1950
Prayer Chain	Felcia Nelson, 772-5460
Fish Fry	Charlie Richards, 773-7990
That Man is You (TMIY)	John Gangloff
Cancer Care Ministry.....	Tecla Pontious, 772-1352
Website Manager	Frank Quattrone/Rena Urmann
Prison Ministry.....	Molly Fernan
Altar Guild	Noel Murphy
Funeral Luncheons	Paul & Rita Reed, 773-7772
Money Counters	Linda Facchine
Eucharistic Ministers	Fran & Kathy Greich, 776-1540
Ushers	Jim Catalano
Lectors	Wee J. Fernan
Altar Servers	Joey Kepple, jomariehelen@yahoo.com
Baptismal Preparation Classes	Deacon Larry Caggese, 772-3135
Adoration	Dolly MacDonald, 776-6662
R.C.I.A.....	Lucy & Dave Bobby
Sacristy	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

III – Easter Reflection Series on the Paschal Candle: The Cross

My dear parish family:

The Paschal candle remains in the Sanctuary on its special candle stand during the full 50 days of the Easter season. After Pentecost, which this year falls on May 23rd, the candle will be placed next to our baptismal font in the Gathering Space. The candle is lit during all baptisms throughout the year, passing the light of Christ to each person baptized. The candle is also be used at funeral masses, and stands as a sentinel before the casket or urn, where the earthly remains of our bodies rest for one last time in the church. At funerals, it is a reminder that the sacrament of Baptism is itself a beautiful union with the Death and Resurrection of Christ.



At funerals I always place a crucifix upon the casket or near the urn and I say: ***“We place the crucifix as reminder that the Lord Jesus changed the Cross, from a sign of death into a sign of hope and new life.”*** As you can see by the image this week of our new Paschal Candle, that the Cross is central to its beauty. In fact, you can see that there are two crosses on this year’s candle – reinforcing this image as not just a Christian “symbol,” but from baptism to burial it is our of our identity as followers of Jesus and that we belong to Him!

We often focus on the Cross primarily during Lent, especially on Good Friday when we approach it and kiss it reverently. The rest of year we still see it in church, but usually focus on another aspect of the season whether it’s Christmas or Easter or Ordinary Time. The cross becomes “ordinary” to us. It’s off-center or hidden. When we see the Cross, whether it is our spectacular one above the sanctuary or on the Paschal Candle, it reminds us of the triumph of Jesus over sin – the Lord’s victory over death – is not on the back burner of our faith – the cross is not off center or blending into the woodwork – the cross is the epicenter, the climax, the heart of our Catholic Christian faith every day. Yes, the Cross is part of our way, our path, and our road to eternal life.

Indeed, there are those days when fall under the weight of the cross – maybe once or twice or three like Jesus, maybe more! We often feel embarrassed and unguarded like the Lord when he was stripped of his dignity and garments. There are moments on our roads that our hands and feet and held against our wills and someone with savage hatred, nails us to the wood that once hung the Savior of the world and the hurt and agony – the pain and suffering is so overwhelming. Yet the Cross on the Paschal Candle encourages us to look above to the flame – the light – the hope of the Risen Jesus Christ.

We go throughout our Christian lives together. Yes, as a family of faith – as committed apostles for the Lord. Yes, it can be painful. Yes, it can be frustrating. Yes sometimes we want to quit and burst into tears, but Jesus did not quit; Jesus did not suffer for nothing; Jesus’ tears of pain on the Cross wash away our sins. His blood is poured out for us. His acts of kindness, mercy and peace continues to reshape the human race. Will we allow Him who hangs on the Cross show us the way?

This coming Monday (April 26th) is the 40th anniversary of my baptism at Holy Trinity Church in Ramey, Pennsylvania. On that day, Father Killian Shuman, T.O.R., prayed these words at the start of the ceremony: ***“Justin, the Christian community welcomes you with great joy. In its name I claim you for Christ our Savior by the sign of his cross. I now trace the cross on your forehead, and invite your parents and godparents to do the same.”*** As we look upon the Paschal Candle, let us see the same cross that was traced on our foreheads at our baptisms, claiming us for Christ, giving us the courage to carry it, and be led to where the Cross points us – not an end, but a heavenly new beginning!

May these 50 days of Easter light bring us hope and joy! *Father Justin*

SAINT LEO STEWARDSHIP

Weekend of April 18, 2021

<u>Weekly</u> <u>Contributions</u>	<u>Weekly</u> <u>Budget</u>
\$8,289	\$9,915
<u>Contributions</u> <u>Year to Date</u>	<u>Budget</u> <u>Year to Date</u>
\$325,449	\$416,430

CSA--

is due by January 2022

\$46,962

Pledged to date: \$16,625

Received to date: \$14,740

Families have pledged: 54

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 you or the charity will have to pay income taxes.



Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments

Child Abuse Prevention Month: Mandated Reporters in the Diocese of Erie are people who hold positions of trust in our schools, parishes, agencies and institutions and are mandated by Pennsylvania law and the diocesan Policy for the Protection of Children to report suspected abuse of a minor. All employees and volunteers working/serving for the Diocese of Erie, in our parishes, schools or agencies are considered mandated reporters both legally and morally obligated to report any reasonable suspected child abuse to ChildLine, the local police, or other appropriate agency. Visit <https://www.eriercd.org/childprotection/> to learn the specific reporting procedures required by the diocese.

CD of A Members — Thank you for participating in our “Lenten Book Club”. To those who attended the group discussion the conversation was lively and the overall critique of Matthew Kelly’s book *I Heard God Laugh* was positive. The summer book selection will be announced at our next meeting held **Tuesday, May 11th at 6:30 p.m.** in the Social Hall.

If you would like to become a member of this dynamic group of women contact Linda Facchine 594-4567 for more information. The CD of A motto is “Unity and Charity”. We provide a unique opportunity, through charitable acts, for women to develop their God-given talents in meaningful ways. Jesus Christ is the heart of our organization.

CD of A Members and Guests -

The CD of A Annual Clergy Appreciation dinner will be Saturday, May 22 in St. Leo’s Social Hall after 5:15 Mass. Please Mark your calendars. All parishioners invited. More details next week.

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.

K of C 300 Club Winners

	Week 10	Week 11	Week 12
\$40	D. Caggese	Ed Horner	Bronwen Bullers
\$25	Mike Bowers	Pam	Unsold
\$15	Brandon Leithner	Unsold	Deb Shirey
\$10	Kris Ostrander	Rena Urman	Wayne Allegretto
\$10	Punchy Viola	Al Larnder	Mary A. Rezmerski
\$10	Lois Markert	Jamie Cobaugh	Brian Hinton

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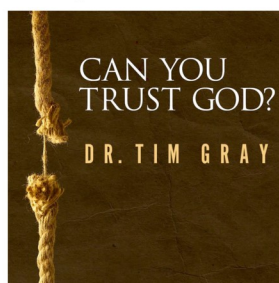
PICK OF THE WEEK

April 25, 2021

LISTEN

CAN YOU TRUST GOD? BY DR. TIM GRAY

To be a saint, we must trust God wholeheartedly. Since the fall of our first parents, however, humanity has been tempted to mistrust the Father's love for us. Scripture scholar Dr. Tim Gray takes us on a journey that addresses the pervasive misconceptions about God, showing us that there is no reason not to follow him.

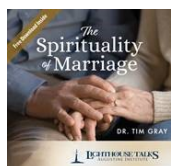


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*Please be advised that spring clean up will begin this month at St. Leo Cemetery. Please remove all old decorations and arrangements by April 30th in order to prepare for summer maintenance.
Thank you*

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

The Spirituality of Marriage



Throughout the Church's history, there has been crisis and confusion over Church teaching. Today, there is crisis and confusion surrounding the Sacrament of Marriage. As Augustine Institute President and Professor Dr. Tim Gray explains, this crisis presents an immense opportunity, as it encourages us to explore and discover the depth of this mystery, described by Pope Benedict XVI as "a Gospel in itself". When lived faithfully and well, marriage serves as a bold witness to the love and saving power of God.

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,

CONFESSIONS

WEDNESDAYS

***FROM
4-6 PM***

IN THE SACRISTY

Tecla Ponious -
is recuperating at her son's residence. Her address is 814 8th St., Pittsburgh, PA 15126. She would love to hear from everyone.

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***



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. The last evening for Rosary for Seminarians is April 28.

Baptismal Training Sessions - May 20 at St. Mary's Church, St. Marys. Please call 814-781-1019 to reserve your spot. Online programs are available for baptism preparation. Contact the parish office for a list of approved classes.

St. Leo School Fishing Derby - May 8 & 9. Ridgway Fireman's Grounds. Register now at www.stleosfishingderby.com Catch Lucky Leo and win \$1500. Three others are tagged for \$1000 and hundreds are tagged for \$500-\$10. This is a great family friendly outdoor activity.

St. Andrew Dinner - All young men who are striving to follow Jesus' call in their lives and who are open to the possibility of the seminary and priesthood are welcome to join Bishop Lawrence Persico; Fr. Michael Polinek, vocations director; and other priests for a light dinner, sharing of vocation stories, and prayer on April 22 at St. Jude School, Erie. Contact Fr. Polinek with questions at mpolinek@ErieRCD.org.

ECCHS Music Boosters - Chicken BBQ Drive Thru! - Sunday, May 2nd - ECCHS parking lot - 11a.m. until sold out. Cost \$10. Meal includes 1/2 chicken, mac salad, baked beans & roll.

St. Leo School - Walmart Truckload Sale - Friday, June 11th until Sunday, June 13th. Former Motion Control Building, Gillis Ave. Ridgway, PA

Diocese will recognized wedding anniversaries - The 2021 Diocesan Anniversary Celebration liturgies for couples celebrating 25, 50, 60 or more years of marriage will be held at two locations in the diocese; Aug. 1 at Immaculate Conception Parish in Clarion, and Aug. 8 at St. Jude Parish in Erie. For more information and to register, go to www.eriebcd.org/familylifeoffice/anniv.html or contact your parish or the Faith Formation Office at 814-824-1210.

Calling all TEC/DME alumni - Anyone who attended a To Encounter Christ (TEC), or a Divine Mercy Encounter (DME) retreat is invited to attend a "hybrid" reunion on May 22. Mark your calendars to reconnect with your community either in person or via Zoom in Erie and in St. Marys. All participants must register at <https://www.divinemercyencounter.com/copy-of-retreat-application>. The event will include Mass, fellowship, breakout groups, and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Further details regarding times and locations are available at www.divinemercyencounter.com. Please contact kchandley@divinemercyencounter.com with questions.

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 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 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.

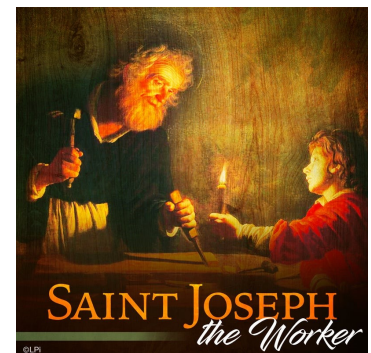
<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Intention</u>	<u>Requested by</u>
Saturday, April 24 VIGIL-FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	5:15 p.m.	Larry Johnson	Linda Johnson
Sunday, April 25 FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Arthur & Susan Cianca People of St. Leo Parish	Art & Mary Therese Cianca
Monday, April 26 Easter Weekday	8:30 a.m.	Communion Service	
Tuesday, April 27 Easter Weekday	8:30 a.m.	Marianne Drathman	Annie Schield
Wednesday, April 28 Votive Mass of St. Joseph	8:30 a.m.	Chester Maddalena	Stella maddalena
Thursday, April 29 St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church	8:30 a.m.	Richie Nelson	Felcia Nelson
Friday, April 30 Easter Weekday	8:30 a.m.	Luigi Butera	Estate
Saturday, May 1 St. Joseph, the Worker VIGIL - FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	10 a.m. 5:15 p.m.	Sr. Mary Joan Beauseigneur, SSJ Mr & Mrs. Fred Tagliaferi	Dave & Joey Kepple Helen Paladino
Sunday, May 2 FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Iva Case Deceased members of the Quigley & Pistner Families	Family Kevin & Marilyn Gahr

The Sanctuary Candle for the week of April 25th will burn in memory of Joseph & Angeline Facchine from their family.

The wine and hosts for the month of April are in memory of the deceased members of the Holtzhouse Framily from Bert & Paula Carr

St. Joseph Novena

Every evening at 6:00 p.m.
from Friday, April 23 until
Saturday, May 1.
The novena will conclude
with a Mass at 10 a.m.
Saturday, May 1



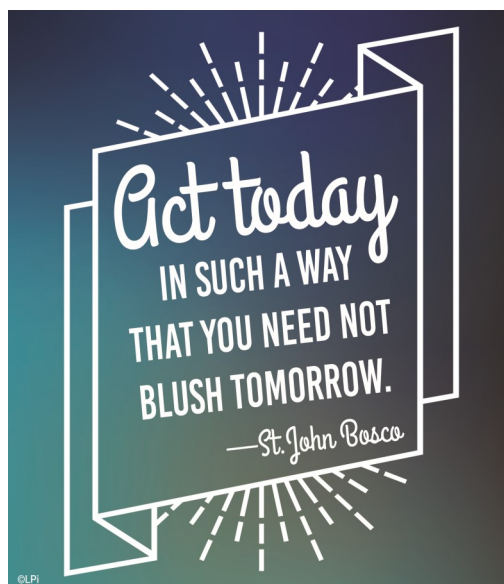
CANCEL THE COLD

†WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYER†

APRIL 25

DOMINIC & ELVERA JUDICE
DECEASED MEMBERS OF JUDICE-BOGGIA
FAMILIES
GENEVIVE STANLEY
MARY FOLEY
SOULD IN PURGATORY
SIS GEITNER

Please call the parish office, 772-3135, if you or someone you know cannot get out and would like to receive Holy Eucharist at home.



Ministry Schedule Week of May 2, 2021

Money Counters

Team 1

Altar Guild

For 4/30 - Group 6, Pew 6