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SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER + MOTHER'S DAY

MAY 9, 2021



A Mother's Day Prayer

I said a Mother's Day prayer for you, dear mother, to thank the Lord above for blessing me with a lifetime of your tenderhearted love.

I thanked God for the caring you've shown me through these many years,

for the closeness we've enjoyed in time of laughter and of tears. And so, I thank you from the heart

for all you've done for me and I bless the Lord for giving me the best mother there could be!

(left) Orthodox icon of the Foremothers of Jesus Christ: Saint Maria, the mother of Saint Anne, Saint Anne, the mother of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mary of Nazareth with Christ. Icon of 15th cent. Monastery of Theotokos of Saidanaya, Jerusalem.

Happy Mother's Day

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



Address

BAPTISM

Please call the parish office to schedule.

MARRIAGE

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

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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

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

Zip

Need Envelopes

City

Please drop this form into the offertory basket or mail to Parish Office

From the Pastor's Desk

V – Easter Reflection Series on the Paschal Candle: The Year

My dear parish family:

Time certainly goes by fast, doesn't it? These past 14 months amid the pandemic has often gone too fast and at the same time, very slow. Nevertheless, the years tick by one after the other. When I sit down to watch television, I often click on the guide to see when a particular movie or show had originally aired. Very often, I am shocked by how quickly time has passed. Next to my television, in the sitting room, is a paschal candle – yes, believe it or not. I discovered it my first year of priesthood in an old storage room. I guess I was destined to find it, because it was a paschal candle from the year of my birth! I keep it as a reminder of the passage of time – in which we are always in Jesus' abiding presence.



At the Easter Vigil as I prepared the Paschal Candle for the illuminated procession down the main aisle of the church, I traced the new candle's year: 2021. I prayed the following: "All time belongs to him and all the ages. To him be glory and power; through every age and for ever. Amen."

Yes, in every particle of existence – in every moment of history God is present and active in the world. Throughout the past 2,000 years Christ has stayed with us. He has remained to comfort, support and love the People of God who have walked alongside Him marked with the sign of faith. We are descendants of those people, the apostles have been encountering and wining over for Christ in the pages of the Acts of the Apostles we've been reading this Easter season! You are those people! Moreover, we will be examples to the people that will give praise and worship to God in the years and generations to come.

My friend and retired history professor at Gannon University, Dr. Robert H. Allshouse began his doctoral dissertation with these words: "For many historians, history has been punctuated by a series of events which have significant turning points." In addition, the former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger posited this: "I tended to think of history run by impersonal forces, but when you see it in practice you see all the differences personalities make." For nearly 150 years in our parish there have been countless events, many significant turning points and a myriad of personalities that have given birth, nurtured and maintained the precious heritage of the Catholic faith here in Ridgway. We are part of that story! When Bishop Tobias Mullen, the Third Bishop of Erie, formally established St. Leo Magnus Parish in 1874, the seeds of faith, hope, love, and the trust in the risen Jesus were planted here in Elk County. Those seeds have been watered by the Holy Spirit and have gown.

As the years continue to pass by, as the numerals on our Paschal Candles change and blessed again, we must recommit ourselves to be consistent and authentic witnesses for Jesus Christ to each new person and generation that comes by. We must continue to pass on the precious joy of the Risen Christ, who makes all things new every Easter, indeed, He renews us every day!

G. K. Chesterton, the prolific British author and Catholic convert of the early 20th Century, remarked that, "the wonderful thing about Christianity is that it is not merely 2,000 years old, it is 2,000 years new!" That hearkens back to an earlier Christian writer, the great bishop and fellow convert, St. Augustine of Hippo, who prayed to God: "How late have I loved you beauty ever ancient, ever new." May this Easter season and the light from our new Paschal Candle indeed makes us all new!

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

SAINT LEO STEWARDSHIP

Weekend of May 2, 2021

Weekly Contributions \$8,924 Weekly Budget \$9,915

Contributions
Year to Date
\$340,936

Budget Year to Date \$436,260

CSA--

is due by January 2022 \$46,962

Pledged to date: \$18,975 Received to date: \$17,120 Families have pledged: 58

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.



First Holy Communion

May 2, 2021



From bottom left: Avery Cenni, Phoebe Washburn, Anson Magnusson, Dominic LaBenne, (2nd row): Owen Armagost, Elizabeth Nicklas, Mia Aiello (3rd row): Patrick Messineo, Kate Gausman, Tarryn Dickinson, Colby Heindl (4th row): Aubrey McKay, Adelyn Terbovich, Avary Nida, Jude Bobnar.

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

To those who have contributed to our broadcast of Sunday Mass on WDDH The Hound, we thank you. The radio mass has been comforting for many during COVID.

C D of A celebrates Clergy Appreciation May 22

Each year the Catholic Daughters of the Americas celebrate Clergy Appreciation Day. **Saturday, May 22, after 5:15 Mass**, Father Justin and Deacon Larry will be honored in St. Leo's Social Hall with a supper of plentiful hors d'eouvres, liquid refreshments and desserts.

Social distancing will be observed.

Parishioners are invited.

Reservations will be taken until, Monday, May 17 by calling Valerie Kelly (814-772-8205) or Betty Manno (814-776-1304). Supper cost is \$10.00 which may be paid at the door.

With praise and thanksgiving to Almighty God The Diocese of Hitoona-Johnstown Joyfully invites you to attend the Ordination to the Priesthood of Jesus Christ the Rev. Mr. Mark Edward Groeger Through the imposition of hands and the invocation of the Holy Spirit His Excellency The Most Reverend Mark Q. Bartchak Bishop of Altoona-Johnstown Saturday, the twenty-ninth day of May two thousand and twenty one ten o'clock in the morning Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament One Cathedral Square Altoona, Pennsylvania

We're making plans for a bus to attend Rev. Mr. Mark Groeger's Ordination. If you would like a ride, please let us know as soon as possible. Call 814-772-3135. The cost is dependent on the number who sign up.

Ask Him.

To bless you abundantly with the richness of good, Godly people who will challenge you to be the person He Created you to be.

 from "Ask Him" by Jane Trufant Harvey

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,

Tecla Ponious -

is recuperating at her son's residence. Her address is 105 Glendora Dr. Coraopolis, PA 15108. She would love to hear from everyone.

CONFESSIONS

WEDNESDA YS FROM 4-6 PM IN THE SACRISTY

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:

Cliffe's & The Prescription Center



K of C Meeting - Wednesday, May 5 Officers meeting at 6:30, social meeting at 7:30. dinner and refreshments to follow.

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.

CD of A Meeting - Tuesday, May 11th at 6:30 p.m.

We'll announce our summer book selection at this meeting. If you would like to become a member of this dynamic group of women contact Linda Facchine @ 814.594.4567.

Sacred Heart Bread Sale - **May 20, 2021**. Pre-Orders Only @ 814-834-7861 #1. Order by May 17th Fresh Baked Bread and Cinnamon Rolls. Specials include Blueberry Bread, Mini Peanut Butter Pie, Hamburger Vegetable Soup and Macaroni Salad. Pick-up at Sacred Heart Parish Center Social Hall on May 20 from 3-5:30 p.m.

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 - Walmart Truckload Sale - Friday, June 11th until Sunday, June 13^{th.} 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.eriercd.org/familylifeoffice/anniv.html** or contact your parish or the Faith Formation Office at 814-824-1210.

In this age when personal data can be misused by scam artists, please be aware that the Roman Catholic Diocese of Erie, its clergy, and entities such as parishes and schools will never solicit your personal or business information by any method unless initiated by you. Should you receive an unsolicited request for such information - including a request for gift cards of any type - exercise extreme caution. Contact the person or entity by using official contact information only. Do not use contact information provided in the potential fraudulent request.

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

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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> | Requested by |
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| Saturday, May 8 Vigil-Sixth Sunday of EASTER | 5:15 p.m. | Dutch DePanfilis - 32 nd anniv. | Family |
| Sunday, May 9 Mothers Day | 8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. | Joseph Casolo People of St. Leo Parish | Family |
| Monday, May 10 Easter Weekday | 8:30 a.m. | Communion Service | |
| Tuesday, May 11 Easter Weekday | 8:30 a.m. | Mr. & Mrs. Frank Rutigliano | Betty Rutigliano & Family |
| Wednesday, May 12 | 8:30 a.m. | Pasqualina Butera | Estate |
| Votive Mass of St. Joseph Evening Mass: Vigil-The Ascension | 6:00 p.m. | Deceased Members - Verbeck Family | Family |
| Thursday, May 13 The Ascension of the Lord | 8:30 a.m. 12:05 p.m. | Genevieve Armanini Clara Millsop | Family Dave & Joey Kepple |
| Friday, May 14 St. Matthias, Apostle | 8:30 a.m. | Special Intention | Stella Maddalena |
| Saturday, May 15 Vigil - Seventh Sunday of EASTER | 5:15 p.m. | Liz Mitchell | Nina & Family |
| Sunday, May 16 SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER | 8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. | Mike Thompson Donovan Clancy | Knights of Columbus # 1064 |

PASTOR Rev. Justin Pino, Pastor frjustin@comcast.net

Deacon Lawrence Caggeso

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Parish Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 9 am - noon & 1pm - 4 pm ,Friday: 9 am - noon, *CLOSED HOLY DAYS* AND HOLIDAYS

BEAT THE HEAT

†WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYER†

May 9

Mary Helen Jacobs
Elizabeth Verbeck
Pearl Peterson
Berta Verbeck
Geraldine Raubenstrauch
Theresa Bullers

MAY 15 JOHN FEDUS

† The wine and hosts for the month of May are in memory of Jacqueline Renaud from her family †

The Sanctuary Candle for the week of May 9th will burn in memory of Anne Kennedy from Anne Schield.

The Parish offers our prayers and sympathy to the family of Joseph Piccirillo, husband of Alice Piccirillo. May he, and all the faithful departed, rest in eternal peace!

Ministry Schedule
Week of May 16, 2021
Money Counters
Team 3

Altar Guild
For 5/14- Group 2, Pew 2

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.

Prayer to Saint Joseph by Pope Leo XIII

To be recited after praying the Holy Rosary

To thee, O Blessed Joseph, we fly in our tribulation and after imploring the help of thy holy Spouse, with confidence we ask also for thy intercession. By the affection which united thee to the Immaculate Virgin Mother of God, and by the paternal love with which thou didst embrace the Child Jesus, we beseech thee to look kindly upon the inheritance which Jesus Christ acquired by His Precious Blood, and with thy powerful aid to help us in our needs.

Protect, most careful guardian of the Holy Family, the chosen people of Jesus Christ. Keep us, loving father, from all pestilence of error and corruption. From thy place in heaven be thou mercifully with us, most powerful protector, in this warfare with the powers of darkness and, as thou didst once rescue the Child Jesus from imminent danger of death, so now defend the Holy Church of God from the snares of the enemy and from all adversity. Guard each of us by thy constant patronage, so that, sustained by thy example and help, we may live a holy life, die a holy death, and obtain the everlasting happiness of heaven. Amen