

# Saint Leo Magnus

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**FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

**MARCH 21, 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:

Monday thru Friday: 8:30 a.m.  
Monday thru Thursday - 6:00 p.m.

#### HOLY DAY MASSES:

Evening before: 6:00 p.m.  
On the holy day: 8:30 a.m. & 12:05 p.m.

#### CONFESSIONS:

*Each evening from 4-6 pm*  
Confessions will be celebrated in the  
Sacristy.

**ST. LEO MAGNUS ADORATION TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS 9 AM TO 7:30 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 .....  
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 .....  
Funeral Luncheons.....  
Money Counters .....  
Eucharistic Ministers.....  
Ushers .....  
Lectors.....  
Altar Servers .....  
Baptismal Preparation Classes .....  
Adoration .....  
R.C.I.A .....  
Sacristy.....

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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

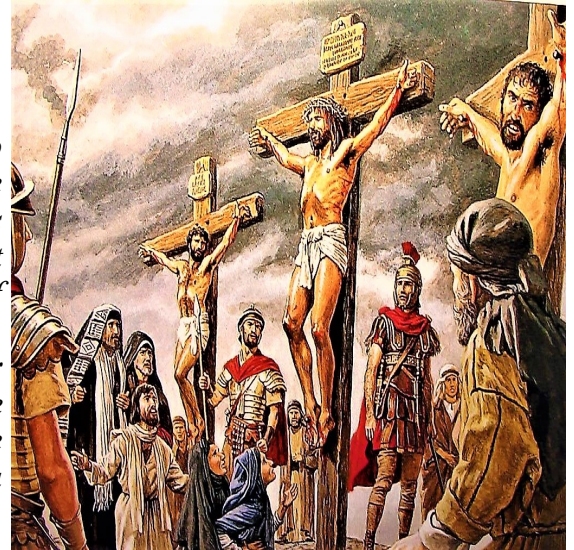
## *From the Pastor's Desk*

My dear parish family:

In my bulletin column throughout Lent, I want to offer you some additional moments to meditate on these sorrowful mysteries introduced in my sermons, with brief articles by Catholic author Michael Heinlein, that he crafted especially during this time of pandemic. May these words and images give us some insight and fuel for the Lenten weeks ahead. In addition, each week in this reflection I am going to include a quote by Pope Emeritus Benedict, that I recently rediscovered in one of my favorite of his books. Each week, let's read it, reflect on it, and see what new aspect we can pray about from it.

### Fifth Sorrowful Mystery: Jesus dies on the Cross:

*Those who suffer in extreme from the novel coronavirus, who have difficulty taking even one breath, can identify with the Crucified Christ as he hung on the cross. The weight of one's body pressed against the lungs is what ultimately brought death for most crucifixion victims (and gave to us the origin of the word "excruciating"). No one wants to contract this virus, and so its victims can identify with the sinless Christ killed for our transgressions. As we hear in the first epistle of Peter: "He himself bore our sins in his body upon the cross, so that, free from sin, we might live for righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed" (2:24).*



*From the Cross, Christ shouted in misery, "I thirst" (Jn 19:28). Those words resonate with the faithful as we face the coronavirus pandemic and its many effects. Given the serious contagion and associated risk of death, bishops throughout many countries have suspended the public celebration of the Mass. As the faithful are left without the consolation of the sacraments at this moment of crisis, so many hunger and thirst to receive Christ sacramentally in the Eucharist. Many of the dying, especially the victims of the pandemic, find themselves without the ability to unburden their souls of sin by confession to a priest or receive the anointing of the sick, even at the time of death. As Jesus, in his final moments, welcomed the Good Thief into heaven, so we beg the Lord, in his never-ending mercy, to usher these souls into paradise.*



Let us remember in these 40 days of Lent,  
the saving power of God!

*Father Justin*



**"There is a great danger today of our churches becoming museums and suffering the fate of museums: if they are not locked, they are looted. They are no longer alive. The measure of life in the Church, the measure of her inner openness, will be seen in that she will be able to keep her doors open, because she is a praying Church.....The fruit of Lent should be that we become once more a praying church and, thereby an open Church. Only the praying Church is open. Only she is alive and invites people in; she offers them fellowship and at the same time a place of silence."**

*Joseph Cardinal Ratzinger  
(now Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI)  
quoted from his book God Is Near Us (2001, pgs. 90-91)*



## SAINT LEO STEWARDSHIP

Weekend of March 14, 2021

**Weekly Contributions**  
\$7,205

**Contributions Year to Date**  
\$286,252

**Weekly Budget**  
\$9,915

**Budget Year to Date**  
\$366,855

### CSA--

is due by January 2022  
\$46,962

Pledged to date: \$6,525  
Received to date: \$5,450

### 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.



## Lent Devotions at St. Leo This Week

**Evening Weekday Masses** - Monday through Thursday at 6 p.m.

**Recitation of the Holy Rosary** - Tuesday before Mass at 5:30 p.m.  
Meditation and Praying with the Five Sorrowful Mysteries

**Sacrament of Penance** - Each evening from 4-6 p.m. this week  
Confessions will be celebrated in the Sacristy.

**Stations of the Cross** - Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m.  
Way of the Cross celebrated after Mass

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** -  
Tuesday and Thursday from 9:00 a.m. until 7:30 p.m.



## K of C 300 Club Winners

	<u>Week 4</u>	<u>Week 5</u>	<u>Week 6</u>
\$40	Janet Allegretto	Steve Cleveland	Ben Young
\$25	Greg Petrosky	Jan Wonderly	Kristin Cobaugh
\$15	Jan Wonderly	Jeff McDonson	Jeff McDonson
\$10	Steve Cleveland	David Martini-Miller	Joe Viglione
\$10	Rose Ann	Les Shull	Norma McDonson
\$10	L & LS	Elli Petrosky	ATN Call Carter
	<u>Week 7</u>	<u>Week 8</u>	<u>Week 9</u>
\$40	Jessie & Nick	Alice Billet	Pat Eckert
\$25	Rose Wolf	Hary & Jeannie	Peg Nearing
\$15	Rusty Laughner	Larry Caggese	St. Leo School
\$10	Michael Caggese	Lois Markert	Steve & Nancy
\$10	Mamie Mader	Jim Allegretti	Bob Connacher
\$10	Phyllis Olay	Teresa Bjorkquist	Rose Ann

### A Family Perspective -

Relationships come with a price tag. We must be willing to entrust ourselves to another, to let go of our autonomy and die to our independence. It is in this type of dying that we find a newer, richer life with others.

**CD of A Members** - The book selected for the "Lenten Book Club" is *I heard God Laugh* by Matthew Kelly. Get your free copy in the box marked CD of A Members - Lenten Book Club in the Gathering Space. If you are unable to pick up your copy contact Lisa Martin @ 772-2261 and one will be delivered to your home. A group discussion will take place prior to the April meeting for those interested.

The next CD of A meeting will be held  
**Tuesday, April 13, 2021, at 6:30** in the Social Hall.

**Why go to Church?**

I think this is fantastic, I just love the guy's answer, and the interpretation for the word BIBLE. Enjoy and pass it on.

A Church goer wrote a letter to the editor of a newspaper and complained that it made no sense to go to church every Sunday. He wrote: "I've gone for 30 years now, and in that time I have heard something like 3,000 sermons, but for the life of me, I can't remember a single one of them. So, I think I'm wasting my time, the preachers and priests are wasting theirs by giving sermons at all".

This started a real controversy in the "Letters to the Editor" column. Much to the delight of the editor, it went on for weeks until someone wrote this clincher:

"I've been married for 30 years now. In that time my wife has cooked some 32,000 meals. But, for the life of me, I cannot recall the entire menu for a single one of those meals.

But I do know this: They all nourished me and gave me the strength I needed to do my work. If my wife had not given me these meals, I would be physically dead today.

Likewise if I had not gone to church for nourishment, I would be spiritually dead today!"

When you are DOWN to nothing, God is UP to something!

Faith sees the invisible, believes the incredible and receives the impossible.

Thank God for our physical and our spiritual nourishment! If YOU CANNOT SEE GOD IN ALL, YOU CANNOT SEE GOD AT ALL!

B.I.B.L.E. simply means: Basic Instructions Before Leaving Earth!

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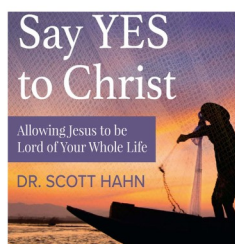
PICK OF THE WEEK

March 21, 2021

LISTEN

**SAY YES TO CHRIST: ALLOWING JESUS TO BE THE LORD OF YOUR WHOLE LIFE BY SCOTT HAHN**

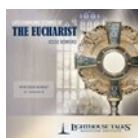
Mary conformed the entirety of her life to the Divine Will. In doing so, she became the model of perfect discipleship. In this talk, Dr. Scott Hahn discusses why we too should surrender our lives to the Lord.



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## Lighthouse Catholic Media Pick of the Week

### Life-Changing Stories of the Eucharist



In this talk, Jesse Romero shares numerous encounters of the stunning power of Christ's presence in the Eucharist in his own life and in the lives of others, and a convincing presentation of history and theology as witnesses to this most incredible mystery and gift! Jesse is a renowned professional Catholic apologist with a Masters in Theology, a retired L.A. Deputy Sheriff, and a former Police Olympic boxing champion and USA kickboxing champion. He speaks on the radio and at conferences around the country with a refreshing, straightforward, pull no punches, high-energy style, and with passion for the Catholic Faith and our Eucharistic Lord.

"Jesse Romero is a great speaker - interesting and animated. I am using the content of this talk as an inspiration for my Confirmation class students. He affirmed my belief in the power of Eucharistic Adoration." Deanne - Grand Junction, CO

**ADORATION**

*Tuesdays and Thursdays*

*9 a.m. to 7:30 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**

**MONDAY - THURSDAY  
4P.M. TO 6 P.M.**

**IN THE SACRISTY  
PLEASE WEAR A MASK**

## **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:

**Ridgway Medical Center**



**St. Leo Lenten Fish Fry - Fridays during lent. Eat in or Take out. Call 772-4705 to order.**

**St. Joseph Lenten Fish Fries** - St. Joseph in Force, PA will offer Fish/Shrimp dinner Ash Wednesday and every Friday during Lent from noon to 6:30 p.m. Take-out only. For \$12, the dinner includes: Haddock or Fantail Shrimp, Baked Potato or French Fries, Cole slaw or Applesauce, Roll and Dessert. To order, call 814-787-4151 #6.

**St. Boniface Lenten Fish Fries** - Fridays during Lent from 3-7 pm or until sold out. Call 814-885-8611 to order. To review your specific choice options go to the St. Boniface website. Take-out or limited dine-in.

**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.

**40 Days for Life** - Tuesdays during Lent, following the 8:30 am Mass at St. Marys Church, please join us in offering the recitation of the Rosary for an end of abortion.

**Baptismal Training Sessions - April 20 at St. Leo.** Please call 772-3135 to reserve your spot. Online programs are available for baptism preparation. Contact the parish office for a list of approved classes.

**Sacred Heart Cookie & Candy Sale** - Raisin Cookies, Walnut Roll, Coconut and Peanut Butter Eggs. Order by March 26th. Call 814.834.7861 #1 Dive thru pickup on March 31 from 3-6 p.m.

### **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.

### ***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](http://www.StLeoMagnus.org)** to get started.

#### ***ONLINE GIVING***

Visit **[www.StLeoMagnus.org](http://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.*

#### **Deadline for bulletin submissions**

For the **March 21** bulletin please have submissions, in writing, to the parish office by 4 pm on **March 15**.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Intention</u>	<u>Requested by</u>
Saturday, March 20 VIGIL - FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT	5:15 p.m.	Patrick Zameroski	Family
Sunday, March 21 FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Veronica DePanfilis Francesco Villella	Family Rosa Aiello & Family
Monday, March 22 Lenten Weekday	8:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	People of St. Leo Parish Eugene Bettwy	Annamarie Hamilton
Tuesday, March 23 Lenten Weekday	8:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	Mary Caribardi Larry Johnson	Frank & Mary Jo Linda Johnson
Wednesday, March 24 Votive Mass of St. Joseph	8:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	Mary Valone John Bonghi	Dolores Miller Armando & Barb Fortunato
Thursday, March 25 THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD	8:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	Donald Aiello Mary Helen Jacobs	Daughters Family
Friday, March 26 Lenten Weekday	8:30 a.m.	Chet Maddalena	Stella Maddalena
Saturday, March 27 VIGIL - PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD	5:15 p.m.	Eugene Facchine	Sister
Sunday, March 28 PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Burniece "Sis" Geitner Genevieve Stanley	Altar Guild Family

*The Sanctuary Candle for the week of March 21<sup>st</sup> will burn in memory of Clara Jane Mago from George Kutcher.*

*The wine and hosts for the month of March are in memory of Larry Johnson from Linda Johnson.*

*The Parish offers our prayers and sympathy to the family of Mario Mascioni. May he, and all the faithful departed, rest in eternal peace!*

**Ministry Schedule**  
**Week of March 28, 2021**  
**Money Counters**  
Team 4  
**Altar Guild**  
For 3/26 - Group 1, Pew 1

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

## *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

**CANCEL THE COLD**  
†WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYER†

**MARCH 21**  
**MARTHA LAUGHNER**

**MARCH 23**  
**DOROTHY ARMANINI**

**MARCH 27**  
**SANDI LEWIS**  
**RICHARD & HELEN GOETZ**

