

Saint Leo Magnus Roman Catholic Church

Sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ in Elk County since 1874

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The Reverend Father Justin P. Pino, Pastor
Lawrence M. Caggese, Deacon Assistant

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 23, 2018

WELCOME! If you are new to our area, we invite you to share fully in our parish life. Your presence brings vitality and new gifts to the community. Please take a moment to register. Forms are available at the parish office.

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 5:15 p.m.
Sunday Masses: 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.
Daily Masses: 8:30 a.m.
Holy Day Masses: Evening before 6:00 p.m.
8:30 a.m. & 12:05 p.m. on the Holy Day
Reconciliation: 4:30 p.m. Saturdays

BAPTISM

Please call the rectory for scheduling.

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.

SCHOOL CONTACTS

St. Leo School Principal-

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PARISH CONTACTS

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Director of Religious Education - Marjorie Gausman

Director of Physical Plant - Dan Bloam

Director of Liturgical Music - Al Larnder

Parish Council President - Andy Messineo

Finance Council Chairperson - Dawn Forringer

Cemetery Caretakers - Art & Mary Therese Cianca

THE PARISH FAMILY OF SAINT LEO MAGNUS IN RIDGWAY, PENNSYLVANIA



THIS SATURDAY AND SUNDAY

5:15 p.m. Albert Paladino (Helen Paladino)
 8:00 a.m. People of St. Leo Parish
 10:00 a.m. Rose Heindl (Family)

MONDAY, September 24

8:30 a.m. Neil MacDonald, 1st anniv. (Anne Kennedy)

TUESDAY, September 25

8:30 a.m. Fr. Stephen Anderson, birthday (Estate)

WEDNESDAY, September 26

8:30 a.m. Tron & Mary Valentine & Tron Valentine, Jr. (Joe & Julie)
 6:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, September 27

8:30 a.m. Ron McDonson, 1st anniv. (Felcia Nelson)

FRIDAY, September 28

8:30 a.m. M/M Harry Trievel (Family)

SATURDAY, September 29

5:15 p.m. People of St. Leo Parish

SUNDAY, September 30

8:00 a.m. Armond Caggiano, birthday (Gennaro & Cyndi Aiello)
 10:00 am Alice Marie Thompson, anniv. (Colleen Malee)

THE SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturdays at 4:30 p.m. or by appointment with Fr. Justin.

We invite family members for whom each weekend Mass is being offered to bring the gifts to the altar. Please make yourself known to the usher 15 minutes before Mass.

PARISH OFFICE Hours

Monday through Friday
 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon + 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Minister Schedules for Sept. 29/30, 2018

	5:15 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.
Altar Servers	J Williams J Benninger	T Gilmore S Geci	T Aiello S Cerroni
Lector	R Bish	Neil Hoffman	Mary Tettis
Eucharistic Ministers	H Nicklas M Miraglia	G & B Gausman	W Hanes K Gerber A Messineo* R Messineo*
Ushers	<i>Volunteer</i>	<i>Volunteer</i>	<i>Volunteer</i>



Readings for the Week of September 23, 2018

Sunday: Wis 2:12, 17-20/Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 [6b]/Jas 3:16--4:3/Mk 9:30-37
Monday: Prv 3:27-34/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5 [1]/Lk 8:16-18
Tuesday: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44 [35]/Lk 8:19-21
Wednesday: Prv 30:5-9/Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163 [105]/Lk 9:1-6
Thursday: Eccl 1:2-11/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17bc [1]/Lk 9:7-9
Friday: Eccl 3:1-11/Ps 144:1b and 2abc, 3-4 [1]/Lk 9:18-22
Saturday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5 [1]/Jn 1:47-51
Next Sunday: Nm 11:25-29/Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14 [9a]/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

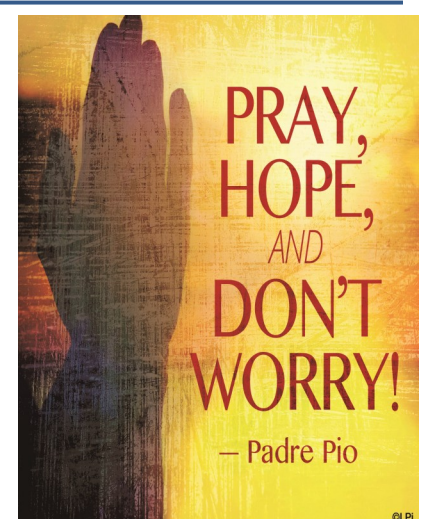
Ministry Schedules for the week of Sept. 30, 2018

Ridgmont
Kathy Roemer

High-Rise
J Wonderly

Money Counters
Team 3

Altar Guild
Group 6, Pew 3



From the Pastor's Desk

My dear parish family:

How is your prayer life? Are you meeting God everyday and sharing your heart, even your brokenness with Him? Here are a few reasons why we should make sure it is on our radar everyday, all the time. Prayer is one of the most important things a Christian can do. It is a time they are communicating with God and it should be taken very seriously. While there is deep theological meaning in prayer, it doesn't have to be something that is complicated and difficult. It's something anyone can do anywhere at any time. Kneeling in church with your hands folded is great - it works. Lying in bed at night or early in the morning is a good time to pray. I do it. But really anywhere - at any time - with anyone are all opportunities to pray.

Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI said: *"human beings of all times prays because we cannot fail to wonder about the meaning of our life, which remains obscure and discomfoting of it is not put in relations to the mystery of God and in his plan for the world. Human life is a fabric woven of good and of evil, of undeserved suffering and of joy and beauty that spontaneously and irresistibly impel us to ask God for that light and that inner strength which support us on earth and reveal a hope beyond the boundaries of death."* (General Audience, 11 May 2011)

Prayer is the light that leads us back to God in heaven. Prayer is the comfort that heals our hurt and broken souls. Prayer, as St. Paul oft-spoke of love, never fails! Here is one of my favorite prayers written by Thomas Merton. I've said it everyday for over 12 years. Say it with me - it will help - trust me.

My Lord God, I have no idea of where I am going. I do not see the road ahead of me. I cannot know for certain where it will end. Nor do I really know myself, and the fact that I think I am following your will does not mean that I am actually doing so. But I believe that the desire to please you does in fact please you. And I hope I have that desire in all that I am doing. I hope that I will never do anything apart from that desire. And I know that if I do this you will lead me by the right road, though I may know nothing about it. Therefore, I will trust you always though I may seem to be lost and in the shadow of death. I will not fear, for you are ever with me, and you will never leave me to face my perils alone. AMEN!
(from "Thoughts in Solitude")

God love you!

Father Justin



ADORATION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT

*is held every Tuesday and Thursday from 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Please consider signing up for an hour. Sheets are
located in Gathering Space. Nothing can compare to the
intimate presence of the Lord Jesus in the Eucharist.
Come be with Him. Prayers are answered!*



The Sanctuary Candle for the month of September will burn in memory of Michael Quattrone from Josephine & Frank Quattrone & Family.

The hosts and wine for the month of September are provided in memory of Liz Mitchell from Nina Stolburg and Family.



Observances for the Week of September 23, 2018

Sunday: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:
Tuesday:
Wednesday: Sts. Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs
Thursday: St. Vincent de Paul, Priest
Friday: St. Wenceslaus, Martyr; St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs
Saturday: Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels



II - Casey Clancy,
St. Leo
& Lucas Young



CD of A - Installation of Officers held Tuesday September 11, 2018

Upcoming Area Events

Bible Study with Fr. Michael

Beginning **Thursday, September 20, at 7 p.m.** in the Boy Scout room of the Sacred Parish Center. Fr. Will be going over Paul's letters to the Philippians and Colossians. Fr. anticipates being finished about the time of Halloween. Once again, this bible study will be based on what the church teaches not personal opinions; although interaction is encouraged. Thank you.

Olmsted Manor Retreat

Enjoy a relaxing day of prayer, reflection, and fellowship at the Olmsted Manor in Ludlow on **Wednesday, November 14th**. Father Ross Miceli, Pastor of St. Boniface Parish in Kersey, will be the speaker and the topic will be "Leaving Church". The day will begin at 9:30 am with coffee and donuts. The cost for the retreat is \$22/person which includes the light breakfast and lunch. Reservations are due by Friday, November 2nd and may be made by calling the St. Mary's Parish Office at 781-1019.

Annual Fall Dinner, St. Joseph's Parish, Lucinda

Country - Style turkey & ham dinner from 11-1:30. Cost \$9.00-adults, \$4.50 - children. Take-outs available. There will also be a raffle.

Pancake Breakfast, St. Joseph's Parish Center,

Mt. Jewett Sunday, Oct. 7, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Adults \$6.00, Children \$3.00

Elk County Catholic Athletic Bingo

Sunday, October 14, 2018

ECCHS Cafeteria

Doors open at 11:45 a.m. and bingo begins at 1:30

A FREE lunch (BBQ Ham, Chips & Dessert) will be served at 12:30.

Cover all. Bring a friend.

Alumni Mass at Elk County Catholic High School

The ECCHS Alumni Association will hold its September Alumni Mass on Friday, September 28 at 8:55 a.m. at ECCHS. All graduates of Central High School and Elk County Christian/Catholic High School are invited to attend and celebrate with the students, faculty, and staff. Breakfast will be served immediately following in the cafeteria. We hope you will join us!

Make an Investment in Your Future

A wedding is one day; but your marriage is for a lifetime! Invest in your marriage by attending Engagement Encounter. Spend a weekend away from the stress of planning for the wedding, and enjoy the special moments of creating your future marriage together. Call the Family Life Office at 814-824-1261 or familylife@ErieRCD.org to register!

RCIA**Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults**

Are you asking yourself, "Why be Catholic? Why now, especially amidst all of the scandal?" That's a fair question. The simple answer is this: Our faith is in Jesus Christ, not in the leaders of the Church. Jesus promised never to leave His Church and in His own words said that "the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." She is called the "Holy Catholic Church" not because its members are holy but because the Church comes from God and He is holy. The Church is full of sinners in constant need of forgiveness and purification. But God still works through the Church to give us everything we need for our salvation. Join us at RCIA to learn more about the mystery, beauty and truth of the Catholic Church that Jesus left us.

RCIA is for everyone

If you know someone who is just curious about the Catholic Church or someone who wants to join, share this message with them. No obligation.

If you are a non-practicing Catholic and want to come home to the Church and the sacraments, RCIA is for you.

If you are already Catholic and sit in the pew week after week, not really sure about what's going on, please join us.

If you are a Catholic who is ready to grow in your faith, RCIA is a great way to do that too.

During this difficult time in our Church's history, it is very important to form strong, solid Catholics who can lead the Church in holiness by becoming saints. Please share this message and help lead someone to the Catholic Church.

Come join us at RCIA Open House on Sunday September 23 at 11a.m. in the Gathering Space. Or contact Dave or Lucy Bobby with any questions 772-4244 or 335-3329.

THE WEEK AHEAD**Today, Sunday, September 23**

6 p.m. Community Rosary in the Church
9 a.m. K of C Pancake breakfast - Social Hall after masses

Monday, September 24

6 p.m. St. Leo School Home & School Meeting - Social Hall

Tuesday, September 25

9 a.m. - 9 p.m. Adoration in the Church
6:30 p.m. That Man Is You meeting in the K of C
6 p.m. Cub Scout Pack Meeting - Social Hall

Wednesday, September 26

6:30 p.m. Religious Education Program begins with Mass

Thursday, September 27

9 a.m. - 9 p.m. Adoration in the Church
6:00 p.m. Parish Council meeting - Social Hall

Friday, September 28**Saturday, September 29****Sunday, September 30**

OUR LADY OF FATIMA statue will be with us for the month of September. We will pray the rosary, as always, on Sundays at 6 p.m.

***Baptism Preparation Class******For first time parents and Godparents***

Oct. 13	10:00 am	Sacred Heart, Marys	St. 834-7861
Nov. 6	7:00 pm	St. Boniface, Kersey	885-8941
Nov. 27	7:00 pm	St. Mary's, St. Marys	781-1019

*Please call ahead for reservations





**Our Children's liturgy is celebrated at the
10 a.m. Mass each Sunday**

K of C Happenings

Pancake Breakfast Today, September 23 after
Sunday morning Mass in the Social Hall
Cost: \$5.00

Bring the entire family for a delicious breakfast
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The next meeting of the Knights of Columbus will
be held October 10th.
New members always welcome.



**GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER
UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE**
September 23, 2018 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Oscars. The Super Bowl. TV talent shows. Your son's Little League championship. We live in a culture set on competition. The desire to "be the best" goes beyond hobbies and into politics, the corporate world, and parenting comparisons at the park. This desire is as old as the human race, and it surely arose in Jesus' day. While Biblical society was significantly less open and upwardly mobile than our own, power was attractive. From what we know, many of Jesus' disciples had come from lowly backgrounds. Now they followed an increasingly popular rabbi who seemed primed to do something big.

Jesus does his best to dissuade their high hopes by prophesying his own defeat. "The Son of Man is to be handed over ? and they will kill him." Internalizing the message proves challenging for the disciples, and their attention remains fixed on earthly glory. "They ? [discuss] among themselves on the way who was the greatest." True to style, Jesus flips their pretensions on their heads. "If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all."

We have heard these Biblical principles before. Do we believe them? In our professional lives, do we do whatever we can to get ahead, or are we concerned with the entire team succeeding? In the lives of our children, are we more concerned with victory or with building character? Jesus doesn't condemn success, but he reframes it. "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me." Today's Gospel is a reality check. In God's eyes, our success will not be measured by worldly output alone but by how much love and service we offer to others in the process.

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 week we especially recognize:

Modified Tone Painting

WAYS TO REMEMBER



There are many ways to memorialize both living and deceased family and friends:

- Mass -- \$10
 - Sanctuary Candle -- \$10/wk (beginning in Jan. 2019)
 - Hosts and Wine -- \$40/month (beginning in Jan. 2019)
 - Beat the Heat/Cancel the Cold -- \$10/day
 - 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.

Prayer Chain

In need of some power-packed prayers? Call our Prayer Chain Coordinator **Felcia Nelson** at **814-772-5460**.



Stewardship

September 15 & 16, 2018

Weekly offering.....\$4545.00
CSA.....\$1050.00



Attention Religious Education Families:

Please save the following dates-
September 26th- First night of Religious Education classes. Parents join us for opening day mass at 6:30 p.m.

Divine Mercy Encounter (DmE) is a three day retreat program. Each day has a different focus: Friday is the Day of Invitation, focusing on how God is inviting us into relationship. Saturday is the Day of Encounter, where we encounter God through the sacraments, Adoration, and others. Sunday is the Day of Commission, where we as a community are empowered to evangelize and share our faith. The weekend includes talks, exposure to different types of prayer, Mass, community, and much more. The weekend runs from 10am on Friday to 5pm on Sunday, and retreat participants stay onsite for the weekend. To learn more or sign up - www.divinemercuryencounter.com

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS AND MINISTRIES CONTACT PERSONS

Cursillo Movement	Lisa & Jim Martin
Parish Festival.....	Chris & Susie Klase
Choir.....	Joey Kepple
Catholic Daughters of America.....	Jan Wonderly
Knights of Columbus.....	John Gangloff
Food Bank.....	Sam & Lois Markert
Prayer Chain.....	Felcia Nelson
Fish Fry.....	Charlie Richards
That Man is You (TMIY).....	John Gangloff
Cancer Care Ministry.....	Tecla Pontious
Website Manager	Frank Quattrone
Prison Ministry.....	Molly Fernan
Altar Guild.....	Noel Murphy
Funeral Luncheons.....	Paul & Rita Reed
Money Counters.....	Jane Mago
Eucharistic Ministers.....	Fran & Kathy Greich
Ushers.....	Jim Catalano
Lectors.....	Wee J. Fernan
Altar Servers.....	Joey Kepple
Baptismal Preparation Classes.....	Deacon Larry Caggese
Adoration.....	Dolly MacDonald



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*