

Saint Leo Magnus Roman Catholic Church

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

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FEBRUARY 17, 2019

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 5:15 p.m.

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

Daily Mass: 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

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

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.



PARISH CONTACTS

Pastor - Father Justin Patrick Pino, frjustin@comcast.net

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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

SCHOOL CONTACTS

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THE PARISH FAMILY OF SAINT LEO MAGNUS IN RIDGWAY, PENNSYLVANIA



THIS SATURDAY AND SUNDAY

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:15 p.m. Elaine Geyer (Janet Polinski)
 8:00 a.m. John Aiello (Victor & Barbara Aiello)
 10:00 a.m. People of St. Leo Parish

MONDAY, February 18

8:30 a.m. John Aiello (Terry & Dorothy Hook)

TUESDAY, February 19

8:30 a.m. John Viola (Judy Fusco)

WEDNESDAY, February 20

8:30 a.m. Geraldine Casillo (Family)

THURSDAY, February 21

St. Peter Damian, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

8:30 a.m. Susan DeStefano (Family)

FRIDAY, February 22

The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle

8:30 a.m. Ernest Aiello (Gennaro & Cyndi Aiello)

SATURDAY, February 23

St. Polycarp, Bishop & Martyr

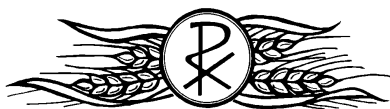
5:15 p.m. John Caggese, birthday (Family)

SUNDAY, February 24

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. People of St. Leo Parish
 10:00 a.m. Sophie Ferrari (Ed, Tina & Children)

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.



EVENTS THIS WEEK

Today Sunday, February 17

6 p.m. Community Rosary - Church

Monday, February 18

President's Day - Parish office closed

Tuesday, February 19

6:30 p.m. CD of A Meeting - Social Hall
 9 a.m. - 9 p.m. Adoration - Church

Wednesday, February 20

6 p.m. St. Leo Religious Ed Class

Thursday, February 21

6:30 p.m. Parish Council - Social Hall
 9 a.m.-9 p.m. Adoration - Church

Sunday, February 24

K of C Pancake Breakfast - Social Hall
 6 p.m. Community Rosary - Church

**Ministry Schedule for
February 23& 24**

	5:15 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.
Altar Server	Kennedy,s	S. Zamoski K Petrosky	Gresco's
Lector	N Murphy	J Gangloff	C Aiello
Eucharistic Ministers	H Nicklas M Miraglia	G & B Gausman	S & L Fink J Martin* S Viglione*
Ushers	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer

**Ministry Schedules for the week of
February 24, 2019**

<u>Ridgmont</u>	<u>High Rise</u>	<u>Money Counter</u>	<u>Alter Guild</u> For 2/22
J Wonderly	N/A	Team 4	Group 6,Pew 6

Prayer Chain

Call our Prayer Chain Coordinator
Felcia Nelson at 814-772-5460
 if you, or someone you know,
 are in need of prayers

PARISH OFFICE Hours

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

Stewardship

February 10 & 11
 Weekly offering.....\$7097.00



From the Pastor's Desk

My dear parish family:

I trust you enjoyed Father McElrath last weekend while I was away at the basketball tournament, which I am so proud to say Saint Leo School won! I am sure Father Ian gave you a wonderful homily, but I wanted to share with you my homily I preached at my old parish in Oil City last week. This week will be part one and will conclude in next week's bulletin.

Why are we here? We aren't here because of a building – or a priest's personality – or a convenient mass time? No, I'm here – you're here because we love Jesus Christ. Right? We love and need this celebration of the Eucharist. It brings us into communion with the universal church, with the church throughout the 13 counties of the Diocese of Erie and the church of our fellow Catholics here in the city. It should console and challenge us to proclaim God's Word, and it feeds us when we receive the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ. The Mass is a most important experience for all of us.

But there's a little phrase in the liturgy that bothers me. It's what bothered the prophet Isaiah, when he questioned his ability to follow God; it bothered Saint Paul, when he lamented that he had been born "abnormally" as he persecuted the Church; it bothered Peter, as he looked at Jesus and said, "Depart from me Lord, for I am sinful man." Here's the little phrase: Lord, I am not worthy that you should come under my roof." It makes me ponder, wonder, and pray: Lord, why are we not worthy?"

With all respect to the liturgical traditions of our Church, I cannot help but challenge the assumption that we or anyone is unworthy to approach the table of the Lord. In Chapter 1 of Genesis we are reminded that God declares the intention to create humanity in His own image and likeness. Yes, we are made in the image of Love. The author of Genesis then affirms that everything Love made is good — "God looked at all He had done – that He had created and declared it very good!" So, if we are all created in God's image, and we are all good because we are Love's creations, made out of the same spiritual stuff — how can we be unworthy?

But what about the sin of Adam and Eve in the garden? Doesn't the stain of original sin make us all unworthy, when humanity fell from grace at the whisper of the serpent? Isn't original sin a state of unworthiness, imprinted on our souls like an ugly birthmark carried from generation to generation, washed away at the moment of our Baptism? That brings us to the "chicken and egg" question: Are we all basically good people who are capable of sinning or basically sinful people who have the capacity to do good? God's act of creating us in Love's own image must trump our ability to tarnish that image by sinning (and sadly we humans are very good at doing this). We are always worthy in God's eyes, even when we sin. Right?

Jesus spoke with, ate with, healed, fed, raised from death, commissioned, and gave positions of authority to men and women without any regard for their worthiness; whether they be tax collectors, prostitutes, pharisees or unbelievers. Many of them, according to our so-called standards of today, would be judged very unworthy of the task! The apostles themselves wouldn't make it past the interview today! Yet, Jesus showed God's love and compassion to anyone who needed him. They were worthy, because they had the ability to change for the good; to work together by following Him to the eternity of heaven, even if that meant carrying the Cross.....

Stay tuned for the next installment next week!

Have a blessed week and Happy Sunday! Father Justin

The Sanctuary Candle for the week of February 17th will burn in memory of Elaine Geyer from Janet Polinski

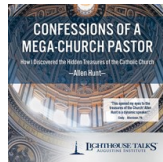
The hosts and wine for the month of February are provided in memory of Ron McDonson from Norma McDonson and Family



LIGHTHOUSE CD OF THE WEEK

Confessions of a

Mega-Church Pastor



Based on his powerful book, Allen Hunt shares the insights and details of his 15-year journey into the Catholic Church. In 2007, Allen stepped aside as pastor of a Methodist congregation that served more than 15,000 persons each week. He entered the Catholic Church in 2008. His daily talk radio show is heard by over half a million listeners and is syndicated on 140 stations nationwide.

"I've always wondered what a 'Mega' church can offer someone that the Catholic Church and Christ can't? The answer is and will always be the Eucharist. Witnessing the call back to Christ and the only one Church was heart-warming and inspiring." Julie - Crystal Lake, IL

2019 Cursillo Dates

March 14-17 Women's Cursillo #254 at Our Lady of Mercy, Harborcreek

May 16-19 Men's Cursillo #248 at Our Lacy of Mercy, Harborcreek

June 20-23 Women's Cursillo #255 at ECC High School, St. Marys

Mark and Kellie Martinez would love to talk to you about Cursillo and how it can change your life.



Saint Leo Communion Closet

Recycle, renew, repurpose

Saint Leo Confirmation students are sponsoring a **First Eucharist clothing drive** in hopes to create a Communion Closet for our parish. The purpose of the project is to allow 3rd grade families to "shop" for First Eucharist clothing and accessories. Our closet will be completely free for them; We just ask that the items be cleaned and returned for future use. We are collecting any First Eucharist clothing related items including :

veils, boys and girls dress shoes (preferably white for the young ladies), dress pants, white shirts, ties, coats, white and ivory Eucharist dresses, etc. in any child size.

Collection bins will be located in the gathering space of the church, Saint Leo rectory (during rectory business hours) and Saint Leo school. Donations may also be sent in with Religious Education students and Saint Leo school students.

Please consider donating so that others may benefit from this program.



6th Annual 2232 Men's Conference

This half-day conference will ignite and strengthen your faith, through powerful speakers. You will build a foundation that will change your life forever. Grow strong and meet the challenges of the modern world with the power and tools you will gain from this conference.

**March 2, 2019 at Our Lady of Peace, Erie.
9 am-3:30 pm. Lunch included.**

For more information: www.2232Men.com

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:

Thompson Funeral Home

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Anna, the littlest one, is tired and bored from always playing the same things when suddenly she finds herself at Noah's ark! Lukas can't resist telling her a wonderful story about a Pope who was once a child and enjoyed playing like she did; Anna won't believe how his story ends and what she can do to follow St. John Paul II's example!

"Great message and example for our kids of how we can learn the virtues of the Saints...they were people just like us!" Alessandra D., St Elizabeth of Hungary Catholic Church

Baptism Preparation Class for first time parents and Godparents

Feb. 28	6:30 pm	St. Mark, Emporium	486-0569
March 12	6 pm	St. Boniface, Kersey	885-8941
April 6	10 am	Sacred Heart, St. Marys	834-7861

*Please call ahead for reservations



**Do you know someone who cannot get out to church?
Would they like to be added to our First Friday Call List?
Contact the parish office for details.**

TRAVEL OPPORTUNITIES

'TREASURES OF ITALY' PILGRIMAGE

In conjunction with **Bishop Lawrence Persico's** required *ad limina* visit to Rome, the Diocese of Erie is offering a 10-day pilgrimage to Italy

November 16-25, 2019. Led by Msgr. Edward Lohse and Fr. Nicholas Rouch, the trip will include stops in Assisi, Siena and San Giovanni Rotondo --- home of St. Padre Pio --- as well as Rome. Also on the agenda are participation in the Sunday Angelus in St. Peter's Square with Pope Francis, if he is in residence, as well as a Mass with Bishop Persico.

Visit www.ErieRCD.org/pilgrimage2019.html for details or call Marianna at Unitours at 1-800-777-7432.

FOOTSTEPS OF ST. PAUL

Travel with Fr. Paul Siebert to Greece. **September 7-16, 2019.** Visit Thessaloniki, Phillipi, Delphi, Athens, Pireaus, Kusadasi (Turkey), Ephesus and other places (14 in all). Cost is \$3,600; Airfare and ALL-included. To register, please call 885-842-8001 or 508-340-9370. You can also register online @ www.proximotravel.com. For more information, call Fr. Paul at 814-486-0569

The Best of Poland, Prague & Germany

Travel with Fr. Brian Vossler to Poland, Prague and Germany. Including the world famous Passion Play of Oberammergau. **July 7-17, 2020.** Cost: \$4,679. Tour features roundtrip airfare from Cleveland, accommodations at first class/select hotels, first class (category 1) admission tickets to the Passion Play, most meals, comprehensive services of a professional English-speaking tour director, and more. For a brochure with full details, contact Deacon Denis Coan, St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, 2701 East Ave., Erie, PA 16501. Phone: (814)314-9050 .

Email: deacon.denis@sjberie.org

Cancel the Cold

We remember in our prayers:

February 24, 2019

Art Aiello

Emma & Emil Kilhoffer

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 17, 2019

Sunday: Jer 17:5-8/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4, 4, 6 [40:5a]/1 Cor 15:12, 16-20/Lk 6:17, 20-26

Monday: Gn 4:1-15, 25/Ps 50:1 and 8, 16bc-17, 20-21 [14a]/Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday: Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10/Ps 29:1a and 2, 3ac-4, 3b and 9c-10 [11b]/Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday: Gn 8:6-13, 20-22/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 18-19 [17a]/Mk 8:22-26

Thursday: Gn 9:1-13/Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23 [20b]/Mk 8:27-33

Friday: 1 Pt 5:1-4/Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6 [1]/Mt 16:13-19

Saturday: Heb 11:1-7/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 10-11 [cf. 1]/Mk 9:2-13

Next Sunday: 1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13 [8a]/1 Cor 15:45-49/Lk 6:27-38

Area News and Notes

Exposition of Sacred Relics, Christ the King

Parish, Houtzdale

Monday, February 25 at 6 pm.

Over 150 relics will be present, some as old as 2,000 years. Among the treasures will be relics of St. Teresa of Avila, St. Maria Goretti, St. Therese of Liseaux, St. Francis of Assisi, St. Anthony of Padua, St. Thomas Aquinas, and St. Faustina Kowalska. In addition, there will also be present a piece of a veil which belonged to Our Lady and one of the largest remaining pieces of the True Cross in the world. Presented by Fr. Carlos Martins of the Companions of the Cross.

FAMILY HONOR will be presenting **Real Love &**



Real Life, a chastity program series at

ECCHS on Mondays, March 11, 18, and 25, 2019. **Real Love & Real Life** is for parents with your 7th or 8th grade son or

daughter. This Family Honor program includes communicating effectively in families; respecting the gift of our sexuality and the amazing power we have to give life; discusses other topics all teens are facing, such as peer pressure and avoiding risky behaviors. This is an incredible opportunity to spend quality time with your teen, and open the door to communication on some really important issues. To register or find out more about this program, call Laurey Kraus 781-6746.

Elk County Catholic High School Alumni Association

will hold its February Alumni Mass on Friday, February 22 at 9:05 a.m. at ECCHS. All graduates of Catholic education in Elk County 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!

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.

LENTEN REFLECTIONS

EXPERIENCE THE CATHOLIC FAITH IN A WHOLE NEW WAY

Journey through Lent with **Dr. Tim Gray**

Set yourself up for a transformative 40 days with **FORMED Lenten Reflections**. Get daily videos from **Dr. Tim Gray** delivered right to your inbox so you don't miss a day of growing closer to our Lord.

Visit lent.formed.org to sign up!

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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

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS AND MINISTRIES CONTACT PERSONS

Cursillo Movement	Mark & Kellie Martinez
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*