

St. Leo The Great Parish

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MISSION STATEMENT PRAYER

Lord, God, in your infinite wisdom and love, you are inviting us to be a welcoming Catholic community, grounded in Eucharistic prayer, celebrating our diversity, and sharing your love through ministries of serving and being present, in our urban neighborhoods, while focusing on the spiritual and corporal works of mercy.

Help us to accept your invitation to be church, and to generously live together this mission statement.

Teach us your works of mercy and unite us as your people, who serve our urban neighborhoods with your presence and grace. Let your works of mercy be common, holy ways for celebrating our diversity, and for leaving the Eucharistic table, heeding your command to "Go in peace to love and serve the Lord."

With those whom you entrust to our care and among ourselves, may we see you when you are hungry and thirsty, and recognize you when you are naked or a stranger, or sick or in prison, and then welcome you, feed you, clothe you and visit you. With those whom you entrust to our care and among ourselves, bless us with your works of comforting, consoling, forgiving and patiently forbearing. We ask this always through Christ our Lord. Amen.

EUCCHARIST

Saturday Vigil Mass in Spanish: 6:00 PM

Sunday Mass: 10:30 AM

Thursday Mass: 7:00 PM

Adoration/Exposition: 9:00 AM-Noon, 8:00-9:00 PM

Friday Adoration Only: 4:00 PM-6:00 PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 5:00-5:30 PM or by Appointment

BAPTISMS - Call three weeks in advance

WEDDINGS - Call six months in advance

This Week's Schedule

Saturday, May 23 - Mass for the People of the Parish at **6:00pm**.

Readings: Acts 28:16-20,30-31; John 21:20-25

Sunday, May 24 - Mass Intention for our First Communicants at **10:30am**.

Readings: Acts 2:1-11; Galatians 5:16-25; John 15:26-27,16:12-15

Monday, May 25 - No Service.

Readings: Sirach 17:20-24; Mark 10:17-27

Tuesday, May 26 - No Service.

Readings: Sirach 35:1-12; Mark 10:28-31

Wednesday, May 27 - No Service.

Readings: Sirach 36:1,4-5,10-17; Mark 10:32-45

Thursday, May 28 - Mass Intention in loving memory of Marie Antoinette Macke at **7:00pm**.

Adoration 9am-noon, 8-9pm.

Readings: Sirach 42:15-25; Mark 10:46-52

Friday, May 29 - No Service.

Readings: Sirach 44:1,9-13; Mark 11:11-26

Saturday, May 30 - No Service.

Readings: Sirach 51:12-20; Mark 11:27-33

Sunday, May 31 - Mass Intention: All Graduates at **10:30am**.

Readings: Deuteronomy 4:32-34,39-40; Romans 8:14-17; Matthew 28:16-20

Next Week's Ministry Assignments

Lectors - Sr. Mary (English), Yvone (Kirundi)

Distributors - Myles, Epiphane

Servers - Mariejane, Elias, Adonette U.

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE CLASSES

are held every Saturday at St. Leo, 10am-noon.

We teach English to Spanish- and Burundi-speaking students but welcome all interested in learning English.

We can always use English speakers to help students practice. Free! Call for info. (No Class 5-30)

VISIT US!

St. Leo's website: www.Saint-Leo.org

Facebook: St. Leo the Great Catholic Church

St. Leo's YouTube Channel go to:

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Each person has to subscribe & it's free. Put user name, password, e-mail address. Once subscribed, the bulletin will be automatically sent to you each week by e-mail.

Holy Mary, Pray for Us



YOUR GIFT TO ST. LEO IS APPRECIATED!

Collection: May 17th: \$1,207.35

Thank you for your continued support and generosity!

Please consider remembering St. Leo the Great Church in your Will. For more information contact Casey Betz at 921-1044.

EASY ONLINE GIVING AVAILABLE:

<https://www.myowngiving.com/Default.aspx?cid=995>

MATCHING GIFT PROGRAMS:

See our website at www.Saint-Leo.org/DonateNow.aspx

PRAYER PARTNER FOR THE WEEK:

To be one in Christ, the churches in Western Hills are asked to pray for Gloria Dei Lutheran Church.

YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED

Please keep in your prayers all those listed in our Parish Petition/Special Prayer Books and Prayer List. Please call the Parish Office if you are hospitalized and wish to be visited. Hospitals no longer share that information.

VOCATION VIEW

Jesus sends us the gift of peace and the Spirit to renew the earth. Use the gifts given to you.

Let the Spirit fill you and use you!

Important Dates to Remember

May 24 - First Communicants Sunday

May 25 - Hunger Walk

June 7 - Parish Council following 10:30am Mass

June 28 - Name Tag Sunday

Bulletin information is always welcome! Articles must be in the office by 10am the Monday prior to publication provided there is still room. Please call Stephanie at 921-1044x20 or email info to stleocinti@aol.com.

IT'S NOT TOO LATE!

Join our walkers around 8:45am Memorial Day Monday, May 25th, at Yeatman's Cove (located on the Ohio River Bank – between the Purple People Bridge & Public Landing) for the 9am walk to raise funds for our Food Pantry! Look for Shirley and "the gang"!!!



WORD OF THE WEEK

ENGLISH ~ KIRUNDI ~ SPANISH

Please ~ Ndakwinginze ~ Por favor

From Father Jim...

Welcome to everyone! Welcome on this Great Feast of Pentecost! It is truly right and just that we gather to celebrate the Eucharist, the Lord's Paschal mystery on this, the last day of the Easter Season and the birthday of the Church of God. Each time we gather in prayer at St. Leo's, we resemble the first Pentecost. I feel about this Feast like I do the Feast of the Epiphany. If we didn't bear the name St. Leo the Great, these two Feasts are so appropriate for being our parish feast days.



Look around. How evident are we of belonging to the Lord, of being filled with the Holy Spirit, of being sent to proclaim the Good news to all the nations, and of having different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit? Are there different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone? Are there different forms of service but the same Lord? Are we not the one body of Christ and doesn't this one body have many beautiful parts? Do we not speak in our own tongues of the mighty acts of God? Whether African, African - American, Guatemalan, Hispanic, Latino, European, European-American or American, in one Spirit, we were all baptized into one body. Whether black, white or brown, male or female, we were all given to drink of the one Spirit. Praise be to God and thanks be to God now and always!

It is incredible that I can write to you, today, just like St. Paul wrote to the Corinthian community and use his very words to write to you. How close is our celebration to the first celebration of Pentecost? But no matter how we celebrate, the message remains the same for all of us and for the entire universal church. We are blessed to be a microcosm of the universal church whenever we gather. May we discover this blessing and appreciate it more and more each time we come together in prayer and in service especially as our mission statement directs us with the spiritual and corporal works of mercy. Thanks for being and living as the church of God and professing your faith so well and so generously. Let the church all say: "Amen!"

We especially welcome and thank our partner parishes for joining us in prayer. Almost every Sunday there is some representation from one of our partner parishes joining with us in the Eucharist at our 10:30am mass. But we are always praying for each other when we aren't together and so we experience union in prayer and in the Spirit of God all the time. What a grace it is to build the kingdom of God together and we marvel at the good works and mighty deeds of the Lord and the presence of the Risen One in our midst.

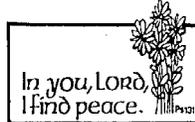
"Come, Holy Spirit, come! Fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit that we might be created and renew the face of the earth!" As the Spirit will be answering this prayer in some way in each of us, what one gift of the Spirit do you want to pray for this week, in order to assist the Spirit in answering this prayer?

Happy Pentecost, everyone, and may you be on fire with the love of God for all of God's people and God's church!

We congratulate all the children who made their first communion this year and their parents and especially the following who are making their first communion today (Sunday) at our 10:30 liturgy. Welcome to the table of the Lord: Lowi Irakoze, Aimable Niyongabo, Adela Irumva, Josiane Ndayishimiye, and LaNiece Peppers.



IN SYMPATHY



Our condolences to the families of MARY LABMEIER and LYN McCABE.

Mary is the mother of Angela Anno and mother-in-law to Kathy Labmeier, both of whom are an integral aspect of St. Leo's mission and outreach. Also, Kathy received a call that her sister-in-law, Lyn, passed away the following morning.

Our thoughts and prayers are with both the families and their friends as they celebrate Mary's and Lynn's eternal life as they rest in the peace, light and love of Christ.



MEMORIAL DAY



is not just another day off work, but rather a day to reflect upon our blessings as individuals, communities, and country.

We remember those who have given their lives and served our nation for the sake of all of us to enjoy our religious freedom and so many other freedoms in our daily lives. Give thanks for those who willingly sacrificed their lives for our freedoms and the blessings we have and enjoy. - S. Sepate



VOICES OF EXPERIENCE: THE DEATH PENALTY

On May 26, from 7-9pm, at St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish (5720 Hamilton Mason Road, 45011), four speakers will gather to share their stories on the death penalty in Ohio. Speakers include a man who was on death row for 20 years after being exonerated and freed and a widower who witnessed the execution of his wife's murderer.



OUTPOURING

Join thousands of Christ followers in prayer at the Cincinnati Gardens on May 31st at 3pm. For more information, see OUTPOURINGPRAYER.ORG.