

The Church of St. Leo the Great

ST. LEO PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

“St. Leo the Great Catholic Church is a welcoming parish which is strengthened by the Eucharist, and which keeps Jesus Christ at its center. We are a community of faith characterized by prayerful worship, community involvement, evangelical discipleship, and vibrant stewardship. We are an ever-growing resource for spiritual renewal and Catholic teaching in the Hilton-Parma area. Our parish strives to be financially stable. Our parish collaborates with the Diocese of Rochester and other faith communities to develop dynamic programs that address the needs of the parish and the greater community.” *A Stewardship Parish which gathers at 167 Lake Avenue, Hilton, New York 14468*

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December 19, 2010



CHRISTMAS MASSES

CHRISTMAS EVE:

December 24 4:00 PM 6:00 PM

CHRISTMAS DAY: December 25

12:00 AM Midnight

10:30 AM

The 4:00 PM Mass is traditionally called “The Family Mass.” Because of the volume in attendance at this Mass; to be assured a seat in Church you should arrive by 3:30 PM. The parking lot will be closed when the Church has reached its seating capacity. All of the Masses have a different “flavor.” If you have not attended the 6:00 PM or the Midnight Mass, think about trying one out. All are beautiful and special.

5:00 PM MASS CHANGE

Please note: We will not have the 5:00 PM Mass on December 25 or January 1.

Mass times on Sunday, December 26 and January 2 are at 8:00 AM, 10:30 AM and 6:00 PM.

INCENSE ALERT

FYI: Incense will be used at the 12:00 AM (Midnight) Mass on December 24 and at the 10:30 Mass on Christmas Day. Incense will not be used at the 4:00 PM and 6:00 PM Masses. Incense will also be used on Sunday, January 2, Feast of the Epiphany, at the 10:30 AM and 6:00 PM Masses.

DO YOU HAVE “HANDEL’S MESSIAH” CD?

Patty Gorman, our Music Director, is looking to borrow a CD of “Handel’s Messiah” for our Christmas liturgy. If you have one or know where we could purchase one, please call Patty at 392-2710.

SCRIP FITS EVERY STOCKING

SCRIP makes your last minute shopping easy and it never needs to be returned! Many SCRIP cards are on hand, so shop today after Mass! Any card that needs to be ordered may not make it by Christmas. Buy SCRIP from St. Leo’s and you don’t pay an activation fee!

CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE & MITTEN TREE

All gifts need to be returned by today, **Sunday, December 19th.** If you haven’t returned gifts, please bring to the Parish Office by Tuesday, December 21. The food shelves are in need of cereals, canned vegetables and fruits. While doing your baking, bake a few extra cookies or small breads for the food baskets, too! Baskets will be prepared on Wednesday, December 22, at 12:30 PM.

THIS WEEK AT ST. LEO

Daily Masses: Mass Mon.-5:30 PM, Tues.-Thurs.- 8:30 AM
Fri.- Communion Service 8:30 AM, Divine Mercy Chapel
Divine Mercy Chaplet - Monday - Friday - 3:00 PM
MONDAY - December 20

5:30 PM Mass
6:00 PM Junior Bells, Room 2
6:15 PM Group Reunions
6:45 PM Children’s Choir, Room 1
6:45 PM Summer Intensive Planning Meeting, Room 4
7:00 PM Senior Bells, Room 2

TUESDAY - December 21

10:00 AM - 4:00 PM Second Time Treasures open
6:30 PM Den 6, Room 2

WEDNESDAY - December 22

12:30 PM St Vincent DePaul basket preparation
6:30 PM Girl Scouts #481, Room 3
7:15 PM Festive Choir, Room 1

THURSDAY - December 23

2:00 PM - 8:00 PM Second Time Treasures
Office closes at 3:00 PM

FRIDAY - December 24

4:00 PM Mass
6:00 PM Mass

SATURDAY - December 25 Nativity of the Lord

12:00 AM Midnight Mass
10:30 AM Mass

SUNDAY - December 26

10:30 AM Mass
6:00 PM LifeTeen Mass

OFFICE CLOSED

The Parish Office will close at 3:00 PM on Thursday, December 23 and will reopen on Tuesday, December 28.

Merry Christmas!

ADELE BAIER! HAPPY 95TH BIRTHDAY

Adele celebrates her 95th birthday tomorrow, Monday, December 20. Happy Birthday, Adele, and have a great year! Adele attends the 8 AM Mass each week. Cards may be sent to Adele at: 100 Leith Ln, Apt 213, Hilton, NY 14468.

From our Youth Minister, Michele Pechie: **TONIGHT!**

Dec. 19 Youth Community Service Project 7-8:30-PM

Be a Friend! Make a Friend! Bring a Friend to Jesus!



OFFICE CLOSED

Thursday, December 23 @ 3:00 PM
 Friday, December 24, through Monday, December 27
 The Parish Office will reopen on Tuesday,
 December 28 at 9:00 AM

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A UNIQUE GIFT?

Second Time Treasures has many new gift items that were donated to the store. It might be just the ticket you are looking for. They also have many Christmas items and winter clothing. Stop in and look around - there is something for everyone! Store hours are Tuesdays and Saturdays from 2:00 PM until 4:00 PM and Saturdays from 10:00 AM until 4:00 PM. They will be open on December 23 and December 30.

HILTON EAST DRIVER THIS WEEK

Russ Godshalk is the driver for Christmas Day, December 25.
 Dan Schwind is the driver for Sunday, December 26.

"A day of new redemption has dawned for us, a day prepared from antiquity, a day of eternal blessedness." Pope St. Leo I
"What God wants of you ...is that you should live each day as it comes, like a bird in the trees, without worrying about tomorrow. Be at peace and trust in divine providence and the Blessed Virgin, and do not seek anything but to please God and love Him." St. Louis-Marie De Montfort
"Prayer is not asking for what you think you want but asking to be changed in ways you can't imagine." Kathleen Norris

Our Sanctuary Candle in Church burns in prayer for the safety of our men and women who work in the cold and inclement weather.



Our Sanctuary Candle in the Divine Mercy Chapel burns in prayer in memory of Colin Matthew Ingham.
 From: Great-Grandma

IN NEED OF OUR PRAYER

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| Betsy Bauer | Rosemary Maeder |
| Barbara Beach | Dee Marlatt |
| Kyle Bishop | Cathy Miller |
| Mitzi Bishop | David Miller |
| Roberto Bustillo | Gene Miller |
| Denise Cannizzo | Donna Pfarrer |
| Peter Capone | Kathi Popowich |
| Marion Crumlish | Tom Popowich |
| Dorothy DeLong | Sr. Carole Proia |
| Vincent DiStefano | Gloria Rissley |
| Susan Ewsuck | Ellie Reyner |
| Marie Fallon | Jennifer Sanders |
| Julie Felgenhauer | Frank Schrimp |
| Madison Gears | Ann Smith |
| Van Geisler | Marion Sperry |
| Shirley Grant | Debbie Stahl |
| Craig Harnischfeger | Sharon Stowe |
| Miriam Harnischfeger | Maureen Sullivan |
| Evie Harris | Kay Tilebein |
| Janet Hatfield | Amy VanWuyckhuysen |
| Matthew Hoffman | John Velekkakan |
| Michael Lee | Jamie Verhey |
| Genevieve Lickona | Charles Wenzel |
| Mary Mack | |

and all others in need of our prayers

Stewardship: We receive God's gifts Gratefully
 We develop them Responsibly
 We share them Graciously
 We return them with Increase.

Talent: Thanks to the Knights of Columbus who hosted last week's Social Hour. Thanks also to the many people who purchased SCRIP this Christmas season and a special thanks to Neil Combs, Pat Simpson and Betty Yokobosky who are so faithful at the SCRIP table. Remember SCRIP is available all year round.

Stewardship...Live It!

Treasure for December 4 & 5, 2010

Parishioner households using envelopes contributed: \$6,411.25
 Visitors & Others contributed: \$269.10
 11 Children using envelopes contributed: \$14.00
 1 Children's good deed was given to God
 2nd Collection for Improvements & Repairs: \$1,300.00
 Feast of the Immaculate Conception: \$1,030.00
 Miscellaneous Additional Funds: \$1,538.15
 Attendance: 635

MARY BELIEVED, DO YOU BELIEVE?

First, Mary believed that what was spoken to her by the Lord would be fulfilled and she accepted God's plan for her. Then, in the same obedient way, Jesus said, "As is written of me in the scroll, behold, I come to do your will, O God." We have been given two perfect examples of love, obedience and sacrifice to follow. Are you open to hearing God's voice in your life? How are you being called to a life of love, obedience to God and sacrifice? Is it through consecrated single life, a holy married life; possibly, ordained or religious life? If you've ever considered diocesan priesthood and would like to talk with someone about it, contact the Office of Vocation Awareness at 461-2890 or visit: www.dor.org/vocations.

JANUARY DIVINE MERCY HOLY HOUR

Pope Benedict XVI wrote, "In a world where there is so much noise, so much bewilderment, there is a need for silent adoration of Jesus concealed in the Host. Be assiduous in the prayer of adoration and teach it to the faithful. It is a source of comfort and light, particularly to those who are suffering." Please join us for our **Divine Mercy Holy Hour** with Exposition and Benediction, sung Chaplet of Divine Mercy, and readings from the Diary of St. Maria Faustina Kowalska on **Friday January 7th and every First Friday** from 7:00 PM until 8:00 PM.... And bring your friends!

Located at **Holy Name of Jesus Church**, 15 St. Martin's Way in Greece, off Bonesteel St, near Ridge Road West and Mount Read Boulevard. For further information, call 585-413-6074. This First Friday devotion is promoted and supported by Catholic Radio 1460 AM.

"The Station of the Cross"...Are you listening?"



Let us remember in prayer all those who have died recently, including

Ken Parfitt, Sr. Margaret Irene Klem, SSJ
 and all our departed relatives and friends.

CMA: 115 % OF GOAL: \$46,124.00 PLEDGED

Thanks to the help of all, we have reached 115% of our goal with \$46,064.00 and 257 donors. The following are new contributors since last week's reporting:
Mr. Guy Spada Ms Anne Koester

THANK YOU FROM BEGINNING EXPERIENCE

We recently received a thank you letter from Beginning Experience for our recent tithing. In part the letter read: "I would like to thank you and your community for your generous donation to Beginning Experience. You donation funds programs we provide to help people suffering from the loss of a loved one."

ARE YOU OR SOMEONE YOU LOVE GOING TO THE HOSPITAL?

Please remember due to HIPPA regulations, should you or a loved one be hospitalized and would like a pastoral visit, please notify the Parish Office prior to entering or after admission to the hospital. Our Visitation Ministry and our pastoral staff visit the area hospitals. Also be sure to identify yourself as a Catholic and list St. Leo's as your parish with your admission information.

THE WORD BECAME FLESH AND DWELLED AMONG US,"...

...St. John's Gospel states. Perhaps if we look at each unborn child as a word from God, we would be less likely to destroy those children who each have a unique message to share with the world.

"Mary went without delay to communicate her joy to her cousin Elizabeth. This is the real commitment of Advent: to bring joy to others. Joy is the true gift of Christmas, not expensive presents that demand time and money. - *Pope Benedict XVI*

O King of all nations and keystone of the Church: come and save man, whom you formed from the dust! - "*O*" *Antiphon*

"During this Advent season, we lift up every child throughout the world. May children in every land be respected and loved and never be the victims of exploitation in its various forms. Protect your children, Lord.

We also pray that on Christmas, the peoples of the earth may see in you, the Word Incarnate, the true light that illuminates every human being. We pray that every nation may open the door to Christ, the Savior of the world."

- *Pope Benedict XVI*

MASS SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK

Monday - Late Advent Weekday
5:30 PM Deceased members of the Vancheri and Platano Families (Family)
Tuesday - St. Peter Canisius, priest and doctor of the Church
8:30 AM - Mary Jane Russ (Bob and Carol Kordish)
Wednesday - Late Advent weekday
8:30 AM - Celina Sovie (Granddaughters Sandy Young and Sharon Prince)
Thursday - St. John of Kanty, priest
8:30 AM - Fr. Joseph D'Aurizio (Bequest)
Friday - Vigil of Christmas
4:00 PM For the Parishioners of St. Leo Parish
6:00 PM For the Parishioners of St. Leo Parish
Saturday - Nativity of the Lord—Christmas
12:00 AM For the Parishioners of St. Leo Parish
10:30 AM For the Parishioners of St. Leo Parish
Sunday - Fourth Sunday of Advent
8:00 AM Jack Murray (wife, Ginny and son, Paul)
10:30 AM Joan Santo Hornby (Patty & Mike Gorman and Family)
6:00 PM For the men and women in the Service of our Country

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Parish Office Hours:

Monday, through Friday

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Sunday: 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

MINISTRY TO THE SICK: Please contact the Parish Office, 392-2710, concerning the needs of the sick, hospitalized or shut-ins. Those unable to attend Mass regularly will have Holy Communion brought to their homes.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP: Those who choose to worship regularly with us are invited and welcome to formally join our parish community offering your time, talent and financial support. Please call the Parish Office, 392-2710 to register.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION - On-going education for Pre-School through adults.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS:

(R.C.I.A.) Our faith community invites anyone who is interested in becoming Catholic or wishes to complete their initiation into the Catholic Church by receiving Eucharist and/or Confirmation. Please contact Deacon Bill Lenhart at 392-2710x3 then 7.

SACRAMENT OF MINISTERIAL PRIESTHOOD (HOLY ORDERS) Interested in serving the People of God? To proclaim the Gospel, preside at Liturgies, see Fr. Joe. If interested in becoming a Deacon, see Fr. Joe or Deacon Bill.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: Contact the Parish Office, 392-2710, as soon as you become engaged.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Contact Deacon Bill six months before the anticipated birth date. Parent class required.

WILLS: Please remember St. Leo Church in your will to ensure the future of our Catholic tradition.

SCRIPTURE CORNER

Do you want to spend time in prayer each day? A good way to begin is to read or reread the daily Scripture readings. Prepare for Mass by taking a few moments to read the Scripture readings
Readings for the week of December 19, 2010
Sunday: Is 7:10-14/ Rom 1:1-7/ Mt 1:15-24
Monday: Is 7:10-14/Lk 1:26-38
Tuesday: Sg 2:8-14/Lk 1:39-14
Wednesday: 1 Sm1:24-28/Lk 1:46-56
Thursday: Mal 3:1-4/Lk 1:57-66
Friday: Is 62 1-5/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/
Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25
Saturday: Is 9 1-6/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2: 1:14
Next Sunday: Sir 3:2-7, 12-14/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

St. Peter Canisius (1521-1597) Feast Day December 21

Peter's untiring efforts are an apt example for those involved in the renewal of the Church or the growth of moral consciousness in business or government. He is regarded as one of the creators of the Catholic press, and can easily be a model for the Christian author or journalist. In 1547 Peter attended several sessions of the Council of Trent, whose decrees he was later assigned to implement. After a brief teaching assignment at the Jesuit college at Messina, Peter was entrusted with the mission to Germany—from that point on his life's work. He taught in several universities and was instrumental in establishing many colleges and seminaries. He wrote a catechism that explained the Catholic faith in a way which common people could understand—a great need of that age.

Renowned as a popular preacher, Peter packed churches with those eager to hear his eloquent proclamation of the gospel. He had great diplomatic ability, often serving as a reconciler between disputing factions. In his letters (filling eight volumes) one finds words of wisdom and counsel to people in all walks of life. At times he wrote unprecedented letters of criticism to leaders of the Church—yet always in the context of a loving, sympathetic concern. When asked if he felt overworked, Peter replied, "If you have too much to do, with God's help you will find time to do it all."

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"A little child is born for us, and he shall be called the mighty God; every race on earth shall be blessed in him."
Psalm 71

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Thurs. 2 PM-8 PM
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