

# 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."

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Ultreya meets last Saturday of each month

February 19, 2012



## ASH WEDNESDAY

### MASSES

6:25 AM 8:30 AM 7:00 PM

### YOUR VOICE MUST BE HEARD!

Last week, there were letters in the back of Church that were being collected and sent to our Congressmen. We need to continue to contact our legislators asking for their sponsorship of Senate Bill 1467 and HR 1179.

Please contact you Senators and House of Representatives and ask them to sponsor Senate Bill 1467 and House Bill HR 1179 the Respect For Rights of Conscience Act. These bills will ensure that those who participate in the health care system "retain the right to provide, purchase, or enroll in health care coverage that is consistent with their religious beliefs and moral convictions." It is more important than ever that the Members of Congress be urged to co-sponsor this measure. Please write, phone, email, or FAX **Sen. Charles Schumer, 100 State St., Room 3040, Roch., NY 14614**, **Sen. Kristen Gillibrand, 100 State St., Room 4195, Roch., NY 14614**, **Congresswoman Kathleen Hochul, 2300 W. Ridge Rd., Roch., NY 14626**, **Congresswoman Louise Slaughter, 100 State St., Room 3120, Roch., NY 14614**. It is suggested to use their local offices as all mail sent to Washington has to be screened for security purposes and can take up to two weeks to be received by recipient.

Ask them to: "Please co-sponsor the Respect for Rights of Conscience Act (H.R. 1179, S. 1467) and help enact it into law. The Obama administration's decision to require even religious institutions to provide coverage of sterilization and contraceptives, including drugs that can cause an abortion, makes passage of this measure especially urgent. Please ensure that the rights of conscience of all participants in our nation's health care system are respected." Your response is extremely urgent. Please let your representatives know your feelings on this important matter. Just imagine if all Catholic and Christians flooded Congress with letters telling our representatives how important this issue is to our faith!

### OLIVE WOOD PRODUCTS FROM THE HOLY LAND

Next week come a little early or stay after Mass and check out the Olive Wood products from the Holy Land in Room 5. There are many items that would make wonderful Easter, Confirmation or First Eucharist gifts, (Easter is April 8, Confirmation is April 30 and First Eucharist is May 5). If you need a present for someone, actually for any occasion, this will be a good opportunity to purchase a nice religious article. Checks and credit cards will be accepted at the sale.

## THIS WEEK AT ST. LEO

**Daily Masses:** Mon.-5:30 PM; Tues.-Fri.-8:30 AM DMC  
Communion Service Friday- 8:30 AM Divine Mercy Chapel  
Divine Mercy Chaplet - Monday - Friday - 3:00 PM

**MONDAY - February 20**

**Office Closed**

**President's Day**

5:30 PM Mass

**TUESDAY - February 21**

10:00 AM - 4:00 PM Second Time Treasures

**WEDNESDAY - February 22 Ash Wednesday**

6:25 AM Mass

8:30 AM Mass

9:00 AM - 8:25 PM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

7:00 PM Mass

**THURSDAY - February 23**

9:00 AM Charismatic Prayer Group, Room 5

2:00 PM - 8:00 PM Second Time Treasures

6:30 PM Financial Peace Univ., Room 2

7:15 PM RCIA

**FRIDAY - February 24**

7:00 PM Stations of the Cross, Church

**SATURDAY - February 25**

10:00 AM - 4:00 PM Second Time Treasures

3:30 PM Confession

4:30 PM Rosary

5:00 PM Mass

**Bethlehem Wood Carvings after Mass, Room 5**

6:00 PM Ultreya, Room 4

**SUNDAY - February 26**

**Bethlehem Wood Carvings after Masses, Room 5**

8:00 AM Mass

9:15 AM Religious Ed., Grades 1-5, Rooms 2, 3, 4, & A

9:15 AM Group Reunion, Room B

10:30 AM Mass and Children's Liturgy

10:30 AM Pre-K and K Religious Ed., Room's 2 & 3

1:00 PM Altar Server Bowling Party, Pleasure Lanes

2:00 PM Rite of Election, Sacred Heart Cathedral

6:00 PM LifeTeen Mass

7:00 PM Edge & LifeTeen Night

7:00 PM Mother Angelica Bible Study, Room 5

## FIGHT CANCER'S UPHILL BATTLE WITH DOWNHILL FUN!

Go down hill at Glacier Ridge Snow Tubing to help Mareesa and Katherine in their uphill battle against cancer. These two 14-year-old cousins need our help and support in their fight against cancer. Thursday, February 23, from noon until 8 PM a portion of your tubing ticket will be donated to assist their families. Tickets are \$17 for two hours. Bring in any and all returnable bottles and cans that date and all money will be donated to the families. Everyone turning in cans will receive a "Fight Like a Girl" bracelet. Contact Leanne Polvino at [lhphenner@gmail.com](mailto:lhphenner@gmail.com) or 520-9909.

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Present this slip when you purchase your tubing pass at Glacier Ridge and a portion of your tubing ticket will be donated to the families of Mareesa and Katherine. This slip is ONLY good on Thursday, February 23rd between noon and 8PM.

**REGULATIONS FOR LENTEN SACRIFICE**

The following regulations for Lenten sacrifice are from the Code of Canon Law.:

- All Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from meat for Catholics over 14.
- Ash Wednesday (Feb. 22) and Good Friday (April 6) are days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59. Fasting means taking only one full meal and two smaller meals that, taken together, do not equal one full meal.

Throughout Lent, Catholics are encouraged to perform voluntary acts of penance and self denial. Acts may include daily Mass, spiritual study, Lenten Devotions, the Rosary, Stations of the Cross and deeds of mercy and kindness.

**WHY DO WE FAST?**

Fasting is a traditional form of penance and helps us to develop willpower and temperance. Limiting the quantity of food or drink is sometimes recommended as a way of cleansing the body and, when penitential, helps cleanse our souls. By creating hunger and a desire for that which is denied, we are reminded of the reason why we are fasting.

We also fast to sympathize with those who are hungry or poor. Fasting helps to make us more loving and compassionate.


**HILTON EAST DRIVER THIS WEEK**

Jeanne & Tom Furtner are the drivers for Ash Wednesday, February 22 and Tom Ganley is the driver for Sunday, February, 26.

Our Sanctuary Candle in Church burns in prayer this week for the reversal of the mandated health-care plans to include contraceptive coverage.

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Our Sanctuary Candle in the Divine Mercy Chapel burns in prayer this week for the success of the NW Planning Group Retreat, March 2, 4 & 5 at SEAS.



Have you wondered: What was the best thing before sliced bread?  
 Can vegetarians eat animal crackers?  
 If the #2 pencil is the most popular, why is it still #2?  
 The older you get, the better you realize you were?  
 How do they get the deer to cross at that yellow road sign?

**IN NEED OF OUR PRAYER**

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|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Harry Adams      | Mary Ann Amos     | Izabella Babcock  |
| Lasal Banty      | Shane Billings    | Floyd Blodgett    |
| Bobbie Braden    | Mereesa Boyatzies | Regina Boyce      |
| Rossi Ciulla     | Cynthia Crooks    | James Dornan      |
| Joann Dudash     | John Dudash       | Mary Ellis        |
| Bob Flannery     | Heather Flecha    | Katherine Foster  |
| Leah Giangrasso  | Pat Giangrasso    | Catherine Grimmer |
| Katherine Foster | Lee Harnischfeger | Gail Hughes       |
| Fred Korzenieski | Nancy Korzenieski | Liz Loizzo        |
| Bessie Marino    | Mary Marshall     | Gary Mutolo       |
| Rick Nersinger   | Nicholas          | Joe Paris         |
| Bob Peter        | Ellie Reyner      | Betty Ryan        |
| Marilyn Rudy     | Dick Ryan         | Chris Solveson    |
| Kelsey Spade     | Suzanne Stanton   | Marlyn Surash     |
| Lisa Tydings     | Noreen Tymkin     | Ann Wenzel        |
| David Wilkinson  | Sandy Young       |                   |

and all others in need of our prayers.

**Stewardship:** The main thing is keeping the main thing the main thing.  
*German proverb*

**Talent:** Thanks to Social Life for preparations for the Euchre Party. Special thanks to Rick, Alex, Karen & Andrew Sheffer for setting up. Thanks also to the Pastoral Council for hosting last week's Social Hour.

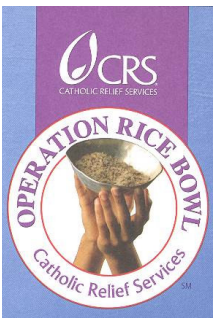
**Stewardship...Live It!**

**Treasure for February 11 & 12, 2012**

Parishioner households using envelopes contributed: ..... \$5,918.04  
 Visitors & Others contributed: ..... \$416.50  
 9 Children using envelopes contributed: ..... \$10.50  
 5 Children's good deeds were given to God  
 Miscellaneous Additional Funds: ..... \$859.66  
 Weekend Attendance: ..... 596

**Our Parish Stewardship With Others Outside the Parish**

5% of last Sunday's first collection: \$317.50 went to



**OPERATION RICE BOWL**

**For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me..."**

This Lent, our faith community will be joining millions of Catholics across the country by participating in CRS' Operation Rice Bowl. Your family is invited to pick up a Rice Bowl from the basket in the Ambulatory and join in this simple yet powerful Lenten practice. Catholic Relief Services' Operation Rice Bowl invites us to **pray** with our families and faith communities, **fast** in solidarity with those who are hungry, **learn** about our brothers and sisters around the world, and **give** sacrificial contributions to help those in need. Visit [orb.crs.org](http://orb.crs.org) for additional resources to use at home.

**FULL OF GRACE WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

All women of the parish are invited to a five week Full of Grace Lenten Bible study every Thursday evening beginning March 1 from 6:30-8:30 PM in Room 3. Call Ginger at 392-6272 if you are interested.


**COMMUNITY LENTEN LUNCHES**

Have an hour for lunch? Come to the Methodist Church on Wednesdays from 12 Noon to 1:00 PM for a lunch of soup and sandwich and an Lenten talk from one of our local clergy.

Dominic Salamida will be the guest speaker on Wednesday, March 7. Reservations must be made by Tuesday morning, so call the Parish Office, 392-2710 by 11 AM Tuesday.

**MEN'S ANNUAL RETREAT DATE CHANGED**

The date of the St. Leo Men's Annual Retreat at the Notre Dame Retreat House has been changed to April 27-29. Further details will be forthcoming soon. Stay tuned!



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

*Robert Marron, Burt Bennett,*  
 and all our departed relatives and friends.

### Getting Ready for Lent

by Janice Mousseau

"I can only imagine what it will be like when I walk by your side...I can only imagine what my eyes will see...when your face is before me...I can only imagine. Surrounded by your glory, what will my heart feel? Will I dance for you Jesus or in awe of You be still. Will I stand in your presence or to my knees will I fall? Will I sing hallelujah; will I be able to speak at all? I can only imagine..." This song by the praise and worship group *Mercy Me* was produced a few years ago. It has caused me to give thought to how will I react when I die and come before our Lord.

Lent is the perfect opportunity to start preparing, if we haven't already, for when we meet the Lord. With Lent lasting forty days we have many opportunities to begin anew. "The ashes we receive on Ash Wednesday are an ancient symbol of repentance. The fact that ashes are placed on our foreheads in the sign of the cross directs us to Jesus Christ as the only way to forgiveness, salvation and eternal life in heaven. Being marked with ashes at the beginning of Lent indicates our recognition of the need for deeper conversion of our lives during this season of renewal."(1)

Another facet of Lent is the idea of giving up something such as soda or candy or by fasting. "These fasts usually take the form of abstaining from all food throughout a given 24-hour period or certain kinds of food for the duration of the forty-day season. In place of food fast, one might commit to giving up a pleasurable activity or dedicate themselves to charitable giving." A couple of years ago I chose to give up listening to the radio when I was in my car driving and instead, pray and talk with God. As a result, I found myself more at peace and have continued this practice throughout the entire year.

"If during Lent Christians choose to give up something or rededicate themselves to helping those in need as a way to proclaim the salvation Christ has won for all by His suffering and death, then such activities are sacrifices that glorify God.

However, it is essential to remember that nothing we do through self-denial or good works can ever earn the Lord's forgiveness or repay Him for what He accomplished for us. Lent is about what Jesus Christ gave up to pay the penalty for the sins of the world—His holy and innocent life.(3)

While the Scrutinies, which are celebrated on the Third, Fourth and Fifth Sunday of Lent, primarily involve the catechumens, it is also a call for all believers to closely examine their own lives and pray to God for the grace to overcome the power of sin that still infects our lives. In seeking this conversion we are leaving behind an old way of living and acting in order to embrace a new life in Christ—a more dedicated life in Christ.

One may seek to deepen their commitment to Christ by attending the Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent. The object of the Stations is to help the faithful to make in spirit, as it were, a pilgrimage to the chief scenes of Christ's suffering and death. This is a beautiful devotion which can also be "Connected with the baptismal character of Lent if we place the stations themselves in the context of the whole paschal mystery. In Baptism we are plunged into the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection, and our baptismal commitment includes a willingness to commit our life for others as Jesus did. Recalling his passion and death can remind us that we, too, may be called to suffer in order to be faithful to the call of God." (4)

Lent is a season of soul-searching and repentance. It is a season for reflection and taking stock. And, it is an opportunity to begin anew. When you walk with the Lord every day, you will be prepared for the time when God calls you home. In the meantime *you can only imagine what it will be like when you walk by the side of Jesus or what your eyes will see when Jesus' face is before you.*

1. [stpaulskingville.org](http://stpaulskingville.org) 2. [catholic.org](http://catholic.org) 3. [stpaulskingville.org](http://stpaulskingville.org) 4. [catholic.org](http://catholic.org)

#### MASS SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK

##### Monday - Weekday

5:30 PM DeMartino, Iaco & Venezia Families (Muriel & Richard DeMartino)

##### Tuesday - St. Peter Damian, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:30 AM For the Intentions of Sandy Young

##### Wednesday - Ash Wednesday

6:30 AM David Williams (son, David and Carol Williams)

8:30 AM Jack Murray (wife, Ginny)

7:00 PM Robert Smith (Resurrection Choir)

##### Thursday - St. Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr

8:30 AM For our RCIA Candidates as they enter their final days before the Easter Vigil

##### Friday - Lenten Weekday

8:30 AM Communion Service

##### Saturday - Lenten Weekday

5:00 PM William Thurston (Bequest)

##### Sunday - First Sunday of Lent

8:00 AM Jaime Greibus (Sean Noonan)

10:30 AM Robert Smith (Sharon Prince)

6:00 PM John Lenhart (nephew, Deacon Bill Lenhart)

#### Parish Ministry Center

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#### Parish Office Hours:

Monday - 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 at Mary Lou Rosien, [mrosien@rochester.rr.com](mailto:mrosien@rochester.rr.com) or 594-2621.

#### 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.

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

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:** Contact Carol Steiger at 392-9558 or [CSteiger@rochester.rr.com](mailto:CSteiger@rochester.rr.com) 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 February 12, 2012

Sunday: Is 43:18-19,21-22,24b-25/2 Cor 1:18-22/Mk 2:1-12

Monday: Jas 3:13-18/Mk 9:14-29

Tuesday: Jas 4:1-10/Mk 9:30-37

Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18/2 Cor 5:20-6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Dt 30:15-20/Lk 9:22-25

Friday: Is 58:1-9a/Mt 9:14-15

Saturday: Is 58:9b-14/Lk 5:27-32

Next Sunday: Gn 9:8-15/1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15

Pray for our Seminarians and for priestly vocations

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