

Altar Guild - Weekend of January 12 - Group 4

Prison Ministry - January 8

Bill Erich, Ken Gregory & Pam Streich

Offertory for December 31, 2017

Sunday Collection + other donations (\$8,493)

Budgeted Weekly Expenses \$9,425

Difference -\$ 932

8:00 a. m. Mass is being broadcast on WDDH 97.5 F.M. at 9:00 a.m. on TAPE DELAY.

Sanctuary Candle for month of January is in *memory* of **Armond Caggiano** from Paul & Rita

Hosts for month of January are in *memory* of **Mr. & Mrs. Clyde Miller** from **Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Miller**

Radio Broadcast contribution is \$400/mo. or \$100/wk;
Sanctuary Candle \$30/mo.; Hosts \$100/mo.
If interested, please call the Rectory at 772-3135. Thank you.

Questions of the Week: January 7

Key Passage: As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience (Colossians 3:12).

Adult: *How do your family members know that you are a compassionate person?*

Child: *What family member needs your compassion and kindness right now?*

TODAY'S READINGS

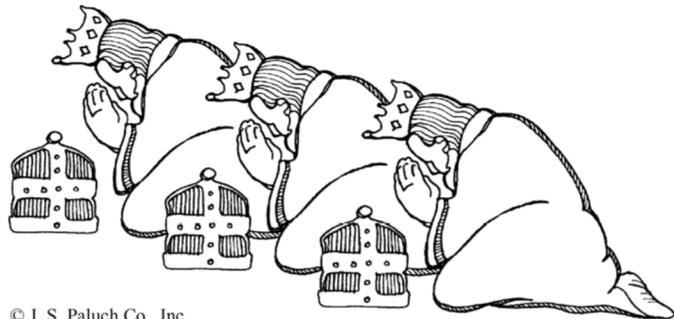
First Reading - You shall be radiant at what you see, your heart shall throb and overflow (Isaiah 60:1-6).

Psalm - Lord, every nation on earth will adore you (Psalm 72).

Second Reading - The Gentiles are copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus (Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6).

Gospel - The magi were overjoyed at seeing the star (Matthew 2:1-12).

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GOD'S PROMISE TO ALL PEOPLE

Today Isaiah reminds the people of God that the land shall be restored to their possession, they shall rejoice to see their people return from the bondage of exile, and that they shall be a light to the nations. In other words, through the people of Israel, the Savior shall come to all people who seek God with a sincere heart. This brings joy and the radiance of God's glory to all the world and to all people everywhere. Through the fidelity of the people of God, and through God's fidelity to them, all people shall become God's children and rejoice in the fulfillment of God's promise to Israel.

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Where on earth would you go to honor the magi? Iran or Saudi Arabia, Tarshish or the Isles come to mind, but Cologne, Germany would be a good choice. There the Shrine of the Three Kings has been the centerpiece of the city's cathedral since the fourth century. Today it is the largest reliquary in the world: a gilded and ornamented triple casket gleaming high above the altar. In the fourth century, the supposed relics of the wise men were taken from Constantinople to Milan, where they remained until the German Emperor with the unlikely name Frederick Barbarossa (Red Beard) gave them to the Archbishop of Cologne. Ever since, pilgrims have streamed into the city to honor the magi, the first of all pilgrims, and thus the heavenly patrons of all who have some holy wanderlust.

This largest Gothic cathedral in Europe today was begun in the mid-1200s to house the relics. In medieval times, the relics in a city's possession were often the key to a sound international economy. The reliquary was last opened in 1864, and the remains of three men were indeed discovered. The cathedral is well worth a visit, with enormous twin spires forming the largest façade of any church in the world (it is the model for St. Patrick's in New York). Construction began in 1248 and ended in 1880, a six-hundred-year project. Today, it is a World Heritage Site, described by the U.N. as "an exceptional work of human creative genius." This great treasure of our tradition suffered fourteen direct bomb hits in World War II but did not collapse. It survived while the city burned around it, preserved, the townspeople say, by three heavenly patrons.

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

EASTERN STAR

Fair eastern star, that art ordain'd to run
Before the sages, to the rising Sun,
Here cease thy course, and wonder that the cloud
Of this poor stable can thy Maker shroud.

—Sir John Beaumont

Jan. 13/14	5:15 PM	8:00 AM	10:00 AM
Lectors	N. Murphy	D. Lindberg	M. Tettis
Eucharistic Ministers	F. & K. Griech	M. Detwiler & J. Stager	A. Messineo & K. Gerber N. Hoffman & S. Schutz
Servers	M. Catalano & K. Matha	K. Petrosky & E. Cobaugh	J. Benninger & T. Gilmore
Ridgmont	J. Allenbaugh	Hi-Rise	J. Wonderly

AREA CHURCH EVENTS

St. Leo Fish Fry - Friday, January 12th

Eat in from 4:30-6:30 PM or until sold out:

Take out - call after 3 PM (772-4705);

available @ 4PM

Gift Certificates available

ECC Monday Night - Special Farewell Bingo - Monday, January 8, 2018. Lots of must go prizes! Doors open at 4 PM. Games start at 6:30 PM. Thank you for your past support of our program.

Travel with Fr. Ross Miceli, Pastor of St Boniface, Kersey, PA on our Italy South with Fr. Ross Miceli.

Where: Calabria, Taormina, Syracuse, Mount Etna, Catania, Sicily, Amalfi Coast, Sorrento, Capri, Pompeii, Rome

Trip Dates: Jul 01-13, 2018 (Trip Code #597)

Cost: \$4,600.00 Airfare and ALL-Included

To register, please contact (855) 842-8001 or (508) 340-9370.

You can also register online at www.proximotravel.com.

ECCHS MUSIC BOOSTER BINGO

This is our Christmas Bingo with extra prizes

Friday, January 12, 2018

ECCHS Cafeteria

Doors open 5PM

Free Dinner

Early Bird Specials 6:45

Bingo 7PM

6 Specials, 20 Regulars, Bonanza, Target, Tic Tac

Moving Musical Note, \$1,000 Coverall

Break the Bank

Catholic Service Appeal ends soon.

126 families pledged \$35,820; we have received

\$34,730 to date with \$1,090 outstanding. Final

payments are due by January 17th.

CSA pledge for 2018 will begin in February

January 28: the Knights of Columbus will have a Pancake breakfast in the social hall after all masses

St. Leo's Cinch Tournament

January 14th @ Noon in the Social Hall

Cost: \$10/person & includes a meal

Time: 12:30 pm; cards start at 1:00 pm

For reservations call Sandy at 335-3969

Last date to sign-up January 12th.



(Lighthouse Display in Gathering Space)

\$2.00 Lighthouse DVD Special (while supplies last)

- Mary

What do we think of Mary, the Mother of Jesus, and how does our relationship with her impact our relationship with her Son? What is the connection between our understanding of Mary and the rest of the saints? Why do we ask Mary and other "dead people" to pray for us? The answers to these questions serve to give us a framework for the Catholic Church's teachings on life after death and what we call "The Communion of the Saints."

This video is very helpful. I have prayed the rosary for a long time and now I know deeply the meaning, reason to pray and most important I can explain it to my kids who is Mother Mary; what is Mariam dogma; and why we have to adore Her. Thank you very much. God bless you! Yani, South Riding, VA

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is being held each Tuesday and Thursday from 9 - 9. Please consider signing up for an hour !

MyParish App

The diocese is offering this App to all parishes in the Diocese of Erie free of charge.

It can be customized to our needs; however the diocesan-based version includes the following:

- daily Mass readings from the USCCB
- prayers ranging from the Act of Contrition to the Divine Mercy Chaplet
- Catholic news
- how-to guide for going to confession.

The app is available at both Android & Apple stores for free download.

More to come in the next weeks.

ATTENTION: All men of the parish **TMIY meetings will resume Tuesday evenings 6:30 to 8:00 PM at the K of C in Ridgway starting on January 16th. All are welcome!**

Lost and Found items can be located in the BASKET on the landing leading from the Gathering Space to the Social Hall.



Valuables such as jewelry are in the rectory office - beautiful pendant found over Christmas.

ST. LEO MAGNUS 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/Phone No.
- Moving Out of Parish
- Desire Envelopes

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS 9AM-2PM; MON.-FRI.

Parish Staff

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FORMED Our parish is subscribed to an online platform called FORMED. Here's how easy it is to get FORMED.

Go to www.FORMED.org. Click on signup in the upper right corner, enter parish code: **39WTZD** and type in a username and password.

This week, our FORMED Pick of the Week is a beautiful video study called *Reborn*. As we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord this weekend, most of us realize that baptism is an important part of Christian life. But is Baptism anything more than just a rite of passage? In *Reborn*, you'll see that Baptism isn't just a nice gesture that we do for infants, but it actually reveals the heart of God's love for His children. This week, login to FORMED and watch Episode 1 of *Reborn*.

MILLIE GRAZIE!!!

For you non-Italians that means Thank you A LOT! All the cards, gifts and well wishes during the Christmas season have been overwhelming! Ever since my arrival (almost a year ago) I have been so touched by your generosity. I am so blessed to be in Ridgway and I am so honored to be your pastor. The best gift of all. Your continued support of our community, our parish and school, and me are such a testament to the great faith in our lives. I cannot say Thank You enough! Let's all keep up the good work and continue to walk with one another on this road of faith, hope, and love. Let us entrust ourselves to Almighty God this New Year and ask Him to accompany us each day, especially in times of sorrow and need. Please remember if you need me for anything - just call! Sometimes it takes a few days, so please be patient. Thanks again for all you do for Saint Leo - it's a blessing to work with you!

God love you all!
Father Justin



Are you receiving the Friday Flocknote? If not, you are missing out on awesome videos on the most up-to-date topics, cool links to further your spiritual journey, weekly mass and parish information reminders and so much more. Go to www.flocknote.com/stleo today! **284 members strong!**

Important C.D.of A. meeting this Tuesday, Jan. 9th @ 6:30 PM in the Social Hall. Regardless of the weather conditions, all members are asked to please attend as there are important matters to discuss!

Liturgy for the Week

Mon. January 8 - The Baptism of the Lord
10:00 Communion Service

Tues. January 9 - First Week in Ordinary Time begins
8:30 Florendo Facetti (Larry & Linda Johnson)

Wed. January 10
Josephina Esposito
(Daniel & Frances Dilulio & family)

Thur. January 11
8:30 Edith Fusco - 1st anniversary (Anne Kennedy)

Fri. January 12
8:30 Mary Valentine (Nancy Klawuhn)

Sat. January 13 - St. Hilary; Blessed Virgin Mary
8:30 John Maloney (Dave & Joey Kepple)
4:30 Confession

5:15 Living & Deceased Members of St. Leo's

Sun. January 14
8:00 Bertha Verbeck (Family)
10:00 Vincent Foley (Family)

Eucharistic Adoration January 7th
Exposition prior to rosary and
Benediction to follow (5:30 - 6:45 PM)

St. Leo's Parish offers Sympathy
to the families and friends of
Margaret (Eckert) Caggese
Mary (Carlson) Mader
Sara (Winters) Pusi



Cancel the Cold

Jan. 7 Vincent Foley
Jan. 9 Patsy Sette
Jan. 14 Arnold Olson



Dates to Remember

Jan. 7 - Coffee & Donuts after morning masses
Confirmation class in body of church 11:15-12:45

Jan. 10 - REP 6-7:15

Jan. 12 - Fish Fry

If you desire an end of year donation statement for tax purposes, please call the rectory @ 772-3135 (leave message on extension #2); indicate if you intend to pickup the statement or prefer it be mailed.

*Thank you,
Sue*

BAPTISMAL PREPARATIONS CLASSES

Thur. Jan. 11 **Queen of the World** St. Marys 7-8 pm; 834-4701
Wed. Jan. 24 **Holy Rosary** Johnsonburg 7-8 pm; call 965-2819
Tues. Feb. 6 **St. Joseph** Force 7-9 pm; call 787-4151



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