

ST. LEO MAGNUS

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THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 26, 2025

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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses

Sat. Vigil: 5:15 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:00 am

Daily Mass

Tuesday: 6 pm + Wednesdays - Saturdays:

8:30 am

Saturdays: Rosary is recited at 8:00 am

Holy Day Masses

Evening before: 6:00 pm On the day: 8:30 am & 12:05 pm

Sacrament of Penance (Confessions)

Wednesdays: 4-6 pm & Saturdays: 9 am

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament

Tuesdays + Thursdays 9 am - 6 pm



Holy Pears of Jubilee

The Jubilee of 1700 was proclaimed by Innocent XII and then closed by Clement XI. It was the first time that the Holy Door had been opened by one Pope and then closed by another, until this Holy Year of 2025 with the late Pope Francis and our present Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 25, 2025 + Votive Mass for the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 am Rosary

8:30 am Daniel & Joan Martin (The Martin Children)

9:00 am Confession

Saturday, October 25, 2025 + Vigil for The Thirtieth Sunday

in Ordinary Time

5:15 pm Geraldine Esposito (Tim & Dolly Stauffer)

Sunday, October 26, 2025 + The Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am Chip Manno (Betty Manno)

10:00 am Deceased members of the Judice & Boggia Families

(Mary Therese Cianca)

Tuesday, October 28, 2025 + Saints Simon and Jude

9:00 am - 6:00 pm EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

6:00 pm James Samuel Delhunty (John & Lorraine Cappiello)

GOD KNOWS

NO FAVORITES

Wednesday, October 29, 2025 + Weekday

8:30 am Living and deceased of Saint Leo Parish

4 - 6 pm Confession

Thursday, October 30, 2025 + Weekday

8:30 am **Jeff Penfield** (Betty Walter)

9:00 am - 6:00 pm EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Friday, October 31, 2025 + Weekday

8:30 am **Donald Piccirillo** (Ron & Vicki Kline)

Saturday, November 1, 2025 + All Saints

8:00 am Rosary

8:30 am James Hogan (Dave & Joey Kepple)

9:00 am Confession

Saturday, November 1, 2025 + Vigil for the Solemnity of All Souls

5:15 pm Mary Jean Cerroni (Dolly MacDonald)

Sunday, November 2, 2025 + The Solemnity of All Souls

8:00 am Peggy & Mike Leithner, Chris Meyer (Gary & Rose Ann Leithner)

All Souls Remembrance Mass

10:00 am Francis "Dutch" DePanfilis (Family)

Pope Leo XIV Prayer Intention for October

FOR COLLABORATION BETWEEN DIFFERENT RELIGIOUS TRADITIONS

Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice, and human fraternity.

IN NEED OF PRAYERS? CALL JAN @ 814-776-1352 SHE WILL ADD YOUR INTENTION TO OUR PRAYER LIST

SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Please let the Parish Office know if a member of your family is sick and in need of anointing or would like to be placed on our First Friday Communion List. Call 814-772-3135

FLOCKNOTE

KEEP IN TOUCH WITH US VIA EMAIL & TEXT!
TO SIGN UP STLEO TO 84576 OR TLEO.FLOCKNOTE.COM

ALTAR CANDLES

The Sanctuary Candle burns this week in In Honor of RALPH & MARGARET TETTIS 49th Wedding Anniversary

The Saint Leo Candle will burn this week in Loving memory of JOSH REYNOLDS By Joe & Sandy Viglione

The wine and hosts for October have been provided in memory of **Crieg and Jim Johnson**By their family.

Liturgical Ministries November 1 & 2, 2025

	Altar Servers	Eucharistic Minister	Lector
Saturday, 5:15 pm	J Hoyle MJ Bish	F or K Griech	J Challingsworth
Sunday, 8:00 am	J Nicklas D LaBenne	D Richards	M Stager
Sunday, 10:00 am	E Leuschel A Stenta	A Messineo	D Paige
Money Counters	Team # 1	Altar Guild (10/31)	Group 5 Pew 1

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 26, 2025

Sunday: Sir 35:12-14, 16-18/Ps 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23 (7a)/2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18/Lk 18:9-14

Monday: Rom 8:12-17/Ps 68:2 and 4, 6-7ab, 20-21/Lk 13:10-17

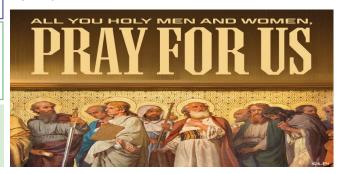
Tuesday: Eph 2:19-22/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Lk 6:12-16

Wednesday: Rom 8:26-30/Ps 13:4-5, 6/Lk 13:22-30

Thursday: Rom 8:31b-39/Ps 109:21-22, 26-27, 30-31/Lk 13:31-35

Friday: Rom 9:1-5/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Lk 14:1-6

Saturday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a



Parish Stewardship

Catholic Service Appeal

October 19, 2025

Gifts to date \$27,097 Goal \$58,224

Weekly Collection \$6,716 Weekly Goal \$9,168

CHRISTMAS CASH RAFFLE

tickets have been mailed. If you did not receive yours or you would like more, please contact the Parish Office.

Drawing will be held December 14.

Don't forget our **Year-Long 50/50** is still going strong. The drawing for the 50/50 will be held on December 28.

Online Giving

As autumn settles in and our schedules get busier, we understand that you might not be able to join us every Sunday. However, your generous donations can still be here! Simple visit our online giving page found at www.stleomagnus.org. We hope you'll find the experience quick and convenient. Thank you so much for your generosity and support. Your contributions are a true blessing, and we are deeply grateful for your kindness.

THE 2026 MASS BOOK WILL OPEN NOVEMBER 3RD

(Limit 3 Mass intention requests)

Ways to Remember

There are many ways to memorialize both living and deceased family and friends:

Mass - \$10/request

Candles: Sanctuary, Saint Leo, Saint John of God - \$20/week

Hosts and Wine - \$100/month

Beat the Heat/Cancel the Cold - \$10/date

Contact the parish office for details.

Have an IRA? Would you like to gift to a qualified charity, tax free?

If you make donations, and are subject to required minimum distributions (RMD) rules for your IRA, gifting some of your RMD income using the qualified charitable distribution will count toward satisfying your RMD, and neither you or the charity will have to pay income taxes. Call the parish office for more details.

Bulletin Deadline - Submit by Oct. 28 for the Nov. 1 bulletin

St. Leo Magnus Church

Parish Office Hours

9 am - noon & 1-4 pm Ph:814-772-3135 Monday - Thursday secretary@stleomagnus.org

CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE FOR YOUR
CEMETERY NEEDS

Pope Leo XIV



"The Church's prayer reminds us that God grants justice to all, giving his life for all. Thus, when we cry out to the Lord, 'Where are you?', let us transform this invocation into a prayer, and then we will recognize that God is present where the innocent suffer. The cross of Christ reveals God's justice, and God's justice is forgiveness. He sees evil and redeems it by taking it upon himself."

Pope Leo XIV Homily during Canonization Mass Sunday, 19 October 2025

CANCEL THE COLD

†We remember in our prayers†

October 26

Peg Howard Carl D. Lindberg

October 29

Mr. & Mrs. Earl Wonderly



Holy Baptism is the basis of the whole Christian life, the gateway to life in the Spirit.

Marriage Blessings

Congratulations to

Hudson Rees and Katie Robuck

united in marriage at St. Leo Magnus on October 18, 2025

May God Bless them as they begin their new life together

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LASAGNA DINNER

Elk County Ecumenical Group will be selling Lasagna Dinners on Monday, October 27. The "Take-Out only" meal includes Lasagna, Salad, Roll and Dessert for \$15. Swing by St. Leo Parking lot from 4 pm until sold out to pick up this delicious meal. Proceeds benefit Elk County Ecumenical Group.

INTERNATIONAL FORTY DAYS FOR LIFE SEPT. 24TH THROUGH NOV. 2

The mission of this Campaign is to end Abortion through Fasting. Prayer and Community Outreach. With changing hearts and minds 25,695 babies have been saved since 2007.

Elk County Right To Life will sponsor 40 Days Rosary - after Tues. 8:30 Mass at St. Marys Church and after Friday 6:15 Mass at Sacred Heart. They will place 40 Day Daily Prayer Sheets at entrances of area Churches. For more information contact Mary Ross at 814-781-6867.

COAT COLLECTION

Elk County Ecumenical Group is collecting used clean coats, hats, gloves or mittens and scarves for kids and adults in our community who are in need this winter. Any donations are greatly appreciated. A collection box is located in the gathering space. Thanks so much for your generosity!

HOMEMADE SAUERKRAUT DINNER

St. Hubert's Committee at St. Mary's Church is hosting dinner on Saturday, November 8 at 6 pm in the cafeteria of the parish center. On the menu: Roasted Pork, Homemade Sauerkraut, Locally Grown Mashed Potatoes, Wheat/Rye Dinner Rolls, Dessert and Complimentary Beverage (with Dine-In Meals only). Cost \$12. Reservations Required - call 814-781-1019.

STUFFING BALLS FOR SALE

Order by November 20th by calling St. Boniface Church. Cost \$12/doz.

St. Leo School Reverse Raffle

The Raffle will be held Saturday, November 8. Doors open at 4 pm. Get your ticket by calling Sara @ 814-389-5775.

RESPECT LIFE CONFERENCE 2025 - "BE A SIGN OF HOPE" Catholic Charities Office of Social Justice and Life invites you to attend the 2025 Respect Life Conference. Presentations will be given on a variety of respect life topics: Walking with Moms in Need, post-IVF ministry, hospice care and human trafficking. "Be a Sign of Hope" Conference is Nov. 1 from 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. (doors open at 8:45 a.m.) at Saint Mark Catholic Center, 429 E. Grandview Blvd., Erie. Presentations will be given on a variety of respect life topics: Walking with Moms in Need, post-IVF ministry, hospice care and human trafficking. Tickets are \$15/person, \$8/student, and scholarships are available. Registration includes lunch. To register: https:// bit.ly/46kqLb2 For more information, please contact Social Justice and Life Director Elizabeth Slaby at ESlaby@CCIncErie.org or 814-824-1254.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

In today's gospel, Jesus says, "...who humbles himself will be exalted." It's not the occasional big events, but the daily, humble routines of family life and "ordinary time" that create bonds and relationships that last a lifetime. Embrace this approach, and you'll see the difference.

Children's Liturgy

Meets weekly on Sundays during 10:00am mass. Children ages 3 through 3rd grade are welcome to join us for a message about the gospel readings for the week! We Typically watch a video about the gospel, discuss what it means, and create a project to go along with the lesson for the week! Children are returned back to their families in the pews prior to communion.



St. Leo School a Catholic, Classical Academy

SPOTLIGHT ON

SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH

OUR SCHOOL HAD SOME VERY SPECIAL VISITORS RECENTLY! SOME OF OUR ELEMENTARY STUDENTS GREETED THE VISITING SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH AS THEY ARRIVED FOR A PILGRIMAGE TO THE CHURCH AND SCHOOL. THE SSJ WERE THE ORIGINAL TEACHERS OF ST. LEO SCHOOL BACK IN THE LATE 1890S AND EARLY 1900S.

TWO OF THE SISTERS PICTURED ATTENDED & GRADUATED FROM ST. LEO HIGH SCHOOL. THEY WERE SO HAPPY TO BE HOME, AND WE WERE THRILLED TO BE ABLE TO WELCOME THEM.

MAY GOD CONTINUE TO BLESS THE SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH!

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Brother Francis - All Saints Day

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From the Pastor's Desk

My dear parish family:

One day when I was around the age of eight, my father came barreling into the living room. Obviously he wasn't pleased – all of us recognize that look in our either of our parent's eyes! He had just opened the phone bill. He wanted to know what this strange number that I had called ten times in one day and racked up nearly one hundred dollars in fees was. It started with 1-900!! My response: "Oh don't worry Daddy, I was talking to Santa Claus!" I wasn't allowed to talk on the phone for weeks.

How would you describe your own acts of calling on God! Not on the phone, but in our daily prayer. Are our prayers more often like calling an emergency number: "God get me out of this mess?" Is it "an every once in a while" chat, like twice a year just to give a Merry Christmas or Happy Birthday message on voicemail? Or it is a constant relationship – an ever deepening friendship, one of those frequent calls, that if we don't do it every day, we feel incomplete?

In Luke's Gospel this weekend we find two very different people entering the temple – two men with different backgrounds, with two polar opposite views of prayer. The Pharisee – high-up in society – respected with influence and power. He "prays" like this: "O God, I thank you that I am not like the rest of humanity – greedy, dishonest, adulterous -- or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week, and I pay tithes on my whole income." Thirty-four words. Is it really a prayer? Then enter a tax collector – the bottom of the barrel – despised – people looked at them with hatred and malice because they're were so money hungry and greedy. Nevertheless, this tax collector said – he prayed: "O God, be merciful to me a sinner." Eight words. Much better, don't you think?

What about our prayers – day in and day out – or hour by hour – minute by minute? Are they for show or are they moments to recommit to our relationship with God – to renew our friendship with His Son, Jesus Christ – to acknowledge that sin exists, yes it exists in our lives, and that we need peace – we need God – yes, we need His mercy to survive – to move forward – to love as He loves us!



Prayer has the power to change people. But more often than not, prayer changes the one who prays. And God always gives the answer to prayer that sparks and encourages that change. Our prayers do not change a God, who is perfect and infinite in His love, mercy and goodness. Prayer is not our means of convincing God that what we want is best for us; but of coming to recognize, even though hardships and suffering, what God's will is for us ,will literally lead us back to Heaven!

Before prayer can help cleanse us – we must confront sin first. Sin exists, it does, as much as the world tries to deny it or sweep sin under the carpet or pretend that sin and evil are antiquated terms – sin still casts darkness over the soul of humanity. Many times, we look the other way because we do not want to talk with the Lord or we are afraid to seek the Lord or allow ourselves to encounter the Lord. Meeting the Lord is important,

because it is not a moment of judgment or anger on God's part, but a moment of grace – a time to personal time with Jesus to invite Him to change, renew, and revitalize us from the soul outwards.

The problem is not that we are sinners: the problem is not <u>repenting</u> of sin; not being ashamed of what we have done, that's the problem. When we recognize our imperfections through sin – when we turn to Jesus Christ because there is no one else who can heal us with such immense love – when we feel that shame from sin and resolve to do better, only with God's help – then we are well on our way to encountering the beauty of God's mercy – a way that is possible through prayer – unceasing prayer – and like the tax collection in today's Gospel narrative. This nameless man's prayer was honest. His prayer was humble. His prayer was real!

God knew what was best for the tax collector and He knows what's best for us. As always, our Lord Jesus is correct, both in today's gospel first heard by Christian hearts some 2,000 years ago, but also by us today – Jesus' present day witnesses, who must pray intensely always, in order to be reunited with Him forever in eternity. The Lord reminds us, "for whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted." Pray for this every day – pray loudly – pray from our hearts. God will hear us. God will change us. God will welcome us home!

In this jubilee of the hope that never disappoints, Haller James God in His abundance bless you today and always!

Father Justin