

ST. LEO MAGNUS

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TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 28, 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 Years of Jubilee

The Jubilee of 1775 was proclaimed by Pope Clement XIV. He died before it could begin, so his successor Pius VI opened the Holy Year. Two popes in a jubilee would not occur again until 2025.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 27, 2025 + *Saints Vincent dePaul*

8:00 am **ROSARY**

8:30 am **Linda Giovanini** (Jim & Marion Castagnari)

9:00 am **CONFESSION**

Saturday, September 27, 2025 + *Vigil for The Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

5:15 pm **Phil Mitchell** (Family)

Sunday, September 28, 2025 + *The Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 am **Lucy Johnson** (Dolly MacDonald)

10:00 am **Kathleen Ferraro** (Betty, Ella & Paula)

Tuesday, September 30, 2025 + *Saint Jerome*

9:00 am - 6:00 pm **Eucharistic Adoration**

6:00 pm **Jenny Morelli** (Jake & Jilly Mercer)



Wednesday, October 1, 2025 + *Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus*

8:30 am **Jodi Rose Fitch** (Laura)

4 - 6 pm **CONFESSION**

Thursday, October 2, 2025 + *The Holy Guardian Angels*

8:30 am **The People of Saint Leo Parish**

9:00 am - 6:00 pm **Eucharistic Adoration**



Friday, October 3, 2025 + *Weekday*

8:30 am **Mary Jane Wingard** (Dave & Joey Kepple)

Saturday, October 4, 2025 + *Saint Francis of Assisi*

8:00 am **ROSARY**

8:30 am **Jeremiah F. Shea, Jr. & Mary A. Shea** (Kathy Roemer)

9:00 am **CONFESSION**

Saturday, October 4, 2025 + *Vigil for the Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time*

5:15 pm **Adam Karpinski** (Ruth Steis)

Sunday, September 28, 2025 + *Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 am **Jim Detwiler** (Mary Detwiler)

10:00 am **The People of Saint Leo Parish**



Pope Leo XIV Prayer Intention for September

FOR OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH ALL CREATION

Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.

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

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

ALTAR CANDLES

The Sanctuary Candle burns this week in loving memory of
VERBECK FAMILY

The Saint Leo Candle will burn this week in loving memory of
JOSH REYNOLDS
By Nancy Klawuhn

The Parish offers our prayers and sympathies to the family of:

Helen Precht

May she, and all the faithful departed, rest in eternal peace.

The wine and hosts for September have been provided in loving memory of
Liz Mitchell and Mark Stolburg
by Nina Stolburg.

Liturgical Ministries October 4 & 5, 2025

	Altar Servers	Eucharistic Minister	Lector
Saturday, 5:15 pm	A Corl D LaBenne	H Bish	A Anderson
Sunday, 8:00 am	J Nicklas G McCloskey	B Gausman	J Allenbaugh
Sunday, 10:00 am	H & T Bish	S or L Fink	D Paige
Money Counters	Team # 1	Altar Guild (10/3)	Group 1 Pew 3



Welcome to the Faith!

Curious about Jesus?

Are You ready to receive the Sacraments?

Join us to take the next steps in your faith Journey. Do you know someone who is interested in becoming Catholic or have you been away from the Church and would like to refresh your knowledge of the Catholic faith?

ALL ARE INVITED to take the next steps in your faith journey and join the OCIA process which takes place throughout the year.

Please contact St. Leo Magnus Parish Office at 814-772-3135.

Or email us at secretary@stleomagnus.org

"By God's help they will be strengthened spiritually during their preparation and at the proper time receive the sacraments fruitfully"

Parish Stewardship

September 21, 2025

Weekly Collection \$6,723
Weekly Goal \$9,168

Catholic Service Appeal

Goal \$58,224
Gifts to date \$25,633



Online Giving

St. Leo Magnus Church graciously accepts online
Donations. Our online giving page can be found at
www.stleomagnus.org

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.

CANCEL THE COLD

†We remember in our prayers†

September 27

The Facchine Family

PLEASE COME

St. Leo CD of A will host Clergy Appreciation
on Saturday, October 4th,
after the 8:30 am Mass in the social hall.
Please come, socialize and share a meal in
appreciation of our clergy.

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



"How are we managing the material goods, the resources of
the earth and our very lives that God has entrusted to us? We
can follow the way of selfishness, placing wealth above all else
and thinking only of ourselves. But this isolates us from others
and spreads the poison of competition, which often fuels
conflict. Instead, we can recognize everything we have as a
gift from God, to be managed and used as an instrument for
sharing – to create networks of friendship and solidarity, to
work for the common good, and to build a world that is more
just, equitable and fraternal."

**Pope Leo XIV
Angelus Message
Sunday, 21 September 2025**

K of C 300 Club Winners

	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6
\$100	JA Caggese	R DePanfilis	D Giovanini
\$50	Fr. Justin	D Buhler	3Ds
\$50	C Tutton	R Viglione	E Shilk
\$50	J Leithner	L & LS	S Klase

Baptism Preparation Class Schedule

Oct 11	10:00 am	Sacred Heart, St. Marys	814-781-1019
Nov 25	6:30 pm	St. Marys, St. Marys	814-781-1019

Pre-Cana Class Schedule

Oct. 11 & 12	Church of the Good Shepherd, West Middlesex	RSVP 724-528-3539
Nov. 2	St. George, Erie	RSVP 814-864-0622

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.

NATIONAL PROLIFE CAMPAIGN

Stand and Pray. Each year, Life Chains form in towns to make public, prayerful, peaceful stand for life. Join us to pray on Oct. 5th, from 1-2 pm in downtown St. Marys. Meet at St. Marys K of C at 12:45 where prayer signs will be handed out for this event.

PRISON MINISTRY

Are you looking for a way to share your faith with others who need encouragement? St. Leo's Church is looking for a few more volunteers to help with Bible faith sharing with the inmates at the Elk County Prison on Monday evenings from 6:00 to 9:00 pm. Three volunteers are scheduled to share the Christ's Gospel message each week. Twelve volunteers fill out each month's schedule. Those interested are asked to call St. Leo parish office at 834-772-3135. New volunteers are invited to attend St. Leo's Prison Ministry Fall Meeting on Tuesday, October 7th in St. Leo Social Hall following Mass at 6:00 pm.

PARISH MISSION

Immaculate Conception Church, Osceola Mills, PA will host a Parish Mission Sept. 28, 29 and 30 from 6:30 - 7:30pm. Fr. Ian McElarth, Associate Director of the Clergy Office will speak on "Living the Faith."

ST. BONIFACE BREAKFAST BUFFET

St. Boniface K of C will host a breakfast buffet on Oct. 5th from 8am until 11:30 (sold out). Cost \$10 for adults and \$5 for 16 & under. All are invited to come and enjoy at St. Boniface.

SACRED HEART BINGO

Sacred Heart Parish Center. Friday, Oct. 3, 2025. Doors open at 4pm. FREE Delicious Lunch at 5:30, Early Bird Games begin at 6:30 followed by **\$1,199 Bank- Must Go!** Hope to see you there!

OCTOBERFEST CRAFT SHOW

Saturday, Oct. 18, 9am - 2pm. Craft Vendors, 50/50, Basket Raffle, German Food Booth. St. Mary's Parish Center Cafeteria.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

In today's gospel, the rich man died and was condemned to "a place of torment" because he ignored the poor. He asked Lazarus to go and warn his five brothers to change their ways, revealing ignoring the poor was a family pattern. What is your family's attitude toward those who are poor?

St. Leo Religious Education

Sacrament classes for grades 2, 3 and 9 will be held at St. Leo. Classes will begin in October from 9 am - 10 am. If you have not enrolled, please do so ASAP.

Students in grades 1, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 should be registered at Holy Rosary in Johnsonburg. If you are not registered, call Holy Rosary parish office @ 814-965-2819. **Classes have begun so do not delay!**

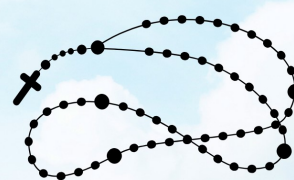
PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL

Floating Rosary

hosted by the
St. Leo Middle School girls



*Tuesday, October 7, 2025
on the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary*



ST. LEO MAGNUS CHURCH

1:15pm - Rosary recital in the church
with Rosary procession and launch to
follow in the parking lot

*Our rosary will remain tethered until dusk
for all to enjoy. When taken down, the
balloons will be disposed of accordingly.*

CHILDREN'S LITURGY IS BACK!

We will be meeting 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.

*We are also looking for volunteers to help facilitate this program! Looking to get more involved in the church? Love working with kids? Are you a high school student who is in need of service hours? Reach out to Amanda Straub 814-590-8115 to hear about our ideas for the new year! Or stop downstairs on Sunday to check out our program!



Welcome to our newest Catholic!

Reed Andrew Walters

Son of Mason and Paige Walters

We pray God will bless him, and his family,
as he grows in faith.

From the Pastor's Desk

My dear parish family:

In 1873 – the year before he officially established our parish here in Ridgway – the Third Bishop of Erie – The Right Reverend Tobias Mullen announced that the diocese would construct a new magnificent cathedral. Prior to this, Saint Patrick Church in Erie had served as the pro-cathedral until a suitable structure could be built. It took 20 years to get to the moment of announcing the building of the cathedral, quickly followed by the groundbreaking ceremony. How long did it take to complete this massive project? In the 1940s, after our church tragically burned, it took just over a year and half until our beautiful Saint Leo Church was complete. Not so in the late 19th Century for what would eventually become Saint Peter Cathedral. It took 20 years to finish the cathedral!

As the bishop realized – a cathedral just doesn't drop from the sky. You have to build it – stone by stone – pillar by pillar – person by person need to be part of the process. Bankers early on refused to give Bishop Mullen loans. They said the planned site for the cathedral was so far out of town that no one would ever worship there. They dubbed it “Mullen's Folly!” But the bishop was undeterred. He built trust with financiers. He built up support with the Catholic population of our diocese. He built on prayer and faith to make our Mother Church a reality. He built on the hope of Jesus Christ – that make the seemingly “impossible” possible – hope makes a so-called “folly” into a wonderfully made House of God.

Bishop Mullen refused to build until he had the funds and workers. When the money or craftsman's ran out. He waited. He prayed. He hoped until they could be replenished. When the government tried to levy taxes on the unfinished building siting that it wasn't really a church yet – Bishop Mullen said Mass and made holy the site, even when the cathedral yet had a roof! He built on hope and it paid off when our magnificent cathedral was dedicated in 1893.

During this Jubilee Year we need to be cognizant that hope must be built! Layer by layer – prayer by prayer – whisper by whisper from the heart of Jesus Christ to us. I found the following prayer from the Archdiocese of Dublin in Ireland. Building hope during this Holy Year is important to our witness of Jesus, not only this year, but every year!

BUILDING HOPE PRAYER

O God of Pilgrims, we give you thanks and praise. You constantly journey with us even in our darkness and doubts. We seek your way of loving kindness to walk together as one family. Open our eyes to recognize you in the faces of one another, in the breaking of bread and in the splendor of creation. May the risen Christ sow seeds of hope and new life deep within us. May our hearts and minds be filled with your Word, bringing forth truth, justice and peace. May the Holy Spirit working in and through us do much more than we can dare to imagine as we live out our baptismal calling in humble and loving service. We make this our prayer through Christ Our Lord. Amen.



By reciting this prayer often – we can, with an abundance of hope in our hearts and souls – build magnificent structures. Not just a cathedral – but a road to Heaven!

*Always confident that the hope of Jesus Christ never disappoints,
may He accompany and guide us this week and always!*

Father Justin