

St. Leo Magnus

Roman Catholic Church

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Faithful Witnesses of Christ's Gospel since 1874

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 19, 2026

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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses

Sat. Vigil: 5:15 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:00 am

Daily Mass

Tuesdays: 6 pm

Wednesdays - Saturday: 8:30 am

Saturday: 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



“AND IT HAPPENED THAT WHILE THEY WERE CONVERSING AND DEBATING, JESUS HIMSELF DREW NEAR AND WALKED WITH THEM, BUT THEIR EYES WERE PREVENTED FROM RECOGNIZING HIM.”

Luke 24: 15-16

Mass Intentions



Saturday, April 18, 2026 + Easter Weekday

- 8:00 am **Rosary**
- 8:30 am **Fred Wonderly** (Jan Wonderly and Family)
- 9:00 am **Confession**

Saturday, April 18, 2026 + Vigil for the Third Sunday of Easter

- 5:15 pm **Larry Johnson** (Linda Johnson)

Sunday, April 19, 2026 + Third Sunday of Easter

- 8:00 am **The People of Saint Leo Parish**
- 10:00 am **Mark Stolburg** (Nina Stolburg)

Tuesday, April 21, 2026 + Easter Weekday

- 9:00 am - 6:00 pm **ADORATION**
- 6:00 pm **Joseph J. Pino** (Fr. Justin)

Wednesday, April 22, 2026 + Easter Weekday

- 8:30 am **Frank & Josephine Capuccini** (Debby & Charlie Richards)
- 4:00 - 6:00 pm **Confession**

Thursday, April 23, 2026 + Easter Weekday

- 8:30 am **Samuel G. Benigni** (Manno Family)
- 9:00 am - 6:00 pm **ADORATION**

Friday, April 24, 2026 + Easter Weekday

- 8:30 am **JoAnn Rooker, 1st Anniv.** (Dolores Miller)



Saturday, April 25, 2026 + Saint Mark

- 8:00 am **Rosary**
- 8:30 am **Andrew Horezga** (Jim & Theresa McLaughlin)
- 9:00 am **Confession**

Saturday, April 25, 2026 + Vigil for the Fourth Sunday of Easter

- 5:15 pm **Phil Mitchell** (Peggy Mitchell)

Sunday, April 26, 2026 + Fourth Sunday of Easter

- 8:00 am **Linda Gier**
- 10:00 am **Sanita Tettis** (Mike & Karen Tettis)

The Parish offers our prayers and sympathies to the family of:
Carol Yankovich
May she, and all the faithful departed, rest in eternal peace.

The Sanctuary Candle before the Blessed Sacrament will burn this week
In Thankfulness for an answered prayer



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



Prayer for a New Bishop

*O Almighty God,
 Pour forth the Holy Spirit upon the Holy Father
 and those who assist him
 in the discernment of our new bishop.
 May the one chosen have the strength
 to be a compassionate leader,
 who models humility and joy.
 Grant him the wisdom of Solomon,
 the courage of the apostles,
 and the tenderness of your Son, the Good Shepherd.*

*We also pray for the Diocese of Erie
 that he is called to serve.
 May we welcome him with open hearts
 and work with him in a spirit of synodality,
 called to listen, collaborate, and build unity.*

*Through the intercession of the
 Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church,
 St. Joseph, the protector of the Church,
 and St. Patrick, the patron of our diocese,
 may we journey the path of life
 with an unwavering focus
 on the hope we have in Christ.*

*For he lives and reigns forever and ever.
 Amen.*

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 The Most Reverend Lawrence T. Persico, J.C.L.
 Bishop of Erie



Pope Leo XIV Prayer Intention for April FOR PRIESTS IN CRISIS

Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.

*The wine and hosts for April have been donated
 in loving memory of*
Tony and Molly Marzella
By Jeff and Sonya Marzella

Liturgical Ministries Week of April 25/26

	Altar Servers	Eucharistic Minister	Lector
Sat, 4/25 5:15 pm	J Tettis J Hoyle	F Or K Griech	H Bish
Sun, 4/26 8:00 am	D Scarnati T Washburn	D Richards	WJ Fernan
Sun, 4/26 10:00 am	G McCloskey B Leader	L Caggese C Leader N Hoffman	D Paige
Money Counters	Team #4	Altar Guild (4/24)	Group 6 Pew 2

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 Communion List.

Parish Stewardship

April 12, 2026

April 12, 2026	CSA, 2026
Offering.....\$ 7,634	Pledges.....\$23,480
Goal.....\$ 9,168	Goal.....\$61,135

Online Giving

As we celebrate the resurrection of our Savior this Easter, we invite you to consider offering a gift to Saint Leo Magnus. Your generosity during this sacred season helps us continue our mission and support our community. Head over to our parish website to make a one-time donation or set up automated, recurring giving for the entire year. It's quick and easy when you visit our online giving page www.stleomagnus.org. It's quick, easy, and convenient. We sincerely appreciate your generosity and support. Your contributions are a genuine blessing, and we are profoundly thankful for your kindness.

Ways to Remember

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

Mass - \$10/requested date

ADDITIONAL MASS INTENTIONS MAY NOW BE REQUESTED

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

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

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.

Baptism Preparation Class Schedule

Apr 29, 2026	6:00 pm	St. Leo, Ridgway	814-772-3135
May 21, 2026	6:30 pm	St. Mary's, St. Marys	814-781-1019
June 2, 2026	6:30 pm	Queen of the World, St. Marys	814-834-4701

****Be Sure to call ahead to reserve your spot**

Bulletin Deadline - April 21st for the April 26th bulletin

St. Leo Magnus Church

Parish Office Hours

9 am - noon & 1-4 pm
Ph:814-772-3135

Monday - Thursday
secretary@stleomagnus.org

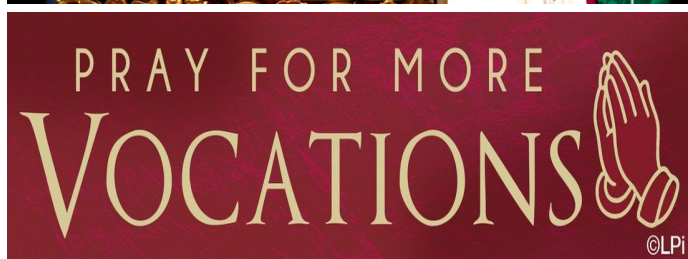
CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE FOR YOUR CEMETERY NEEDS

Weekly Wisdom from our Holy Father

“Prayer teaches us how to act. In prayer, our limited human possibilities are joined to the infinite possibilities of God. Thoughts, words and deeds then break the demonic cycle of evil and are placed at the service of the Kingdom of God. A Kingdom in which there is no sword, no drone, no vengeance, no trivialization of evil, no unjust profit, but only dignity, understanding and forgiveness. It is here that we find a bulwark against that delusion of omnipotence that surrounds us and is becoming increasingly unpredictable and aggressive. The balance within the human family has been severely destabilized. Even the holy Name of God, the God of life, is being dragged into discourses of death. A world of brothers and sisters with one heavenly Father vanishes, as in a nightmare, giving way to a reality populated by enemies. We are met by threats, rather than the invitation to listen and to come together. Brothers and sisters, those who pray are aware of their own limitations; they do not kill or threaten with death. Instead, death enslaves those who have turned their backs on the living God, turning themselves and their own power into a mute, blind and deaf idol, to which they sacrifice every value, demanding that the whole world bend its knee.”

Pope Leo XIV

Prayer Vigil for Peace Address - 11 April 2026



Marriage Preparation Schedule

Sunday, April 19
St. James, Erie
9am-5pm, Mass included
RSVP 814-899-6178

Fri & Sat, April 24 & 25
Our Lady of Peace, Erie
Fri, 5p-9p & Sat, 9a-1p
No Mass included
RSVP 814-833-7701

CD OF A

The Next meeting of the CD of A will be Tuesday, **April 21st** at 6:30 pm in the Social Hall.

MOTHER - DAUGHTER TEA

April 18th at Immaculate Conception Parish, Clarion or May 2nd at St. Mark Catholic Center, Erie. This is a special time to connect, talk about becoming a woman, prepare for puberty (for girls age then and older and their moms!) For more information and to sign up: <https://www.eriecd.org/chastity/tea.html>

CINCH TOURNAMENT

Sunday, April 26 at Sacred Heart Parish Center. Dinner @ 12:15, Play begins at 1:00 pm. Call Sharon @ 814-594-5594 to register. Benefits Relay For Life.

BOOK CLUB

We're reading "Discernment" by Fr. Henry Nouwen. Meetings will be held at Sacred Heart Parish Center on Wednesdays for 5-6 weeks starting April 29th from 4-6 pm. If your interested or have questions, contact Rita Kraus @ 814-594-7510.

**Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments
Child Abuse Prevention Month- Report Child Abuse:**

It is every adult's moral responsibility to report known or suspected abuse or neglect of a minor to the responsible authorities. Physical and sexual abuse of minors are pervasive societal problems, and only concerted and sustained efforts by all adults in every segment of society can help to protect children and youth. According to the latest Pennsylvania statewide report in 2024 there were 5,214 substantiated reports of child abuse. 1,693 or 32.5% of the substantiated reports were for sexual abuse and 1,410 substantiated reports were physical abuse. 61.4% of child abuse victims were female. Mother and Father remain the person most responsible for abuse of their children. *To report child abuse, call Childline at 800-932-0323 (anytime 24/7). For questions on reporting abuse in the Diocese of Erie, you may call the Office for the Protection of Children and Youth at 814-824-1195.*

Millions of Monicas

Like St. Monica, we pray for our children in need of God's mercy and a return to the Church.

*A new Millions of Monicas prayer group is beginning at **St. Leo Magnus Church.***

*We will meet **Wednesdays at 6 pm beginning May 6th.***

Women are invited to gather for one hour of guided prayer, which always includes a Rosary.

All women are welcome. Many who come are mothers, grandmothers, aunts, and confirmation sponsors, following the example of St. Monica in her perseverance in prayer.

This is not a support group, and no sensitive information is shared.

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TO SIGN UP STLEO TO 84576 OR STLEO.FLOCKNOTE.COM


ST. LEO SCHOOL INVITES YOU TO THE 2026 

May Crowning

MAY 1, 2026
8:30AM
ST. LEO CHURCH



World Day of Prayer for Vocations



Cancel the Cold
†We Remember in our prayers†

April 19
Arthur Cianca, Jr.
Genevieve Stanley
Mary Foley
Jeff Penfield
Sis Geitner
Souls in Purgatory

Happy Mother's Day Sale
SATURDAY, MAY 9TH
10AM - 2PM

20% OFF ONE DAY ONLY STOREWIDE SALE

THE BENEDICTINE GIFT SHOP
139 CHURCH ST. ST. MARYS



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.

 **Baptism**

Welcome to our newest Catholic!

Francis Steven Wolfe

Son of Jesse and Suzanne Wolfe

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

From the Pastor's Desk

My dear parish family:

During the summers when I was attending college, I was employed at Bi-Lo in the town of Houtzdale, just south of Clearfield. My mother's family was from this area, so I had relatives there and people who knew my family. During a typical week of stocking shelves and bagging groceries in paper or plastic, at least one or two people would stop and talk to me in one of the aisles or at the checkout. They would ask how I was doing. They would inquire about my parents and grandparents. It was normal chit chat. I would walk with them to their car with their groceries, always being sure to put the eggs and bread on top, and they would leave. And typically, this would happen: I would go back into the store and ask one of managers or the cashiers the same question: Who was that? Often, I didn't recognize these people, even though they recognized me or had probably last seen me as a small child. Everyone changes in appearance. Jesus certainly did two weeks ago or atop the mountain at the Transfiguration, when only a fortunate few got a glimpse of what would come at Easter. Sometimes we forget to recognize people. It can even happen to members of our own families.

RECOGNIZE – it's from the Greek word "to recall again" or "to remember a relationship you have already experienced." The grace to recognize is at the heart of this Sunday's Gospel message. The two disciples on the road to Emmaus are unable to recognize their Friend. They were overshadowed by the despair and darkness of His death on the Cross. Right now, we too could be in danger of being overshadowed by the darkness of the world's current situation or our own personal difficulties, struggles, and crosses. **Yet Jesus Christ is the light no darkness, not even the darkness of death, can extinguish!** Sometimes the darkness is so thick that no matter how hard we strain; we cannot see the light. What distinguishes us as Catholic Christians, is our belief, our faith in the Risen Christ who promises to be with us even, and when we *think* we do not see Him. Recall last week with Saint Thomas. We must be reminded of this profound truth as we, are unable to *see* Him physically in the beauty of the Eucharist, but we know He is with us. Yes, we believe! That's why we bow to Him. That's why we proclaim, Amen!

Look again at the two disciples in the Gospel narrative today. They were grieving the loss of their friend. They were trying to understand what they had heard about the empty tomb. Then they walked with Jesus – but they did not see Him! They were talking to Jesus, *about* Jesus – but they did not see Him! They missed Him in the darkness of the moment and did not see the light of His presence until He sat down with them at a table to break bread. And that is what we do at every Mass. We come to Tables of Word and Sacrament; you and me and a billion plus other Catholics throughout the world, to hear the voice of Christ in the Sacred Scriptures and to break bread with Him in the Eucharist.



When Jesus broke the bread in the Gospel, the two recognized the Risen One immediately. Therefore, we must recognize the presence of Christ in others. Seeing – acknowledging – recognizing His face in others is the Easter experience – it is our Christian experience every day.

Walk around your house today. See the face of Jesus reflected in your family. Walk around the block today. See the face of Jesus in your neighbors and even strangers you encounter along the way. Walk to a mirror today. See the face of Jesus in your face and rejoice for He is so close. Yes, He is in the Scriptures we just heard – recognize Him. Yes, He is in the Bread and wine that is offered every time Mass is celebrated – recognize Him. Yes, He is there on the road, not just to Emmaus, but everywhere with everyone. May we see Him, recognize Him, embrace Him and share Him with each other. As the disciples said to the Lord in the Gospel today, may we say the same to Him from our hearts today, tomorrow, and always: Jesus – Lord – Risen One – *stay with us!* And He will! He will *always* stay with us. We must remember, recognize, and believe!

May the light of Easter continue to shine on us all! *Father Justin*