

ST. LEO MAGNUS

Roman Catholic Church

A Pennsylvania Charitable Trust

+ + + + +

Proclaiming the Hope of Jesus Christ here since 1874

THE FEAST OF THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

NOV. 9, 2025

PARISH ADMINISTRATION

The Very Reverend Justin P. Pino, VF,

frjustin@comcast.net + 814-772-3135, ext. 2

Rena Urmann, Office Manager secretary@stleomagnus.org + 814-772-3135 ext. 1

Stephen Vallone, *Business Manager* 814-772-3135 ext. 4

Andy Kopp Director of Physical Plant

Denise Larnder, Director of Liturgical Music

ST. LEO SCHOOL

Lynne Kucenski, *Principal* kucenskil@eccss.org (814-772-9775)

Theodore Hanes, President of ECCSS hanest@eccss.org (814-834-7800)

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

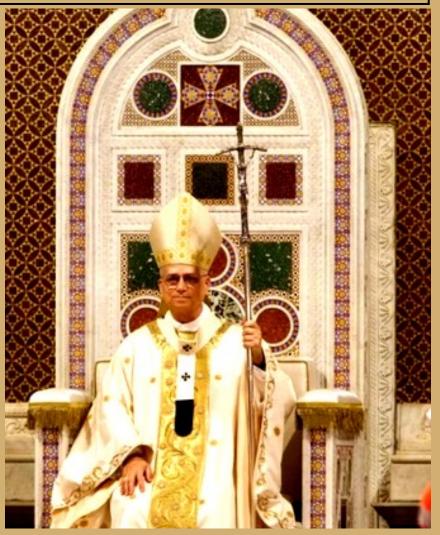
Evening before: 6:00 pm On the day: 8:30 am & 12:05 pm

Sacrament of Penance (Confessions)

Wednesdays: 4-6 pm & Saturdays: 9 am

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament

Tuesdays + Thursdays 9 am - 6 pm



Pope Leo is seated on the cathedra (bishop's chair) in his diocesan cathedral - The Lateran Basilica in Rome.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 8, 2025 + Votive Mass for the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 am Rosary

8:30 am Edith Fedus (John & Sue Feronti)

9:00 am Confession

<u>Saturday, November 8, 2025 + Vigil for The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica</u>

5:15 pm Livio Morelli (Mr. & Mrs. Dick Matha)

Sunday, November 9, 2025 + The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

8:00 am Chester Viola (Family)

10:00 am Vincenzo Ponzo, 70th Anniv. (Fr. Justin)

Monday, November 10, 2025 + Saint Leo the Great 6:00 pm Robert Connacher (St. Leo Parish)

Tuesday, November 11, 2025 + Saint Martin of Tours

9:00 am - 6:00 pm Eucharistic Adoration 6:00 pm The People of Saint Leo Parish

Wednesday, November 12, 2025 + Saint Josaphat

8:30 am **Jane Williams** (Family)

4 - 6 pm Confession

Thursday, November 13, 2025 + Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini

8:30 am Art Cianca, Jr. (Denny & Becky Ryan) 9:00 am - 6:00 pm EUCHARISTIC ADDRATION

Friday, November 14, 2025 + Weekday

8:30 am Jennie Morelli (Barb & Don Mercer)

Saturday, November 15, 2025 + Votive Mass for the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 am Rosary

8:30 am Jane Mago (Nancy & Julie)

9:00 am Confession

Saturday, November 15, 2025 + Vigil for The Thirty-third Sunday

in Ordinary Time

5:15 pm Lori Spangler (Ruth Steis)

Sunday, November 16, 2025 + The Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am **Debe Young** (Family) 10:00 am **Ted Bomba** (Family)

<u>Pope Leo XIV Prayer Intention for November</u> For the prevention of suicide

Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.

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.

<u>FLOCKNOTE</u> - 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 Loving Memory of ARLENE REGULSKI By Rosemary Schloder

The wine and hosts for November have been provided in memory of

James Manno

By his wife, Virginia

Liturgical Ministries November 15 & 16, 2025

	Altar Servers	Eucharistic Minister	Lector
Saturday, 5:15 pm	H & T Bish	T Bish	H Bish
Sunday, 8:00 am	J Tettis A Corl	B Gausman	WJ Fernan
Sunday, 10:00 am	P Messineo CC MacDonald	N Hoffman	N Hoffman
Money Counters	Team # 3	Altar Guild (11/14)	Group 7 Pew 3

Readings for the week of November 9,2025

Sunday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/1 Cor 3:9c-11,

16-17/Jn 2:13-22

Monday: Wis 1:1-7/Ps 139:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10/Lk 17:1-6 **Tuesday:** Wis 2:23-3:9/Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19/Lk 17:7-10

Wednesday: Wis 6:1-11/Ps 82:3-4, 6-7/Lk 17:11-19

Thursday: Wis 7:22b-8:1/Ps 119:89, 90, 91, 130, 135, 175/Lk

17:20-25

Friday: Wis 13:1-9/Ps 119:1, 2, 10, 11, 17, 18/Lk 17:26-37 **Saturday:** Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9/Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43/Lk

18:1-8

Next Sunday: Mal 3:19-20a/Ps 98:5-6, 7-8, 9 (see 9)/2 Thes

3:7-12/Lk 21:5-19

Remembering lost souls from St. Leo -



Scarlett Cabanaw



Edith Fedus

Parish Stewardship

Catholic Service Appeal

November 2, 2025

Weekly Collection \$11,395 \$ 9,168 Weekly Goal

Gifts to date \$31,102 \$58.224 Goal

Online Giving

As we gather to give thanks this Thanksgiving season, we invite you to consider offering a gift to St. Leo Magnus Parish. Your generosity during this season enables us to carry on our mission and uplift our community.

Visit our parish website, www.stleomagnus.org, to make a onetime donation or to set up automated, recurring giving throughout the year. It's quick, easy, and convenient when you visit our online giving page. Thank you for your generosity and support. Your contributions are a true blessing, and we are deeply grateful for

THE 2026 MASS BOOK IS OPEN

(Limit 3 Mass intention requests)

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.

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.

Cemetery Notice

Help us maintain the cemetery by removing all decorations before winter.

Bulletin Deadline - Submit by Nov. 11 for the Nov. 16 bulletin Pay attention to submission deadlines for the holiday season

St. Leo Magnus Church

Parish Office Hours

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

CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE FOR YOUR **CEMETERY NEEDS**

Pope Leo XIV



"Education, in fact, teaches us to look upward, always higher. When Galileo Galilei pointed his telescope at the sky, he discovered new worlds: the moons of Jupiter, the mountains of the Moon. Education is like a telescope that allows you to look beyond and discover what you would not see on your own. So do not remain fixated on your smartphones and their fleeting bursts of images; instead, look to the sky, to the heights." Pope LeoXIV

Speech to Students for the Jubilee of Education Thursday, 30 October 2025



Good Samaritan Food Bank

Please bring your contributions of non-perishable foods to the gathering space during the month.

Contributions directly benefit your neighbors.

Advent

The CD of A will be offering Advent Candles and Wreaths for sale beginning November 22.

Candles are \$5.00/box and a complete set, candles & wreath are \$20.00.

Pick up your candles/wreaths in the gathering space any time. We'll be using the honor system for payment.



CD of A Christmas Basket

Ladies, it's time to donate to our Christmas Basket Fundraiser. Please bring items to the gathering space



Baptism Preparation Class Schedule

Nov 25 6:30 pm St. Marys, St. Marys

814-781-1019

12 KNIGHTS OF CHRISTMAS

Get your raffle ticket from a member of the K of C or from the parish office for only \$20. The raffle drawings are December 13 until December 24. Top prize is \$750. Remember your ticket can win more than one time.

STUFFING BALLS FOR SALE

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

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

The Concert Choir of Elk County will present "O Come An Sing of Christmas" Tuesday, December 2 at St. Leo Magnus, Ridgway and Saturday, December 6 at Sacred Heart Parish, St. Marys. At 7:00 pm both nights. Come help us usher in the Christmas Season.

CD of A Christmas Party Court St. Leo #356

Dec. 6, 2025, 1:00 pm Royal Inn Entrees

(prices include tip & gratuity) Stuffed Pork Chop - \$25 Fish Francese - \$25 Meat Ravioli - \$19.52

Information and reservations contact Debby @ 814-773-7990 or Linda @ 814-776-6758 Reservations accepted until Dec. 1

Bingo

Chinese Auction

50/50

CANCEL THE COLD

†We remember in our prayers†

November 2

James "Speedy" Verbeck

November 8

Deceased members of the Facchine Family

November 9

Jim Manno

November 11

Joanne Marie Piccirillo



Saint, Priest and Pope.

All are possible!

CHILD PROTECTION AND CREATING SAFE ENVIRONMENTS-KNOW THE WARNING SIGNS OF A PREDATOR:

Perpetrators are not waiting on the street to snatch kids; only 10% of sexually abused children are abused by strangers. 90% are abused by someone known and trusted by the child/child's family. Perpetrators integrate themselves into everyone's life, not just the child. They build relationships so that they are trusted to be alone with the child. One of the most important ways to ensure the safety of children in our environments is to know the warning signs of adults who present a risk of harm to children. Among these signs are when the person (1) always wants to be alone with a child in areas where no one can monitor the interactions, (2) allows a child to do things their parents would not permit, (3) is always more excited to be with children than with adults, and (4) discourages others from participating in activities involving kids. Visit www.eriercd.org/childprotection/ for more information and resources.



Center of Renewal at Stella Niagara 4421 Lower River Road, Stella Niagara, New York 14144 716 754-7376 * stellaniagararetreats.org





Let's Do Lunch



Breaking Bread & Bible Study with Bonnie

Finding Hope in "THIN PLACES"

January 22, 2026

11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Celtic Christian spirituality defines a "thin place" as a physical location where the veil between our earthly world and the divine realm seems "thin" and porous. It's alleged to be a place where people have had an intense encounter with God. Bible theologians and scholars' debate whether so-called "thin places" are Scripturally based or merely our imaginations at work. Rather than rehash opposing theological debates, why not explore the possibility of "thin places" as it relates to HOPE and the profound possibility that such a place may create a personal and serendipitous appointment with God. Romans 12:12 Rejoice in HOPE

> Cost: \$28.00 For Reservations Call 716 754-7376



St. Leo School a Catholic, Classical Academy

814.772.9775

KUCENSKIL@ ECCSS.ORG



SPOTLIGHT ON

ON THE MORNING OF OCTOBER 29 OUR SCHOOL CELEBRATED ALL SAINTS DAY A LITTLE EARLY WITH AN ALL SAINTS DAY MEMORIAM MASS. EACH YEAR, OUR TEACHERS CHOOSE A PATRON SAINT FOR THEIR CLASSROOM AND ON ALL SAINTS' DAY, ONE STUDENT FROM EACH CLASS IS CHOSEN TO DRESS UP AND PORTRAY THEIR CLASS SAINT. THEN, FR. JUSTIN TRIES TO GUESS THE SAINT DURING THE HOMILY! AS ALWAYS. ONE OF OUR 8TH GRADE BOYS IS CHOSEN EACH YEAR TO DRESS AS SAINT LEO THE GREAT, OUR SCHOOL AND CHURCH'S PATRON! ALL YOU HOLY MEN AND WOMEN, SAINTS OF GOD, PRAY FOR US!



From the Pastor's Desk

My dear parish family:

Every November 9^{th} – the Church throughout the world pauses to celebrate an unusual feast. Today is the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica – one of the great patriarchal basilicas in Rome. Here's a little history of that magnificent temple of God.

To dedicate or consecrate a place to God is a ritual that is found in every religion. To *reserve* a place to God is an act of recognizing His glory and honor. When the Emperor Constantine granted freedom to publicly practice to Christians in 313, they did not spare time in order to construct numerous places for the Lord. Constantine himself also constructed churches, one of which he was a magnificent basilica on the Caelian Hill in Rome, over the ancient Lateran Palace, which Pope Sylvester I dedicated to Christ the Savior in the year 318 or 324. A chapel dedicated to Saint John the Baptist was built inside it which served as the baptistery. This moved Pope Sergius III to dedicate it to Saint John the Baptist as well. Lastly, Pope Lucius II also dedicated it to Saint John the Evangelist in the 12th century. Thus, the name of this Papal Basilica is the Basilica of the Most Holy Savior and of Saints John the Baptist and John the Evangelist in the Lateran. Christians consider the Basilica to be the *mother church of all churches in the world*. The church was destroyed several times in the course of the centuries, and always rebuilt. The final reconstruction took place under the pontificate of Benedict XIII. The church was rededicated in 1724. It was at that time that the feast celebrated today was established and extended to the universal Church. The Lateran Basilica is also the cathedral to the Bishop of Rome – therefore it is where the official cathedra (or bishop's chair) for Pope Leo sits.

This feast this weekend is not a day to recall a building – a church with a small "c;" but it is to remember the importance of the Church with a capital "C," which is all of us – the Universal Church – the Mystical Body of Christ. But we can bring the history of St. John Lateran even closer to home. For what we celebrate today is not so much a building of stone but rather the living stones that constitute the Church's membership – that's you and me, the baptized, who are part of the Body of Christ. Like St. John Lateran and like the Church herself, in our journey through life, in our personal histories, we experience challenges, sorrow, failings, burdens, and wounds. Like St. John Lateran and like the Church herself, you and I need continually to be repaired, renewed, and indeed rebuilt. We call it, *ongoing conversion*. In fact, these are the conversations that the Holy Spirit is prompting us to have concerning pastoral planning her in Elk and Cameron counties. Church buildings are always sin need of renewal – so too are the priests, deacons, sisters, men, women, and children who sit in the church's pews – praying, worshipping, and being pilgrims of hope!

Therefore, what should bring us joy – infuse us with a new hope on this feast day? Just as Christ foreshadowed in the Gospels that the temple of His body would die and then rise, so too the Church herself and we who are members of the Church must daily follow Him in dying to our sins and rising anew. This is only possible because the Lord loves us and gave His life for us, because Christ is with us in the power of the Holy Spirit, because His saving power has not ceased but reaches us today, full of strength – full of intense and unconditional love – full of the hope that does not disappoint! Christ's renewing truth, His personal presence reaching us in the beauty of the Eucharist whenever we enter into His sacrifice and receive his Body & Blood, is found every Catholic church – no matter what it looks like inside – no matter who the priest is preaching in the pulpit – no matter where it is located geographically. Christ's reconciling, healing love, reaches us through the Sacrament of Reconciliation in which our sins are forgiven. Christ's Word of truth and love, capable of transforming our hearts, reaches us through the Scriptures, through the Church's teaching, and through one another each time we gather here around these Tables of Word and Sacrament. That is why being a full, active, participating member of the Church is so important. It's important for our souls. Yes, is important for our eternal life.

We are the Church! You and I are the living stones that construct the Body of Christ! Today on this feast of the Lateran Basilica – and every day of the liturgical calendar – let us never take that truth, that love, that unity, that constant search for renewal, and that hope from Christ that never disappoints for granted.



May God bless you in His abundance this week!

Father Justin