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Wed. & Thurs. 9:00AM-
1:00PM

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Third Sunday of Easter

Presiding Today:

Fr. Larry Mick

April

Council Announcements:
Tom Anacker

In Today's Mass We Pray For:

Jim Kuba
by - Mary Beery

Proclaimers of the Word:

Bob Ramsey
Dick Rose

Today's Collection Counters:

Mike Corbett
Mary Lou Worland

Mass Schedule:

St. Leonard Faith Community
Religious Education Classes,
9:00AM (September– May)
Sunday Mass, 10:30AM

Senior Living Community

Communion Service,
Monday 9:00AM
Mass: Tuesday - Friday,
9:00AM, Saturday 4:00PM
and Sunday 9:00AM

Welcome!

April 19, 2015



St. Leonard Faith Community is a freely formed Catholic community sharing in the Franciscan heritage. We are committed to creating, through active worship and the offering of our individual and collective gifts, a spiritual environment which opens us to the life-giving presence of the Holy Spirit. Through a variety of ministries,

we reach out to respond to the needs of others with love. Our mission will be to live our Christian faith, to grow spiritually, and to be actively involved in the community and St. Leonard Faith Community.

Worshiping with us for the first time? During the preparation of the gifts we follow the gift bearers to gather around the altar to receive Our Lord as a Community. If you would like to learn more about our Community with the possibility of becoming a member, information packets are available at the back pew.

Collections: We do not pass a collection basket during the Liturgy. Collection baskets are available on the ledge behind the back pews/chairs for donations that will assist in the operation of the Faith Community. Please make checks payable to: "St. Leonard Faith Community."

Weekly Collection: 4-12-2015: \$ 5,310.00

YTD Collections: \$132,668.00

Weekly Budgeted Collection: \$3,615.00

YTD Budget: \$137,360.00

Readings for the Week of April 19, 2015

Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48

Monday: Acts 6:8-15/Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday: Acts 7:51–8:1a/Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8/Jn 6:35-40

Thursday: Acts 8:26-40/Jn 6:44-51

Friday: Acts 9:1-20/Jn 6:52-59

Saturday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Mk 16:15-20

Sunday: Acts 4:8-12/1 Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18

April Religious Education Classes (PREP):

19-Classes in Session
26-Classes in Session (No Class for First Eucharist Students)

May Religious Education Classes (PREP):

3-Classes in Session
10-NO CLASS (Mother's Day)
17-Closing Breakfast; 9AM; Auditorium

Thank You, Students!

Thanks to our students and families who collected money for their almsgiving cans during the season of Lent. Together, we collected \$44.48 to benefit the Food 4 Summer Program.

April Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW):

19-Linda Niehoff
26-NO CLOW (First Eucharist)

May Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW):

3-Monsita Corbett (adult observer: Mrs. Corbett);
Last Day for CLOW

Attention First Eucharist Families and Prayer Partners

The First Eucharist Retreat will begin with a lunch at **12PM today, April 19th**, in the Knights of Columbus Room. Prayer partners are invited to join First Eucharist students and their families for lunch. The retreat will end by 4PM.

**Please Pray For Our First Eucharist Students**

First Eucharist is next **Sunday, April 26th**. We ask that you pray for the following students as they prepare to receive their First Holy Communion:

Grace Firestone, Luke Flais, Kuol Kuol, and Jayden Williams

Calling all budding scientists in grades pre-K through 6!

Join us for this year's SonSpark Labs Vacation Bible School, to be held **June 21-25, from 6:00-8:30PM**. Young "scientists" will participate in experiments and games, create science-themed crafts, learn Bible stories and songs, and enjoy snacks. Most importantly, they will discover God's plan for each of them: **God's Plan 4 U = Jesus!**

To register, visit: <http://stleonardfaithcommunity.org/vbs-online-registration>. For more information, contact Meghan Neumeier at 937.435.3626 or sffc.dre@gmail.com.

SAINT OF THE DAY: April 19 – St. Alphege – He was born in 954 in England, where he became a monk at the Deerhurst Monastery. He later served as abbot of the abbey in Bath, England, as well as bishop of Winchester. St. Alphege was known for his care of the poor and simple lifestyle. He inspired the Danish chieftain Anlaf to convert to Christianity. In 1005, St. Alphege was named archbishop of Canterbury. Upon his return from Rome, he was captured and beaten to death by the Danes. St. Alphege is known as the First Martyr of Canterbury. In 1105, his body was found to be incorrupt.

Thoughts on Today's Readings...

If you watch enough crime shows, you learn that there are several kinds of evidence. Eyewitness testimony is from someone who sees the event in person. Circumstantial evidence is secondhand information. Hard evidence is something that is proof beyond the shadow of a doubt.

In today's Gospel, Jesus used His own body to give the disciples real evidence of his resurrection. He didn't want the story to be clouded by the possibility that the disciples were imagining things and that He was just a ghostly apparition. Jesus meant for them to know that it was truly Him in the flesh. He showed them His wounds and went so far as to ask them for food, which He ate in their presence. He was the same Jesus who had been taken down dead from the cross. Real evidence.

Catholic Relief Collection

Today, our church will take up the Catholic Relief Services Collection. This collection supports six Catholic agencies that touch more than 100 million lives around the world. The funds from this collection help provide food to the hungry, support to displaced refugees, and Christ's love and respect to all people. Please give generously to the Catholic Relief Services Collection and **help Jesus in disguise**.

The entire collection will be sent to the Archdiocese.

**New Members**

St. Leonard Faith Community warmly welcomes our newest members Warren and Rolinda Kappeler.



FAITH FORMATION Noel Kupras-Bauer
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My apologies for the late notice to postpone the program on the Resurrection stories and for any inconveniences it may have caused. I haven't learned to bi-locate yet and obviously I'm getting so old that I can't keep my calendar straight.

Hopefully, you can join me **this Tuesday evening, April 21st at 7:00PM in the Chaminade Hall Auditorium.**

This program is a study/discussion in round table format. I will be leading the discussion using **Megan McKenna's book "And Morning Came,"** as well as a chapter from **Cynthia Bourgeault's, "The Wisdom Jesus,"** and the **Resurrection stories of the four gospels.** The point of the program is to discern what the evangelists were trying to teach us about Jesus' resurrection and, therefore, what to expect **when we die** and resurrect. Understanding this should make our own living and dying that much less fearful. **Mark your calendar, bookmark the resurrection stories in your Bible, and bring it with you when you come.**

Appropriately, I bless you with Sr. Maxine Shonk's blessing of the Risen Lord:

*May the RISEN LORD be with you, lifting you from every darkness and **revealing to you the hidden life in every death.** May you rise to every opportunity to know God...in the love of your friends, in the beauty of creation, and in every peak and valley in your singular life. May you know Resurrection promise in each exchange with God's people. May the RISEN LORD bless you.*



SOCIAL JUSTICE - Bob Niehoff
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St Vincent DePaul Walk for the Poor. This annual 5K Run/Walk is **Saturday, April 25 at 10:00AM with registration at 9:00AM.** Starting line forms at the Job Center, 1133 S. Edwin C. Moses Blvd., Dayton, OH. This event both raises awareness for those living in poverty or who are homeless and supports the SVDP mission of providing emergency assistance, shelter and hope to the more than 100,000 men, women and children being served each year. If you cannot attend, walk or run, please consider sponsoring me or someone else who is attending by making a generous donation. The cost to register for this event is \$20 before April 17 or \$25 after that. Pre-register online at: www.keysports.net. **See Bob Niehoff after Mass in the lobby to support my Walk for the Poor. Cash or check made out to SVDP is acceptable; thanks for remembering the poor.**

Good Shepherd Ministries Annual Banquet. The annual Awards and Pledge Banquet will be **May 8, 6:00pm** at Epiphany Lutheran Church, 6430 Far Hills Ave., Centerville. Good Shepherd restores peoples' lives in recovery and reentry.

Mark Your Calendar

Summertime Family Program

Calling all families, young and old, boys and girls, Moms and Dads, Grandmas and Grandpas! We have a **Summertime Family Fun Program** starting soon. Young families will be matched with older couples/families for fun activities, picnics, field trips, and barbeques. Sign-ups begin in May. **Watch for it!**

April Intergenerational Team Meeting

The Intergenerational Team will meet on **Sunday, April 26th**, in Classroom 4, beginning at approximately 12:15PM. Please be sure to have a conversation with your ministries regarding what we covered at our last meeting.



2015 - Ladies Retreat

Mark your calendar for the 13th Annual Ladies Retreat **September 11, 12 and 13** at Maria Stein. Last year over 40 ladies attended and we expect more in attendance this year. Private rooms are reserved for your stay.

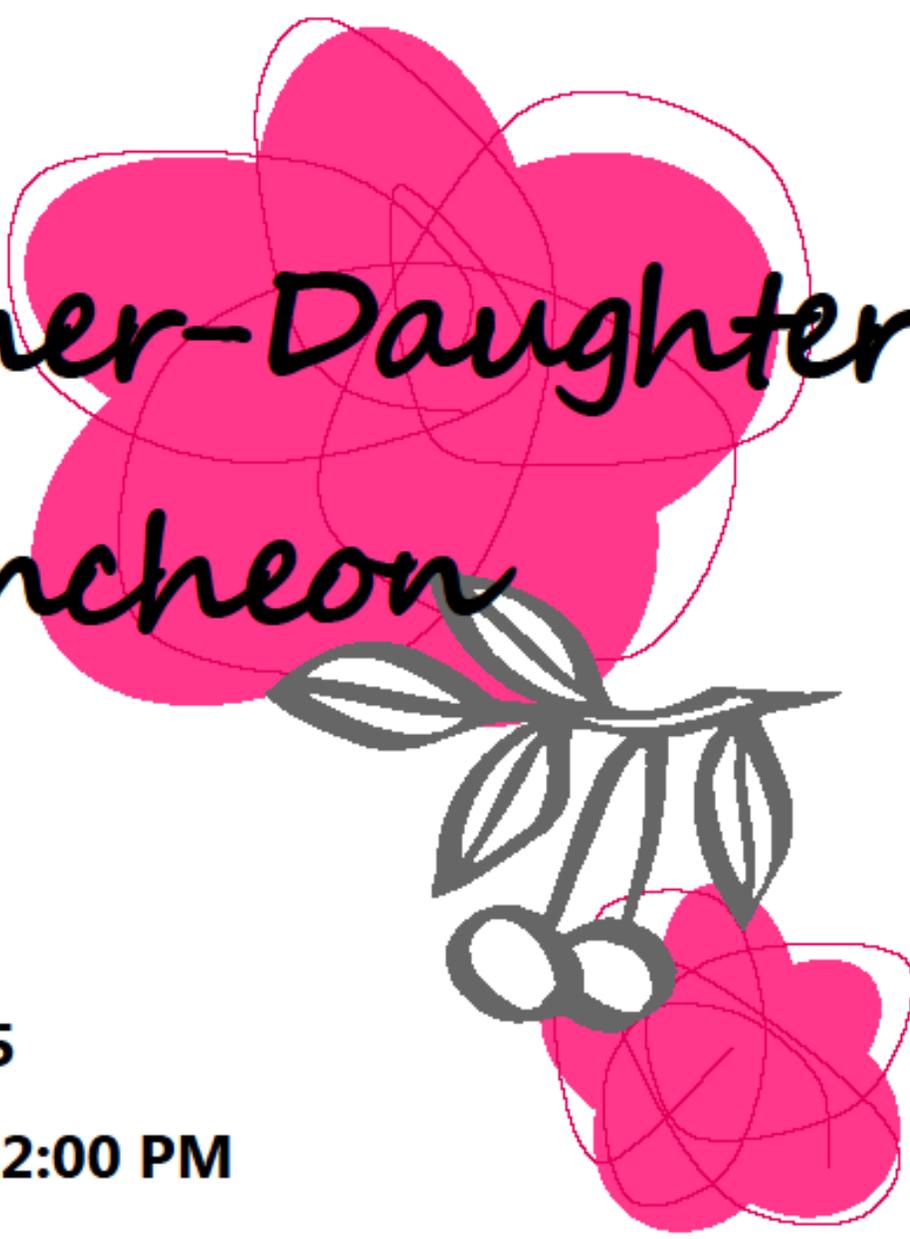
Sr. Maxine will be back with us this year and Fr. Larry will be joining us for our Mass celebration.

Details will follow through the summer so mark your calendars NOW for September 11, 12 and 13. Don't miss out on a great weekend! Contact: Kathy Hoefler @ 937.602.9690.



St. Leonard Student of the Month

Lawrence Corbett is our Student of the Month for April! Lawrence is in eighth grade at Incarnation School. He serves as an assistant sacristan, usher, violist, and CLOW youth helper at St. Leonard. Lawrence loves sports (especially volleyball, baseball, and Notre Dame football), and he is involved in the KofC Squires. Lawrence enjoys music and is the principal violist in the Incarnation Orchestra. Upcoming events/activities include auditions for the Dayton Philharmonic Youth Strings, a sailing trip with the Boy Scouts (Lawrence holds a Star rank), and Eighth Grade Graduation. If you are interested in applying for our Student of the Month program, please visit our website at: <http://stleonardfaithcommunity.org/student-of-the-month>.

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Mother-Daughter Luncheon

May 2, 2015

11:30 AM - 2:00 PM

Station House Restaurant

Entertainment by Senior Sensations

Door Prizes. Proceeds from the raffle basket will benefit
"Discover the Beauty Within" Summer Camp.

Adults \$20 • Child (3-10) \$7

Hey Kroger Shoppers!

Still time to re-enroll

Kroger Community Rewards



If you enrolled in the Kroger Community Rewards Program anytime in the past 12 months and designated St. Leonard Faith Community as the recipient, it is time to re-enroll.

Re-enrolling :

- Access the Kroger Community Rewards Program web page at Kroger.com/communityrewards
- Click on sign in/register. Use your email address and password.
- Enter our number **82949** and click search
- Select St. Leonard Faith Community
- Save changes
- If you do not have a Kroger card, they are available at the customer service desk at any Kroger.

A percentage of total sales will come back to Faith Community just by signing up and this will not affect your gasoline points.

Please feel free to contact the church office at 937.435.3626 if you have questions.

NEWS FROM THE PEWS

Do you have an item of interest that you would like to share with your church community? Complete a "News From The Pews" page from the red book and place in offering basket or turn it into the church office. You can also e-mail the information to: sifc.office@gmail.com.



Join us for Coffee and Donuts after Mass in the Auditorium.

Mass Readings

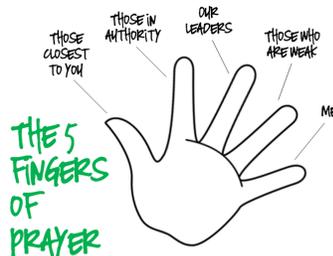
The USCCB website provides the daily Mass readings for the entire liturgical year. Go to: www.usccb.org/bible/readings.

Care for God's Creation

Reflection: Creator God, we thank you for brother sun, sister moon and the stars. We give thanks for the rhythm of the days, months and years. Help us to value both light and darkness. Grant us wisdom in the use of energy supplies, and inspiration in the development of renewable resources.

Quote from the Holy See: "Brothers and sisters: creation is not a property which we can dispose of at will; much less so is it the property of some, or of a few. Creation is a gift - it is a present, a wonderful gift that God has given us to take care of and to use for the benefit of all, always with respect and gratitude." -- Pope Francis, Audience, May 21, 2014.

Creation Tip: Be mindful of unnecessary water usage. Treating and pumping water utilizes energy; in fact, 3% of our nation's energy is used for making water available. Using water more efficiently would decrease our production of greenhouse gases that cause climate change.



POPE FRANCIS FIVE FINGER PRAYER

1 - Your thumb is nearest to you. So begin your prayer by praying for those closest to you. Our loved ones are the easiest to pray for.

2 - The next finger is the point finger. Pray for those who teach, instruct and heal. This includes teachers, doctors and priests.

3 - The next finger is the tallest finger. It reminds us of our leaders. Pray for the president, leaders and administrators. These people shape our nation and guide public opinion.

4 - The fourth finger is our ring finger. Surprising to many, this is our weakest finger. It should remind you to pray for those who are weak and in pain. They need your prayers day and night.

5 - And lastly comes our little finger, the smallest of all, which is where we should place ourselves in relation to God and others. Your pinkie should remind you to pray for yourself. By the time you prayed for the other 4 groups, your own needs will be put into perspective and you will be able to pray for yourself more effectively.



Special prayers are requested:

Tom Barhorst (Ruth Hopkins brother), Mike Bennett, Joe Bensman, Byrant Bolden, Amy Buxton, Shirley Chee, Karrie Coggeshall, Conor Crippen, George Cruise, Terrie Dawson, Kerry DeLuca, Bruce Ford, Peggy Fulwiler (Jim Fulwiler’s mom), Betty Gillespie, Lee Hoof, Ruth Hopkins, Jim & Bill Kiefer, Kelly King, Adrian Konstantelos, Vincenzina Krymow, Brandon Le, Sarah McClellan, Mary Ann McGuire, Beverly Mullins, Anita & Doug Nelson, Fr. Joe Rigali, Angela O’Reilly, Kacey Risher, Ken Rueth, Scarlett Schmitz, Rosalie Schoenfeld, Carl Schwander, Marvin Skeens, Hugh & Jasmine Skees, Payne Sigman, Roman Thieben (Bauer’s grandson), Jim Tieman, Jim Town, Ron Volosin, Marlene Vorherr, Charlie Weigel, Kent Wingate, Baby Luke

A prayer list is published in the bulletin to inform the Community of those with special needs. Persons may be placed on the prayer list by calling the office and will remain on the list until the office is contacted to remove them. Hospitals do not notify our office when a parishioner is admitted. Please contact the church office if you would like to make it known that a family member is in the hospital.

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Calendar of Events

- April**
- 19-Sunday, Rohr Chats, Boardroom, 9:45AM/Mass 10:30AM/ Catholic Relief Collection/First Eucharist Retreat, 12PM-4PM
 - 20-Monday, Book Club, 6PM
 - 21-Tuesday, Faith Formation “Resurrection” discussion, Chaminade Hall, 7PM
 - 25-Saturday, Social Justice, 5K Run/Walk for the Poor, Job Center, Moses Blvd., Dayton, 10AM
 - 26-Sunday, Rohr Chats, Boardroom, 9:45AM/First Eucharist, Mass 10:30AM/Intergenerational Team meeting, classroom 4, 12:15PM
- May**
- 2-Saturday, Mother-Daughter Luncheon, Station House Restaurant, 11:30AM
 - 3-Sunday, Rohr Chats, Boardroom, 9:45AM/Mass 10:30am
 - 8-Friday, Good Shepherd Ministries Annual Banquet, Epiphany Lutheran Church, Far Hills, 6PM
 - 9-Saturday, Confirmation, Incarnation Parish, 11:30AM
 - 10-Family Sunday,/Mother’s Day/Rohr Chats, Boardroom, 9:45AM/ Mass 10:30am
 - 12-Tuesday, Faith formation presentation, “Discipleship” by Fr. Satish, auditorium, 7PM
 - 17-Ascension Sunday, Rohr Chats, Boardroom, 9:45AM/ Mass 10:30am
 - 20-Wednesday, Prayer & Worship meeting, Boardroom, 7PM
- *Please see Religious Education page for PREP and CLOW schedule.

Pastoral Care Services, Sacraments and Funerals:

Requests for pastoral care services, Sacraments, or any other needs should be made to the Community Office. If the office is closed and you have a pastoral care need, please call David Weickert at 937.750.3438.

Scheduling Mass Intentions: Requests for Mass intentions may be made by contacting the Community Church Office @ 937.435.3626.

Bulletin announcements:

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Bulletin information must reach our office no later than **11:00 AM on TUESDAY** (articles may be edited for content and space).

Ministries Of The Church

Ministry	Chair	Council Liaison
Membership	Mary Ellen Graham & Bill Moroney	Maureen Josenhans
Worship	Mary Cozart	Pat Schug
Justice & Service	Bob Niehoff	Tom Anacker
Faith Formation	Noel Bauer	John Nelson
Community Life	Shirle Speaks	Bonnie Bengé
Pastoral Care	Mary Ann McGuire	Darryl McGill