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1:00PM

<http://www.stleonardfaithcommunity.org>

April 5, 2015

<http://www.facebook.com/stleonardfaithcommunity>

REJOICE IN THIS DAY!



In the name of the whole St. Leonard Faith Community, I welcome you to the celebration of Christ's Resurrection this weekend. Easter is the greatest feast of the church's year, and we are very happy that you have gathered with us to celebrate the new life that Christ won for us.

We extend a special welcome to visitors and guests today. We hope that you enjoy and are nourished by our celebration of the liturgy. Please know that you are welcome to join us any Sunday in the weeks and months ahead.

We offer a special word of welcome also to our college students and other young adults who are home for Easter. It's always a joy to see you among us again.

And, of course, we rejoice in all those here whose faces we see week after week. It is you who make our community such a wonderful place to worship and share our faith.

May you all know the joy of Easter not only today but throughout the Fifty Days of celebration that concludes at Pentecost. "This is the day the Lord has made; let us be glad and rejoice in it!"

Fr. Larry Mick



Welcome to St. Leonard Faith Community! We are excited to have you with us during the highlight of the Church's year. The Easter season gives us a time to celebrate the transforming power of God's love present among us. We hope that you experience that love while you are with us.

Our community emphasizes a sense of hospitality, a commitment to ministry, and profound liturgies that allow us to walk more closely with one another on our faith journey. As a unique small community within the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, we are a spiritual home for many who are seeking something 'more' in their expression of faith.

If your experience of our liturgy has been spiritually nourishing for you and you would like to find out more about us or join our community, please call David Weickert @ 937.435.3626x3783 or Ruth Hopkins @ 937.435.1997. You can also check out our website at: <http://www.stleonardfaithcommunity.org/>. Registration forms are available on the table behind the last pew, and on the website under the 'Information' tab.

We look forward to getting to know you!

David Weickert

Pastoral Administrator

Easter Sunday

Christ
is
Risen!

Presiding Today:

Fr. Larry Mick

April

Council Announcements:

Maureen Josenhans

In Today's Mass We Pray For:

Jacqueline Kiefer

by - Chris & Steve Brown

Proclaimers of the Word:

Anne Koenig & Fred Konen

Today's Collection Counters:

Maureen Josenhans

Jim McGee

Weekly Collection:

3-29-2015: \$3,042.00

YTD Collections:

\$124,766.00

Weekly Budgeted Collection:

\$3,615.00

YTD Budget: \$130,130.00

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



OUR CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT

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."

Worshipping 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.

Readings for the Week of April 5, 2015

Easter Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7 or Lk 24:13-35

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Mt 28:8-15

Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Jn 20:11-18

Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/Lk 24:13-35

Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/Lk 24:35-48

Friday: Acts 4:1-12/Jn 21:1-14

Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Mk 16:9-15

Sunday: Acts 4:32-35/1 Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:19-31



FAITH FORMATION
Noel Kupras-Bauer

HAPPY EASTER!!

It's the Feast of the Resurrection and we are all celebrating what happened to Jesus that has made all the difference - the transformational power of love! We profess that we believe in the resurrection of the body every Sunday, so what does that mean for each and every one of us?

Join me for a discussion of the Easter stories, discerning together what they tell us we can expect when we die. We'll use notes from Megan McKenna's "And Morning Came" to round out our observations.

See you Tuesday evening, April 14, in Chaminade Hall auditorium at 7:00PM.

FOR
GOD
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LOVED THE WORLD
HE
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SON



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>.

Proclaimer's - the sign-up for Proclaiming the Word in the months of June, July and August will be on **Sunday, April 12**. The sign-up sheets will be available on the shelf behind the last pew by the main entrance of the church before and after Mass. Please see Jai Rezy if you have any questions.

April Religious Education Classes (PREP):

5-NO CLASS (Easter Sunday/Easter Break)
 12-Classes in Session
 19-Classes in Session
 26-Classes in Session (No Class for First Eucharist Students)

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

5-NO CLOW (Easter Sunday/Easter Break)
 12-Monsita Corbett (adult observer: Mrs. Corbett)
 19-Linda Niehoff
 26-NO CLOW (First Eucharist)

Attention Religious Education Parents: Students should bring their almsgiving cans to class on Sunday, April 12th. Collected money will be donated to the Food 4 Summer program, which provides lunch to students in need over the summer months. Thank you for your support of our efforts to teach our children the importance of serving the poor!

**Mark Your Calendar!**

Sunday, April 19th - First Eucharist Lunch, Retreat & Rehearsal, 12-4PM, Knights of Columbus Room. Students should bring their completed banners.

Sunday, April 26th - First Eucharist Celebration, 10:30AM Mass.



WISHING OUR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION STUDENTS, FAMILIES, AND TEACHERS A BLESSED START TO THE EASTER SEASON!

PARENTS' CORNER APRIL 2015

I recently saw a quotation on Pinterest that said, "It's not about the bunny, it's about the lamb." It's easy to get wrapped up in the commercial traditions of Easter: the Easter bunny, Easter eggs, an Easter basket. But Easter is really about the Lamb of God, who sacrificed Himself so that we might have eternal life. How can you explain this weighty theological truth at the heart of our faith to children? Here are some ways:

1. Do your kids enjoy drawing and making crafts? Grab a Bible and open it to Luke 24:6: "He is not here, but he has been raised" (NAB). Make a poster with these words, and have your children draw corresponding pictures. Hang the poster in your home.
2. Do your kids like to bake and cook? Make Lamb of God rolls (the recipe can be found here: <http://catholiccuisine.blogspot.com/2008/12/lamb-of-god.html>). Read and discuss John 1:29: "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world."
3. Do your kids enjoy nature and the outdoors? Make a Resurrection garden. Fill a round cookie sheet or terra cotta plant tray with dirt or pebbles. Bury a mini terra cotta pot sideways in the pebbles or dirt to make an opening for the tomb. Cover the opening with a stone. Add three crosses made out of sticks. If you want to watch your Resurrection garden grow, plant grass seed in the dirt. For pictures and detailed instructions, visit: <http://wearethatfamily.com/2012/03/diy-mini-resurrection-garden/>.
4. Do your kids love science? Demonstrate how Jesus takes away our sins with an experiment using a candle, match, colored water, penny, plate, and drinking glass. For pictures and instructions, visit: <http://anotherdayintheministry.blogspot.com/2011/04/easter-object-lesson.html>.
5. Do your kids like games? Plan an Easter egg scavenger hunt with clues from Bible verses. For instructions and free printables, visit: <http://rumblytime.blogspot.com/2012/04/easter-scavenger-hunt.html>.

How do you explain the meaning of Easter to your children? Share your ideas on our Facebook.



Coming Soon! Mark Your Calendar!

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.

On April 19, 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**.

HELP Jesus IN DISGUISE

"AMEN, I SAY TO YOU, WHATEVER YOU DID FOR ONE OF THESE LEAST BROTHERS OF MINE, YOU DID FOR ME." (MT 25:40)



The Catholic Relief Services Collection funds six Catholic agencies that work to serve our suffering brothers and sisters around the world. Through humanitarian aid, resettling displaced individuals and families, and providing legal and advocacy services for migrants, the Catholic Relief Services Collection allows us to see every encounter with a person who is suffering as an opportunity to help Jesus in disguise.



In northern Pakistan, Catholic Relief Services (CRS) works with religious leaders and families to promote education for girls. In most rural areas of the country, education is only available and encouraged for boys. Some girls are taught to read and write at home, but for most of the girls their education stops there.

CRS staff realized that mothers could become primary facilitators of their daughters' education and met with groups of mothers to discuss the value of education for girls. After receiving information and meeting with teachers, several mothers decided to enroll their girls in school. This often meant sending them off some distance to a neighboring village, but the mothers began to play an active role in supporting and encouraging their daughters. And they have now seen a positive change. The girls show a passion for school and enjoy reviewing their homework with their mothers.



For young Nigerian Igbo Catholics in the United States, generational conflict presents a challenge to the faith. Because the Catholic faith is something associated with the rigid views of their elders, many of the young people have fallen away. They struggle to integrate their new American life with the African heritage passed down from their parents and elders and many no longer see the relevance of the faith for daily life.

The USCCB's Subcommittee on the Pastoral Care of Migrants, Refugees, and Travelers (PCMRT) reached out to this community of young people during an annual gathering of Igbo Catholics in Raleigh, North Carolina. Over 200 youth gathered to discuss their experience of culture and faith, voicing their difficulty finding their identity and engaging in their faith. As a result of this dialogue, the youth created their own organization, finding shared struggles and a common voice. Empowered by spiritual guidance and peer counseling during retreats, these young people are now engaged in their parishes, serving as lectors, altar servers, and choir members.

WITH YOUR DONATIONS

Feed Jesus' hunger in suffering refugees through the USCCB Department of Migration and Refugee Services (MRS).

Give water to quench Jesus' thirst in the people of Bolivia and Ethiopia through the humanitarian work of Catholic Relief Services (CRS).

Offer legal assistance to Jesus in struggling immigrants through the Catholic Legal Immigration Network, Inc. (CLINIC).

Reach out to comfort Jesus' loneliness in isolated workers through the pastoral work of the USCCB Secretariat for Cultural Diversity in the Church.

Advocate on behalf of Jesus in the poor and abandoned through the public policy work of the USCCB Department of Justice, Peace, and Human Development.

Send aid to Jesus in the victims of natural disasters through the Holy Father's Relief Fund.



The Catholic Relief Services Collection

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Easter Flower Memorials



In Memory of:

Dave Addison
Michaeline & Harry Holliday
Jim Bengé
Mike Cleary
The Neu & Clevenger Families
The Cozart Family
Deceased members of the Detzel family
Deceased members of the Wootan Family
Charles Foster
Deceased family members of Beverly & Ralph Francis
Tina & Mark Gobrail
Elizabeth Overberg
Mary Jane Gross
Raymond Herbenick
Family and Friends of Ruth Hopkins
Lorraine Murphy
Ron Sr., husband and Elizabeth Ann Kincaid, granddaughter
Brendan McCrate
The McGuire and Wickham & families
Charles & Marie Shanesy
Mary Ellen Nugent
Robert N. (Nick) Farquhar
Edmond Pelletier
Louise & Robert McKee and Mina & Fred Pestian, Sr.
Vicky Ramsey, Eugene Ramsey and Jose Aceituno
Our Parents
John "Jack" Schmitz
Mary Scullion
Matthew A. and Matthew J. Venetos
Jim McHenry

By:

Christina Addison
Susan Barde
Bonnie Bengé
Barb Cleary
Connie & Jim Clevenger
Denise Cozart
Frank Detzel
Pat Detzel
Mary Beth Firestone
Ralph & Beverly Francis
Barbara Gobrail
Kathy & Mike Grant
Gene Gross
Cathy Herbenick
Ruth Hopkins
Jim and Marcelline Kennedy
Sue Kincaid and Family
Ann McCrate
Jim and Mary Ann McGuire
Ken, Colleen, Leslie & Michael Nartker
Wallace & Carol Nugent
Wallace Nugent & Carol Farquhar Nugent
The Pelletier Family
Fred and Colette Pestian
Ramsey Family
Mary and Joe Romanick
Cecilia Schmitz and Family
Joe Scullion
Shirley L. Venetos
Lee and Patt White



Alleluia! 



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, Jim & Bill Kiefer, Kelly King, Adrian Konstantelos, Vincenzina Krymow, Brandon Le, Mary Ann McGuire, Beverly Mullins, Anita & Doug Nelson, Fr. Joe Rigali, Angela O’Reilly, Kacey Risher, 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**
- 5-Easter Sunday Mass 10:30AM (no coffee and donuts after Mass)
 - 9-Thursday, Social Justice, Fr. Greg Boyle, Holy Angels Church, UD campus, 7pm
 - 11-Saturday, Social Justice-Speaker Series, Professor Anna Deavere, Kennedy Ballroom, UD, 7pm
 - 12-Sunday, Rohr Chats, Boardroom, 9:45AM/Mass 10:30am/ Proclaimer sign-up after Mass, vestibule
 - 14-Tuesday, Faith formation presentation, “Our Resurrection: What Do You Expect,” auditorium, 7PM
 - 18-Saturday, House of Bread
 - 19-Sunday, Mass, 10:30AM/Catholic Relief Collection/First Eucharist Retreat, 12PM-4PM
 - 19-26-Annual Diaper Drive
 - 20-Monday, Book Club, 6PM
 - 26-Sunday, First Eucharist, Mass 10:30AM
- May**
- 2-Saturday, Mother-Daughter Luncheon, Station House Restaurant, 11:30AM
 - 3-Sunday, Rohr Chats, Boardroom, 9:45AM/Mass 10:30am
 - 9-Saturday, Confirmation, Incarnation Parish, 11:30AM
 - 10-Sunday, 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
- *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