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# COME *Grow* WITH US

St. Leonard Faith Community

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Twentieth Sunday in  
Ordinary Time

**Presiding Today:**

Fr. Larry Mick

**August Announcements:**

Council - Pat Schug

**In Today's Mass We Pray:**

Eugene & Mary McCreary  
by - Liz Taylor

**Proclaimers of the Word:**

Barb Armstrong and  
Barb Barnes

**Today's Collection Counters:**

Mike Corbett and Gene Gross

**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!

August 17, 2014



St. Leonard Chapel

*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." There will be a second collection today for**

**"Technology Needs for the Community."**

**Collection August 10 2014:** \$2,659.00

**YTD Collections:** \$25,753.00

**Weekly Budgeted Collection:** \$3,615.00

**YTD Budget:** \$21,690.00

Missionary Co-Op Collection for Ghana: \$1,852.00

### Readings for the Week of August 17, 2014

Sunday:	Is 56:1, 6-7/Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/Mt 15:21-28
Monday:	Ez 24:15-23/Mt 19:16-22
Tuesday:	Ez 28:1-10/Mt 19:23-30
Wednesday:	Ez 34:1-11/Mt 20:1-16
Thursday:	Ez 36:23-28/Mt 22:1-14
Friday:	Ez 37:1-14/Mt 22:34-40
Saturday:	Ez 43:1-7ab/Mt 23:1-12
Sunday:	Is 22:19-23/Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20

**September PREP Schedule:**

7-Opening Breakfast/Meet the Teacher Day  
 14-PREP Classes Begin  
 21-PREP Classes in Session  
 28-PREP Classes in Session

**September CLOW Schedule:**

7-CLOW Begins  
 14-CLOW in Session  
 21-Family Sunday - NO CLOW  
 28-CLOW in Session

**IS GOD CALLING YOU TO TEACH?**

"Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?' 'Here I am,' I said, 'send me!'" (Isaiah 6:8). We are looking for teachers for our preschool and K/1 religious education classes for the 2014-2015 academic year. We are also always in need of teachers for our Children's Liturgy of the Word program. Please spend some time prayerfully considering God's call to share your faith with our children, the future of our Church. As an added incentive, we offer PREP teachers a 50% discount on tuition for religious education classes. If you are interested in teaching, then please contact Meghan Neumeier at 937.435.3626 or [sfc.dre@gmail.com](mailto:sfc.dre@gmail.com).

**PREP Teacher Orientation - August 18th**

All new and returning PREP teachers are required to attend the PREP Teacher Orientation on **Monday, August 18th**, from **6:30-9:00PM** in Classroom 1. If you cannot make the orientation, please contact Meghan Neumeier at [sfc.dre@gmail.com](mailto:sfc.dre@gmail.com) or [937.435.3626](tel:937.435.3626) to set up an alternative time to cover the material.

**CLOW Teacher Orientation - August 24th**

All new and returning CLOW teachers and teen teaching assistants are required to attend the CLOW Teacher Orientation on Sunday, **August 24th**, from **9-10:30AM** in Classroom 1. Light breakfast items will be served. If you cannot make the orientation, please contact Meghan Neumeier at [sfc.dre@gmail.com](mailto:sfc.dre@gmail.com) or [937.435.3626](tel:937.435.3626) to set up an alternative time to cover the material.

**PREP Opening Breakfast/Meet the Teacher Day**

We will be holding a breakfast for students and families in our religious education program on **Sunday, September 7th at 9:00AM** in the auditorium. After eating breakfast, students will have the opportunity to meet their teacher(s) for the 2014-2015 school year. Families are asked to bring one of the following to share: casserole/main dish, cut up fruit, or muffins/pastries/coffee cake. All items must be in the auditorium by 8:45AM at the latest. Sign-up sheets for food will be available in the vestibule after the 10:30AM Mass each Sunday in August.

**Confirmation**

Reminder that the first confirmation class is September 28 after Mass. Your Saint project is due then so don't forget! If you need help with your project please contact David Weickert at the church office at 937.435.3626.

**Register for 2014 - 2015 Religious Education Classes**

Registration for religious education classes for the 2014-2015 academic year is underway! Our religious education classes are for students in preschool through 8th grade. Classes are Christ-centered and are designed to enliven the personal faith of students and their families. For more information about our religious education program, and to access our registration form, please visit: <http://stleonardfaithcommunity.org/k-8-education>. In addition to the registration form, an emergency medical authorization form, photo release form, and registration fee must be submitted to the office for each student. Financial assistance is available.

**Apply for the Student of the Month Program!**

The Intergenerational Team would like to highlight our young people as a way for the St. Leonard Faith Community (SLFC) to get to know our students better. All students are invited to apply to be recognized as the SLFC Student of the Month. For more information, visit: <http://stleonardfaithcommunity.org/student-of-the-month>.



If you are a parent of a youth ministry student and did not receive a survey please contact the church office at 937.435.3626 so we can send you one.

We are looking for feed back from both parents and participants, to grow the program.



Another monthly program finished! I write this before it actually happens so I am assuming it turned out wonderfully. However, the last minute room change has left me wondering if always having a fixed day is the best way to do this. The committee originally felt that this way the faith community would always know when the programs would be offered. It sometimes conflicts with what is on the center's calendar, so I'm wondering what you think. Catch me after Eucharist to discuss this or call me at 937.428.0853.

There are several items I'd like to bring to your attention this week.

#### RETREATS:

For the women, we have our own **St Leonard's retreat Sept 5 – 7**. Check the full page flyer in this bulletin for more information.

If you can't make that one, the last Spirit of the Season Retreat at the Benedictine Monastery in Erie is offering a **Joan Chittister: "Essential Writings Retreat " the weekend of Oct 10 – 12**, and I'm going to that one too! Many of you know Sr Chittister from her book "*The Gift of Years*" discussed in several Genesis groups and book clubs. Contact: Sr. Carolyn Gorny-Kopkowski OSB [spirituality@mtbenedict.org](mailto:spirituality@mtbenedict.org) for more information.

Sr. Carolyn will be staying at my house because Immaculee Ilibagiza, the Tutsi woman who hid from the Hutu for 91 days in a bathroom with 7 other women and then wrote a book about their experience is coming to speak at St Luke's in Beavercreek on October 17. You might want to put that date on your calendar as well.

#### DAYS OF REFLECTION:

Other opportunities to refresh your faith life include:

September 6 from 9:30 to noon at Mt Notre Dame Spirituality Center in Cincinnati.

The Notre Dames de Namur sisters will be starting their Mornings of Spirituality programs on the first Saturday of September with "*Resting in God's Love.*" Contact Sr. Marie Smith SNDdeN at [marie.smith@sndden.org](mailto:marie.smith@sndden.org).

Benedictine sister Deborah Harmeling, OSB is offering "*Exploring the Illuminations of Hildegard of Bingen*" on September 13 from 9:00AM – 3:00PM. A couple of us are going so carpooling is available.

Closer to home: Don't miss the "**Peace Labyrinth: Quilting the Golden Rule**" at our own Peace Museum in downtown Dayton. What you'll find is a series of 17 quilts displayed in a walk-through format, which portray the teachings of the Golden Rule in 17 major world faiths. This exhibit closes September 14 so you have about a month to get there. Contact [info@daytonpeacemuseum.org](mailto:info@daytonpeacemuseum.org).

Lastly, two opportunities for online study have come to my attention:

The first is a **free online book discussion** of Joan Chittister's newly published book *Joan Chittister: Essential Writings* (which the retreat I mentioned above is based on.) This will take place from **October 6 – October 31**.

Richard Rohr's book *Immortal Diamond: A Study in Search of the True Self* is another **online 10 week course beginning September 24 and ending December 3**. Register at [cac.org](http://cac.org).

SO MANY GOODIES! I WISH I WAS TRULY RETIRED AND COULD DO NOTHING BUT INDULGE IN THEM ALL!

## Special Collection for SLFC Technology Needs

Today, we will be having a special second collection for the technology needs of the Community. The goal for the collection is \$3,300. The collection will go towards three things:

- Replacing the computers in the office for the staff and volunteers
- Upgrading the audio/video equipment in the classrooms
- Replacing the video camera and recording equipment used to document significant St. Leonard Masses

This special collection will be taken up in a separate basket at the back of the chapel.

## Mark Your Calendar

### August Intergenerational Team Meeting

The Intergenerational Team will meet on **Sunday, August 24th**, immediately following Mass in Classroom 1. Please be sure to share our ideas from our June meeting with your ministries, if you have not already done so.

If you will not be able to attend the August 24th meeting, then please notify Meghan Neumeier in advance at [937.435.3626](tel:937.435.3626) or [slfc.dre@gmail.com](mailto:slfc.dre@gmail.com).

### Social Committee Planning Meeting for the Fall

**When:** Sunday, **August 17**, 2014 – 15 minutes after 10:30 Mass

### Ladies Retreat

**Sunday, August 31**, there will be a brief meeting to discuss car pooling for the Ladies Retreat on September 5-6-7. Also, information for the week-end will be available.

If you are driving yourself or already have your car filled, please let Kathy Hoefler know so that we don't leave anyone behind that needs a ride. The committee is available after Mass August 31 for questions.

### Prayer and Worship Meeting

**When:** Wednesday Evening, **September 3**, at 7:00PM  
**Where:** Board Room

## Kroger Card

If you shop at Kroger's and have a reward card and have not designated rewards to go to St. Leonard's and/or if you need help signing up please stop in the church office and we will be happy to help you!

## Thanks to the Faith Community

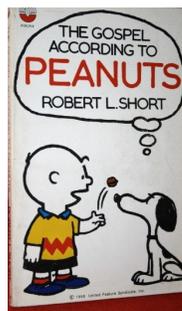
Thanks to the Faith Community barely scratches the surface for the friendship and the warmth you showed our Mother, Andrée Williams for over a decade. What a special place St. Leonard Faith Community is!

Mother's Mass and gathering were perfect. The music and homily were a perfect good-bye to our Mother.

Thank you!

*Andrée Williams Family*

## Thoughts on Today's Readings...



On the last page of *The Gospel According to Peanuts*, there is a drawing of Charlie Brown receiving a hug from his dog Snoopy. Charlie seems happier than ever, and Snoopy has closed his eyes in devotion.

The book's author, Robert Short, writes, "Be of good cheer, Charlie Brown! For after all is said and done, there is someone who loves you—and this 'someone' is only a very humble, peanut-sized representative for One much greater than he."

Our generous God loves us more than we can know.

In today's Gospel, the Canaanite woman was wise to invoke the image of grateful dogs sharing the scraps from their masters' tables. Because of her faith and persistence, Jesus granted her wish.



# WOMEN'S RETREAT

September 5th, 6th and 7th

In Mark 6:30-31 Jesus implores us to "Come Away" to take time to rest. Time away from the distractions: the smart phones, computers and the overly scheduled lives most of us lead. But to grow spiritually, we need time to sit, to breathe, and to listen and reflect on what God is calling us to do.

Retreats are an ideal getaway and provide the setting needed to rekindle a relationship with God. They enable us to seek God's healing grace and connect with others who are struggling to grow spiritually.

We will be providing such a time and place on September 5th, 6th and 7th at Maria Stein. This year our retreat leader is Sr. Maxine Shonk, a Dominican Sister and good friend of our previous leader, Sr. Carol. Music will be provided by Michelle Nehrbass, a dear friend to some of our ladies in the past.

**Sign-ups:** Sunday, August 17th and 24th, immediately after Mass. \$50.00 non-refundable deposit at the time of registration.

**Cost:** \$175.00 (total)

**Payable to:** St. Leonard's

**Provided:** Private room with bath, all meals and snacks.

**Transportation:** Car pooling will be available

Mass with Fr. Larry on Saturday evening and there will be plenty of time to be with your sisters from St. Leonard's.

Scholarships are available and are kept strictly confidential. Please contact Kathy Hoefler at 937.602.9690.

If you have any questions please contact or see any of our Retreat Committee:

Kate Anacker - 937.436.4571

Debbie Brown - 937.470.8105

Kathy Hoefler - 937.602.9690

Therese Mileti - 513.934.5634

*ALL WOMEN "COME AWAY" FOR A TIME OF REST*

## The Conversion Experience

As most of you know, we were able to convert a number of videotapes to DVD's which had relevance to the St. Leonard Chapel, the Franciscan Seminary, liturgical dance, community parties, and many Masses, etc. In fact, over 1300 copies of the first 32 conversions to DVD's were made available after Mass in late June and early July 2014. Since then, another seven DVD's have been found and made.

These DVD's are available upon request. Therefore, beginning **August 10** through **August 31**, all 39 DVD's will be described on a list at both entrances to the chapel.

### REQUESTS For DVD's

- Pick up a request form
- Circle the number of each DVD you want
- How many DVD's requested
- Print name and phone number on the request form
- Return to the ledge at entry to the chapel

### Three things I ask:

1-If you previously picked up DVD #2, "*The Mass Celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the Chapel*" and discovered that it was not complete, **THROW IT AWAY**. Re-order DVD #2 on your request form (please do not return DVD 2).

2-Let me know if you have other DVD's that are not complete. Please indicate the number on the form.

3-Suggestions? Please let me know how we might use the DVD's to provide enlightenment to other people about the experiences that we have had through the many priests, people, and our community.

Also, some people have asked how much the DVD's cost. In the manner in which the Franciscans taught us, you can make any contribution you want. Collections will benefit the Faith Community and can be placed in the offering basket.

During the past few months I have been privileged to do the conversion of videotapes to DVD's for the Faith Community. You have been very appreciative taking and reliving some of our community history as I have.

However, like so many other things people are recognized for what they do and that is as it should be, BUT there are many others who have contributed recently and in the past 40 year that we don't know about.

Fortunately, Dave Pleva has helped me discover people in our community that we don't see in the DVD's, but they play a very important part in the community. They are the camera operators!

We would like to recognize and thank them for their time and commitment to our community:

Andy Brown, Ruben Geeraert, Jo Krymow, Joe Muchnij, Dave Pleva, Dave Ramsey, Joe Scullion, Boktok Siyr, Liz Taylor and Erik Zalusky.

Please show your appreciation with a "Thank You" to our camera operators. We thank God for our "*Silent Servants*."

Thank you for being part of my journey! Ron Christopher - 937.212.2395

## Looking for artists and admirers!



**St. Leonard**  
A FRANCISCAN LIVING COMMUNITY

# Studio Art & Writing Show

Friday, August 29  
Saturday, August 30  
11am - 7pm

Sunday, August 31  
10am - 3pm

The Franciscan Center  
8200 Provincial Way  
Centerville, Ohio 45458

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**For more information or a registration form,  
please call 937.432.6549.**

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### Free Catholic information booth at the Montgomery County Fair

Free statues, pictures, rosaries, etc., hosted by the Legion of Mary in the Commercial exhibits, the Coliseum building August 27 - September 1. Please visit the booth for spiritual encouragement! For more information about the Fair hours and admission prices call: 937.224.1619 or <http://www.montcofair.com/aboutthefair.htm>. For more information about the Legion of Mary, contact Gloria Dodd at 937.229.1431 or <http://legionofmary.org/>.



Pope Francis

"This is one of the great challenges of our age. Reconverting to a development that knows how to respect creation. I see in America, in my homeland; many forests swept away, that become land that cannot be cultivated, that can no longer give life. This is our sin: exploiting the land and not letting her give us what she has inside, with our help through cultivation."

### DID YOU KNOW...

#### Church Calendar

That you can view and print Faith Community yearly calendar with church activities from the church website?

Go to: [www.stleonardfaithcommunity.org/homepage/calendar](http://www.stleonardfaithcommunity.org/homepage/calendar).

This is a great way to keep up on the happenings of the church.

#### Want to Help Your Children Stay Engaged During Mass?

Consider using the Children's Worship Bulletins found in the bags in the back of the chapel (pew side). The Children's Worship Bulletins are rooted in Scripture and contain pictures, puzzles, mazes, word games, and more. Two sets are available: one for children ages 3-6, and one for children ages 7-12. Children may take the bulletins home, but we ask that they leave the clipboards and bags in the chapel.

#### Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"The gifts and the call of God are irrevocable." Use the gifts that God has given you to stir into flame the gift of faith. (Romans 11:29)



### Special prayers are requested:

Joe Bensman, Amy Buxton, Shirley Chee (mother of Alberta Guise), Conor Crippen, George Cruise, Terrie Dawson, Kerry DeLuca, Gina Gentry, Barbara & Ed Gravel, Mary Ellen Hagan, Dick Hopsickler, Jim & Bill Kiefer, Kelly King, Brandon Le, Dennis McCormick, Michael Morrison, Beverly Mullins, Michael Mustaine, Anita & Doug Nelson, Fr. Joe Rigali, Angela O'Reilly, Kacey Risher, Ann Marie & Scarlett Schmitz, Rosalie Schoenfeld, Marvin Skeens, Payne Sigman, Sarah (Bauer) & Baby Thieben, Jay Underwood, 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 for 4 weeks. 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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### Ministries Of The Church

Ministry	Chair	Council Liaison
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Faith Formation	Noel Bauer	John Nelson
Community Life	Shirle Speaks	Bonnie Bengé
Pastoral Care	Judy Lamers	Darryl McGill

### Calendar of Events

#### AUGUST:

- 17-Sunday, Mass 10:30AM/ Rohr Chats, 6th gr. Classrm./Technology special collection/Social Committee planning 15 minutes after Mass, Auditorium
- 18-Monday, PREP Teacher orientation, 6:30-9:00PM, Classroom 1
- 24-Sunday, Mass 10:30AM/ CLOW Teacher orientation 9-10:30AM, Classrm. 1/Rohr Chats, 6th gr. Classroom 10:00AM/ Intergenerational Team mtg. after Mass, Classrm. 1
- 26-Tuesday, Church Council mtg., Boardroom, 7:00PM
- 29 & 30 -Friday and Saturday, St. Leonard Living Center Art show, Franciscan Center, 11:00AM-3:00PM
- 31-Sunday, Mass 10:30AM/Ladies Retreat meeting after Mass/St. Leonard Living Center Art Show, Franciscan Center, 10:00AM-3:00PM
- 31-Sunday, Mass 10:30AM/ Rohr Chats, 6th gr. Classroom 10:00AM

#### SEPTEMBER:

- 3-Wednesday, Prayer & Worship meeting, Boardroom 7:00PM
- 5-6-7 Ladies Retreat, Maria Stein
- 7-Sunday, Mass 10:30AM, Grandparents Day/PREP Breakfast & Meet the Teacher Day 9:00AM/Rohr Chats, 6th gr. Classroom 10:00AM
- 9-Tuesday, Presentation Medicare/Medicaid, sponsored by Faith Formation, 7:00PM, Place TBA
- 13-Saturday, Women's Group Purse Swap, Franciscan Center, 11:30AM

### 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 513-633-9145.

Scheduling Mass Intentions: Requests for Mass intentions may be made by contacting the Community 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.)