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1:00PM

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**Sixth Sunday in Ordinary  
Time**

**Family Sunday**

**Presiding Today:**

Fr. Larry Mick

**February**

Council Announcements:  
John Nelson

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

Tom Graham  
by - Mary Ellen Graham &  
Family

**Proclaimers of the Word:**

Lawrence & Monsita Corbett

**Today's Collection Counters:**

Mike Corbett  
Maureen Josenhans

**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!

**February 15, 2015**



*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."

**Weekly Collection:** 2-8-2015: \$2,915.00

**YTD Collections:** \$100,749.00

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

**YTD Budget:** \$104,825.00

### Readings for the Week of February 15, 2015

Sunday: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/1 Cor 10:31–11:1/Mk 1:40-45  
Monday: Gn 4:1-15, 25/Mk 8:11-13  
Tuesday: Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10/Mk 8:14-21  
Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18/2 Cor 5:20–6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18  
Thursday: Dt 30:15-20/Lk 9:22-25  
Friday: Is 58:1-9a/Mt 9:14-15  
Saturday: Is 58:9b-14/Lk 5:27-32  
Sunday: Gn 9:8-15/1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15

**February Religious Education Classes (PREP):**

15-Classes in Session (Lent Activity Day)

22-Classes in Session

**March Religious Education Classes (PREP):**

1-Classes in Session

8-Classes in Session

15-Classes in Session (Shadow Stations of the Cross Dress Rehearsal)

22-NO MORNING CLASS (Shadow Stations of the Cross Presentation &amp; Lunch, After Mass)

29-NO CLASS (Palm Sunday/Easter Break)

**Religious Education Toiletry Drive - New Hope Church**

The St. Leonard Faith Community regularly collects toiletries to support New Hope Church's program to provide for people in Dayton who are living in poverty. Beginning on **Sunday, February 8th**, each Religious Education classroom will have a collection box for toiletry donations. Religious Education families are encouraged to donate the following items: soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, combs, shampoo, dish detergent, laundry detergent, paper products, and diapers. Please include store receipts with your donations so the donations can be matched by the Faith Community's benevolent fund. This is a great way to teach our children about the importance of serving those living in poverty.

**Family Prayer Aide Online**

The Christ at the Center Home Edition Family Prayer Aide (Ordinary Time/Lent: February 8 - March 8) is an excellent family resource. The prayer aide helps families pray together and discuss the Sunday Gospel readings together. To access the prayer aide, go to <http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/ministries-offices/evangelization-and-catechesis/>, and select "Family & Home" under the "Christ at the Center" heading.

**Lenten Almsgiving Collection Cans**

During Religious Education classes today, students constructed almsgiving collection cans. Students and their families are encouraged to use these cans to collect monetary donations during Lent. The donations will benefit the Food4Summer Program, which provides lunch to local children in need over the summer.

**February Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW):**

15-Family Sunday-NO CLOW

22-Norm Speaks

**March Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW):**

1-Family Sunday-NO CLOW

8-Monsita Corbett (adult observer: Mrs. Corbett)

15-Monsita Corbett (adult observer: Mrs. Corbett)

22-Norm Speaks

29-NO CLOW (Palm Sunday/Easter Break)

**Vacation Bible School  
2015 Volunteer Meeting**

Adults and students (grades 6-12) interested in volunteering for this year's Vacation Bible School are asked to attend a planning meeting on Sunday, February 15th, immediately following Mass in Classroom 3. We will discuss this year's theme, dates, roles, and responsibilities.

If you are interested in volunteering with VBS but are unable to attend the meeting, please contact Meghan Neumeier at [sffc.dre@gmail.com](mailto:sffc.dre@gmail.com) or [937.435.3626](tel:937.435.3626).

**The Year of Consecrated Life**

On November 29, 2013, Pope Francis made an announcement to make 2015 be a year dedicated to consecrated life. This dedication celebrates the 50th anniversary of the publication of the conciliar decree on the renewal of consecrated life, *Perfectae Caritatis*, which seeks to embrace the future with hope and encourages us to live the present passionately, radically evangelical, and to "wake the world up." For more information, check out: <http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/ministries-offices/religious/consecrated-life-2015/>.

**SAVE THE DATE –Vacation Bible School June 21 - 25, 2015***Annual Support of Local Ministries***2015 Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA)**

We thank everyone from **St. Leonard Faith Community** who has participated in the 2015 Catholic Ministries Appeal. Our pledges support six critically important ministries benefiting thousands of people right here in our archdiocese, ministries which need our help each year. Additionally, a portion of all pledges in excess of our church goal will go to support **expanding evangelization, fund youth ministry and fund our chapel project**. Please be as generous as you can. For more information and to pledge securely online, please visit [CatholicAppeal.info](http://CatholicAppeal.info). Thank you!

**Ash Wednesday - February 18**

Please join us for Ash Wednesday Mass at 7:00PM. Bring your family and friends!

**Burning of the Palms**

Lent begins this year with Ash Wednesday on February 18. Please bring in your palms from last year. Place the palms in the baskets at the back of church. The palms will be burned after Mass on **Today**.

## TODAY IS FAMILY SUNDAY

We will be celebrating families of all ages, types and sizes during our liturgy today. Our theme for this week's Family Sunday is Healing and Care Giving. During mass, our Community will be celebrating the sacrament of the "Anointing of the Sick". We will pray to God for healing strength and spirituality for those suffering with physical, mental or emotional health problems.

### Healing Prayer

The 'Laying on of Hands' is scriptural in several places in the Bible. James 5:14 is one place, Acts 6:6 another, and also 1 Corinthians 12: 4-11, which informs us the Body of Christ is alive with the manifestations of the many gifts given to us by the Risen Christ.

A person who wishes prayers for healing comes forward and the lay person imposes hands on the individual who requests healing. When we touch others, we are making visible the invisible healing of God in our midst, as touching is a universal human action of love and concern. Most people who receive have found a peace within their spirit. Some people have said there has been a change in their condition, whether it was experienced as a physical healing, or an emotional or spiritual movement of lightness and gradual wholeness in those areas. It is also important to note that some feel nothing at all. The experience is different with each individual, and not all healing happens immediately.

### Healing Ministry

Today, our Faith Community will offer a prayer for healing to those who wish to participate.

We are all broken and in need of healing, whether it may be emotional, physical or spiritual.

We will have several members of our community lay hands on us for our intentions (none of which need to be expressed out loud unless you wish) and Fr. Larry Mick will anoint those intentions of a more serious nature.

When we pray for healing, it is the love and caring of our entire faith community that offers the prayer. When you receive the prayer, know the Body of Christ and your faith Community extend their wish for your wholeness.

### Thoughts on Today's Readings...

A nun had just gotten a letter from her family with a \$100 bill in the envelope. Glancing out her window, she saw a shabbily dressed stranger on the street below. Moved with compassion, she wrote "Don't despair" on a piece of paper, wrapped it around the \$100 bill and tossed it out the window. The next day, she answered a knock on the convent door and the same man handed her a fat wad of \$100 bills. "What's this?" she asked. He said, "Don't Despair paid 80-to-1."

Today's Gospel is about faith. There is no need to despair if you believe with all your heart that God always wants what is best for you. Like the leper who knelt before Jesus and asked to be healed, we should always go to God trusting that our prayers will be answered.



## LENT 2015: RENEWING OUR COVENANT WITH OUR MERCIFUL AND LOVING GOD

Most of us think of Lent as a time for giving up something. The other side of Lent is doing more, or saying yes. Lent is the Church's invitation to go forward, to move ahead, to grow in faith and devotion. This season prepares us to celebrate with greater intensity and love the death and resurrection of Jesus. The Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy of Vatican II describes Lent in this way: "The season of Lent has a twofold character. We are disposed to celebrate the Easter mystery by (1) recalling or preparing for baptism and by penance; and (2) by diligently listening to the word of God and devoting ourselves to prayer."

Because we want to emphasize the importance of covenant renewal this year, we are asked to reflect on the first reading of the first five weeks of Lent which reflect on the importance of our covenant relationship with God through the centuries. I would ask you to reflect on the meaning of the word "lent" in the dictionary. It says "to be granted the use of (something) on condition that it or its equivalent will be returned. God has "lent" us this life we have and the gifts, talents and advantages we have with a mission to play in this world and in our time. How will we use, grow and return this something we have been given? Reflect on this during this upcoming season. Take time to list these gifts and how we will grow them. Review this list several times and prepare to return this list as your part of your **covenant** to be renewed with God this Easter.

**Ash Wednesday:** The ashes we wear today signify our brokenness, mortality, and need to turn away from sin.

**Action:** Do a little dusting today. Remove the dust from a crucifix or religious picture in your house. Let it be a sign of your intention to be cleansed from sin.

### Saint of the Day

**SAINT OF THE DAY: February 15** – St. Claude de la Colombe – He was born in southeastern France in 1641. He studied rhetoric and philosophy before accepting the call to the priesthood. He became a Jesuit priest in 1675. St. Claude was known for his sermons and spiritual direction. He served as the confessor of St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, who received visions from Christ and spread devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Later, he served as the confessor of the Duchess of York. In England, St. Claude welcomed many Protestants back into the Catholic Church. Tensions rose between Catholics and Protestants, resulting in St. Claude's imprisonment. He died from a hemorrhage in 1682. St. Claude was beatified in 1929. His charisma was to bring souls to God through love and mercy.



**SOCIAL JUSTICE - Bob Niehoff**  
niehoff29@woh.rr.com

**Project Feed the Hungry.** *As you did it to one of the least of these my brethren you did it to Me. Mt 25:40* This past Sunday, February 8, our Social Justice Ministry members purchased with their own funds, prepared and served a monthly dinner for the poor at New Hope Church on Xenia Ave. We especially thank many members of SLFC who generously supplied 12 cooked meat loaves, 3 large 10-lb pans of mac and cheese, 3 gallons of green beans with bacon and onions, 6 loaves Italian bread, butter, 5 bags of apples/oranges and 80 cream-filled cookies. Seven of us who served the meal heard comments such as, "You are such good cooks," and from the pastor, Rev. Jeff Cartwright, "You guys are awesome."


Following the meal, we gathered in a prayer circle where a New Hope member offered thanks to God for the cooks, the food and our time together. A 7-year old girl offered her own prayer: "God, I know some people do not believe in you but I do." One woman walked into the church for the evening service for the first time and told the members afterward that she felt so welcomed and loved--and then was treated to a meal. *It is in giving that we receive!*  
St. Francis

**Pancake Brunch.** Today is the last opportunity to purchase your tickets in advance for the Brunch. See us at the tables in the vestibule. If you decide to come to the Brunch at the last minute, some tickets will be available for walk-ins but only while the supply lasts.

The book club will be discussing "A Nun on the Bus" by Sister Simone Campbell on **Monday, March 16th at 6:00PM.** New members are always welcome! For more information and directions to the meeting, e-mail Anne at: [knann89@aol.com](mailto:knann89@aol.com).

**ATTENTION EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

We are planning a training session for All Eucharistic Ministers; whether you have been one for years, are fairly new or just considering becoming a minister. We will meet after Mass on **Sunday, March 1** on the chair side of the chapel. This is the first time we have had a training for this ministry in several years. If you are available please try to attend.



**Welcome**  
Please welcome Jim and Peggy Tieman who have joined our Faith Community.  
Welcome to our church.

**Church Roster Update**

On **Sunday, March 1** there will be a church roster on the back of the pews for you to check your current information. Please make sure you check it before you leave. Help us keep our church roster up to date.

# Day of Caring Pancake Brunch



Our annual pancake brunch will be **February 22, 10:00 AM to 1:00 AM** in the **Station House Restaurant** on the St. Leonard campus. All are invited. For \$5 per person, children under 10, \$3 we serve you delicious pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs, fruit, coffee, tea, juice and milk. One hundred percent of all ticket sales and voluntary donations go toward the support of the homeless and hungry in the Dayton area. **Tickets will be on sale today in the lobby.**



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## Social Justice Day

**Sunday, March 1, 11:45 AM**

**During Coffee and Donuts, Auditorium**

All members of the St. Leonard Faith Community can "give alms!" Join us for various social justice-oriented activities for all ages:

1. Assemble "Socks of Love" to benefit patients at the St. Leonard Health & Rehab Center.
2. Color pictures to bring a smile to residents at nursing homes and military personnel overseas.
3. Make cards to support our Faith Community members who are ill/homebound/grieving.
4. Drop off diaper donations for the poor.
5. Write letters to Congress to support the positions of the U.S. Bishops.
6. Learn more about our Community's Social Justice initiatives.

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# Meet & Eat

## Family & Service:

### Putting Our Faith Into Action

Sunday, February 22

9-10:15 AM

Knights of Columbus Room

Rachael Zilli, Religion Teacher, Bishop Fenwick High School will share her knowledge about Catholicism, in a presentation called "Family & Service: Putting Our Faith Into Action."

Parents of Religious Education students and other adult members of the Faith Community are welcome to attend. A light breakfast will be provided.

Please R.S.V.P. to Meghan Neumeier at [sffc.dre@gmail.com](mailto:sffc.dre@gmail.com) or 937.435.3626 by February 16.

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## February Student of the Month

Maria Loal is our Student of the Month for February! Maria is a sixth grader at Magsig Middle School in Centerville. She enjoys St. Leonard Religious Education class games, stories, and lessons. Her interests include school (especially math), exercising, and running. She is also thinking about trying out for basketball. Maria is the second oldest child and the oldest girl in a family of seven. If you are interested in applying for our Student of the Month program, then please visit our website at: <http://stleonardfaithcommunity.org/student-of-the-month>.



## Coffee with Fr. Larry

February 8, 2015

Watch for details of the next gathering.

## "Crazy Facts"

If all our newspaper was recycled, we could save about 250,000,000 trees each year! The average American uses seven trees a year in paper, wood, and other products made from trees.

The amount of wood and paper we throw away each year is enough to heat 50,000,000 homes for 20 years. For more information go to: <http://alarecycling.com/facts/paper-recycling-facts/>.

## NEWS FROM THE PEWS



From the charity of Discover the Beauty Within we would like to thank everyone who donated to our cause at our latest bake sale! Since we are creating this camp, we need to raise a lot of money. We were able to make about 250 dollars at this bake sale, which is a huge help.

We are developing this week long camp to reach girls in grades 7-9 to learn skills to boost their confidence and to grow as a young adult. All of our profits will be going towards offering workshops to help young girls find their true beauty. We hope you enjoyed our bake goods while we enjoyed the company of all of you! Hopefully we will be back to sell more soon. Thank you all immensely for your support!

Victoria Clement and Emma Russell

## Building Bridges

On behalf of Building Bridges, Inc, I want to thank you for helping us over the holiday season for gifts to our less fortunate families.

This year, with your help, we were able to provide for 65 indigent families, and Christmas gifts to over 200 kids in the community. All of the families were very thankful to Faith Community for making their holiday so special.



## HAPPY 80TH BIRTHDAY

TOM

Please join the Graham family in the auditorium after Mass TODAY as we continue to celebrate Tom Graham's significant birthday.

## NEWS OUTSIDE THE PEWS

### Holy Hour for Vocations to the Priesthood

Chapel of St. Gregory the Great at Mount St. Mary's Seminary

Sunday, March 8, 2015, 5 – 6:00 PM

Support the Holy Hour for vocations to the priesthood at Mount St. Mary's Seminary.

Research shows that prayer plays a critical role in a man's decision to become a priest. Where you find growing seminaries – you also find steadfast prayer by the faithful. What can YOU do to promote the priesthood? Pray!

Come to a Holy Hour for vocations to the priesthood at 5PM, Sunday, March 8, in the St. Gregory the Great Chapel at Mount St. Mary's Seminary, located on the Athenaeum campus in Cincinnati at 6616 Beechmont Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45230. Phone: [513-231-2223](tel:513-231-2223) [www.athenaeum.edu](http://www.athenaeum.edu).



**Special prayers are requested:**

Tom Barhorst (Ruth Hopkins brother), Mike Bennett, Joe Bensman, Marjorie Bleicher, Amy Buxton, Shirley Chee (mother of Alberta Guise), Karrie Coggeshall, Conor Crippen, George Cruise, Terrie Dawson, Kerry DeLuca, Peggy Fulwiler (Jim Fulwiler's mom), Betty Gillespie, John Hop-sicker & family, Jim & Bill Kiefer, Kelly King, Adrian Konstantelos, Vincenzina Krymow, Brandon Le, Mary Ann McGuire, Beverly Mullins, Michael Mustaine, Anita & Doug Nelson, Fr. Joe Rigali, Angela O'Reilly, Kacey Risher, Scarlett Schmitz, Rosalie Schoenfeld, Marvin Skeens, Payne Sigman, Roman Thieben (Larry & Noel Bauer's grandson), 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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**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

**Calendar of Events**

- February**
- 15-Family Sunday/Rohr Chats, Boardroom, 9:45AM/Mass, 10:30AM/Burning of the Palms/VBS Volunteer mtg., classroom 3, after Mass/Pancake brunch tickets on sale in the vestibule/Confirmation class after Mass
  - 16-Monday, Women's Group Meeting, 7pm
  - 18-Ash Wednesday Mass 7PM/Churches for Central & Eastern Europe collection/SJ-"Does the Death Penalty Have a Future," U.D. Sears Recital Hall, 7pm
  - 20-22-St. Francis Women's Retreat, Bergamo Center
  - 22-Sunday, Meet& Eat, KofC room, 9am/Rohr Chats, Boardroom, 9:45AM/Mass, 10:30AM/ "Day of Caring" Pancake Brunch, Station House Rest.,10am-1pm/Confirmation class after Mass
- March**
- 1-Family Sunday, Rohr Chats, Boardroom, 9:45AM/Mass 10:30am/Eucharistic Ministries training session, chair side of the Chapel, after Mass/Social Justice Day, auditorium after Mass
  - 8-Sunday, Rohr Chats, Boardroom, 9:45AM/Mass 10:30am/ Intergenerational team mtg. after Mass, classrm 3
  - 15-Sunday, Rohr Chats, Boardroom, 9:45AM/Mass 10:30am/ Confirmation class after Mass
  - 16-Monday, Book club 6pm
  - 22- Sunday, Rohr Chats, Boardroom, 9:45AM/Mass 10:30am/ Confirmation class after Mass/Shadow Stations of the Cross and lunch after Mass, auditorium
- \*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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