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St. Leonard Faith Community

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Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Welcome!

February 9, 2014

Presiding Today:

Fr. Larry Mick

Family Sunday



February Announcements -
Council - Darryl McGill

In Today's Mass We Pray For:

Fr. Tod Laverty
by: Dick & Caryl Rose

Proclaimers of the Word:

Sam Bickett and
Olivia Clement

“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.

Fellowship: Refreshments are served after the liturgy. Fellowship helps to promote a sense of community. We invite everyone to join us as we continue our celebration in friendship and love.

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.”

Mass Schedule:

St. Leonard Faith Community

Faith Formation, 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

Collection February 2 - \$ 7,053.00 YTD Collections - \$103,394.84
Budgeted Collection - \$3750.00 YTD Budget - \$82,500.00

Readings for the Week of February 9, 2014

Sunday: Is 58:7-10/1 Cor 2:1-5/Mt 5:13-16
Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13/Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30/Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday: 1 Kgs 10:1-10/Mk 7:14-23
Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13/Mk 7:24-30
Friday: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19/Mk 7:31-37
Saturday: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34/Mk 8:1-10





Today is Family Sunday. Family Sunday recognizes families of all ages, types, and sizes. Our theme for today is "Salt of the Earth and Light of the World." In today's Gospel, we will hear Jesus challenging His disciples to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world. We pray that we, too, will have the courage to embrace Jesus' challenge.

February CLOW Schedule:

9-Family Sunday - No CLOW!
16-Norm Speaks
23-Kathy Moroney

Vacation Bible School 2014 Volunteer Meeting. Adults and students (grades 8-12) interested in volunteering for this year's Vacation Bible School are asked to attend a planning meeting **TODAY, February 9th**, immediately following Mass, in the **CLASSROOM IN THE AUDITORIUM**. 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 slfc.dre@gmail.com or [937.435.3626](tel:937.435.3626).



Harlem Wizards Event. The Harlem Wizards, a comedic basketball team, will be at the Waynesville High School on **February 10th**. The Wizards will play against a team of teachers, alumni, and community members. The **game begins at 7PM; doors open at 6PM**. Tickets are \$6 in advance and \$8 at the door. If you are interested in attending this event with other St. Leonard families, then please sign up in the vestibule after Mass. Please note: this event is not sponsored by the St. Leonard Faith Community.



Retreat for Junior High Students. The Archdiocese's Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry and Office of Evangelization and Catechesis will hold the Ignite Retreat for junior high students from **March 21-23, 2014** at the Bergamo Center. Ignite is a high-energy, weekend discipleship retreat for youth with demonstrated leadership abilities. This year's theme is "Jesus 24/7: To Know, To Love, To Serve." The cost is \$130 per person (\$150 after February 20, 2014). Financial assistance is available. If your son or daughter is interested in attending, please contact: Meghan Neumeier @: slfc.dre@gmail.com or 937.435.3626.

Intergenerational Team Meeting. We are in the process of assembling a team of parents, religious education teachers, and ministry representatives who will be instrumental in planning and executing family-focused activities and initiatives, including but not limited to, Family Sunday Masses, Youth Masses, Advent pairing of families, intergenerational faith formation activities, and family service projects. The first Intergenerational Team meeting will be **Sunday, March 2nd**, immediately following Mass in Classroom 1. For more information, please contact Meghan Neumeier at slfc.dre@gmail.com or 937.435.3626.

SOCIAL JUSTICE



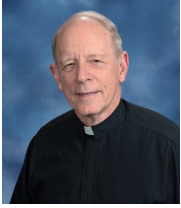
New Hope Church (NHC). We could use some additional donations of laundry detergent, dishwashing liquid, bathroom tissue, diapers (#3 or #4), toothpaste and other non-food items for the Church's neighbor-to-neighbor program. If you provide a receipt (optional) with your purchase we can match it dollar-for-dollar from the SLFC Charitable Fund. Watch for sales or shop at Dollar Tree. Last month we delivered 92 products at \$1 apiece by shopping at Dollar Tree using your donations and a dollar-for-dollar match. **A collection box is just inside the chapel on the right side for your donations.** If you cannot shop but want to contribute cash, see Bob Niehoff.

The lives of many poor people are touched by the neighbor-to-neighbor program at the NHC. The last two weeks of every month are particularly stressful for these people because they cannot make ends meet. The members of NHC are most appreciative of your support. We get lots of hugs from the people when we make a delivery.



Lent begins with Ash Wednesday March 5th. We will burn the palms from last year after Mass on March 2nd.

Baskets are provided for you to deposit your palms beginning on February 16th. We will accept palms up until we burn them on March 2nd.



Let's Talk about Not Talking. Join Fr. Larry after Mass **TODAY** (rescheduled from January 26) for another session of "Coffee with Fr. Larry." The topic this time will be the role of silence in our worship and how to use it for spiritual growth. Pick up coffee and donuts and then come promptly to Classroom # 1. We will plan on about 30 minutes once we manage to gather there. All are welcome!



SPAGHETTI DINNER

Date: Saturday, February 22, 2014
Time: 5:30-10:00PM, dinner served 6-8:00PM
Price: \$10.00 adults, \$5.00 children 6-14 (children under 6 FREE).
Place: St. Leonard Auditorium

Includes: spaghetti & meatball dinner, drinks (wine, beer, soda). The delicious Italian dinner has been served the last 20 years and is prepared by Knights Brian Andzik and Andy Militello from the "Sons of Italy".

Please bring your family and friends for a GREAT meal and fellowship. BEST DEAL IN TOWN!

Contact Gene Gross for tickets at 937.433.5241.

Phone Number Change - Please correct phone number for John & Colleen Nelson:
 [Redacted]

FROM THE ST LEONARD'S ARCHIVES
 August 1998 Square Dance

NOW available on DVD. Were you there? Do you remember? If you want a DVD of the Square Dance, sign up after Mass between January 25 and February 10. The cost is only \$1.00. The DVD is the only way to see and remember what happened that night. You will enjoy it!!! Ron Christopher

NEWS OUTSIDE THE CHURCH:

CARING FOR ALL LIFE ALL THROUGH LIFE
 Embracing the Consistent Ethic of Life

Saturday, March 15, University of Dayton, at Kennedy Union.

We will gather to look at many life issues. The sacredness of the individual before birth through the end of life and situations in between that call for a Gospel response of love from God's people: domestic violence, bullying, gun violence, restorative justice, the death penalty, life after prison and life caught in strife and war.

For more information call: 937.224.3026 or email: csadayton@catholiccincinnati.org

Thoughts on Today's Readings

Always Have
 A Unique Character
 Like SALT,
 It's Presence
 Is Not Felt
 But
 It's Absense Makes
 All The Things
 "TASTELESS"

Both salt and light can be dangerous. Too much light can blind you. Too much salt can kill you. Some studies say that three grams of sodium chloride could be poisonous.

Yet, just the right amount of salt will transform a bland baked potato into a delicious delight. An order of salty fast-food fries has us rummaging in our paper sacks for what comedian Jim Gaffigan calls "the bonus fry."

We are called to be spice and to stand up for our faith. We are also called to be light, and to shine before others so that they may see the good deeds that we do. But the Gospel also calls for us to do our good deeds with humility and in moderation.

St. Leonard Faith Community



When: Saturday • March 1

Time: 6:30PM

Cost: \$20.00 per person

Where: Auditorium

Dinner • Dancing • Socializing

Music by the Shakertown Stompers

Contact the church office for reservation's
 937.435.3626

Let the Good Times ROLL!

DAY OF CARING



Pancake Brunch

Station House Restaurant,
Franciscan Center

Sunday, February 23, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm

Cost: Adults and Children over 10: \$5/person, \$20 max per family/ Children 10 and under: \$3/child.

Tickets will be available after Mass for the next two weeks, February 9 & 16.



**Pancakes & Syrup,
Sausage, Fruit, Eggs
Coffee, Milk & Juice!!!**

Our Social Justice Ministry, Social Committee and the Senior Living Community look forward to seeing you and serving you at the beautiful Station House. Musicians from St. Leonard Faith Community will perform.

HUNGER IS NOT A CHOICE – GIVING IS

100% of all ticket sales will go to the Foodbank
and the Dayton Housing Coalition via Day of Caring

Who Is Day of Caring?

Day of Caring is an incorporated grassroots organization with 501 (c) (3) tax status. It was established in 1991 to create awareness and encourage volunteerism in confronting the plight of the millions of people who are hungry and homeless. To help fulfill this mission over the years 10,000 volunteers have participated in hosting an annual pancake brunch.

We thank the Senior Living Community for support and use of their facility!

Poverty by the Numbers

Most of the income of people in poverty comes from work. According to the most recent data available from the Census Bureau, 104 million people — a third of the population — have annual incomes below twice the poverty line, less than \$38,000 for a family of three. They struggle to make ends meet every month.

Half the jobs in the nation pay less than \$34,000 a year, according to the Economic Policy Institute. A quarter pays below the poverty line for a family of four, less than \$23,000 annually.

From: *Poverty in America: Why Can't We End It?* New York Times, July 28, 2012, by Peter Edelman

Hunger at the Personal Level

"We'll be on our last \$3 at the end of the month," said Rafaela Rivera, a home health aide who earns \$10 an hour. Her family of four saw their food stamps reduced by \$36 a month. They are forced to supplement their food budget with supplies from the local food bank.

From: *Dayton Daily News*, Sunday, November 10, 2013 as reported in the *New York Times*.

When the stimulus money expired in November 2013, the food stamp program was cut by \$5 billion. Families of three typically lost \$29 in aid per month—enough for at least 20 meals according to Feeding America, a national coalition of food banks. For a family of four, the loss was about \$36 per month or about \$23 meals per month. This will only get worse now that the Farm Bill is making its way through Congress.

From: *Dayton Daily News*, Sunday, January 26, 2014 as reported in the *New York Times*.

When We Sing We Pray Twice

Longing for food, many are hungry,

Longing for water, many still thirst.

Make us your bread, broken for others,

Shared until all are fed.

Christ be our light! Shine in our hearts.

Shine through the darkness. Christ be our light!

Shine in your Church gathered today.

Longing for shelter, many are homeless.

Longing for warmth, many are cold.

Make us your building, sheltering others,

Walls made of living stone.

sung last Sunday, 2/2/14. Hymn 572--Christ, Be Our Light

Please support the Pancake Brunch! Thanks.



Special prayers are requested :

Barb Barnes, Albert Chee (Alberta Guise's father), Pichi (Monsita Corbett's mother), Conor Crippen, Terrie Dawson, Glass, Barbara & Ed Gravel, Mary Ellen Hagan, James Stritch, 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 notified 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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| Community Life | Shirle Speaks | Bonnie Benge |
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FEBRUARY:

- 7-Friday, Date Night, dinner 5PM, presentation 7PM, Franciscan Center
- 9-Sunday, Meet-n-Eat class, 9AM, Knights of Col. Room
- 9-Sunday, Family Mass
- 9-Sunday, Coffee with Fr. Larry, after Mass, Classroom 1
- 9-Sunday, VBS meeting, after Mass
- 10-Monday, Harlem Wizards event, Waynesville High School, 6PM
- 16-Sunday, Prayer & Worship meeting, after Mass
- 21-23-St. Francis' Women's Retreat, Bergamo
- 22-Saturday, KofC Spaghetti Dinner, Auditorium 5:30
- 23-Sunday, Pancake Brunch, Franciscan Center
- 25-Tuesday, Council meeting, Boardroom, 7PM

MARCH:

- 1-Saturday, Mardi Gras Party, Auditorium, 6:30PM
- 2-Sunday, Intergenerational Team Mtg., Classrm 1, after Mass
- 2-Sunday, Burning of the Palms after Mass
- 5-Wednesday, Ash Wednesday
- 5-Wednesday, Eastern Europe collection
- 15-Saturday, "Caring for All Life", UD, Kennedy Union
- 21-23, Jr. Hi Retreat, Bergamo Center

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 Gene Gross at 937.433.5241.

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.