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1:00PM

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*Second Sunday in
Ordinary Time*

Presiding Today:

Fr. Larry Mick

January

Council Announcements:
Tom Anacker

Today's Mass is for:

Our Many Blessings

Proclaimers of the Word:

Elaine Sendelbach
Joe Scullion

Today's Collection Counters:

Gene Gross
Jim McGee

Mass Schedule:

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

Senior Living Community

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

Welcome!

January 17, 2016



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 - 1.10.16: \$1820.00

YTD Collections: \$92,979.00

Weekly Budget: \$3,615.00

YTD Budget: \$94,005.00

Readings for the Week of January 17, 2016

Sunday: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-3, 7-10/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11

Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16-17, 21, 23/Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20-22, 27-28/Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1-2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-13/Mk 3:7-12

Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2-4, 6, 11/Mk 3:13-19

Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5-7/Mk 3:20-21

Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8-10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/
Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

January Religious Education Classes (PREP):

17-PREP Classes in Session
 24-Classes in Session
 31-Teacher Retreat-NO CLASS

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

17-CLOW Classes in Session
 24-CLOW Classes in Session
 31-CLOW Classes in Session

February Religious Education Classes (PREP):

7-PREP Classes in Session (Meet-n-Eat, KofC room)
 14-PREP Classes in Session
 21-PREP Classes in Session
 28-PREP Classes in Session

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

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

Youth Ministry**Attention High School Students**

You are invited to a planning meeting at 6:30-8:00pm, Sunday, January 24th in the Youth Room at St Leonard's. We will be developing a plan for the future of Youth Ministry in our Community. Come with ideas of who, what, when, where, why, and how. Even if you are not sure you want to be involved, come for snacks - just be there! If you have any more questions contact Donna Leddy at slfc.dre@gmail.com.

When we think about pilgrimages, we probably think about medieval people walking great distances to awe-inspiring churches. Pope Francis describes what is at the heart of pilgrimage and encourages each of us to make one during this "Jubilee of Mercy." He writes that "life itself is a pilgrimage, and the human being is a viator, a pilgrim traveling along the road, making his way to the desired destination" (MV, no. 14). Pope Francis encourages each of us to make a pilgrimage to the Holy Door in our diocese some time during this Jubilee of Mercy. Being committed to the journey of pilgrimage helps us focus our attention on our spiritual journey and walk closer with God. Similarly, our daily journey to live out the mercy of God "is also a goal to reach and requires dedication and sacrifice" (MV, no. 14).

1. With your family or a parish group, plan a pilgrimage to the Holy Door within your diocese for some time during this year.
2. Each day, give yourself one small goal of mercy, compassion, and love to journey toward—for example, being kind to a difficult coworker—so that, by those actions, you are able to walk closer to God on the pilgrimage of Christian life.
<http://www.usccb.org/>.

Thoughts on Today's Readings...

John tells us that this sign of Jesus' power took place at the beginning of His ministry at a wedding feast at Cana. Jesus' ministry - from the very start - occurred in real life, addressing real-life concerns. He continues to enter our real lives as He offers himself to us in so many ways, especially in the bread and wine of the Eucharist. He generously provides what we need to exercise our own gifts for others.

Bible Verses for the Year of Mercy

The resident community continues to offer bible verses, referring to mercy, on slips you can pick up. The slips will be in containers in the back on each side - bowls on the south side, baskets on the north. If all the baskets are emptied, there will be more slips next weekend.



Today the Catholic Ministries Appeal, also known as the CMA, will kick off throughout the diocese. The annual CMA lets us share blessings and change lives through six ministries here in our diocese. Thanks to the generosity of many families at **St. Leonard Faith Community** a total of \$13,362.00 was contributed to the 2015 CMA from our Faith Community to help local ministries. (Of this amount \$3,114.00 was returned to the St. Leonard Faith Community. Our goal this year is **\$7,389.00**. Every registered church household should receive a CMA mailing from Archbishop Schnurr. Please prayerfully complete your pledge card and return it in the envelope provided, or bring your completed pledge card sealed in its return envelope to Mass. Please make checks payable to Catholic Ministries Appeal. Your participation is vital to reaching our church goal. For more information, please visit: CatholicAppeal.info. Thank you!



Happy New Year! As I type this, I am highly distracted by the much longed for snow storm out my window! Snow makes all outside new - so appropriate for a new year! Did you make a new year's resolution? In my readings I came across the admonishment: **be more compassionate with yourself.** You would think that if you adopted that as your New Year's resolution that you just gave yourself permission to live on easy street. I'm not finding that to be so. I took last week off from all my responsibilities including writing this column because I was very sick with a cold/sinus infection. I think it took longer to recover because I felt so guilty - another inner demon to domesticate! But how do you do that? We are not brought up to even recognize our drive to do, do, do as a demon. Just the opposite, productivity and busyness are touted as virtues, so I look for moments to just be, like standing in front of the window and being blessed by the snow fall. I'd like to hear what you adopted as your New Year's resolution. Send me an email at: noelkb@gmail.com telling me about it.

There are **some new opportunities** to feed your spiritual life. **The Arti Gras**, sponsored by the Spirituality Network in Columbus, also feeds your compassion for yourself. This event provides a safe, judgment-free space to explore creativity and spirituality as we focus on the creative process rather than the finished product. We will explore the creative elements of the life journey, featuring mini-workshops including: soul collage, prayer beads, simple sculpture, written word and poetry, etc. I wish I was going but I'll be in Memphis for my grandson (whose heart operation we prayed for) who will be celebrating his third birthday.

Arti Gras, Saturday, February 6, 9 am - 4pm, Trinity Lutheran Seminary, 2199 E. Main St., Columbus, OH. Register at 614.228.8867 or spiritualitynetwork.org/artigras.html. Pre-registration \$40, at the door \$55.

"Happy Hour Book Club" is happening soon. The date keeps changing because Lent is so early this year. The date will be set by next bulletin. I mention this now because this will give you time to find the passage you want to share. The good news about this gathering is that you don't have to read a whole book. Just come with your favorite part, the part that really speaks to you, and share it with others. Not only will you hear some wonderful sharing's but you might get some great ideas for books to read in the future.

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 10th. Sign ups for Simple Suppers start on January 24th and will continue every Sunday until February 7th. This annual practice is a great way to get to know community members better as well as focus your Lenten practice. Please sign up early.

BLESSING: May the God of NEWNESS be with you, freshening you with renewed energy and awakening you with new perspectives on old visions. May you be free enough to let go of what is stale and used up and to embrace what is new and full of promise. May God's grace be with you as you wrap yourself in what is right, if unfamiliar. May you look upon your life and your ministry with the eyes of God, ever new and ever transforming. May the God of NEWNESS be with you.



SOCIAL JUSTICE - Bob Niehoff
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VESSELS OF MERCY RETREAT

Join us for a unique retreat morning that will engage our hearts, minds, and hands and lead us into a deeper understanding and practice of global solidarity. There will be a prayer walk, learning stations, speakers, reflection time, and even a taste of global culture.

Saturday, January 30, 2016 at the Archbishop Pilarczyk Center, 1436 Needmore Road, Dayton. Doors open at 8:30am, retreat is from 9:00am to noon.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

Proclaimer Signup!

Today, January 17th, there will be signups for proclaimers before and after Mass or contact Elaine at: elsenselbach@yahoo.com.

St. Francis 22nd Annual Women's Retreat
February 26-28, 2016
Bergamo Center

The theme is "Walking in the Footsteps of St. Francis" lead by retreat director, Fr. Tom Gaeke.

Gift certificates and partial scholarships are available. For more information, contact Joanie Rauch 937.681.8319 or email at: joanrauch@gmail.com. Registration forms and additional information are on the back pews, vestibule side.

DivorceCare, if you are a Catholic who is newly divorced or separated, you may be going through a very difficult time. You should not have to feel isolated or cut off from the Catholic Church. Join us! Catholic sponsored DivorceCare is held on Thursday evenings, 7-9PM from January 14 to April 14 at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, 6245 Wilmington Pike, Centerville, OH. Cost: is \$25 per person. Scholarships are available. For more information, or to register, contact Marcelle Toma at 937.312.1157 or mtoma@woh.rr.com.



Special prayers are requested:

Donna Ames, Mike Bennett, Joe Bensman, Amy Buxton, Shirley Chee, Conor Crippen, Terrie Dawson, Beth Ennis, Norm Fogel, Ruth Hopkins, Joanne Jannetta, Tom Kirchmer, Kelly King, Nicholas Ladd, Brandon Le, Elaine Lunne, Justin Mastrangelo, Missy Meeks, Therese Mileti, Michael Morrison, Angela Paolo, Ken Rueth, Rosalie Schoenfeld, Hugh & Jasmine Skees, Betty Ann Streit, Hannah Taylor, Linda Versic, Elaine Vorherr, Marlene Vorherr, 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 unless otherwise notified. 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.

Calendar of Events

- January:**
- 17-Sunday, Rohr Chats, Boardroom, 9:45am/Mass 10:30am/ CMA Appeal starts/Proclaimers sign up after Mass
 - 18-Monday, Book Club, Boston Stoker, 6pm
 - 20-Wednesday, Prayer & Worship Meeting, Boardroom, 7pm
 - 24-Sunday, Rohr Chats, Boardroom, 9:45am/Mass 10:30am/Youth Meeting, Youth room, 6:30-8pm
 - 26-Tuesday, church council meeting, Boardroom, 7pm
 - 30-Saturday, Vessel of Mercy Men's Retreat, Archbishop Pilarczk Center, 8:30am
 - 31-Sunday, Rohr Chats, Boardroom, 9:45am/Mass 10:30am
- *See Religious Education page for PREP and CLOW schedule

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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 contact David Weickert at 937.750.3438.

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

Bulletin announcements: St. Leonard Faith Community Office 937.435.3626 or email: slfc.office@gmail.com 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	Mary Beth Firestone
Justice & Service	Bob Niehoff	Tom Anacker
Faith Formation	Noel Bauer	John Nelson
Community Life		Fred Konen
Pastoral Care	Mary Ann McGuire	Shirley Venetos