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The Baptism of the Lord

Presiding Today:

Fr. Larry Mick

Family Sunday

Baptismal Call to Discipleship

January

Council Announcements:
Maureen Josenhans

In Today's Mass We Pray For:

Mike Cleary
by - Bill & Rosalie Schoenfeld

Proclaimers of the Word:

Confirmation Students

Today's Collection Counters:

Jim Kennedy
Mary Lou Worland

Mass Schedule:

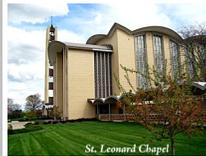
St. Leonard Faith Community
Religious Education Classes,
9:00AM (September– May)
Sunday Mass, 10:30AM

Senior Living Community

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

Welcome!

January 11, 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.

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.

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: 1-4-2015: \$1,955.00

YTD Collections: \$90,646.00

Weekly Budgeted Collection: \$3,615.00

YTD Budget: \$86,750.00

Readings for the Week of January 11, 2015

Sunday: Is 55:1-11 or Is 42:1-4, 6-7/1 Jn 5:1-9 or Acts 10:34-38/Mk 1:7-11
Monday: Heb 1:1-6/Mk 1:14-20
Tuesday: Heb 2:5-12/Mk 1:21-28
Wednesday: Heb 2:14-18/Mk 1:29-39
Thursday: Heb 3:7-14/Mk 1:40-45
Friday: Heb 4:1-5, 11/Mk 2:1-12
Saturday: Heb 4:12-16/Mk 2:13-17
Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42

January Religious Education Classes (PREP):

11-Classes in Session
 18-Teacher Retreat-NO CLASS
 25-Classes in Session

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

11-Youth Mass-NO CLOW
 18-Jim McGee
 25-Norm Speaks

PARENTS' CORNER JANUARY 2015

January 11th is the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, which often calls to mind memories of our own baptism. The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord is also a good time to reflect on how to be a good godparent. Here are some suggestions:

1. Form a habit of regularly praying for your godchild (i.e. during your morning/evening prayers and at Mass).
2. Share your faith journey with your godchild. Discuss your experience of the sacraments, what you like about the Catholic faith, and how you live out your faith on a daily basis.
3. Support your godchild with prayers and with your physical presence, if possible, during other sacraments, such as First Eucharist and Confirmation.
4. Encourage your godchild to attend Mass regularly, and consider inviting your godchild to join you at Mass.
5. Give your godchild a card, gift, or phone call on birthdays and special holidays, like Christmas and Easter.
6. Celebrate your godchild's patron saint on the feast day of that saint with a birthday cake and presents.
7. Take advantage of the seasons of the Church year to share your faith with your godchild. For example: during Advent, consider making an Advent wreath with your godchild. During Lent, consider attending a fish fry together.
8. Send your godchild a "thinking of you" card or email. Include a Bible verse.
9. Read the Bible and pray with your godchild. Discuss your favorite Bible stories and favorite prayers.
10. Let your godchild know that you are always available to discuss your faith.

The above suggestions may also be useful for Confirmation sponsors and RCIA sponsors. In addition, adults who are not godparents or sponsors may share their faith with young people by carrying out some of the above suggestions. Do you have other ideas for sharing your faith with your godchildren or other young people? Share your ideas on our Facebook page!

EPIPHANY BRUNCH - Today after Mass in the Auditorium.
Thoughts on Today's Readings...

At the Easter Vigil baptism, one of the catechumens stood thigh-deep in the baptismal pool. The pastor leaned close to him and whispered: "Robert, when I baptize you, everything that goes underwater belongs to God. Are you ready?"

Robert nodded and reached inside his baptismal robe, grabbing his wallet. At each of the three plunges he resolutely held his wallet high and dry above the water.

Jesus held nothing back when John the Baptist plunged Him into the flowing waters of the Jordan River. It was a complete surrender to His Father's will. In return, the thunderous words rolled out of the heavens: "You are my beloved Son. On you my favor rests."


Annual Support of Local Ministries

Next weekend, the 2015 Catholic Ministries Appeal will kick off throughout the archdiocese. The CMA is our opportunity each year to support the work of six vital ministries and their many programs, all of which operate right here in our archdiocese. Also, if we exceed our parish goal for the CMA, 50% of our overage comes back to the parish to be used toward a parish ministry that we have selected: expand evangelization, fund youth ministry and fund chapel project. Please prayerfully consider supporting this year's CMA. For more information, please visit CatholicAppeal.info.



Happy New Year! I trust that you've seen our **Calendar of Upcoming Events** that has been posted in the bulletin for the last two weeks. Joe Scullion has graciously consented to give the tour he developed as a Dayton Art Institute docent about the stained glass and other art in our worshiping space. I often think after I've come around the altar that I should choose to stand in another place because I see the same stained glass windows every Sunday. If you are like me, you'll join us January 20th to learn about the rest of the windows that you rarely see. We'll meet in the chapel at 7:00PM.

The bulletin seems loaded with other opportunities to nurture your spiritual life, so I won't repeat them here. I do want to point out that the **Rohr Chat group** is still meeting every **Sunday at 9:45** in the Board Room for a "chatting up" about how the past week's meditations have resounded in those who gather. It's not the same people every week but it's always a warm and informal sharing. If you are looking for something new this year, go to www.cac.org and sign up. It's free and will really make you think about what you believe.

On January 1, the first sentence of that day's meditation read: *"The formation of faith is an ever-growing and deepening understanding of Divine Reality and our own reality."* So in the beginning of this new year, ask yourself if what you believe now is the same as what you believed 10 or 20 years ago. If the answer is "yes" then I have to ask if your faith is dying or dead, because according to that sentence in quotes, it should be growing and deepening. Maybe it's time this new year to do something about it. Besides the programs we've organized, there are retreats, the two monthly book clubs, the notices about outside programs, and the multitude of websites literally at your finger tips.

Our blessing for the week: May the God of NEW FIRE bless you with a passion for truth and love. May this God who has come to set a fire on the earth fill your heart to overflowing with an awareness of your own goodness and an eagerness for the coming of God's Kingdom all around you. May you embrace wholeheartedly and without reserve the call to claim and proclaim God's love and compassion for all peoples of the earth. May the God of NEW FIRE bless you. *Maxine Shonk, OP*

Family Sunday 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 our *"Baptismal Call to Discipleship."* In baptism, we are committing ourselves to imitate how Jesus lives in the Gospels.

Proclaimers of the Word

The sign up for proclaiming the word in March, April, and May will be on Sunday, January 18. 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. See Jai Rezy for additional information.

Artists of Dayton

The *"Coffee Table"* book which includes *"Artists of Dayton"* includes ten paintings by Sr. Jan Rectenwald and ten by Ellie Parker, a member of our Faith Community. In addition Cecilia Brendel and Peter Losh (resident artists at St. Leonard's center) each have ten paintings in the book. The book was organized by Ron Christopher. It is on sale now for only \$25.00. The book will be in the lobby after Mass.

January Intergenerational Team

The **Team will meet today, Sunday, January 11, 2015** immediately following Mass in **Classroom 3**.

NEWS OUTSIDE THE PEWS

The 21st Annual St. Francis Women's Retreat February 20 - 22, 2015 at Bergamo Center

The theme is Encountering God in our Ordinary Lives through Benedictine Spirituality and the retreat director is Br. William Sprauer, OSB. The retreat will focus on the wisdom and spirituality of St. Benedict, as outlined in his Rule. We can utilize his teaching to encounter God in the midst of our daily lives; in our prayer, work, and community. St. Benedict's practical advice is intended not only for monks, but anyone wishing to strengthen their relationship with Christ and their community.

Gift certificates and partial scholarships are available. For more information, contact Joanie Rauch 937.681. 8319 or email joanrauch@gmail.com.

Praying, Believing, Living & Making Connections in Liturgy

Coming in February & March 2015! Lex Orandi, Lex Crendi, Lex Vivandi: *"Praying, Believing, Living & Making Connections in Liturgy."* **February 26, March 5, 12, 19, & 26, 2015, 7:00PM - 8:45PM**, St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Centerville. Evenings of reflection on the Mass for all ages. To learn more or register, check out: <http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/11/Lex-Orandi-St.-Francis-Feb-2015-registration.pdf>.



St. Leonard Student of the Month

Nicole Schroeder is our Student of the Month for January! Nicole is in third grade at Medlar View Elementary School in Miamisburg. She is an assistant usher and greeter at St. Leonard. Nicole took part in the Children's Song at the Christmas Eve Mass last month, and she enjoys participating in the Shadow Stations of the Cross and Vacation Bible School. Nicole swims and plays soccer and likes to read, build Legos, play with friends, and do craft projects. Her birthday is on Christmas Eve. 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>.



Special prayers are requested:

Mike Bennett, Joe Bensman, Marjorie Bleicher, Amy Buxton, Shirley Chee (mother of Alberta Guise), Karrie Coggeshall, Conor Crippen, George Cruise, Terrie Dawson, Kerry DeLuca, Grace Detling, Betty Gillespie, Jim & Bill Kiefer, Vincenzina Krymow, Brandon Le, Mary Ann McGuire, 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, Roman Thieben (Larry & Noel Bauer's grandson), 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
Membership	Mary Ellen Graham & Bill Moroney	Maureen Josenhans
Worship	Mary Cozart	Pat Schug
Justice & Service	Bob Niehoff	
Faith Formation	Noel Bauer	John Nelson
Community Life	Shirle Speaks	Bonnie Bengé
Pastoral Care	Mary Ann McGuire	Darryl McGill

Calendar of Events

January 2015

- 11-Sunday, Meet-n-Eat, KofC room, 9AM/Youth Mass, 10:30AM/Rohr Chats, Boardroom, 9:45AM/Epiphany Brunch after Mass/Confirmation Class after Mass/Intergenerational Team mtg. after Mass, Classroom 3
- 14-Wednesday, Prayer & Worship meeting, boardroom, 7PM
- 18-Sunday, Rohr Chats, Boardroom, 9:45AM/Mass, 10:30AM/CMA kickoff
- 19-Monday, Book Club, 6PM
- 20-Tuesday, Faith Formation, "Tour of the Chapel," by Joe Scullion, 7PM
- 25-Sunday, Rohr Chats, Boardroom, 9:45AM/Mass, 10:30AM

February

- 1-Sunday, Rohr Chats, Boardroom, 9:45AM/Mass, 10:30AM/Confirmation class after Mass
- 8-Sunday, Rohr Chats, Boardroom, 9:45AM/Mass, 10:30AM
- 15-Family Sunday, Rohr Chats, Boardroom, 9:45AM/Mass, 10:30AM
- 18-Ash Wednesday/Churches for Central & Eastern Europe collection
- 22-Sunday, Rohr Chats, Boardroom, 9:45AM/Mass, 10:30AM/"Day of Caring," Pancake Brunch-watch for more details

*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:

St. Leonard Faith Community Office
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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).