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**16th Sunday in
Ordinary Time**

Presiding Today:

Fr. Larry Mick

July

Council Announcements:
Bonnie Bengé

In Today's Mass We Pray For:

Lorraine & Elmer Kiefer
by - Chris & Steve Brown

Proclaimers of the Word:

Bob Ramsey
Sara Workman

Today's Collection Counters:

Mike Corbett
Tom Stauffer

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!

July 19, 2015



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: 7-12-15: \$1500.00

YTD Collections: \$169,590.00

Weekly Budget: \$3,615.00

YTD Budget: \$180,740.00

Readings for the Week of July 19, 2015

Sunday: Jer 23:1-6/Eph 2:13-18/Mk 6:30-34

Monday: Ex 14:5-18/Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday: Ex 14:21-15:1/Mt 12:46-50

Wednesday: Ex 16:1-5, 9-15/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Thursday: Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b/Mt 13:10-17

Friday: Ex 20:1-17/Mt 13:18-23

Saturday: 2 Cor 4:7-15/Mt 20:20-28

Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:42-44/Eph 4:1-6/Jn 6:1-15



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 PREP classes, specifically for our preschoolers and 7th/8th grade class. Please prayerfully consider this opportunity to share your faith with our children. As an added incentive, we offer PREP teachers a 50% discount on PREP tuition. If you are interested in teaching, please contact Amanda (Stewart) Jurden at slfc.dre@gmail.com or 937.326.3626.

CLOW Youth Helpers

If you served as a Children's Liturgy of the Word youth helper last year, we'd love to have you continue assisting with this ministry for the 2015-2016 academic year. Please confirm your participation with Amanda (Stewart) Jurden by e-mailing her at slfc.dre@gmail.com. If you are a junior high or high school student and are interested in assisting teachers during CLOW, please contact Amanda (Stewart) Jurden at slfc.dre@gmail.com. Students will know in advance when they are scheduled to help.

CLOW Teacher Orientation

All new and returning CLOW teachers and teen teaching assistants are required to attend the CLOW Teacher Orientation on **Sunday, August 23rd** from 9:00-10:15 a.m. (room TBD). Light breakfast items will be served. If you have a conflict, please contact Amanda (Stewart) Jurden at slfc.dre@gmail.com or [937.326.3626](tel:937.326.3626) to set-up an alternative time to cover the material.

Thoughts on Today's Readings...

After a hard week of work, who doesn't look forward to coming home on Friday night? It's finally your time to relax, enjoy dinner, take a bath, slip into your pajamas and curl up with a book.

Our plans and hopes sometimes get swept aside when life sends an unexpected problem. Guests are not coming after all. Dinner got burned in the oven. There's no hot water because the 10-year-old water heater blew up and flooded everything.

Such was the case in today's Gospel story. The returning disciples were ready for some well-deserved rest. Jesus proposed that they all go to a deserted place. The Father had other plans. He was sending 5,000 followers to wait in a deserted cove. They were hungry and wanted to be fed.

American poet Ralph Waldo Emerson might have been thinking about today's Gospel reading when he observed: *"The task ahead of us is never as great as the Power behind us."*

PREP Teacher Orientation

All new and returning PREP teachers are required to attend the PREP Teacher Orientation on Monday, **August 24th** from 6:30-9:00 p.m. (room TBD). If you have a conflict and cannot attend, please contact Amanda (Stewart) Jurden at: slfc.dre@gmail.com or [937.326.3626](tel:937.326.3626) to set-up an alternative time to cover the material.

Register for 2015-2016 Religious Education Classes

Registration for Religious Education classes for the 2015-2016 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.



Attention Volunteers Who Work with Children

If you have taken the VIRTUS Child Awareness Training Session, then you are required to complete

monthly training bulletins online. Failure to complete three or more consecutive training bulletins will require you to retake the VIRTUS Child Awareness Session. You must be registered on virtusonline.org in order to access the bulletins. A bulletin reminder will arrive by email from system@pub.virtus.org on the first Sunday of each month. When you are ready to read your bulletin, follow these directions:

1. Go to www.virtusonline.org. Enter your user ID and password.
2. Click on "Training" at the top toolbar.
3. Click on "Training Bulletin Report" box on the right side of the screen to see your complete report.
4. Under "Type," click on "Click here for details."
5. Read each bulletin listed. Answer the question at the bottom of each bulletin, and click "Submit."

Please contact David Weickert at slfc.pa01@gmail.com or [937.435.3626](tel:937.435.3626) with questions.

CHURCH COUNCIL

As *"Outgoing Council Chair,"* it is my pleasure to introduce to you the three community members who have agreed to fill our open council positions.

- Mary Beth Firestone will fill a three year position and serve as liaison to *"Prayer & Worship."*
- Fred Konen will fill a three year position and serve as liaison to *"Community Life."*
- Shirley Venetos has agreed to complete the final year of the council position which came open with the departure of Darryl McGill. Shirley will serve as liaison to *"Pastoral Care."*

Because we have three open positions and three community members who agreed to fill those positions, no formal election will be held. Instead, as we have done in the past, we will have these members come before the Community during Mass on **Sunday, July 26** and ask the Community to affirm them by a voice affirmation. Maureen Josenhans, current council member, has agreed to take the position of Council Chair.

I wish to thank all who have served on council in the past year and thanks to our wonderful St. Leonard Faith Community for your support.

Pat Schug, *Council Chair*

Faith Community wishes to thank Bonnie Bengé, Darryl McGill and Pat Schug of the Church Council who are leaving council. Their involvement and dedication to this important ministry of leadership has been a great asset to our church.

Thank you for your commitment to this ministry and to our church. May the Holy Spirit continue to guide the good work of our new Church Council.

NEW COUNCIL MEMBERS



Mary Beth Firestone - Prayer and Worship Liason

My husband, Dix, our daughter Grace and I joined SLFC in 2011 when we moved to Centerville. I am a Business Systems Analyst for Liberty Mutual. This past year I assisted with teaching 2nd and 3rd graders and Holy Communion/First Reconciliation. Grace made her First Holy Communion this year. I have also taken over the responsibility of announcements and Head Greeter each Sunday morning.

We knew we were home when we found St. Leonard's. It's a very friendly and loving community. I look forward to serving on the Church Council and serving our church as a whole.



Fred Konen - Community Life Liason

I am honored to serve as a church council member. SLFC is a special place with wonderful, welcoming people and a breathtakingly, beautiful place to worship. Annie and I searched for a church and tried several, but when we came to SLFC we were truly welcomed and encouraged to participate. I have gained a deeper faith by worshipping here and want to give something back. Serving on the council will give me that opportunity.



Shirley Venetos - Pastoral Care Liason

I have been a member of the Faith Community on and off since *"the friars were here."* I have degrees in economics and I worked in the chemical and pharmaceutical divisions of DuPont and Merck.

We were members of a Faith Community at an Oblate Seminary in Natick, Mass. where I attended classes in addition to attending Boston Theological, a consortium of ten seminaries and theological schools. Moving to Dayton afforded me the opportunity to join and participate in the St. Leonard's Faith Community, which has been a source of support and spiritual growth. By being a member of council I will do my best to continue the Franciscan traditions that make this community so unique.



Please Join Us

Last year at this time, the Faith Formation Committee offered the first of our programs. If you were there, you'll remember that it was on the Buddhist monk, Thich Nhat Hanh and his practice of mindful meditation. I was excited to see an article in the secular paper right before we left for our vacation about the benefits of mindful meditation. It mentioned reduced stress, anxiety, and depression, less negative thinking (*oh how we love to complain!*), less distraction, and improved mood, besides the two that I stressed which were an opening of the heart to wonder and the presence of blessing, as well as an appreciation of the oneness of all. A simple way to recall these effects is to close your eyes, place ONE raisin in your mouth, and slowly chew it, concentrating on its flavor and texture. See how long you can keep it in your mouth while chewing before you swallow it. Imagine if we did that with everything we ate! We would probably all be as thin as Thich Nhat Hanh!

I promised to convey **the results of our survey that 36 of you responded to** last month. Over all, the respondents indicated that we were on the right track. Tuesday evening was first choice for our programs with 16 votes, and Monday evening, at 11 votes was a close second. It looks like we'll be continuing our programs on those two nights.

Thanks to all who took the time to respond, we have enough ideas to organize for the next two years! We've decided to only do one program a month. We will be starting on **September 14th** with the Thomas Merton Wisdom group (15 people signed up) meeting every two weeks at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room in Chaminade Hall.

In October, Fr. Norman Langenbrunner will return and do a program on Pope Francis' latest encyclical on Mercy. Sr. Kateri is still unavailable for the program on "Franciscan Charisms" in October.

We will get programs on the calendar as soon as we can. We will publish these programs six weeks prior to the date to give you enough notice. In the meantime, follow E.B. White's advice and **"Always be on the lookout for the presence of wonder."**

And so I bless you with Maxine Shonk's blessing for wonder: **"May the God of WONDER** be with you, delighting you with the beauty of sunrise and sunset, with the song of the bird and the fragrance of the flower. May the **sense of wonder** capture your senses and fill your heart with the wonder of it all. May our God give you wide-open eyes for seeing splendor in the humble and majestic of all creation. May you open the eyes and hands and hearts of those who fail to see, hear, and feel. *May the blessing of WONDER be on you.*

House of Bread Gala. A wonderful evening filled with friends, networking, silent auction, cash bar, 50/50 raffle, music, and keynote address by Mayor Nan Whalen await you at this gala banquet. We hope to have a SLFC table if enough people sign up.

Cost: \$60 per person
Where: Sinclair Ponitz Center
When: 6:00 p.m., Saturday, August 1, 2015.

See, call or email **Maureen Josenhans**, our HOB coordinator at 937.271.9130 or mjosenhans@woh.rr.com, if you wish to attend.

Voices FOR THE POOR AND THE CHILDREN

The letter writing campaign concludes today. So far your response to this area-wide campaign has been fantastic! Keep it up. **Help stamp out hunger by signing a letter to your representative and Ohio senators** in Congress. Your letters will urge Congress to renew and improve our federal government's major child nutrition programs without cutting other essential programs for the poor:

- school meals,
- summer feeding,
- WIC nutrition program for pregnant and new mothers along with their small children.

The Archdiocese hopes to deliver at least 5,000 letters in September during Pope Francis' visit.

Proclaimers of the Word

Today, **July 19**, you will be able to sign-up after Mass for the months of September, October, and November.

The sign-up sheets will be available on the shelf behind the last pew by the main entrance of the church. I will be available if you have any questions.

Thank you for sharing God's Word...
Elaine Sendelbach

Address Change

Please notify the Church Office of a change of address, phone number or email address. Contact Linda Parks at 937.435.3626 or slfc.office@gmail.com.



Food for All: Be Multiplied is an Archdiocesan, collaborative effort to faithfully respond to hunger in our local neighborhoods. Inspired by Pope Francis' call to action to end hunger by 2025 and in conjunction with his visit to Philadelphia in September; *Food for All: Be Multiplied* will be our collective Archdiocesan "Spiritual Bouquet" for Pope Francis.

Be Multiplied

Defeat Hunger Obstacle Run and Food Drive

September 5, 2015

***Publicize the event and encourage attendance as a parish.**

The Office of the New Evangelization and the Catholic Schools Office are hosting a family Obstacle Run, 5K, food drive and after party for the whole community! The event will feature fun for all ages. For information call Sean Ater at (513) 421-3131 ext. 2733.

Multiply Gifts of Food Pledge Drive

June-September 2015

***Organize a Food Collection Campaign.**

Parishes, schools, and businesses and other organizations like St. Vincent de Paul are challenged to pledge food to the Food for All Campaign. Many parishes and schools already organize successful food drives throughout the year. Parishes and schools will be challenged to set a goal and pledge that food to the Food for All Campaign. Parishes, schools, and business could start a food drive to participate

in the Campaign if they do not already organize one. A social media campaign will highlight the parishes, schools, and businesses making a pledge. All pledges will be made before the Pope visits in September but the food drives can happen anytime in 2015-2016. For information call Sean Ater

Multiply Volunteers for the Pope Francis House

June 2015

***Recruit Volunteers.**

Poverty leads to food insecurity. Stable housing for families and children increases health, physical safety and security and increases educational and job prospects, all of which help people rise out of poverty. In partnership with Habitat for Humanity of Greater Cincinnati we will be working together to build a house to honor Pope Francis for his commitment to the poor and re-invigorating the Church. A kick-off celebration will occur in June 2015. Individuals or groups are invited to volunteer. Visit vhub.at/hhngc to register. When asked for a join code use: francis1. Groups should schedule with Monica Human at 513-482-5614; monica.human@habitatcincinnati.org

Advocate for Change

***Host a Parish Educational Session.**

Catholic Charities Southwestern Ohio, Catholic Social Services of the Miami Valley and the Catholic Social Action Office will provide parishes with the opportunity to host educational presentations on the subject of living in a food desert or facing a food hardship. Speakers and study materials and refreshments will be provided. Call Lisa Edward (513) 672-3720 for more information.

***Write Letters to Washington.**

Pope Francis during his visit will speak to the U.S. Congress, the Archdiocese is encouraging local Catholics to advocate for the protection of Child Nutrition Programs in the federal budget. Parishes can participate in the Offering of Letters designed by Bread for the World, an ecumenical Christian voice, which is supported by the USCCB, urging our nation's leaders to end hunger at home and abroad. Between now and early September, we are encouraging parishes to conduct an Offerings of Letters and to consider including a moment of education on domestic hunger. These resources can be accessed at <http://www.bread.org/b/2015/downloads/>, or by contacting Catholic Social Action at (513) 421-3131, ext. 2660, or [\[catholiccincinnati.org\]\(http://catholiccincinnati.org\). Collected letters should be sent to the Catholic Social Action Office, so that they can be included with letters from Catholics throughout the entire Archdiocese, blessed by the Archbishop, and delivered together to our Congressional representatives.](mailto:csa@</p></div><div data-bbox=)

Learn More about Hunger October 21 (Dayton) and 22 (Cincinnati), 2015

***Share an Evening with World Food Prize Laureate Rev. David Beckmann.**

Attend our Distinguished Speaker Event which will feature World Food Prize laureate Rev. David Beckmann, one of the foremost U.S. advocates on behalf of hungry and poor people. He has been president of Bread for the World since 1991, leading large-scale and successful campaigns to strengthen U.S. political commitment to overcome hunger and poverty in the country and around the world. The event will include a dinner that incorporates a hunger awareness exercise (i.e. different meals served to represent range of food available to world populations). Call 800-300-2937 ext.1141 for information on the Learn More about Hunger event



Special prayers are requested:

Mike Bennett, Joe Bensman, Amy Buxton, Shirley Chee, Karrie Coggeshall, Denise Cozart, Conor Crippen, George Cruise, Terrie Dawson, Norm Fogel, Peggy Fulwiler, Barb Gobrail, Sue Heyne, Ruth Hopkins, Kelly King, Vincenzina Krymow, Brandon Le, Anita & Doug Nelson, Eleanor Niemer, Bob Remm, Rosalie Schoenfeld, Marvin Skeens, Hugh & Jasmine Skees, Jim Tieman, Jim Town, 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.

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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	Shirle Speaks	Fred Konen
Pastoral Care	Mary Ann McGuire	Shirley Venetos

Calendar of Events

- July**
- 19-Sunday, Rohr Chats, Boardroom, 9:45am/Mass 10:30am/ "Food for All"- Letter Writing Campaign/Concert in the Park @ Stubbs Park, Centerville, 7pm
 - 26-Sunday, Rohr Chats, Boardroom, 9:45am/Mass 10:30am/ Concert in the Park @ Stubbs Park, Centerville, 7pm
- August**
- 2-Sunday, Rohr Chats, Boardroom, 9:45am/Mass 10:30am/ Concert in the Park @ Stubbs Park, Centerville, 7pm
 - 9-Sunday, Rohr Chats, Boardroom, 9:45am/Mass 10:30am/ Concert in the Park @ Stubbs Park, Centerville, 7pm
 - 16-Sunday, Rohr Chats, Boardroom, 9:45am/Mass 10:30am/ Concert in the Park @ Stubbs Park, Centerville, 7pm
 - 19-Wednesday, Prayer & Worship Meeting, Boardroom, 7pm
 - 23-Sunday, Rohr Chats, Boardroom, 9:45am/Mass 10:30am
 - 30-Sunday, Rohr Chats, Boardroom, 9:45am/Mass 10:30am
- *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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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).

Stubbs Park Concert: Sunday, July 19 at 255 W. Spring Valley Rd. featuring "Berachah Valley"