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**17th Sunday in
Ordinary Time**

Presiding Today:

Fr. Larry Mick

July

Council Announcements:
Bonnie Bengé

In Today's Mass We Pray For:

Rockne Morrissey
by - Michael Morrissey

Proclaimers of the Word:

Elaine Sendelbach
Joe Scullion

Today's Collection Counters:

Maureen Josenhans
Jim Kennedy

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 26, 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: 7-19-15: \$2,670.00

YTD Collections: \$172,260.00

Weekly Budget: \$3,615.00

YTD Budget: \$184,355.00

Readings for the Week of July 26 2015

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

Monday: Ex 32:15-24, 30-34/Mt 13:31-35

Tuesday: Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28/Mt 13:36-43

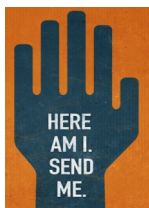
Wednesday: Ex 34:29-35/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Thursday: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38/Mt 13:47-53

Friday: Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37/Mt 13:54-58

Saturday: Lv 25:1, 8-17/Mt 14:1-12

Sunday: Ex 16:2-4, 12-15/Eph 4:17, 20-24/Jn 6:24-35



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.

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.

Thoughts on Today's Readings...

Today's readings are about feeding the hungry. God wants us to be fed and provides nourishment under seemingly impossible circumstances. But how do we show others that God always provides? Paul tells us today to *"live in a manner worthy of the call we have received."* We who receive the Eucharist must feed one another, especially those who are in any way hungry for truth and love.



SLFC sponsoring Centerville 2015 Summer Concert Series at Stubbs Park

As part of your Membership Ministry's efforts to increase the local Community's awareness of SLFC, we are one of the sponsors for the 2015 concert series held at Stubbs Park, 255 W. Spring Valley Rd., Centerville, OH 45458. We encourage you to attend the concerts and mention our sponsorship to your friends and others who may inquire about SLFC. If you have our "Come Grow With Us" shirts, wear them proudly. Don't keep SLFC a secret! Invite any interested attendees to participate in our Sunday liturgy and share the gift of the St. Leonard's Faith Community. The next concert is, **TODAY, July 26 at 7:00PM**, featuring "A Capella & More." A schedule for future concerts is on the bulletin board in the vestibule.



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

HOUSE OF BREAD GALA

You're Invited!

Enjoy a night out with your friends at this wonderful fundraising event and know that you are supporting the House of Bread that provides meals for the poor 365 days a year.

The silent auction offers quality baskets of goodies to bid on, there will be a cash bar, 50/50 raffle, music, and keynote speaker Dayton Mayor Nan Whalen. The food and atmosphere live up to the promo "a gala evening." We hope to have a SLFC table if enough of you sign up. Cost is \$60 per person. The event is held at the Sinclair Ponitz Center on **6:00 p.m., Saturday, August 1**. See, call or email Maureen Josenhans, Faith Community HOB coordinator at: [937.271.9130](tel:937.271.9130) or mjosenhans@woh.rr.com if you wish to attend.

BOOK CLUB - Time for another great book

The Book Club is always welcoming new members. Please consider joining us to discuss Henri J. Nouwen's *"Reaching Out: The Three Movements of the Spiritual Life."*

Wednesday, August 12th, 6:30 p.m. at Kate Anacker's home. For directions and more information about the Book Club, contact Annie at: knann89@aol.com.

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 **TODAY, 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.

Laudato Si': On Care For Our Common Home

Bulletin Insert



“Praise be to you, my Lord.”

“LAUDATO SI', mi Signore” – “Praise be to you, my Lord.” These are the words that open Pope Francis' encyclical on ecology and care for God's creation. These words, quoting St. Francis of Assisi's beautiful canticle, remind us that our common home is like a sister with whom we share our life and a beautiful mother who opens her arms to embrace us.

Pope Francis addresses *Laudato Si'* to “every person on the planet,” for we all share a common home—the earth. He focuses on a number of important themes.

- **A Moral and Spiritual Challenge.** The ecological crisis, Pope Francis writes, is a summons to profound interior conversion—to renew our relationships with God, one another, and the created world.
- **Care for God's Creation.** God created the world and entrusted it to us as a gift. Now we have the responsibility to care for and protect it and all people, who are part of creation. Protecting human dignity is strongly linked to care for creation.
- **We are All Connected.** We are connected to the rest of the human family, to the created world, and to those who will come after us in future generations.
- **Impact on the Poor.** People in poverty have contributed least to climate change, yet they are disproportionately impacted by it. As a result of excessive use of natural resource by wealthy nations, those who are poor experience pollution, lack of access to clean water, hunger, and more.
- **Called to Solidarity.** We are one human family and have a shared responsibility for others and for creation. Wealthy countries have a responsibility to reduce consumption of non-renewal resources and should help poorer nations develop in sustainable ways.
- **Technological and economic development must serve human beings and enhance human dignity,** instead of creating an economy of exclusion, so that all people have access to what is needed for authentic human development.
- **Supporting Life, Protecting Creation.** Concern for nature is incompatible with failure to protect vulnerable human beings, such as unborn children, people with disabilities, or victims of human trafficking.
- **A Time to Act.** Pope Francis calls for a change in lifestyle and consumption. We can make important changes as individuals, families, and communities, and as civil and political leaders.
- **Hope and Joy.** “Injustice is not invincible” (no. 74) and we act knowing that we seek to live out God's vision of renewed relationships with God, ourselves, one another, and creation.

How You Can Respond

Each of us are called to take concrete steps – from reducing consumption to working for political change – to better care for creation. Here are some ideas.

1. **Become more aware of our connectedness.** Care for one another and creation includes understanding that “everything is connected” (no. 91) and that the economy, politics, community involvement, and technology all affect the future of the planet and humankind. How can we become more aware of our connectedness?
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2. Changes to lifestyle and consumption habits can make a big difference. For example, get a re-usable water bottle, take shorter showers, walk, bike or take public transportation instead of driving, recycle, compost food waste, and buy energy efficient appliances.
 3. Make changes institutionally at your parish, school, or workplace. For example, start recycling and composting, use washable dinnerware in cafeterias, share electronically instead of printing, do an energy audit, and install solar panels.
 4. Support local efforts to solve environmental problems. Community groups around the country are working to make city, county, and state-wide changes that can make a big difference. Find out what is going on locally and get involved.
 5. Contact your members of Congress to share Pope Francis' message and urge action to address climate change. Sign up for action alerts with the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops at <http://cqrengage.com/catholicbishops/jphd>.

Prayer

Triune Lord, wondrous community of infinite love,
teach us to contemplate you
in the beauty of the universe,
for all things speak of you.
Awaken our praise and thankfulness
for every being that you have made.
Give us the grace to feel profoundly joined
to everything that is.

God of love, show us our place in this world
as channels of your love
for all the creatures of this earth,
for not one of them is forgotten in your sight.
Enlighten those who possess power and money
that they may avoid the sin of indifference,
that they may love the common good, advance the weak,
and care for this world in which we live.
The poor and the earth are crying out.
O Lord, seize us with your power and light,
help us to protect all life,
to prepare for a better future,
for the coming of your Kingdom
of justice, peace, love and beauty.
Praise be to you!
Amen.

Excerpted from "A Christian prayer in union with creation," in *Laudato Si'*, no. 246

For More Information

- U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops webpage on Environment and Environmental Justice (www.usccb.org/environment)
- Catholic Climate Covenant (www.catholicclimatecovenant.org)
- WeAreSaltAndLight.org



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DEVELOPMENT



Special prayers are requested:

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

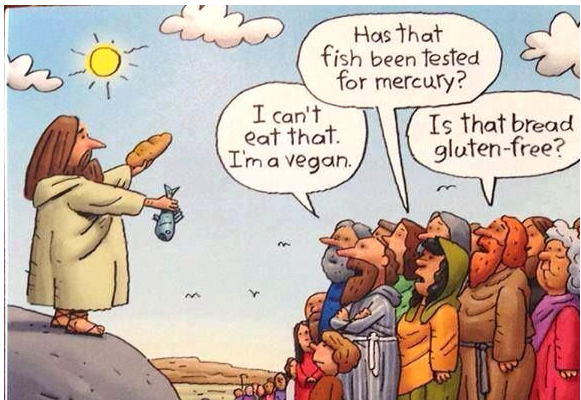
A prayer list is published in the bulletin to inform the Community of those with special needs. Persons may be placed on the prayer list by calling the office and will remain on the list for 4 weeks unless otherwise notified. Hospitals do not notify our office when a parishioner is admitted. Please contact the church office if you would like to make it known that a family member is in the hospital.

Calendar of Events

- July**
- 26-Sunday, Rohr Chats, Boardroom, 9:45am/Mass 10:30am/ Confirmation of New Church Council/ Concert in the Park @ Stubbs Park, Centerville, 7pm
- August**
- 1-Saturday, House of Bread Gala, Ponitz Center, 6pm
 - 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
 - 12-Wednesday, Book Club, Anacker's Home, 6:30pm
 - 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

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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 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.

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

Bulletin announcements:

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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).