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St. Leonard Faith Community

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Fourth Sunday of Lent

Welcome!

March 30, 2014

Presiding Today:

Fr. Larry Mick

March Announcements:

Council - Bonnie Bengé

In Today's Mass We Pray

For: Bernard & Edith Barhorst
by: Ruth Hopkins

Proclaimers of the Word:

Barbara Cleary & Patricia Schug

“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.

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
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

Collection March 23- \$2404.00

Weekly Budgeted Collection - \$3,750.00

YTD Collections - \$120,817.24

YTD Budget - \$135,000.00

Readings for the Week of March 30, 2014

Sunday: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38
Monday: Is 65:17-21/Jn 4:43-54
Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Jn 5:1-16
Wednesday: Is 49:8-15/Jn 5:17-30
Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Jn 5:31-47
Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Jn 7:40-53
Next Sunday: Ez 37:12-14/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

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Religious Education - Meghan Neumeier

sffc.dre@gmail.com

March CLOW Schedule:

30-Spring Break - No CLOW

April CLOW Schedule:

6-TBD
13-Palm Sunday - No CLOW!
20-Easter Sunday - No CLOW!
27-TBD; Last Day for CLOW

March PREP Schedule:

30-Spring Break - No Class

April PREP Schedule:

6-Light Breakfast and Stations of the Cross Presentation
13-Class in Session
20-Easter Sunday - No Class!
27-Class in Session



Shadow Stations of the Cross & Religious Education Breakfast. This year, on **Sunday, April 6th**, our religious education students will once again be presenting the Shadow Stations of the Cross. The program will begin at approximately **9:30AM** in the Auditorium. All members of the community are invited to join us for this creative rendition of the Stations of the Cross. Beginning at 9:00AM in the Auditorium, we will have a light pot-luck breakfast for religious education students, parents, and teachers.

First Eucharist Makeup Class:

Due to the snow day on March 2nd, we have decided to offer our First Eucharist students two options for a makeup class. We ask that First Eucharist students attend a makeup class on at least one of the following dates:

Sunday, April 6th: 11:45AM-1:00PM
Sunday, April 27th: 9:00-10:15AM

Parents should contact Monsita Corbett at [937.438.3860](tel:937.438.3860) or monsita45459@yahoo.com if their child is not able to attend a makeup class on one of the above dates.

VIRTUS® Child Protection Training on April 24th

St. Albert the Great Parish in Kettering will be holding a VIRTUS® Child Awareness Session for the Decree on Child Protection on **Thursday, April 24th at 6:00PM** in the Spirit Center (directly behind the playground). All volunteers who intend to work with children at St. Leonard (*especially CLOW, PREP, and VBS teachers*) must attend a VIRTUS® Child Awareness Session for the Decree on Child Protection by June 30, 2014. Please register online at <http://virtusonline.org/>. For help registering, contact Meghan Neumeier at 435-3626 or sffc.dre@gmail.com. For all other questions, contact Joan Bayer, St. Albert's VIRTUS Coordinator, at 937.499.1310 or jbayer@stalbertthegreat.net.

Attention Religious Education Parents: Don't forget to encourage your children to contribute money to their almsgiving cans to support the Food 4 Summer program. At the end of Lent, students will be asked to bring their contributions to class, and the money will be donated along with the money collected for Simple Suppers. Thank you for your support of our efforts to teach our children the importance of serving the poor!



Mark Your Calendar! Important Dates for First Eucharist: **Sunday, April 27th** - First Eucharist Lunch, Retreat, & Rehearsal; 12-4PM; Knights of Columbus Room - Students should bring their completed banners. **Sunday, May 4th** - First Eucharist Celebration; 10:30AM Mass.

Calling all explorers and treasure seekers in grades pre-K through 6!



Join us for this year's **SonTreasure Island Vacation Bible School June 22-26 from 6-8:30PM.**

Treasure seekers will play island games, create colorful crafts, and enjoy tropical snacks. Most importantly, they will discover the rich treasure of God's love through the life of Jesus. For more information, contact Meghan Neumeier at 937-435-3626 or sffc.dre@gmail.com. Stay tuned for registration information!

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Youth Minister - Renee Clement

Reneeclement@ymail.com



Last weekend several of our Youth Ministry students were busy at area retreats.

Drake Hoffmeister attended the 7th and 8th grade "Ignite Discipleship Retreat." He joined 50 other students who participated in small group activities, prayer, worship sessions and GREAT fellowship. Drake had a great experience and said "I would definitely go again."

Caroline Tran, Alex Flesburg, Olivia and Victoria Clement were invited to *Urban Plunge* with the Youth Ministries from St. Henry, St. Paul and Precious Blood. They learned of Dayton organizations that work with the poor and distressed people in our region. Through service projects, small group activities and panel discussions they were exposed to the needs of those around us. Each of them expressed that the experience gave them more awareness of not only the needs of others but how they can help.

Our next event: Friday, April 25, 7:00PM at the Clement home. We will work on a special project as well as some fun games.

Faith Community Lent/Holy Week Schedule

Faith Community Reconciliation Service - April 9: Dinner 5:45, 7:30PM Service

Holy Thursday - April 17, Dinner: 6:15PM, Mass, 7:00PM

Good Friday Service - April 18, 7:00PM

Easter Vigil Mass - April 19, 9:00PM

Easter Sunday Mass - April 20, 10:30AM

Sr. Living Center Lent/Holy Week Schedule:

Stations of the Cross - April 4 & 11, 3:15PM

Reconciliation Service - Tuesday, April 2, 3:00PM

Holy Thursday Mass - April 17, 4:00PM

Good Friday Service - April 18, 2:00PM

Holy Saturday - April 19 (no 4:00PM Mass)

Easter Sunday Mass - April 20, 9:00AM



Archbishop Schnurr sends his THANKS to everyone from Faith Community who has supported the 2014 Catholic Ministries Appeal. A special congratulations on exceeding your goal of **\$6884.00** by **\$500.00**. Since the Faith Community has met the goal, 50% of our donations will come back to us to be used for the Youth Ministry.

If you have not yet made your pledge consider doing so. If you do not have a pledge envelope they are available on the bulletin board in the vestibule.

For more information and to pledge securely online, please visit: CatholicAppeal.info.



REFLECT ON AND RENEW YOUR BAPTISMAL PROMISES

This week and next week the petitions during the liturgies will include the goals you named for Lent during the first two Sundays of the season. This Sunday we are asked to reflect upon our blindness in living this faith we have already made a commitment to in our baptism.

Sunday, Fourth Sunday of Lent: The man born blind demonstrates a religious openness and insight even before he gains the sight he seeks. Who is really blind in this story? The religious leaders refuse to see what is before them. His parents recognize the healing but won't 'see' that it comes from God. We ask ourselves 'Can I see? Am I really blind in some way?'

Prayer: You gave physical sight to the blind, O Lord, that they may see the material realities that surround them. Cure us also, Jesus of our mind blindness that prevents us from seeing the human realities that transcend our physical sight.

Activity: Draw up a family tree showing not your relatives by blood but your relatives in faith. Who passed the faith on to you? Who passed the faith on to that person? To whom will you pass on that faith?

Handbells

The liturgy calls for bells to be rung during the Gloria on Holy Thursday and at the Easter Vigil. If you have bells at home, please bring them both those nights so that we can make a joyful noise to the Lord together.

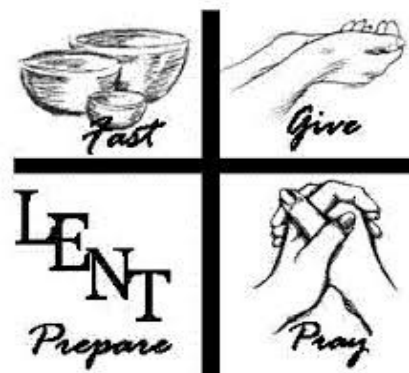
RECONCILIATION SERVICE

Repent and believe the Good News

SLFC Penance Service, April 9 at 7:30PM

The evening will begin with a Simple supper in the Auditorium at 5:45PM. This will consist of soup and bread with refreshments and a short discussion period.

The Penance Service will begin at 7:30PM, when we will be joined by other members of the Community to celebrate the wonderful forgiveness of God.



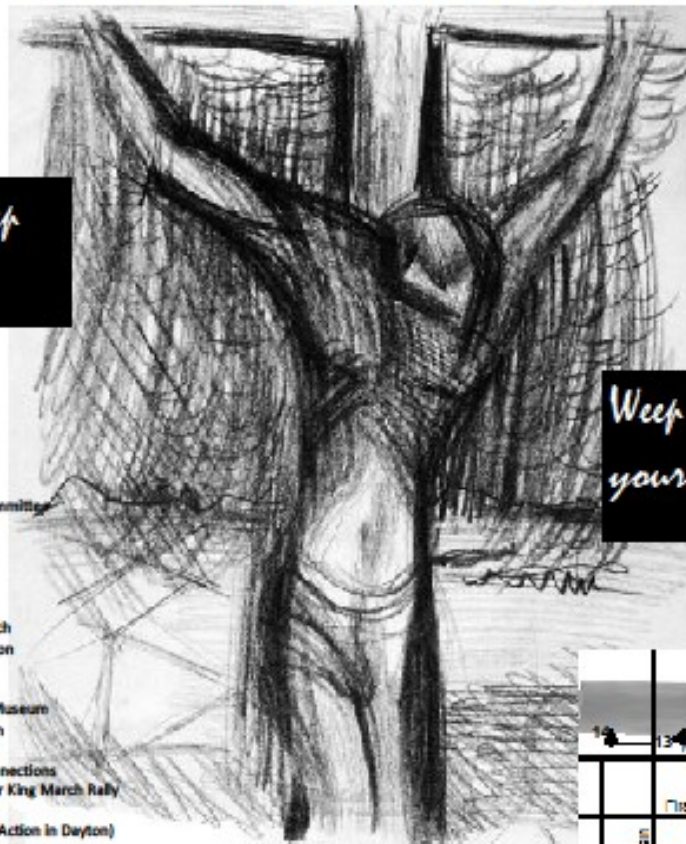
A Walk for Justice and Peace

Good Friday

April 18, 2014

12:00 noon-2:00pm
beginning at Courthouse Square
(Third and Main Streets)
Rain or Shine! Come for all or part!

*Do not weep
for me...*



*Weep rather for
yourselves*

—Luke 22:28

Sponsors

- American Friends Service Committee
- Bread for the World
- Catholic Social Action
- Catholic Social Services
- Christ Episcopal Church
- Church Women United
- College Hill Community Church
- Congregation for Reconciliation
- Creation Connections
- Dayton Hispanic Ministry
- Dayton International Peace Museum
- First Baptist Church of Dayton
- Good Shepherd Ministries
- Greater Dayton Christian Connections
- Greater Dayton Martin Luther King March Rally
- Harmony Creek Church
- LEAD (Leaders for Equality & Action in Dayton)
- Marla-Joseph Nursing and Rehabilitation Center
- Marianist Social Justice Collaborative
- Mercy Manor
- Miami Valley Chapter: Ohioans to Stop Executions
- MILK Jr. Peace Bridge Movement
- Pledge of Resistance
- PowerNet of Dayton
- St. Vincent DePaul Society
- Sisters of the Precious Blood
- University of Dayton Center for Social Concern
- Wesley Community Center



**THE ST. LEONARD FAITH COMMUNITY RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION CLASSES PRESENT...**

**THE
SHADOW
STATIONS
OF THE
CROSS**



ALL ARE WELCOME!

**APRIL 6, 2014
9:30 AM
AUDITORIUM**

**Knights of Columbus
FISH FRY and MONTE CARLO**

Friday, April 4, 2014

7:00PM till Midnight

Carry out - 5:00 till 6:30PM

Cost: \$12.00 in advance, \$15.00 at the door

Place: St. Leonard Auditorium, 8100 Cloy Rd., Centerville, OH

For tickets or more information contact:

John Mock @ 937.253.1254

Gene Gross @ 937.433.5241 or 937.435.3626 (church office)

Gee-Gee Store @ St. Leonard, Chaminade Hall

John Vallo @ 937.435.7494

NO ONE UNDER 21!





Thoughts on Today's Readings...

Good Friday Walk for Justice and Peace. This annual walk takes place on **April 18** this year, starting at 12:00PM and takes two hours. Justice and peace readings and meditations are recited at various locations throughout downtown Dayton starting at the old Courthouse. Families and people of all ages and faith communities are welcome.

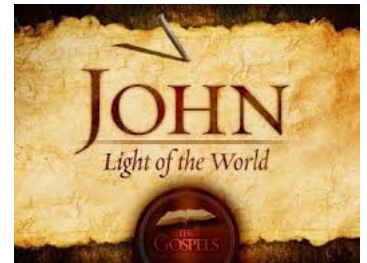
Just Peacemaking. We meet tomorrow night in the Franciscan Center at 7:00PM. Read Section Six, Economic Conversion—Turning Swords Into Plowshares: pages 109-128 in your book.

Good Shepherd Ministries. If you have participated in a Kairos prison ministry or baked cookies for a Kairos weekend you just may want to attend the **Good Shepherd Ministry Gala Banquet fundraiser this year on May 2. The featured speaker this year is David Dickerson, Director, Kairos of Ohio.** Kairos is life-changing for inmates who participate in the weekend program. Prison wardens are very supportive of Kairos. A silent auction and entertainment is part of the program. The banquet includes hors d'oeuvres, gourmet food from multiple restaurants, and desserts to die for. The place is Epiphany Lutheran Church on Far Hill Ave. Tickets for the Gala will be available soon and cost \$25 per person.

This year, more than 3 million people will have cataract surgery. After years of looking out through dirty windows, they will have clear vision restored by the transplant of a small lens. It is nothing short of a miracle. Those who experience this will sound like the blind man in today's Gospel. He declared, "He put clay on my eyes, and I washed, and now I can see."

This miracle of Jesus teaches us that even if we have good vision, we are sometimes blind in other ways. Yet, through our faith, we will see that Jesus is the light of the world. We will also come to know that the works of God are made visible through our good works.

Each of us is called to do the works of Jesus in our own lives — but he tells us to hurry, because "The night is coming when no one can work."



IT'S TIME TO UPDATE YOUR MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Is your family's membership record correct at the church office?

Have you changed your phone number, dropped your land line and only using your cell phone? Have you moved? Are you preparing to move soon? Are all your children still at home and are they included in your membership record?

We are changing software that will keep a complete record of your family and now is the time to update your record. If we do not hear from you by April 13, I will assume your information is correct. For changes please complete the information below and place in the offering basket or contact the church office at 937.435.3626.

Name: _____
(Last Name) (First Name)

Address: _____
(Street) (City/State) (Zip Code)

Home Phone: () _____ - _____ Work Phone: () _____ - _____

Cell Phone: () _____ - _____ Name _____

Cell Phone: () _____ - _____ Name _____

Family E-Mail: _____ Additional E-Mail: _____

WELCOME

Welcome David Weickert, who is joining Faith Community to fill the role of our new Pastoral Administrator. **Congratulations!**

Keep them in your prayers



Andrée Williams a long time member of Faith Community passed away last week. Please keep Andree's family in your prayers for the passing of their mother and grandmother. A funeral Mass for Andrée will be at a later date, probably sometime in May.

To the Special Community of St. Leonard

When a community becomes family it can be an overwhelming experience. This seems like a strange way to express our appreciation to all who have prayed for my recovery and continue to do so. However, it is with much love and gratitude that we offer the words that sums it all up.

THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS ALL OF YOU

Barbara & Lex Barnes



Easter Flowers

Would you like to honor the memory of your deceased loved ones in a special way with flowers for our Chapel Easter season decorations?

Envelopes, are on the ledge, back of the pew which may be used for a \$10 donation. Please note on the memo line of your check. "Easter Flowers."

MINISTERS ARE NEEDED for the Holy Week services. We need to know who is available to be Eucharistic Ministers for each of the nights. Additional ushers are definitely needed. and greeters may be needed for someone who may not be able to attend.

Sign-Up sheets are placed on the back pews for all. Please check your calendars and volunteer when you can. This needs to be filled before Palm Sunday.

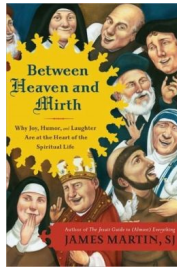
Thank you for your help.

Stripping of the Palms

Friday, April 11 we will be stripping the palms for Palm Sunday. If you are available and would like to help please contact Caryl Rose at: decoy7@woh.rr.com or 937.434.8855.

April Intergenerational Team Meeting

The Intergenerational Team will meet on **Sunday, April 6th**, immediately following Mass in Classroom 1. Please be sure to share your ideas from our March meeting with your ministries, if you have not already done so. If you will not be able to attend the **April 6th** meeting, then please notify Meghan Neumeier in advance at [937.435.3626](tel:937.435.3626) or slfc.dre@gmail.com.



BOOK CLUB

The book club will be discussing "Between Heaven and Mirth," by James Martin on **April 14th at 6:30PM**. We will be meeting at Pat Tule's home. For directions, e-mail Anne Koenig @ knann89@aol.com.

WOMEN'S GROUP

Jack and Jill

Everyone will enjoy this presentation by Sinclair Community College of "Jack & Jill Went Up The Hill.....really?" To quote the catalog: "This presentation will unveil the secret history of some of our popular nursery rhymes. Their history and origins are believed to tell about murder, greed, betrayal, persecution, tyrants, and royals. The rhymes are short and easy to remember. They were passed on by word of mouth when many people could not read or write and before the invention of the printing press." Also discussed, to spice up the presentation, will be the origins of American figures of speech and the stories behind some of our popular expressions such as, "flip flop," "cut to the chase," and "takes the cake."

It will be held at Sycamore Glen, 317 Sycamore Glen Dr., Miamisburg, **April 24, 2-3:30 PM**. RSVP by April 6, so we can reserve your spot. **Sign-ups** will be before and after Mass on **March 30, and April 6**, or contact: Shirley Venetos, svenetos@MSN.com or [937.885.4783](tel:937.885.4783), or Sharon Alberts, salberts@woh.rr.com or [937.438.8065](tel:937.438.8065).

ACTIVITY OPEN TO EVERYONE



Special prayers are requested:

Mike Aschenbrenner, Barb Barnes, Albert Chee (Alberta Guise's father), Pichi (Monsita Corbett's mother), Conor Crippen, Terrie Dawson, Kerry DeLuca, Gina Gentry, Barbara & Ed Gravel, Mary Ellen Hagan, Jim & Bill Kiefer, Kelly King, Thanh Lai, Rick McPherson, Beverly Mullins, Anita & Doug Nelson, Angela O'Reilly, Marvin Skeens, Payne Sigman, James Stritch, Art Townsend, Marlene Vorherr, Charlie Weigel, 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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Faith Formation	Noel Bauer	Jim McGee
Community Life	Shirle Speaks	Bonnie Bengé
Pastoral Care	Judy Lamers	Darryl McGill

APRIL:

- 3-Thursday, "Lunch with the Lord", St. Henry's Parish, speaker Mary Wlodarski, 12:10-12:50PM
- 4-Friday, K of C Fish Fry, 7PM, Auditorium
- 4-6, Sophia Daughters, Women's Retreat. Maria Stein Spiritual Center
- 6-Sunday, Shadow Stations of the Cross, Auditorium 9:30AM
- 6-Intergenerational Team mtg., after Mass
- 6-Sunday, First Eucharist makeup class, 11:45AM-1PM
- 9-Wednesday, Simple Soup Suppers, 5:45PM
- 9-Wednesday, Reconciliation 7:30PM
- 10-Thursday, "Lunch with the Lord", St. Henry's Parish, speaker Dave Riley, 12:10-12:50PM
- 13-Sunday, NO CLOW
- 14-Monday, Book Club, 6:30PM, Pat Tule's residence
- 17-HolyThursday, Dinner 5:45PM, Mass 7PM**
- 17-19 Holy Week Retreat 6:30PM, see Noel Kupras-Bauer
- 18-Friday, Good Friday Service, 7PM, Special Collection-Holy Land**
- 18-Friday, Walk for Justice & Peace, Dayton Courthouse
- 19-Holy Saturday, Easter Vigil Mass, 9PM**
- 20-Easter Sunday Mass, 10:30AM, No CLOW or PREP**
- 24-Thursday, Women's Group presentation, 2:00PM, Msbg.
- 24-Thursday, VIRTUS training, St. Albert the Great Parish 6PM
- 25-Friday, Youth Mtg., R. Clement home 7PM
- 27-Sunday, First Eucharist makeup class, 9-10:15AM
- 27-Sunday, First Eucharist lunch, retreat & rehearsal 12PM-4PM

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.**