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*All Saints and  
Family Sunday*

**Presiding Today:**

Fr. Larry Mick

**November**

Council Announcements:  
Mary Beth Firestone

**In Today's Mass We Pray For:**

Crippen & Szykowny Families  
by - Pat & Suzanne Crippen

**Proclaimers of the Word:**

Dix and Mary Beth Firestone

**Today's Collection Counters:**

Tom Graham  
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!**

November 1, 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 - 10.25.2016:** \$2,407.00    **YTD Collections:** \$49,298.00  
**Weekly Budget:** \$3,615.00                      **YTD Budget:** \$57,835.00

**Readings for the Week of November 1, 2015**

Sunday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a  
Monday: (All Souls' Day) Wis 3:1-9/Rom 5:5-11 or 6:3-9/Jn 6:37-40  
Tuesday: Rom 12:5-16b/Lk 14:15-24  
Wednesday: Rom 13:8-10/Lk 14:25-33  
Thursday: Rom 14:7-12/Lk 15:1-10  
Friday: Rom 15:14-21/Lk 16:1-8  
Saturday: Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27/Lk 16:9-15  
Sunday: 1 Kgs 17:10-16/Heb 9:24-28/Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44

## Parents' Corner November 2015

### All Saints Day

Why do Catholics do that? Why do Catholics honor the saints?

A saint is someone who the Church recognizes as having lived a life of heroic virtue. We honor the saints because we want to follow their example. The saints weren't extraordinary because they were "*special*," but because they let God work in them and through them. Like them, we are called to live in friendship with God, to practice virtue, and become holy. Finally, by honoring the saints we also honor God, who created them and inspired others through them.

Because of the persecution of the early Church, there were more saints than available feast days to celebrate them. Pope Gregory IV designated November 1 as All Saints Day, to honor the saints. There are many more today.

November is a good time to find out more about the Saints.

- Where are your ancestors from? Find out who the patron Saint is for that country.
- Have a favorite hobby? There's a Patron Saint for that!
- Occupation, fear, something in your life now - pray to that Patron Saint.
- Find one whose story you like. Here are some websites to help you.

<https://www.catholiccompany.com/getfed/how-to-choose-a-patron-saint/>

<http://www.americancatholic.org/Features/Saints/patrons.aspx#>

<http://catholicapologetics.info/library/saints/index.htm>

[http://www.catholic.org/saints/fun\\_facts\\_arch.php](http://www.catholic.org/saints/fun_facts_arch.php)

NOVEMBER 1  
**All Saints**  
 All Souls

NOVEMBER 2

The feast of All Saints should inspire us with tremendous hope. Among the saints in heaven are some whom we have known. All lived lives on earth like our own. They were baptized, marked with the sign of faith, were faithful to Christ's teaching and they have gone before us to the heavenly home where they call on us to follow them. Read "*The Gospel of the Beatitudes*," where it shows their happiness, and the road that they followed. For more information go to:

<http://www.catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/calendar/day.cfm?date=2015-11-01#sthash.20VGJWjk.dpuf>

All Souls Day is when the Church commemorates the faithful departed. It is a time to remember our loved ones who have passed away, and it is a time to reflect on their lives and to cherish the memories we have of them.



"We need saints without cassocks, without veils - we need saints with jeans and tennis shoes. We need saints that go to the movies, listen to music and hang out with their friends. We need saints that place God in first place ahead of succeeding in any career. We need saints that look for time to pray every day and who know how to be in love with purity, chastity and all good things. We need saints for the 21st century with a spirituality appropriate to our new time. We need saints that have a commitment to helping the poor and to make needed social change.

We need saints to live in the world, to sanctify the world and to not be afraid of living in the world by their presence in it. We need saints that drink Coca-Cola, eat hot dogs, surf the internet and listen to their iPods. We need saints that love the Eucharist, that are not afraid or embarrassed to eat a pizza or drink a beer with their friends. We need saints who love the movies, dance, sports, theater. We need saints that are open, sociable, normal, happy companions. We need saints who are in this world and who know how to enjoy the best in this world without being callous or mundane. We need saints."

Pope Francis (World Youth Day 2013)

### Thoughts on Today's Readings...

What does it take to be a saint? The great symbolic multitude in today's reading from the Book of Revelation is not the description of a perfect people, but of those who followed Christ. Jesus asks for attitudes and actions that reflect his life and teaching. These are summarized in Matthew's Beatitudes to show us what it takes to be saints.



The book club will meet **6:00pm, Tuesday, November 10th** to discuss Saint Francis/Pope Francis: *A Common Vision* by Gina Loehr. We will be meeting at Page and Mary McGirr's home. Books are available at St. Mark's bookstore in Centerville. For further information and directions to the meeting, email: [knann89@aol.com](mailto:knann89@aol.com).



I have been promoting the Pilgrimage Program beginning January, 2016 only to find out that it has been on hold indefinitely for health reasons. I apologize for any inconvenience you may have experienced trying to sign up.

The Merton Wisdom Circle which meets every other Monday evening is halfway through the first booklet entitled *“Entering the School of our Experiences.”* We are beginning to see the wisdom of our lives and each other’s rise to the surface. This past week was on *“Trusting Life, Nature, and God.”* I was thinking about how we stand every Sunday and profess what we believe as a Roman Catholic. We say the Creed rotely even if we can’t quite explain to someone why “Jesus descended into Hell” or “Resurrection of the body” means. The Wisdom Circle has made it clear to me that each of us has come to believe certain things because of what our experiences have taught us. We have our own personal creeds. These beliefs we choose and could articulate and explain them if someone asked us. For example, at the end of every email I send out there is this quote from Julian of Norwich that reads **“All shall be well, and all shall be well, and all manner of things shall be well.”** All of life is a blessing. Even the gift and grace at our bleakest moments become clear with enough time and reflection.

I have come to believe that **“Everyone is doing the best they can at any given moment.”** That may sound optimistic, even Pollyanna-ish this is what my life experiences have taught me. What seemed mean and petty in a particular moment of my life were acting out of their own woundedness. And when I did understand that, I could see that how they had acted was indeed, the best they could do considering their circumstances. I’m curious about what you’ve come to believe because of your life experiences.

I invite you to plumb your own life experiences and **articulate the wisdom that you have come to know as true.** We are now entering into the darkest time of the year, a time that’s suited for quiet reflection and wisdom seeking. And as so many spiritual writers are advising now, sit in silence. Invite the Holy One to reveal the wonder and meaning of your life up ‘til now. You may just receive the gift of “seeing” like last week’s gospel’s blind man which will affect how you come to understand the rest of your life. Feel free to share them with me at [noelkb@gmail.com](mailto:noelkb@gmail.com). (I’ll print yours in bold too!)

**This week’s blessing** from Sr. Maxine Shonk’s *Blessing Upon Blessing*: May you be blessed with the WISDOM of God who fills your heart with vision so that you may see all things with the eyes of God. May you have the wisdom and knowledge to discern God’s desire for you. May you be drawn to a deeper awareness of God’s activity in your life. May you give voice to that wisdom as you enter into communion with all God’s people. May the God of WISDOM bless you.



### Calendars

If you’re like me you already have five or more 2016 calendars. However, the New Hope Church calendar is an example of giving hope and dignity to the poor through art—their own art! We still have a few **New Hope Church Calendars for 2016**. All art in the calendar is by the members of the church and all proceeds directly support their art studio. See us in the vestibule for a calendar; cost is \$10.

### Catholic Conference of Ohio—Ballot Issues 1, 2 and 3

**The Bishops of Ohio** have released their analysis and position on these three ballot issues. Issue 1-Drawing Legislative Districts; Issue 2-Anti-monopoly Amendment; Issue 3- Production and sale of marijuana. The Bishops support 1 and 2 and oppose 3. See <http://www.ohiocathconf.org/l/elections/ballotmasters15/ballotreflections15bw.pdf> for their reflections.

### The Fifth Annual Montgomery County Food Summit - Feeding Our Community: Hunger and the Local Food System

This event is **Thursday, November 5, 2015 , 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.** at the Top of the Market, 32 Webster St., Dayton. It is hosted by the Montgomery County Food Policy Coalition, University of Dayton Hanley Sustainability Institute, and Partners for the Environment Food Team. **Ambassador Tony Hall will be the featured guest speaker.** Please RSVP by November 2, 2015 to Emily Bradford at [bradforde@mcoho.org](mailto:bradforde@mcoho.org) or call 937-225-6470. This is a FREE event and lunch will be provided.

### Catholic Campaign for Human Development

CCHD is the U.S. Catholic bishops’ effort to end the cycle of poverty in America by funding organizations that help people help themselves. In his appeal this year, Archbishop Dennis Schnurr draws a direct connection between the upcoming Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy and the mission of CCHD. **More than 3,400 low-income individuals in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati directly benefitted from our donations to CCHD last year.** These efforts extend mercy in our archdiocesan communities to those seeking jobs, better communities, reentry back into society, stronger education, leadership development, and a path out of poverty. **Appeal Weekend is November 14-15, and Collection Weekend is November 21-22.**



## KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS MEMORIAL MASS



You are invited to the Knights of Columbus Memorial Mass

7:00pm, Monday, November 2, 2015

St. Leonard Chapel

We will honor the deceased members of:

St. Leonard Faith Community Council

St. Francis Council

Deceased former members of the ARMED FORCES who resided at St. Leonard

Franciscan Living Community

**A reception will follow the Mass.**

Life Line Screening, Thursday, November 12, 2015, will offer area residents an opportunity to do something that might possibly save their lives and/or prevent serious disability that is caused by stroke, vascular disease and osteoporosis that might possibly save their lives and/or prevent serious disability that is caused by stroke, vascular disease and osteoporosis. If you would like more information about Life Screening and the cost, please go to our website at:

[www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners](http://www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners) or email Debbie Nelson at: [debbie.nelson@llsa.com](mailto:debbie.nelson@llsa.com).



## CATHOLIC-SPONSORED DIVORCECARE SURVIVING the HOLIDAYS



Help for the divorced and separated during the holidays.

If you're separated or divorced, the holidays can be a lonely, stressful, and depressing time. But there's hope. Join us for an encouraging seminar to discover how to enjoy the holidays again.

**When:** 1- 2:30pm, Sunday, November 15, 2015

**Where:** St. Clare Room, St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, 6245 Wilmington Pike, Centerville, OH.

For more information, contact Marcelle Toma at 937-312-1157 or [mtoma@woh.rr.com](mailto:mtoma@woh.rr.com).

## St. Leonard Faith Community - Book of Remembrance

St. Leonard College closed in 1981 and over the next several months, the Franciscan Library was packed up and moved to a friary in Cincinnati. The uncataloged, orphaned record book was a leftover, which found its way to our Faith Community. It had first arrived in the seminary library as a remnant from the Franciscan parish in Oldenburg, Indiana. Such a book would have been used to record parishioners' payment of "pew rent." The beautiful cover and binding identifies the style used in the early 1900's, and fortunately the book has been stored with care over the years. Note the page headings in German! It has been regarded as a worthy volume to use to record special intentions and events of our community. One Lenten season, Community members were invited to sign our rededication to our Baptismal promises. In it can be found guest registrations from the 10th (1986), 20th (1996), and 25th (2001) Anniversary Celebrations of our Faith Community.

Each November Sunday since 1997, pages have been made available for listing names of deceased friends and relatives to be remembered in prayer during that month. Once again, we are all invited to sign this special Book of Remembrance starting TODAY, November 1, 2015.

# annual Christmas bazaar

Kreative Komer has been busy hand crafting Christmas decorations and gifts just for you! Don't miss out on small decorated Christmas trees, wreathes, decorations, fleece throws, quilted purses, pet gifts, kitchen and bath items, baked goods, candy, stocking stuffers, doll clothes and more.

**November 13**  
**9am - 4pm**

**November 14**  
**9am - 2pm**

The Franciscan Center  
at St. Leonard  
8100 Cloy Road  
Centerville



**St. Leonard**

A FRANCISCAN LIVING COMMUNITY



**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC • RAFFLE • LUNCH AVAILABLE**



**Special prayers are requested:**

Donna & Bernie Ames, Mike Bennett, Joe Bensman, Amy Buxton, Shirley Chee, Susan Chitty, Karrie Coggeshall, Denise Cozart, Conor Crippen, Terrie Dawson, Norm Fogel, Ruth Hopkins, Joanne Jannetta, Tom Kirchmer, Kelly King, Nicholas Ladd, Brandon Le, Michael Morrison, Anita & Doug Nelson, Eleanor Niemer, Bob Remm, Dick Rose, Ken Rueth, Rosalie Schoenfeld, Hugh & Jasmine Skees, Betty Ann Streit, Hannah Taylor, Jim Tieman, Linda Versic, 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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Community Life		Fred Konen
Pastoral Care	Mary Ann McGuire	Shirley Venetos

**Calendar of Events**

- November**
- 1-Sunday, All Saints Day & Family Sunday/Rohr Chats, Boardroom, 9:45 am/Mass 10:30am/Book of Remembrance/  
Fall Harvest celebration @ Nelson's, 3 - 8pm
  - 4-Wednesday, Daybreak Youth Luncheon, Mandalay Banquet Center, 12pm
  - 5-Thursday, 5th Annual Montgomery County Food Summit , Top of the Market, 32 Webster St., Dayton
  - 8-Sunday, Rohr Chats, Boardroom, 9:45 am/Mass 10:30am/  
Book of Remembrance
  - 8-10, Spirituality Network, Sunday 2pm - Tuesday 4pm
  - 9-Monday, Wisdom Merton Group, Boardroom, 7pm
  - 10-Tuesday, Book Club, 6pm
  - 12-Thursday, "The Francis Effect," St. Henry Parish, 7-8:30pm/  
UD Speaker Series, Eric Liu, Kennedy Union Ballroom, 7pm
  - 14-Saturday, House of Bread Service Day
  - 15-Sunday, Rohr Chats, Boardroom, 9:45 am/Mass 10:30am
  - 16-Monday, Wisdom Merton Group, Boardroom, 7pm
  - 18-Wednesday, Prayer & Worship meeting, Boardroom, 7pm
  - 22-Sunday, Rohr Chats, Boardroom, 9:45 am/Mass 10:30am/  
**Catholic Campaign for Human Development Collection**
  - 24-Tuesday, Church Council Meeting, Boardroom, 7pm
  - 26 & 27-Thursday & Friday CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED, observance of Thanksgiving
- 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 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](mailto: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.)