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St. Leonard Faith Community

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26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Presiding Today:

Fr. Ed Jack

In Today's Mass We Pray For:

Mary Stolle

by: Rosalie Schoenfeld

Proclaimers of the Word:

Bill Hagan & Mike Hagan



“Father Abraham, have pity on me. Send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am suffering torment in these flames.” — Luke 16:24

Sunday Readings:

September 29 2013

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Amos 6:1a, 4–7

1 Timothy 6: 11– 16

Luke 16: 19–31

October 6, 2013

Habakkuk 1:2 - 3; 2:2-4

2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14

Luke 17:5 - 10

Welcome!

September 29, 2013

“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 Saint 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.

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.”

Collection September 22 - \$ 1,772.00 Weekly Budgeted Collection - \$3750.00

10 Sundays July 1 - Sept 15 YTD

\$44511.75 actual \$45,000.00 budget

(Note: A \$5,000 bequest is included in these numbers)

St. Leonard Faith Community:

Faith Formation, 9:00AM (September– May)

Sunday Mass, 10:30AM

Senior Living Community Mass:

Tuesday, Thursday & Friday, 9:00AM., Saturday 4:00PM and Sunday 9:00AM
Communion Service, Monday & Wednesday 9:00AM

Sign up for the joint service opportunity with St Albert's on October 4th in the chapel vestibule. Indicate if you will need to ride with me or will meet me down there. There is also a sign up sheet for Dog Wash Fundraiser on Saturday, October 5th. Sign up sheets are on the table. *Don't be square, be there.*

October 4 - Youth Group activity with St Albert's. See flyer

October 5 - Dog and Car Wash Fundraiser with St A's. (see Flyer)

October 6 - Class in Board Room. Bring Bibles, completed "gift and talent" boxes, Service record, and be prepared to discuss videos from YouTube/Catholic Confirmation

October 13 - No second Bake Sale

Oct 11 Retreat Cancelled

October 20 - Youth planned liturgy at 10:30, followed by interviews and rehearsals.

October 27- Confirmation, assembling at 10 AM

Calling All Children and Youth!

As I am sure everyone has noticed, we have several wonderful "youth" members in our community, who are becoming increasingly involved in our music ministry, as instrumentalists, accompanists and singers/song leaders. They are doing a terrific job and we would like to see their leadership continue! As we continue to assess what we can contribute to the St. Leonard Faith Community during our Stewardship Sundays, I would like to invite all of our youngsters to consider participating in the music ministry for the upcoming year. Here are the current options:

1. Our **"Youth Music Team"** is for students who are in grades 7-12. These singers and instrumentalists will rehearse together in preparation for liturgies throughout the year. The students, in various roles and combinations will share their skills at our monthly "Family Sundays" and other special celebrations.

2. The **"Children's Choir"** is for students in grades 2-6. This group will rehearse music and work on the basics of good singing, following a musical score and "performing" within the liturgy. They will present "special music" at liturgies throughout the year.

I hope that all of our young members can become involved! To sign up, visit the "Youth" table at this week's Stewardship Sunday sign up event. Or you can contact me directly at abcgray@embarqmail.com.

Keep a song in your heart!

Cynthia Gray

Music director

Anointing of the Sick

During Mass on October 13, we will celebrate the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. A key question is who should seek this sacrament. The introduction to the rite itself gives guidelines for this decision. "Great care and concern should be taken," it says, "to see that those of the faithful whose health is seriously impaired by sickness or old age receive this sacrament" (no. 8). A footnote on this sentence adds:

"The word *periculose* has been carefully studied and rendered as 'seriously,' rather than as 'gravely,' 'dangerously,' or 'perilously.' Such a rendering will serve to avoid restrictions upon the celebration of the sacrament. On the one hand, the sacrament may and should be given to anyone whose health is seriously impaired; on the other hand, it may not be given indiscriminately or to any person whose health is not seriously impaired."

This indicates the kind of judgment that should be made. The proper recipient of this sacrament is someone who is seriously ill. The patient need not be near death, nor should a person be anointed for a clearly minor illness. As the introduction puts it: "A prudent or reasonably sure judgment, without scruple, is sufficient for deciding on the seriousness of an illness. If necessary, a doctor may be consulted" (no. 8). The sacrament may also be repeated if the person recovers and then falls ill again or if the patient's illness becomes more serious.

It is becoming common for the sick to be anointed before surgery, which the rite approves whenever a serious illness is the reason for the surgery. The elderly may be anointed if they have become weakened by age, even though no serious illness is present, since their health is impaired simply by the advancing years.

This is not to say that all elderly people are automatically candidates for anointing, however. They should be anointed only if they have been “notably weakened” by age, as the introduction to the rite puts it (no. 11).

Children may also be anointed "if they have sufficient use of reason to be strengthened by this sacrament" (no. 12). Here again, a reasonable judgment is sufficient. A child may find comfort in the sacrament even if the ability to verbally express an understanding of the rite is lacking. The sacramental imposition of hands and anointing with oil can be a comforting touch of the Lord, and the prayer of faith may be consoling even to a young child. If a child is dying, the rite also recommends that the sacraments of initiation (baptism, confirmation and Eucharist) be celebrated with the child, even if the child is younger than the usual age for these sacraments (nos. 172-73).

There has been considerable discussion about the use of this sacrament in cases of mental illness. The question is addressed in the introduction to the rite, which says that "those who are judged to have a serious mental illness and who would be strengthened by the sacrament may be anointed" (no. 53).

ST. LEONARD FAITH COMMUNITY STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY TODAY AFTER MASS

HOW WILL YOU PARTICIPATE?

1. *Is our Sunday Mass the core of your worship? Would you like to take an active role in planning and/or carrying out the liturgy? Do you have ideas for making the celebration more meaningful and relevant in our lives? Then...PRAYER AND WORSHIP NEEDS YOU!*

2. *Do you care deeply about the poor, the underprivileged, those who have little voice in the larger community? Would you have walked with Jesus as He reached out to help all as brothers and sisters? Perhaps God is calling you to...JOIN OUR SOCIAL JUSTICE MINISTRY.*

3. *Would you like to learn more about your faith? Enrich your spiritual life? Share your faith journey with others? Help plan the men's or women's retreat? Bond with other men or women in the community? That must mean...FAITH FORMATION IS YOUR GO-TO MINISTRY.*

4. *Would you like to get to know community members better? Do you enjoy a good party and can you help plan one? Do you have ideas for ways the women of our community can address their interests, concerns? Run; don't walk, because...COMMUNITY LIFE WILL WELCOME YOUR TALENTS.*

5. *Is compassion one of your special gifts? Have you felt the pain of loss and experienced the comfort of others? Can you return that kindness by reaching out to other community members in their times of greatest need—a serious illness or the death of a loved one...if so, YOUR GIFTS ARE NEEDED BY THE PASTORAL CARE MINISTRY.*

6. *Are you creative? Do you have computer and design skills? Do you like to meet people and make them feel welcome? Can you think of new ways we can use our gifts to serve others? Then you must...SIGN UP FOR OUR MEMBERSHIP MINISTRY.*

7. *Are you a young parent? Do you like working with children? Are you one of our youth members who wants to be part of our Stewardship mission? Visit...RELIGIOUS ED AND YOUTH MINISTRIES table.*

STEWARDSHIP—It's saying, "Thank you, God" by sharing your gifts with others!



Social Justice

Distinguished Speaker Series. Theresa Flores, a victim of human trafficking, is our featured speaker. She recently received the 2013 Christian Service Award from the University of Dayton Alumni Association for her work in establishing Gracehaven House, a place where girls under the age of 18 can go who have been victims of child sex trafficking. Her book, *The Slave Across the Street*, is available today for \$12 at the Justice and Service table. We also have complimentary dinner tickets for those of you planning to attend. Pick them up at the Justice and Service table today. **Event location: St. Luke Parish, 1440 N. Fairfield Rd, Beavercreek; Tuesday night, October 1. Dinner, which is optional, starts at 5:30 PM . Presentation is free and starts at 7:00 PM.**



40 Days for Life 2013 Fall Prayer Vigil – Dayton Group

Rosary lead by Archbishop Schnurr

Sunday, Sep 29 at 2pm

1401 East Stroop Rd., Kettering

Thoughts on Today's Readings

Beguiled by the glitter and glitz of life, we can easily be distracted.

In fact, we can even forget that we came from God and we are returning to God sooner than we think. When life's temptations overpower us, or when our greed consumes us, we can walk by beggars like Lazarus with practiced impunity. What does it take to wake us up?

In today's Gospel the rich man who was greedy and selfish finds himself in a place of torment that sounds a lot like hell. He begs Father Abraham to let him send a warning to his brothers. Abraham tells the rich man that his brothers can listen to Moses and the prophets. The rich man protests, "But if someone from the dead would go to them they would surely listen."

Abraham's response is an eerie prediction of the resurrection. He says, "if they don't listen to Moses and the prophets they will not be convinced even if one should rise from the dead."



YOUTH GROUP/CONFIRMATION CLASS FUND RAISER

The Knights of Columbus have given us the Entertainment Books as a fundraiser.

The Entertainment Books make a great gift idea for Christmas. Your adult children as well as your mailman and garbage man would enjoy the gift all year around instead of the check you usually write. Please consider asking any Confirmation student for an order form and we'll get them to you ASAP.

"Fr. Tod Laverty, OFM, passed on Saturday afternoon in Ontario, his hometown. He will be buried in Detroit with the visitation today, 5:00-8:00 PM at St. Aloysius Church and the funeral on Monday, September 30 at St. Patrick's in Detroit. May his soul rest in peace."

CANOE OUTING

The Little Miami River is running, so "let's all go down to the river" together. We will meet at 9:30 AM on Saturday morning, October 5 at "The River's Edge." The Address is 3928 US 42, just north of Waynesville. We will be taken by bus to our starting point at 10 AM promptly.

The 3-5 mile trip takes 1 1/2-3 hours. Cost will depend on how many canoes our group rents. Prices range from \$29.00-\$36.00. We will be going to lunch after the trip for those interested.

Any questions-call Roz Feicht 513.897.0240



The Book Club will meet on October 14th at 6:30 PM. at Annie Koenig's home, 8936 Old Stage Road, Waynesville. We have selected Heaven is for Real by Todd Burpo. If you are interested in joining the discussion, send Annie an e-mail at knann89@aol.com



Good Shepherd Ministries' New Office Location! Good Shepherd Ministries has moved to our new office at 1115 E. Third St. Dayton, OH 45402. Please make a note of it! Please notify those with various databases so everyone is on the same page. Our phone number of [937. 938.5781](tel:937.938.5781) and email of dalenieberding@hotmail.com remains the same. The hours of operation are 9-5PM Monday through Friday.

Father Larry will be on vacation September 22nd through October 10th.

If there are any sacramental needs, please call the parish office. At 937.435.3626.

NEWS OUTSIDE THE PEWS:



The feast of Saint Francis of Assisi is Friday, October 4th. Continuing the tradition of blessing pets, St. Leonard Center will bless them on Saturday morning, October 5th. Gathering will begin at 9:30 AM and the blessing will be at 10 AM. Watch for further information.



FAMILY ROSARY RALLY

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2013,
3:00 to 4:00 PM

Adoration--Live Rosary--Benediction

*Prelude Music will begin at 2:30
University of Dayton Arena*

Stewardship Sunday, Part 2



Please remember to visit the exhibits in the auditorium after Mass this Sunday. Sign up to be involved in a parish ministry. It will touch others and enrich you.

CONFIRMATION-

BISHOP JOSEPH BINZER



The Most Reverend Joseph Binzer, Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese, will confer the Sacrament of Confirmation on our students at Mass on **Sunday, October 27th.**

Continue to pray for our Confirmation candidates, their catechists and sponsors as they continue their preparations for this sacrament. Recognizing and cooperating with the Spirit within will be a life long challenge.



Special prayers are requested :

Mike Aschenbrenner, Flo Barlow, Cay Barton, Pam & Tim Botkins, Paul Brunk, Ann Louise Burr, Herb

Cender, Conor Crippen, Terrie Dawson, Jen Fahey, Debbie Glass, Barbara & Ed Gravel, Mary Ellen Hagan, Tina Henry, Charlotte Hey, Kamman Family, Amy Konstantelos, Jo Krymow, Wanda Kuba, Brandon Le and family, Kathleen Lewis, Virgil Link, Jeremy McGrath, Mary Ann McGuire, Greg Murill, Louise Nelson, Bob O'Donnell, Fred Pottschmidt, Christine Sabick, Maureen Samuelson, Kenneth Shelton, Veronica Sheddan, Hugh Skees, Tracy Steffen, Richard Sterban, James Stritch, Ken Turner, Ted Vukin, Sherrel Wendeln, Fr. Sam Zebron and Hannah.

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. They will remain on the list for four weeks unless the office is notified otherwise. 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	Open	Bonnie Bengé
Pastoral Care	Judy Lamers	Darryl McGill

SEPTEMBER

29-Sunday, Rite of Enrollment for this year's First Reconciliation/First Eucharist Students

OCTOBER

1-Tuesday, Human Trafficking program St. Luke Parish

4-Friday, The Feast of St. Francis of Assisi 9:30AM

5-Saturday, Canoe Trip

5-Saturday, Blessing of Pets, 10 AM

6-Sunday, Respect Life Collection

6 & 20 Sunday, Confirmation Classes, 12-2:30PM

13-Sunday, Rosary Rally, UD Arena

14-Monday, Book Club

17-Thursday-Dr. Jack Harless presentation Franciscan Center sponsored by SLFC Women's Gr., 7PM

20-Sunday, Mission Sunday/Youth Mass

26-Saturday, Fall Party in the undercroft

27-Sunday, Celebration of Confirmation with Bishop Binzer

NOVEMBER

1-Friday, Feast of All Saints, Mass

2-Saturday, Ladies' Group, Art Institute

10-Sunday, Collection for the Military Services

20-23-NCYC in Indianapolis

24-Sunday, Catholic Campaign for Human Development

28-Thursday, Thanksgiving

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 Aurelia Palcher at 937.885.7158.

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.