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9:00AM-1:00PM

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*Twenty-third Sunday
in Ordinary Time*

Presiding Today:

Fr. Larry Mick

September:

Council Announcements:
Fred Konen

Proclaimers of the Word:

Gwen Juszczuk
Don Juszczuk

Today's Mass is for:

Bonnie Benge
By: Jim and Mary Ann
McGuire

Today's Collection Counters:

Maureen Josenhans
Mike Corbett

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
Sunday 9:00AM



Welcome!

September 4, 2016

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: 8.28.16 \$2122.00 **YTD Collections:** \$21,560.00
Weekly Budget: \$3,400.00 **YTD Budget:** \$30,600.00

Readings for the Week of September 4, 2016

Sunday: WIS 9:13-18B/Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17 /Phmn 9-10, 12-17 /Lk 14:25-33

Monday: COR 5:1-8/PS 5:5-7, 12/LK 6:6-11

Tuesday: 1 COR 6:1-11/PS 149:1B-2—6A AND 9B/LK 6:12-19

Wednesday: 1 COR 7:25-31/PS 45:11-12, 14-17/ LK 6:20-26

Thursday: Mic 5:1-4a/ Ps 13:6ab, 6c/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23

Friday: 1 COR 9:16-19, 22B-27/PS 84:3-6, 12/LK 6:39-42

Saturday: 1 COR 10:14-22/PS 116:12-13, 17-18/LK 6:43-49

Sunday: EX 32:7-11, 13-14/PS 51:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19/1 TM 1:12-17/LK 15:1-32

Thoughts on Today's Readings...

Being a disciple is not for the faint of heart or half-committed. Jesus is clear about requiring detachment – from people and things. We have heard this before in the Gospel. The Gospel makes clear what the demands are. It's up to us to search our own hearts honestly and trust that we will not be left to walk the path alone.

NEWS FROM THE PEWS

WELCOME

Please welcome our new member, Rosemary D'Aloia. Rosemary has lived in Centerville/Washington Township for the past 15 years and has 3 sons who are college age and beyond. She is active in the divorce recovery ministry at St. Francis of Assisi parish and looks forward to getting involved in the social justice ministries at SLFC.



Ladies Retreat Sign-up

You may sign up today for the Ladies Retreat Gathering at Maria Stein on September 16-18. Please see the ladies in the back of church this morning to reserve your room for your time away to rekindle your relationship with God and to be with your sisters from your Community.

Next Sunday, September 11, there will be a brief meeting after mass to organize car pooling. Please plan to attend so we will know how many drivers are needed. If you cannot attend, please let the committee know if you need a ride to Maria Stein. Call Kathy Hoefler 937.602.9690 with questions.

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 4, 2016



Surely he doesn't mean it! I mean, hating my relatives to be a disciple! Really? In order to be a disciple today, Jesus says, give up what holds you back, carry your own cross, follow me and not someone else. To be a disciple today, Jesus says, will take a consuming dedication, plus relentless mercy, love, and compassion. Jesus wants disciples. Jesus wants me.

- To what, to whom am I hanging on too tight?
- What is the cross I must pick up?

Ministry Schedules

New ministry schedules for September, October and November are now on the church website. Please check the schedules and print them, so you can refer to them in the coming months. If you are unable to access a computer, there are printed copies on the back pew.

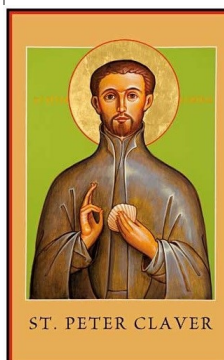
BOOK CLUB - Time for another great book

Book Club will be discussing Scott Hahn's book, Reasons to Believe, on September 20th at 6:30pm. For more information about joining the book club or directions to the hosts' address, contact Anne Koenig at knann89@aol.com.



Our community expresses sympathy to the Bickett family on the death of Theresa's father, Delmer Ross.

Blessed be God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies, and the God of all Comfort. 11 Corinthians 1:3



ST. PETER CLAVER

On Friday, September 9, the Feast of Saint Peter Claver, the U.S. Catholic Church will mark a Day of Prayer for Peace in Our Communities in response to racially charged shootings across our nation and the violence impacting many of our local communities. Bishop Joseph Binzer will celebrate mass at Precious Blood Church at 8:30am. Please join us to pray for racial justice, peace and healing.

Social Justice

Civilize It

The Archdiocesan Catholic Social Action and Respect Life Offices are offering presentations throughout the Archdiocese to encourage civil dialogue during this election season, as well as compassion and the clarity to stand for our convictions and continue to be open to learning more. Learn how it is possible to bring peace in a contentious election season.

Wednesday, September 7, at 7:00 p.m. at St. Francis of Assisi, 6245 Wilmington Pike, Centerville, in the St. Pope John Paul II Room.

Jericho Walk to End Hunger

Join us on **Saturday, September 10, 2016 from 2–4pm** for the **Jericho Walk to End Hunger**. This walk will take place with a collaboration of organizations fighting to end hunger. **Montgomery County Commissioner Judy Dodge, Nicole Schmidt from Bread for the World, Rev. Dr. Crystal Walker from Greater Dayton Christian Connection,** and others will be the guest speakers. After a short program, we will **plan to walk 7 times around the Nutter Center** and pray that God will pour manna from heaven and/or manna from our hearts to help end hunger. Do not worry about the length of the walk, you can tag team, walk in spirit if not physically able, or walk in any way that you can. Bring only hand-held signs—no signs suspended on poles or sticks. We look forward to a great community effort. **Meet in Lot 2 of the Nutter Center, 3640 Colonel Glenn Hwy.** Contact GDCC, Rev. Dr. Crystal Walker at 937-222-4322 or gdcc@christianconnections.org for additional information.

Is the Death Penalty an Idea Whose Time has Passed?

This question will be explored by a distinguished panel including:

Bob Taft, Distinguished Research Associate, University of Dayton and Former Governor of Ohio, 1999-2007

Melinda Elkins-Dawson, Chair, Ohioans to Stop Executions

Rev. Dr. Crystal Walker, Executive Director, Greater Dayton Christian Connections

Moderator: Jon Paul Rion, Criminal Defense Attorney, Rion, Rion & Rion and Member of the Supreme Court Task Force on the Administration of Ohio's Death Penalty

Where: Summit Christian Church, Trotwood When: September 21, 2016, 7:00 pm

Distinguished Speaker Program

Msgr. Ray East of St. Teresa Parish in Washington DC will be our speaker on **Tuesday, Sept. 27, at St. Francis Church** on Wilmington Pike. He will speak about Ministering in the Mercy Mode, covering love of neighbor in all neighborhoods. His talk will focus on faith, food access and respecting the human dignity of all our neighbors.

Light dinner at 5:30 pm, music at 6:30 pm, and presentation at 7:00 pm. Suggested cost: \$10. Sponsored by Catholic Social Services of Miami Valley, Catholic Social Action Office, and Weavers of Justice. **Mark your calendar!**

It's time for a change...

I will be stepping down as Chair of our Justice and Service Ministry effective September 9. It has been my pleasure and passion to lead this ministry for the past 7 years. **The time has come to pass the torch to a wonderful and capable person, Pat Schug.** Please give her the same loyal support you have given me and allow her the time to settle into this role. Thank you for a memorable journey filled with compassion, mercy and love of neighbor.

~Bob Niehoff



We are celebrating the beginning of our Faith Community 40 years ago!

The celebration will be held on Saturday, October 8th with a gathering at 6pm in the auditorium and dinner at 7pm. Starting Sunday, September 18, you may sign up to bring desserts. In addition, there will be a sign up for the complimentary dinner. *More details to follow.*

If you have pictures that you would like to display during the celebration, please bring them in to the office during normal hours. Please put names and dates on the photos if possible.

Fr. Tom Richstatter, OFM, will preside during the 10:30 Mass on October 9, with Fr. Larry Mick concelebrating.



Patriot Day Celebration

An open house honoring all veterans, police, firefighters, EMTs, and first responders. We will be holding a flag ceremony and having a time of reflection at 5:00 pm. Hors d'oeuvres and desserts will be served.

Friday, September 9, 2016
4:00 - 6:00pm

The Franciscan Center at St. Leonard
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RSVP by September 5 to Kelly Lance at
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Holy Hour for Vocations to the Priesthood

Sunday, September 11, 2016 5:00-6:00pm

We invite you to join us for a Holy Hour for vocations to the priesthood at 5pm, Sunday, September 11, in the St. Gregory the Great Chapel at Mount St. Mary's Seminary, located on the Athenaeum campus in Cincinnati at 6616 Beechmont Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45230.

"The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest." Mt 9:37-38

Divorce Support Ministry

If you are a Catholic who is newly divorced or separated, you may be going through a very difficult time right now. You should not have to feel isolated or cut off from the Catholic Church. Your Church is here to offer the support and ministry you need and deserve. There are two excellent Catholic-Sponsored divorce-recovery support groups in the local area to help men and women heal from this life trauma. Both groups feature nationally recognized experts on divorce through professional video input and small group discussions. Recovery topics include anger, loneliness, new relationships, annulments, etc.

CATHOLIC-SPONSORED DIVORCECARE

This group meets for 13 weeks on Thursday evenings, September 8 thru December 8 from 7-9pm at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, 6245 Wilmington Pike, Centerville, OH. Cost is \$25 per person, and scholarships are available. For more information, or to register, call Marcelle Toma at 937.312.1157 or mtoma@woh.rr.com.

CATHOLIC DIVORCE SURVIVAL Guide

This group meets for 12 weeks on Monday evenings, August 29 thru November 21 from 7-8:30pm in the "Candle Room" of St. Christopher's Church in Vandalia. Cost is \$25 per person. Register online at: <https://secure.acceptiva.com/?cst=670e37>

Questions: Call Noreen Wendeln at Family & Respect Life Office (937) 222-0227.

<u>September & October Religious Education Classes (PREP)</u> 4 September- Labor Day—No PREP 11 September-Opening PREP Class-Auditorium 18 September- PREP Classes in Session 25 September-PREP Classes in Session 2 October- PREP Classes in Session 9 October- Columbus Day Weekend—No PREP	<u>September- Youth Ministry</u> 4 September—No Youth Ministry <u>10 September—Encounter Dayton—CJ Auditorium</u> 11 September—Youth Room, 6:30-8:00pm 18 September—Youth Room, 6:30-8:00pm 25 September—Youth Room, 6:30-8:00pm
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Youth Ministry

We will NOT have Youth Ministry this weekend due to the Labor Day holiday. Make plans to attend Encounter Dayton on Saturday, September 10th! See below for more information.

Encounter Dayton Fall Kick off - SAVE the Date! Saturday, September 10th!

"Seek first the Kingdom of God" Matthew 6:33

Join high school teens from all over the Miami Valley on September 10 for the second Encounter Dayton! We will be at our new home, Chaminade-Julienne High School auditorium!! Get excited for a night of high energy praise and worship, a great keynote address from Deacon David Doseck, along with adoration and confession! Doors open at 6:30 pm. We will start at 7:00 and end at 10 pm. Be on the lookout for an updated Encounter Dayton website as well! **This event is free!** Contact Donna Leddy at slfc.dre@gmail.com for more information.

PREP classes begin Sunday, September 11. Are you registered? The first class will be in the Auditorium from 9-10:15am and includes the parents. We will go over plans for the year, your expectations, and my expectations. This is a very important meeting so please make every effort to attend.

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle C

Sunday, September 11, 2016

Gospel Reading

Luke 15:1-32

Jesus responds to those who criticize him for keeping company with the unworthy.

Family Connection

Read or retell in your own words, the three stories from the Gospel. Ask your children to recall games they play that involve losing or hiding something and then finding it. (Hide and Go Seek; Ghost in the Graveyard; Button, Button, Who's Got the Button?) Talk about how exciting it is to find the person or thing you are searching for.

Ask your children if they have any memories of losing something special or being lost themselves. Share the stories, as well as the fears or feelings, then tell them that just as you would go to any length to find and bring them home if they were lost, so too would God. That is what Jesus is telling us in the three stories. No matter what we do, no matter how wrong we are, God, our loving father, is always anxious to forgive us and welcome us back home.



Special prayers are requested:

Seth Barnthouse, Noel Kupras Bauer, Mary Beery, Bonnie Benge, Shirley Chee, Conor Crippen, Terri Dawson, Ron Christopher, Norm Fogel, Sam Gibbs, Susan Heyne, Ruth Hopkins, Joanne Jannetta, Tom & Betty Kirchmer, Brandon Le, Peg Lutz, Brian Moroney, Anita Nelson, Bob Niehoff, Angela Paolo, David and Eleanor Pleva, Ken Rueth, Rosalie Schoenfeld, Hugh Skees, Marissa Thomas, Jim Tieman, Jay Werner, Bob Whitehouse, 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 church member 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	John Nelson
Worship		Pat Cruise
Justice & Service	Bob Niehoff	Maureen Josenhans
Faith Formation	Noel Kupras-Bauer	Frank Clement
Community Life		Mary Beth Firestone
Pastoral Care	Mary Ann McGuire	Fred Konen

Calendar of Events

- Sunday, September 4, 2016**
-Rohr Chats, 9:45am, Boardroom
-Mass 10:30am
- Monday, September 5, 2016**
-Labor Day, Faith Community Office is closed
- Wednesday, September 7, 2016**
-**Civilize It** presentation, 7:00-8:30pm, St. Francis of Assisi Church
- Friday, September 9, 2016**
-Day of Prayer for Peace Mass, 8:30am, Precious Blood Church
- Saturday, September 10, 2016**
- Encounter Dayton Fall Kick Off, 7-10pm, CJ Auditorium
- Sunday, September 11, 2016**
-PREP Prayer Service and Meet the Teachers, 9-10:15am, Auditorium
-Rohr Chats, 9:45am, Boardroom
-Mass 10:30am
-New Hope Church, 5:00-8:00pm
-Youth Ministry, 6:30-8:00pm, Youth Room
- Friday–Sunday, September 16-18, 2016**
-Ladies Annual Retreat Gathering, Maria Stein
- Sunday, September 18, 2016 Family & Catechetical Sunday**
-PREP, 9-10:15am, Auditorium
-Rohr Chats, 9:45am, Boardroom
-Mass 10:30am
-Youth Ministry, 6:30-8:00pm, Youth Room
- Sunday, September 25, 2016**
-PREP, 9-10:15am, Auditorium
-Rohr Chats, 9:45am, Boardroom
-Mass 10:30am
-Youth Ministry, 6:30-8:00pm, Youth Room
- Tuesday, September 27, 2016**
-Council meeting, 7:00-9:00pm, Boardroom

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
Bulletin information must reach our office no later than **11:00 AM on TUESDAY** (articles may be edited for content and space.)