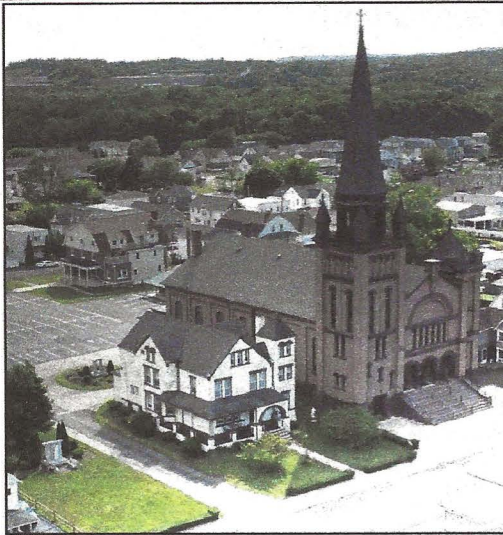


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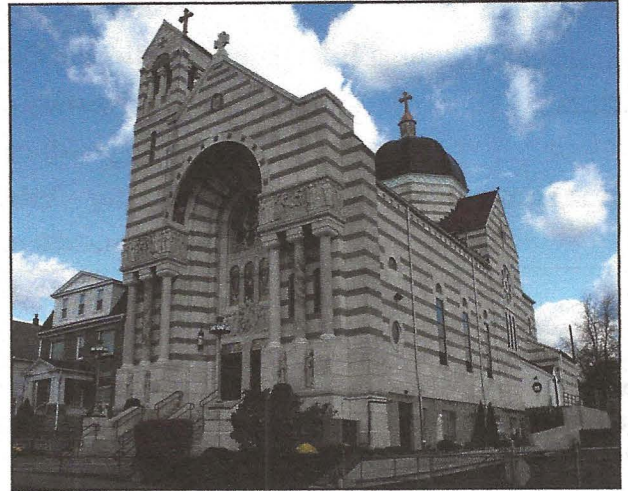
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St. Leo the Great Mission Statement

We, the members of the Body of Christ of the Parish of St. Leo the Great, in fullness of love of God and Neighbor, wish to affirm our unity in faith, expressed most completely in the celebration of the Eucharist. We continue the work of our founder Jesus Christ in serving all in healing, charity, religious education, promotion of vocations, community involvement and welcoming all to the fullness of faith through the Sacraments.

St. Andrew Mission Statement

We, the people of St. Andrew Parish in Wilkes-Barre, strive to encounter the God who loves us, to remain a community that welcomes strangers as warmly as we do our fellow parishioners, and to become the hands of God in a world in need of divine peace and love.

ST. LEO THE GREAT & ST. ANDREW MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKEND

Saturday 4:00 p.m. (St. Leo), 5:30 p.m. (St. Andrew)

Sunday 8:30 a.m. (St. Leo), 11:00 a.m. (St. Andrew)

WEEKDAYS

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday 8:00 a.m. (St. Leo)

HOLY DAYS

(Vigil) 5:15 p.m. (St. Leo), (Day) 8:00 a.m. (St. Leo), 5:15 p.m. (St. Andrew)

CONFESSION

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 7:45 a.m. (St. Leo)

Saturday 3:30 p.m. (St. Leo), 5:00 p.m. (St. Andrew)

BAPTISM & WEDDINGS

Call the Rectory



NEW PARISHIONERS: We, the parishes of St. Leo the Great & St. Andrew, welcome new parishioners to register with our parish by calling the Rectory at (570) 825-6669 or (570) 823-1948 or stop by during office hours. We are handicap accessible. We also invite you to visit our web pages.

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Office Hours: Mon, Tue, Thurs & Fri
9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Readings for Sunday, November 2, 2025

First Reading: Those who trust in him shall understand truth, and the faithful shall abide with him in love. (Wis 3:9)
Psalms: Though I walk in the valley of darkness, I fear no evil, for you are with me. (Ps 23)
Second Reading: But God proved his love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us. (Rom 5:8)
Gospel: "For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in him may have eternal life, and I shall raise him on the last day." (Jn 6:40)

ST. LEO POST SUMMER FESTIVAL MEETING: Mon., Oct. 27 from 6 - 7 p.m. in the Church Hall.

NO DAILY MASS: Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday, October 28, 29 or 30. Thank you.

POPE LEO XIV HAS REQUESTED: For all to pray the rosary daily in October for world peace.

THANK YOU: For your generosity in giving to the Pontifical Missions Societies last weekend on World Mission Sunday. You are "Messengers and Builders of Hope." May God bless you always.

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL: In this *Jubilee Year of Hope* please consider making a gift that provides essential funding for 5 ministries serving every Catholic parish, school and family and many community individuals and families in the 11 counties of our diocese. Goal for St. Leo - \$42,544. We have raised \$12,192 to date. Goal for St. Andrew - \$19,248 and to date we have raised \$3,575. Thank you for your support!

ALL SAINTS, SATURDAY, NOV. 1: We recognize all saints of heaven in a universal celebration. The feast honors the many saints whose feasts we do not find on the church calendar. It also celebrates the Triumphant Church of the Resurrection. The saints are God's harvest. God has reaped the fruits of good sowing and gathered the maturing faithful into the eternal storehouse. All Saints Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, November 1: 4 p.m. at St. Leo and 5:30 p.m. at St. Andrew.

ALL SOULS - ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED, SUNDAY, NOV. 2: We remember the deceased among the faithful who await their entrance to eternal glory. This day we pray for the rest, those who need forgiveness for their sins; who yearn to see the face of God. All Souls Mass will be celebrated on Sunday, November 2: 8:30 a.m. at St. Leo and 11:00 a.m. at St. Andrew.

ALL SOULS OFFERING: November is the traditional month for remembering those who have died. During this time, we pray in a particular way for those we love and to whom we owe so much - deceased family and friends. Fr. Dang invites you to remember your loved ones with him. Send All Souls envelopes with the names of those to be remembered during Masses in November. It is his privilege to pray for those you love.

ST. ANDREW REMEMBRANCE MASS: Wed., Nov. 5 at 7:00 p.m. If you know of a St. Andrew parishioner who has passed since Nov. 1, 2024 and you have not received a letter from our parish, please call the rectory.

ALTAR & ROSARY/ST. ANN'S SOCIETY CHRISTMAS MAGNET SALE: "Keep Christ in Christmas" will be available before and after all Masses on Nov. 1 and 2. A \$5.00 donation is appreciated.

CHRISTMAS FUNDRAISER BENEFITTING ST ANDREW: The LSPCU Branch 213 is taking orders for 24" mixed greens wreaths. The cost is \$17.00. Orders and payment will be accepted until Sunday, Nov. 16. Order forms are available at the entrances to St. Andrew and on the website: standrewwilkesbarre.org.

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS: Any candle requests or bulletin submissions must be received in the church office by 12:30 p.m. on Mondays to be included on the weekend bulletin. Holidays will require earlier submission dates, so please order your holiday candles early.

CONGRATULATIONS: To the newest members of St. Leo Parish: Rose Mary Culver, daughter of Alex & Emily Culver and Stone Height, son of Luke & Jerika Height who were baptized on Sunday, October 19. May God bless them always.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Susie Ambrose, William Andahazy, Eugene Antos, Bonnie Balakier, Bailey Barnds, Alice Battista, Terri Belanchik, Ed Beleski, Marlene Beleski, Jared & Debbie Bellas, Msgr. Jack Bendik, Stella Bobrowski, Robert Bozek, Louise Brant, Valerie Brody, Chloe Brown, David Bukoski, Jr., Vivian Grace Busardo, Pat C., Judy Cannon, Thomas & Louise Cavanaugh, Jackson Chapasko, John Chernesky, Bob Cirtella, Michael Corcoran, Dylan Culp, John Devaney, Janice Divers, Tom Drozda, Hunter Durland, Maureen Ehret, Jonathan Elick, David Evanko, Fadden & Alfano Families, Molly Eyers, Ron Fedorczyk, Christopher Fee, Marion Ferguson, Jean Flanley, Regina Fillman, Catherine Gallagher, Pam Gibson, Mary Ann Gildea, Roslyn Glynn, Thomas Gorman, Quinn Gorman, Raymond Griffin, Karen Grula, Nicole Halversen, Karen Hannis, Ann Marie Harley, Jo Hart, Mary Himmel, Mary Hoffman, Ruth Kackauskas, Brian Kelly, Pat Kelly, Frank Kempf, Thomas Mark Kinney, Abigail Klass, Chris Klau, Jerry Korey, Charles Koulik Jr., Marie Koulik, Teresa Kucharski, Joseph Kulbaski, Dee Lallier, Maryann Lavan, Cathy Linker, Cinde Linker, Rachel Lohman, Ed & Janet Lopez, Janice Lord, Robert Lusk, Dale Malone, Sean P. Malone, Loren Mankey, Jodie Martin, Ray Maykovitz, Lauren McDonald, Jillian Meehan, Debbie Mellas, Jesse Mendoza, Mary Ann Mihneski, Paul, Milford, Christopher Mortensen, Terry Murphy, Margaret Nealon, Lois O'Hara, Lenny Okuniewski, Betty Oldfield, John Ostrum, Infant William Owen, Christine Owens, John Pac, Maria Parra, Janet Peake, Eileen Phillips, Laurie Phillips, Brian Pollick, Margaret Prestas, David Pudlosky, Dan R., Benjamin Rae, Ray Raykovitz, Michael Ralston, Tom Ralston, Bobby Ramage, Donna Ransom, Marie Lu Reinninger, The Reynolds, Bob Roddy, Cleo Rosemond, Libby Rush, Florence Ryder, Marie Saltz, Nick Santana, Josh Schlegel, Joyce Seiger, Helen Semanski, Cynthia Sickler, Kevin Sinnott, Margaret Sipple, Ed Sively, Tom Smith, Neil Smith, Frank Sorokach, Michael Sedon, Theresa Shrader, Jeff Statkiewicz, Nico Stavish, Tony Straka, Charlotte Thomas, Jim Thomas, Justin Thompson, Bonnie Usmail, Albert Vrabel, Rose Wallace, George Warman, Elaine Warman, Barbara Wasilewski, Bob Weidow, Jean Wiernusz, Cameron Wilson, Mary Wisniewski, Maria Wujik, Joseph Yedlock, Mary Ann Yedloski, Patty Zukoski and the faithful departed. If you know someone who is ill or needs our prayers, call the Rectory of St. Leo or St. Andrew.

ST. ANDREW PARISH RCIA/OCIA: Preparation for joining the Catholic Church will take place on Mondays at 7:00 p.m. in St. Andrew Rectory.

FAITH & FAMILY NIGHT WITH THE PENGUINS. The Diocese of Scranton is sponsoring a Faith and Family Night on Friday, November 14, starting at 7:05 p.m. Join the Wilkes-Barre/Scranton Penguins as they take on the Bridgeport Islanders! Special group pricing/seating is offered to Diocese of Scranton friends and family! For more information or to purchase tickets directly over the phone, please call Tyler Rothmann at (570) 208-5407 or e-mail him at trothmann@wbspenguins.com.

CALLING ALL KNITTERS & CROCHETERS: We would like to start a St. Andrew/St. Leo knitting & crocheting group. Would you be interested in meeting to make items for those in need (homeless, nursing home residents, homebound, etc.)? We will meet regularly at a time/day convenient to all, if possible. Contact Kathy Smith at (570) 954-0605 or St. Andrew rectory (570) 823-1948 if interested.

ST. ANDREW MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, October 25, 5:30 p.m.: Lector: Kim Stepanski; Extraordinary Minister: Margaret Sharksnas; Altar Server: Mia Ashton.

Sunday, October 26, 11:00 a.m.: Lector: Ken Yanora; Extraordinary Minister: Colleen Yanora; Altar Server: Amelia Good, Abrielle Good, Helene Skopek-Krygier.

Saturday, November 1, 5:30 p.m.: Lector: Karen Grula; Extraordinary Minister: Mia Ashton; Altar Server: Helene Skopek-Krygier.

Sunday, November 2, 11:00 a.m.: Lector: CCD Students; Extraordinary Minister: Cheryl Gibson; Altar Server: Gianna Altavilla, Anna Altavilla.



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(2 Corinthians 9:7)

Weekly Collection 10/19/2025

St. Leo: \$7,258.50

St. Andrew: \$2,450.00

World Missions: \$708.00

2nd Collection: \$476.67

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK AT ST. LEO & ST. ANDREW

Monday	10/27	8:00 a.m. (St. Leo)	Thomas Heiser	St. Leo Holy Name Society
Tuesday	10/28	8:00 a.m. (St. Leo)	No Mass	
Wednesday	10/29	No Mass		
Thursday	10/30	8:00 a.m. (St. Leo)	No Mass	
Friday	10/31	8:00 a.m. (St. Leo)	Edward Bliss	Fran Romanowski
Saturday ALL SAINTS	11/01	4:00 p.m. (St. Leo)	Jo Burczy & Millie Nardone	Their Family
		5:30 p.m. (St. Andrew)	Michael Garbush Jonathan Gula	Mom & Family Mom & Dad
Sunday ALL SOULS	11/02	8:30 a.m. (St. Leo)	Souls of Deceased Parishioners	
		11:00a.m. (St. Andrew)	Souls of Deceased Parishioners	

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE WILL BURN THIS WEEK (ST. LEO): In Loving Memory of Joan & John Cunningham by Norene Bradshaw; In Loving Memory of Jack & Nancy McGovern by the McGovern & Galardi Families; For Pam Masaniello by the Masaniello & Bliss Families.

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE WILL BURN THIS WEEK (ST. ANDREW): In Memory of Gene Belardineli by Penny Mericle.

A BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE WILL BURN THIS WEEK (ST. LEO): In Memory of John Woytas by the Woytas Children; In Memory of Ashley Ricko Boyle by Lenny & Linda Okuniewski.

A BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE WILL BURN THIS WEEK (ST. ANDREW): In Memory of Stephen J. Yenchak, Wizda, Yenchak, Matsko & Machonis Families and Edward & Irene Polchin by Steve & Mary Yenchak; For Health & Healing of John Ostrum.

A SACRED HEART CANDLE WILL BURN THIS WEEK (ST. LEO): In Loving Memory of Jim Londergan by His Wife, Francie; In Memory of Zach Kollar by his Grandparents, Dorothy & Dominick Ferro; In Memory of Frank Aukstakalnis by His Family; In Loving Memory of Joseph R. Merlie by the Barger Family.

A SAINT JOSEPH CANDLE WILL BURN THIS WEEK (ST. ANDREW): For Health & Healing of John Ostrum.

If you would like to dedicate a candle for someone, please call the Rectory
(570) 825-6669 (St. Leo) or (570) 823-1948 (St. Andrew). Offering is \$10.

ST. LEO EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION, LECTORS & YOUTH ALTAR SERVERS: The mass schedule for 11/8 - 12/14 is ready to be picked up in the Sacristy. Please get a replacement if you cannot serve when you are scheduled. Notify Toni at (570) 868-8215 or alrisc@hotmail.com with special requests or if you can no longer serve. Thank you for your service.

ST. LEO ADULT FAITH FORMATION: Our current Bible Study is **Luke: The Story of Salvation Fulfilled**. We meet on Mondays in St. Leo the Great Church Hall from 1:00—2:30 p.m. Upcoming dates are: 10/27, 11/3, 11/10 & 11/17.

NOTICE REGARDING REPORTING SEXUAL ABUSE OF A MINOR: It is the policy of the Diocese of Scranton to report any allegation of sexual abuse of a minor to law enforcement. If you are a victim of sexual abuse committed by a priest, deacon, religious or lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton, you are encouraged to immediately report the matter to law enforcement. If any priest, deacon, religious, lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton has cause or reason to suspect that a minor has been subjected to any form of abuse, including child sexual abuse, the matter will be reported to law enforcement. It is also the policy of the Diocese to adhere to all civil and state regulations. In accordance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Child Protective Services Laws, reports of suspected child abuse should also be made immediately by phone to the 24-Hour Child Abuse hotline (ChildLine) at 1-800-932-0313 or electronically at www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis. To this end, the Diocese is equally committed to adhering to the norms of the Code of Canon Law and to upholding the tenets of the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, which includes supporting victims of sexual abuse in their pursuit of emotional and spiritual well-being. As such, information regarding an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor should also be reported to the Victim Assistance Coordinator Mary Beth Pacuska at (570) 862-7551.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION INFORMATION

Our CCD Motto is "MASS AND CLASS or CLASS AND MASS"

ST. LEO

Classes are held from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. on
Sundays in the Education Center
Mrs. Michele Casey, DRE (570) 760-9793

SAFETY OF OUR CHILDREN: Please look out for the safety of our children especially as they are arriving for class at 9:30 a.m. Thank you.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION: If you did not register your child please call the Rectory immediately at (570) 825-6669.

The following parishioners have volunteered to be CCD Catechists: Mrs. D'Arcy (Dee) Werner, Kindergarten; Mrs. Joann Schultz, Grade 1; Mrs. Erin Frank, Grade 2, Mrs. Kathleen Rusak, Grade 3; Mrs. Rachel Young, Grade 4; Mrs. Donna Ranieli, Grade 5; Mr. Donald Kane, Grade 6; Mr. Kevin Hooper, Grade 7 and Mrs. Michele Casey, Grade 8.

SAVE IMPORTANT 2026 DATES:

FIRST PENANCE: Saturday, January 24 at 11:00 a.m.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & MAY CROWNING:

Saturday, May 2 at 11:00 a.m.

CONFIRMATION: Sunday, May 24 at 8:30 a.m.

TENTS & TREATS HALLOWEEN CELEBRATION:

The annual Tents & Treats Halloween Celebration, sponsored by our combined parish societies and our religious education program is taking place this weekend after the 8:30 a.m. Sunday Mass. ALL CHILDREN of the parish, from infants to 8th graders, are invited to attend the Mass in costume. After the Mass, Father will bless the children in front of the main altar. Then, they should gather in the parking lot for the Halloween events (costume contest, prizes, treats and refreshments). Parents and families are invited to join their children for Mass and all the Tents & Treats events. In case of rain, events will take place in the church hall.

ST. ANDREW

Classes are held from 9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. on Sundays at the Rectory and Church Hall.
Ms. Kristi Gibson, DRE (570) 417-2505

SAFETY OF OUR CHILDREN: Please look out for the safety of our children especially as they are being dismissed from class at 10:45 a.m. Thank you.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION: If you did not register your child please do so immediately at

<https://www.standrewwilkesbarre.org>.

The following parishioners have volunteered to be CCD Catechists: Alaina Lutz, Grades K & 1; Judy Flaherty, Grade 2; Kristi Gibson, Grades 3 & 4; Nicholas Lutz, Grades 5 & 6; Peter Bonczewski, Grades 7 & 8. Substitutes are Traci Bradshaw, Cheryl Gibson, Helene Skopek-Krygier and Teacher's Aide Patrick Bradshaw.

SAVE IMPORTANT 2026 DATES:

FIRST PENANCE: Saturday, Feb. 7 at 10:00 a.m.

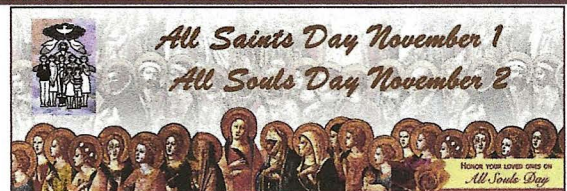
FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & MAY CROWNING:

Sunday, May 3 at 11:00 a.m.

CONFIRMATION: Sun., May 17 at 11:00 a.m.

HALLOWEEN PARTY AND CCD MASS:

Sunday, October 26. The party begins at 9:45 a.m. Following the party, the children will take part in the procession during the Mass so our parishioners get to see them in their costumes. (Costumes need to be appropriate for Church.)



VETERANS' PROJECT AT ST. LEO: Our parish drive FOR THE MILITARY VETERANS who reside at the VA facility in Wilkes-Barre continues. Items requested for November 1 & 2 are: shaving cream, razors, skin lotion, tissues, and hand wipes. Thanks for your help.

HOLY REDEEMER OPEN HOUSE: Sun., Nov. 2, 1:00-3:00 p.m. at 159 S. Pennsylvania Blvd., WB.

ST. LEO KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING: Tuesday, October 28 at 6:00 p.m. in the church hall. All members are urged to attend.

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