

### Saint Leo Catholic Church

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# Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 21, 2025

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Linda Halbur

Jesus knows that for many of us, God and money run "neck and neck" as top priority. Is money a "god" that you put before God? Giving money to support the Church and other charity is a pillar of our faith, just like attending Mass every Sunday and participating in parish ministry. Giving money frees us from becoming a slave to money. It increases our dependence on God and our trust that God will provide all that we need.

#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday

Ezr 1:1-6

Lk 8:16-18

**Tuesday** 

Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20

Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday

Ezr 9:5-9

Lk 9:1-6

**Thursday** 

Hg 1:1-8

Lk 9:7-9

Friday

Hg 2:1-9

Lk 9:18-22

**Saturday** Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a

Lk 9:43b-45

#### **TODAY'S READINGS**

Am 8:4-7 1 Tm 2:1-8 Lk 16:1-13



Worry Less

#### SACRAMENT OF **BAPTISM**

Call the St. Leo office 507-825-3152

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Wednesdays 4:00-5:00 PM Fridays 4:30-5:00 PM Other times by appointment

#### **SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE**

Contact the St. Leo office at least 6 months prior to the desired date

#### DIOCESE OF WINONA-ROCHESTER

507-454-4643 www.dowr.org

#### **LITURGICAL SCHEDULE**

September 23—28, 2025

#### **SAINT LEO** Wednesday, September 24 Weekday **5:15 PM .....** Andrew Smith† Friday, September 26 Sts. Cosmas And Damian Martyrs **5:15 PM .....**Robert Timmer† Saturday, September 27 St. Vincent De Paul, Priest 5:00 PM Irene Stromberg† Sunday, September 28 Twenty-Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time **10:30 AM.....** For the Parishioners Sunday, September 28 Twenty-Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time

#### **CONFESSION SCHEDULE:**

1:00 PM ...... For the Soul of William Yseth†

**Wednesday, September 24.....**4:00 - 5:00 PM With Eucharist Adoration

Friday, September 26......4:30 - 5:00 PM **Saturday, September 27.....**3:45 - 4:45 PM

#### FROM THE DESK OF FR. JOSHUA...

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend my Pastor Installation Mass with +Bishop Barron. It was +Bishop Barron's first time ever visiting St. Leo's and he was very pleased. Here is an excerpt from the Installation Liturgy:

"Father Joshua, I now entrust to you this church, dedicated under the title of Saint Leo, which is above all a house of prayer, a temple of worship, a home in which the faithful are nourished by the Word of God and the Sacraments of the Church. It is the dwelling place of God on earth, a temple built of living stones, founded on the Apostles with Jesus Christ as its corner stone. It is here that, through the waters of baptism, God's people die to sin and live again through grace as adopted children of God. Here they receive the gift of the Holy Spirit in Confirmation and have their sins forgiven in the Sacrament of Confession. Here the covenant of Marriage is ratified with God's blessing and the sick are strengthened for the suffering of the cross. Above all, in it is celebrated the eternal sacrifice of Christ in the Mass, and the Body and Blood of Christ remain in the tabernacle for all to adore."

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#### **SAINT CATHERINE**

Tuesday, September 23 Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest 5:15 PM ...... Toby† & Margie† Anderson † Thursday, September 25 Weekday 5:15 PM ...... George Hocking† Sunday, September 28 Twenty-Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time **8:30 AM.....** Gary Johnson†

#### **CONFESSION SCHEDULE:**

**Tuesday, September 23** ...... 4:30 - 5:00 PM Thursday, September 25...... 4:30 - 5:00 PM

Mass will be Live Streamed on Facebook at: https://www.facebook.com/pg/stccluverne/videos/

#### LITURGICAL HELPERS

Saturday, September 27 ~ 5:00 PM

Sacristan: \*Need Help

Altar Servers: Summer LaBrune, Valencia Murphy, \*Need Help

Readers: Dan Delaney, Linda Delaney

Extraordinary Ministers: Tod Johnson, Miriam

Johnson

Ushers: Dean Dethmers, Joni Dethmers, \*Need Help,

\*Need Help

Music: \*Need Help, \*Need Help

#### Sunday, September 28 ~ 10:30 AM

Sacristan: Ian Cunningham

Altar Servers: Jack Goelz, Lucas Faber, Ethan Faber

Readers: Gene Halbur, Linda Halbur

Extraordinary Ministers: Joe Baustian, Kim Van

Hoecke

Ushers: Tyler Van Hoecke, Deb Melby, Mike Appel,

Rob Faber

Music: Kevin Paulsen, Carol Haubrich

#### MAY GOD BLESS YOUR WORK

Please extend a thank you to this group of catechists who will be teaching faith formation this school year:

\*Lucy Aaker & Marlen Arens-K. \* Elaine Fenicle & Sam Alleckson-1st.\* Crissa Fruechte & Theresa Stangle-2nd. \*Gretchen LaBrune-3rd, \*Gracie Casas & Holly Baatz-4th,\* Lori Goelz-5th, \*Amy Erks-6th, \*Ian & Cindy Cunningham-7th, \*Kristie Faber-8th, \*Nancy Siebenahler-9th, \* Joe Baustian-10th, \*Larry Goelz & Cindy Koenders-11th & 12th.

#### CONTINUATION FROM THE DESK OF FR. JOSHUA

Also during the liturgy, I led the congregation in making a formal Profession of Faith by re-affirming our Catholic Beliefs as laid out in the Nicene Creed since the year 325 AD. I also swore the Oath of Fidelity with my right hand on the Book of the Gospels and +Bishop Barron and I both signed the documents on the Altar. This is a formal act to maintain unity between the Faith of the original twelve Apostles all the way through the space and time down the centuries of apostolic succession down to our very parishes here in southwest Minnesota.

I am pleased to announce that we have hired a new employee at St. Leo's. Michael "Shane" Biever has accepted the position as full time custodian at St. Leo's. He is very active in the Pipestone community and I am sure that he is known by many parishioners. Rudy Janssen will continue to assist with the facilities on a part time basis while Shane is getting acquainted with our parish.

In the coming days, there will be a renovation of the parish bulletin. We will be going to a single bulletin for both parishes with portions in both English and Spanish. The new design will include full color front and back cover. In order to reduce the cost of the new design, we are looking for businesses in the Pipestone area that would like to purchase advertising space. If you or someone you know is interested in advertising their business in the St. Leo and St. Catherine Parish Bulletin, please contact the parish office and the representative from Quality Printing will contact you directly with further details.

#### WELCOME LITTLE ONE

We warmly welcome into our Catholic Family Fabian Tzi Paau, son of Alejandro Tzi & Irma Beatriz Paau. Fabian was baptized on September 13, at St. Leo.

Heavenly Father, we thank you for the wonder of children and the gift of new life. May she know your love, your wisdom and your care. May she grow up to live a life which glorifies you and brings blessing to others. Amen.

#### +REST IN PEACE+



We extend our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of James Waite. He passed away on Sunday September 7, and his funeral was on September 12 at St. Leo.

May his soul, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

#### **QUICK VIEW OF THE WEEK**

Mon 9/22	1:30 PM	Make Rosaries @ Ridgeview
Wed 9/23	5:30 PM	K-5th Faith Formation
Wed 9/23	7:00 PM	6th-12th Faith Formation

#### PRAYER PETITIONS FOR THE SICK

Duanne Carlson, Patt Johnson, Catherine Ford, Bunny & Brad Johnson, Rosie Rolph, Maureen Bell, & Kay Dub-

May they know of our prayers in their time of need.

#### **POWER IN PRAYER**

Join us after Spanish Mass around 2:30 PM Today September 21 at the Pipestone National Monument for a Rosary walk to honor our Father's Creation and our Mother Mary! A meal will follow at St. Leo Catholic Church after the prayer, activities and discussion.

#### COFFEE, DONUT & FELLOWSHIP

Please join the Catholic Daughters for fellowship on Sunday September 21 after Mass.

#### ST. LEO'S ANNUAL FALL DINNER

Is scheduled for September 28 from 10:30—1:00 **PM.** Ticket costs for the dinner will be \$12 for adults and \$6 for children aged 5-8, children 4 and under eat free. The dinner includes roast beef, mashed potatoes and gravy, glazed carrots and scrumptious homemade desserts! We will also have a country store hosted by Noah's Ark Preschool. If you have any items such as garden potatoes, pumpkins, etc. along with any homemade items you would like to donate please drop them off at the country store.

There will also be a raffle with many wonderful prizes, raffle tickets are \$2 a piece, you do not have to be present to win.

If you are interested in helping, please sign up in the concourse or contact one of the chairs: Katie & Jeff Einck or Brad & Sandy Karels



This week we learned about colors and shapes. We started writing our names with help and sang many songs! The highlight of our week is when Ms. Connie came and taught us the lesson of Adam and

Eve. How God made everything!!

We love the beautiful weather and the outdoor play and learning.

Thank you for your prayers and support,

~Noah's Ark Preschool.



#### **CEMETERY RULES AND GUIDELINES**

We have updated our St. Leo Cemetery policy as of August 20, 2025 here are the following:

No shrubs or trees may be planted on St. Leo Cemetery grounds without the expressed approval of the Cemetery Board. Flowers and other articles must be attached to the grave stone base. All artificial flowers must be removed two weeks after Memorial Day. Flowers, figurines, luminaries and other articles will be removed by September 30. Final maintenance of the cemetery and graves is up to the St. Leo Cemetery Board.

#### NOAH'S ARK PUFFINS FUNDRAISER

Puffins can be picked up after 3:00 PM on Friday September 26.

Noah's Ark will have the Country store available during the Fall dinner. We hope to see you there!

If you do not live what you believe, you will end up believing what you live. —Bishop Fulton Sheen

# We are so close!!! If you have not yet donated, give just \$10.42 to meet our goal!

The CMA is a primary source of funding to sustain and expand ministries in our parishes, schools, programs and departments of the Diocese of Winona-Rochester. Thank you to those who have already given. May God bless you for your faithfulness to the ministries of His Church.

If you haven't donated yet please consider doing so. Donate what you can—every donation no matter the size helps us reach our goal. Any money donated above and beyond the \$26,207 goal comes back to St. Leo. If we don't meet our goal by year's end we need to pay it from our general budget.



Donation envelopes are available in the office to give by check or you can give online at:

www.catholicfsmn.org.

### \$3,821.22 LEFT TO GO!

CMA Pledges as of September 12, 2025

# of Donations Amount Rec'vd % of Goal 68 \$22,385.78 85.42%

#### ST. CATHERINE FALL FESTIVAL FEST

Sunday September 21, Events following Mass 9:30—12:30 PM.

Donuts & Coffee, Bingo, Cupcake Walk, Tractor Pull, and Smoked pork sandwiches, sides and dessert. Bring your family and friends! This event is open to the public and all community members.

E. Brown St. Luverne, MN.

#### **BEHOLD WORSHIP NIGHT**

Behold is a time of prayer and praise that seeks to draw us into the heart of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist. It is an event held every 6-8 weeks in the Sioux Falls area that includes praise and worship, Eucharistic Adoration, and prayerful reflections. This event is free and open to the public and will begin at 7:15pm on Sunday, October 5th at St. Michael Parish. Visit https://suscipe.org/behold to learn more about this initiative

#### MARRIAGE RETREAT

A "perfect marriage" is simply two imperfect people who refuse to give up on each other! As fall begins plan to attend the October 11-12 Marriage Encounter in order to fall deeper in love.

Weekends are held at Mt Olivet Retreat Center in Farmington. Register at: <a href="www.marriages.org">www.marriages.org</a> If you have any questions, please call Mary Jackson at: 651.-54-3238.

## ST. LEO SACRIFICIAL GIVING WEEK 11 — SEPTEMBER 14, 2025

Needed weekly \$7,335.00 Budget-to-date \$80,685.00 Income-to-date \$62,671.77	Adult	\$270.04 \$8.00 \$461.00 \$100.00 \$143.00 \$200.00 \$3,333.04
	Gaza	\$191.00

Thank you for giving of your time, talent & treasure!

#### **ONLINE GIVING**

Give online safely and securely via the ParishSoft Online Giving platform by visiting https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/stleopipestone to find the online giving link. You can choose to make a one-time or a recurring donation to the fund of your choice. For giving to the general fund, registered

adult members of St. Leo should choose the Adult fund. For questions please call the St. Leo office. Also use the QR code here.

