



Saint Leo Catholic Church

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Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 28, 2025



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"For the battle belongs to the Lord." Our struggles don't define us—God does. Our value isn't earned by what we do but given by who we are in Christ. Like David before Goliath, we don't fight by our own strength but by trusting the Lord who has already won the victory.

1 Samuel 17:47

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday

Dn 7:9-10 13-14

Jn 1:47-51

Tuesday

Zec 8:20-23

Lk 9:51-56

Wednesday

Neh 2:1-8

Lk 9:57-62

Thursday

Neh 8:1-4a 5-6, 7b-12

Mt 18:1-5, 10

Friday

Bar 1:15-22

Lk 10:13-16

Saturday

Bar 4:5-12, 27-29

Lk 10:17-24

TODAY'S READINGS

Am 6:1a, 4-7

1 Tm 6:11-16

Lk 16:19-31



**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 30—October 5, 2025

SAINT LEO

Wednesday, October 1 *Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church*

5:15 PM NO MASS

Friday, October 3 *Weekday*

5:15 PM Walter Kelley†

Saturday, October 4 *Saint Francis of Assisi*

5:00 PM For the Parishioners

Sunday, October 5 *Twenty-Seventh Sunday In Ordinary Time*

10:30 AM Larry Sr. Fenicle†

Sunday, October 5 *Twenty-Seventh Sunday In Ordinary Time*

1:00 PM Brenda Mans†

CONFESSION SCHEDULE:

Wednesday, October 1 4:00 - 5:00 PM
With Eucharist Adoration+

Friday, October 3 4:30 - 5:00 PM

Saturday, October 4 3:45 - 4:45 PM

FROM THE DESK OF FR. JOSHUA...

This weekend there was a Wedding and Baptism on Saturday at St. Leo's, then after the Masses on Sunday the first session of the Order of Christian Initiation for Adults will begin, and Sunday evening one of our students will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation at St. Mary's Parish in Worthington. On Monday, September 29 through Thursday October 2, I will be in Okoboji, IA attending the Diocese of Winona-Rochester Priest Convocation. This is an annual requirement for all active diocesan priests to be with the bishop and all the priests of the diocese to spend time together in prayer, conduct priest business, and cultivate priestly fraternity. This year +Bishop Barron is the Keynote speaker, and he will be giving the priests presentations on the Mass and Prayer. We will also be discussing the outcomes of the Diocesan Synod on Evangelization and Vocations. Monsignor Kosse and I will both be attending and thus there will be **no daily Masses or Confessions from 29 September through 2 October.**

There will be a "Come and See" (John 1:39) weekend at Immaculate Heart of Mary Seminary in Winona November 15-17. This is intended for any young man who is interested in experiencing what a day in the life of a seminarian is like, similar to a college visit.

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SAINT CATHERINE

Tuesday, September 30 *St. Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church*

5:15 PM NO MASS

Thursday, October 2 *The Holy Guardian Angels*

5:15 PM NO MASS

Sunday, October 5 *Twenty-Seventh Sunday In Ordinary Time*

8:30 AM Gary Johnson†

CONFESSION SCHEDULE:

Tuesday, September 30 4:30 - 5:00 PM

Thursday, October 2 4:30 - 5:00 PM

Mass will be Live Streamed on Facebook at:

<https://www.facebook.com/pg/stccluverne/videos/>

LITURGICAL HELPERS

Saturday, October 4 ~ 5:00 PM

Sacristan: Annette Weisbeck

Altar Servers: Catherine Hess, Mason Fruechte,

**Need Help*

Readers: Justin Fruechte, Mary Laphorn

Extraordinary Ministers: Dan Delaney, Linda

Delaney

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

**Need Help*

Music: **Need Help, *Need Help*

Sunday, October 5 ~ 10:30 AM

Sacristan: Ceedy Johnson

Altar Servers: Bayle Weedman, Eleanor Stangle,

**Need Help*

Readers: Mike Stiles, Theresa Stangle

Extraordinary Ministers: Ceedy Johnson, Ryan Ridl

Ushers: Greg Carrow, Connie Carrow, Jeff

Manderscheid, Michael Dellapaolera

Music: Praise Band

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

Seminarians take classes at Saint Mary's University and live in the IHM Seminary dorms. If you are a young man who is interested in learning more about what seminary life is like, please contact me at the parish office. We are also looking for parishioners to volunteer to assist with transportation for this event.

I met with many parishioners from St. Catherine's who are devoted to spending time with our Blessed Lord in Eucharistic Adoration. There is a new schedule for Adoration at St. Catherine's (see the announcement from Jen Huisman in this bulletin). I would like to do more Eucharistic Adoration at St. Leo's as well. If you are interested in spending more time with Jesus in Adoration at St. Leo's please leave your name and contact information at the St. Leo Parish Office.

The Pastoral Councils have formed a joint committee and have begun to gather information and create potential plans to publish an updated Parish Pictorial Directory. The most recent directory that we have is from 2013 and so we are long overdue. More to follow in the coming weeks.

After much effort and preparation, the St. Catherine's Finance Council is announcing plans to renovate the Doyle Hall kitchen this weekend. A majority of the funds have already been raised but there is still an outstanding balance that the parish will need to raise in order to begin this building project. The Diocese of Winona-Rochester requires that any parish expenditure over the \$25,000 be approved by the Diocesan College of Consultors which consists in the Diocesan Finance Officer, Diocesan Risk Management Officer, Bishop, Vicar General, and other diocesan leaders to ensure that our parish is exercising prudent and responsible stewardship of our resources. The College of Consultors' next meeting is November 20. Pending our parish raising the requisite amount, and approval from the College of Consultors, work could begin as early as the end of November, but more likely it would begin after Christmas. This will impact all activities (Faith Formation, funeral lunches, pickleball, etc.) in Doyle Hall for four to six weeks.

On a personal note, I am grateful for your patience with me as I learn to be your shepherd. If you would like to speak with me personally, **please do not come into the Sacristy before Mass.** I am working with the parish staff to be more organized to respond to requests in a reasonable manner. That being said, I am only one man, and there are very many of you spread across a significant quantity of time and space. If I do not respond to you quickly, please be patient, and if it is an urgent matter, please persevere in trying to reach me. Know that you are in my prayers, I know that I am in yours. -Fr. Joshua

QUICK VIEW OF THE WEEK

Wed 10/15:30 PM..... K-5th Faith Formation

Wed 10/17:00 PM6th-12th Faith Formation

THANK YOU!

Please be sure to thank **Rudy** (Mr. Captain) & **Nancy Janssen**, and **Joni Dethmers** for all their help and hard work by maintaining the church nice, clean and welcoming for the past few years. They really did a great job in everything they did.

A card of gratitude can be sign at the concourse.

We miss you guys already!

GATHERING MEAL

Our September Gathering meal was amazing, we served about 100 kids and adults a yummy meal of tacos. A great big THANK YOU to Katie Einck for helping serve!!

Next meal is October 8 "Grillin the Priest" which we will be serving hotdogs, chips, apples, veggies and a cookie. To help keep our costs down I am looking for donations. This can be grocery store gift cards or food needed. I will also be looking for 3 people to help serve and clean up that day. Please let me know if you are able to help with any of these needs.

THANKS - Kristie Faber

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

With the start of the new year, we will switch to picking up envelopes in the Concourse following Mass instead of them being sent directly to your home. We understand that many prefer to give in different ways and would no longer like to receive envelopes if they are not utilizing them. If you would no longer like to receive offertory envelopes, please reach out to the parish email om@stscsl.org or call 507-825-3152.



This week we welcomed a new 3-year-old to our class! This was exciting to see how welcoming our children are! We welcome children any time of the year! We are looking forward to seeing you the country store! Reminder if you ordered Puffins they are in the kitchen we would love to help you grab them! We have been enjoying this beautiful fall weather that we have been given. We continue to learn our colors and shapes!

We have learned that when we pray, we are talking to Jesus! He is always ready to listen to us! He will listen anytime!

We continue to thank you for your thoughts, prayers, and support,
~Noah's Ark Preschool.

ST. LEO'S ANNUAL FALL DINNER

Is Today 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 are also having a country store hosted by Noah's Ark Preschool. If you are looking for items such as garden potatoes, pumpkins, etc. along with any homemade items you might like please stop at the country store.

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

Thank you to the chairs: Katie & Jeff Einck Brad & Sandy Karels

"God sees you."

"Let us love God; but at the price of our hands and sweat of our face." ~St. Vincent De Paul

We are so close!!!

If you have not yet donated, give just \$7.13 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.

\$2,601.22 LEFT TO GO!

CMA Pledges as of September 19, 2025

# of Donations	Amount Rec'vd	% of Goal
71	\$23,605.78	90.07%

PRAYER PETITIONS FOR THE SICK

Duanne Carlson, Patt Johnson, Catherine Ford, Bunny & Brad Johnson, Rosie Rolph, Maureen Bell, & Kay Dubelde.

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

CONGRATULATION!!!

Although Fr. Joshua has been here since July 1, it was not till September 13 that Bishop Barron formally installed him as the new Pastor of both St. Leo and St. Catherine. It was such a wonderful time spend with the parishioners of St. Leo and St. Catherine seeing how we can come together and be blessed to have Bishop Barron to have come to our parish and have Fr. Joshua as our new Pastor. We are so grateful to everyone who put their effort and hard work to put it all together Kc's, CDA's, WWC, and all the others who helped from both St. Leo and St. Catherine churches.

Thank you Fr. Joshua for all you do and will continuo to do so the will of God can be accomplished!



ST. LEO SACRIFICIAL GIVING WEEK 12 — SEPTEMBER 21, 2025

Adult	\$3,033.00
Online Giving	\$2,875.11
Children	\$9.00
Offertory	\$437.00
Utilities	\$10.00
SL Fall Dinner	\$1,075.00
Total	\$7,439.11
Dioceses Collection	
CMA	\$250.00
Dioceses Especial	
Gaza	\$7.50.00

Needed weekly

\$7,335.00

Budget-to-date

\$88,020.00

Income-to-date

\$70,110.88

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.

