



Saint Leo Catholic Church

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23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time September 7, 2025

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Catholic Daughters of the Americas

Elaine Fenicle

Social Justice Committee Chairperson

Linda Halbur

We may not feel like forgiving, but God calls us to embody pardon and mercy in imitation of the divine forgiveness we have received.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday

Mi 5:1-4a

Mt 1:1-16, 18-23

Tuesday

Col 2:6-15

Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday

Col 3:1-11

Lk 6:20-26

Thursday

Col 3:12-17

Lk 6:27-38

Friday

1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14

Lk 6:39-42

Saturday

1 Tm 1:15-17

Lk 6:43-49

TODAY'S READINGS

Wis 9:13-18b

Phlm 9:10, 12-17

Lk 14:25-33



**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 9—13, 2025

SAINT LEO

Wednesday, September 10 *Weekday*

5:15 PM Robert Timmer†

Friday, September 12 *The most Holy Name of Mary*

5:15 PM Marline Coldagelli†

Saturday, September 13 *St. John Chrysostom Bishop and Doctor of the Church*

5:00 PM Mary Lynn Portz†

Sunday, September 14 *The Exaltation of the Holy Cross*

10:30 AM For the Parishioners

Sunday, September 14 *The Exaltation of the Holy Cross*

1:00 PM Bill Johnson†

CONFESSION SCHEDULE:

Wednesday, September 10 **4:00 - 5:00 PM**

With Eucharist Adoration

Friday, September 12 **4:30 - 5:00 PM**

Saturday, September 13 **3:45 - 4:45 PM**

FROM THE DESK OF FR. JOSHUA...

This week I met with both St. Catherine's and St. Leo's Pastoral Councils. I was able to get more acquainted with the parishes and we initiated the process to produce an updated Parish Pictorial Directory. There will be a committee formed with members from both parishes to coordinate the efforts. If you are interested in helping with this effort, please contact a parish council member for further details.

I also met with the St. Leo and St. Mary Cemetery Associations to get acquainted with our cemeteries and their long term care. I will be meeting with the Cemetery Associations for St. Joseph, St. Catherine, and St. Martin Cemeteries in the coming days. Thank you to all the members of these boards. The care and maintenance of our cemeteries is a beautiful ministry and great way to proclaim the Gospel through the Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy: burying and praying for the dead.

This week also marked the first day of school. Soon we will also welcome our children to the classrooms at our parishes for Religious Education and Faith Formation. We are still looking for several Catechists at both parishes. If you have a rich prayer life, an aptitude for working with kids and/or a deep desire to share the Gospel, please prayerfully consider joining the faith formation team.

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SAINT CATHERINE

Tuesday, September 9 *Saint Peter Claver, Priest*

5:15 PM Bryan Fodness†

Thursday, September 11 *Weekday*

5:15 PM Dick Smook†

Sunday, September 14 *The Exaltation of the Holy Cross*

5:15 PM Elaine† & Raymond† Kellen

CONFESSION SCHEDULE:

Tuesday, September 9 **4:30 - 5:00 PM**

Thursday, September 11 **4:30 - 5:00 PM**

Mass will be Live Streamed on Facebook at:

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

LITURGICAL HELPERS

Saturday, September 13 ~ 5:00 PM

Sacristan: Cindy Cunningham

Altar Servers: Samuel Full, Noble Baatz, Jack Goelz, Mason Fruechte, Lucas Faber

Readers: Justin Fruechte, Mylan Ray

Extraordinary Ministers: Cindy Cunningham, Ian Cunningham

Ushers: Xavier Banjoko, Deb Melby, Del Kooiman, Jennifer Kooiman

Music: Choir, Praise Band

Sunday, September 14 ~ 10:30 AM

Sacristan: Ceedy Johnson

Altar Servers: Sergio Villagrana, Adamari Villagrana, Catherine Hess

Readers: Deb Hagedorn, Mary Laphorn

Extraordinary Ministers: Gene Halbur, Linda Halbur

Ushers: Brad Karels, Sandy Karels, Larry Slinger, Jeff Manderscheid

Music: Carol Haubrich, *Need Help

NOAH'S ARK PUFFINS FUNDRAISER

PUFF'S ARE BACK! Started September 2, we will have a table with volunteers and order forms before and after Mass on September 6 & 7 as well as September 14. Pick-up will be on September 26 starting at 3:00 PM in the kitchen.

CONTINUATION FROM THE DESK OF FR. JOSHUA

There will be a training session conducted on September 13 at St. Catherine's by an expert Catechist Heidi Indahl from Winona. The training is designed to equip faithful adults to engage with our youth in a way that passes on the faith of our ancestors in both intellectual and relationship modes. God does not call the equipped, but he equips those whom He calls to ministry for the sake of the Kingdom.

I am still waiting for new Holy Communion Pyxes (they are backordered) and other liturgical items to arrive before I announce the date and time for training for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. Once all the items have been received, I will ask all those who are currently bringing communion to our homebound and anyone who is interested in becoming an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion to join me for a Sacristy orientation and training on how to pastorally care for our parishioners that are not physically able to join us for Mass. Thank you for your patience.

SAVE THE DATE

Brad and Sandy Karels, Jeff and Katie Einck, will be the Chairs for this year's Fall Dinner! The date is September 28, 10:30-1:00 PM. Look for Sign-up sheets that will be in the concourse in the coming days.

RSVP FOR FATHER JOSHUA'S INSTALLATION MASS & MEAL

We are getting a RSVP for those who are attending Fr. Joshua's Installation Mass led by Bishop Robert Barron at 5:00 PM on Saturday, September 13 at St. Leo Church in Pipestone, MN. We will also be gathering RSVPs for those attending Mass and the meal to follow. The meal to follow is being put on by both the St. Catherine & the St. Leo Knight's of Columbus. If you plan on attending either the Mass or the Mass and the meal following this Mass, please RSVP by September 9 by using the QR code, link, sign-up in the Gathering Space, or by calling the Church Office.

<https://signup.com/go/VBrrFhj>



POWER IN PRAYER

Join us after Spanish Mass around 2:30 PM on 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.

QUICK VIEW OF THE WEEK

Mon 9/81:30 PM.....Make Rosaries @ Ridgeview

PRAYER PETITIONS FOR THE SICK

Catherine Ford, Bunny & Brad Johnson, Rosie Rolph, Maureen Bell, Kay Dubbelde, & James Waite.

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

WELCOME LITTLE ONE



We warmly welcome into our Catholic family Elara Perez Guadron, daughter of Raul Antonio Guadron & Marialupe Perez. Elara was baptized on August 30, 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.

FAITH FORMATION

Classes starts September 10! K-5 meets from 5:30-6:30 PM. And 6-12 meets 7:00-8:00 PM. If you haven't registered yet please stop in at the office for the papers.

CHILDRENS LITURGY

we are looking for someone to lead and coordinate Children's liturgy on Sundays this year. Please see Holly or Kristie for details.



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We had a great first week of Preschool. So many smiles. We ask that you keep us in your thoughts and prayers, that we may have another great school year. We do still have a few openings in each class so if you have a preschooler or

know of someone looking for a preschool please give them the office phone number, (507-825-3152).

We started selling Puffins! Please stop by and get yours today! They will be delivered on Sept. 26.

We thank you for all your prayers and support you give us!

~Noah's Ark Preschool.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

Watermark Missions will be leading a disaster rebuild mission trip to Spencer, Iowa from Tuesday, September 16 to Friday, September 26. The Spencer community suffered significant damage as a part of the June 2025 flooding event across Northern Iowa and Southern Minnesota. There are still 141 active cases in need of help with rebuilding – things like framing, putting in cabinets, insulating, sheet rocking, mudding, taping, rebuilding outside steps, replacing flooring and outside doors etc. Watermark Missions is looking for additional volunteers to help with the rebuilds. Prior construction experience is helpful but is not necessary. Food and overnight accommodations will be provided at a local church at no cost to the volunteers. Volunteers must be 18 years old or older and are asked to make a minimum commitment of 2 days, but are welcome to stay as many days as they are able to. Please contact Maria Ahmed (mahmed@ccsommn.org, or 507-905-8602) if you are interested in participating. Registration deadline is Monday, September 2.

**We are so close!!!
give just \$15.39 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.

\$5,802.00 LEFT TO GO!

CMA Pledges as of August 15, 2025

# of Donations	Amount Rec'd	% of Goal
58	\$20,405.00	77.86%

FALL FESTIVAL DINNER

Sunday September 14, 2025 IHM Catholic Church. Currie, MN. Serving from 11:00 AM- 1:00 PM.

Turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes, vegetable, gravy, salad, pie and desserts.

Handicapped accessible. Takeouts available

ATLAS RUMMAGE

The ATLAS for Life Christmas Rummage and Boutique will be held on Saturday, November 15. Please mark your calendar, and if you have a few Christmas items to donate to our fundraiser, please drop off donations at the ATLAS office (101 2nd St. NE - Pipestone) on Tuesdays or Thursdays. Another item that is helpful is large planter pots. With these requests, knowing your prayer support is the greatest gift of all!

—EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES—

St. Leo Catholic Parish is currently looking to hire a full time or part time **Custodian/General Maintenance** person. Interested candidates should have a background in general cleaning and maintenance skills, along with a willingness to work with others. Having a boiler license would be a plus but not required, as we would help you get a license. If interested, please inquire with Father Joshua Miller at 507-825-3152.

ST. LEO SACRIFICIAL GIVING WEEK 9 — AUGUST 31, 2025

	Adult	\$2,018.00
	Online Giving	\$1,470.06
	Children	\$6.00
	Offertory	\$382.00
	Holy Day	\$5.00
	Utilities	\$100.00
	Bapt. Stole Fee	\$150.00
	Total	\$4,131.06
<u>Needed weekly</u>		
	\$7,335.00	
<u>Budget-to-date</u>		
	\$66,015.00	
<u>Income-to-date</u>		
	\$54,118.09	

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.

