

ST. LEO THE GREAT CATHOLIC CHURCH

*We are a welcoming Catholic Community
called by God to live out the message of
Christ in love and service to all people.*

October 26, 2025



Ludovico Carracci | Madonna and Child with Saints | The Metropolitan Museum of Art

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WWW.STLEOCATHOLICCHURCH.ORG • OFFICE HOURS: MONDAY - FRIDAY 8 AM - 4 PM
DAILY MASS: MONDAY-SATURDAY: 8 AM • CONFESSIONS: SATURDAY 2-3PM
SATURDAY VIGIL MASSES: 3:30 & 5:30 PM • SUNDAY MASSES: 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 AM & 5 PM

MISA EN ESPAÑOL DOMINGO - 3 PM Y LAS CONFESSIONES ANTES DE LA MISA • MASS IN POLISH: 3RD SUNDAY OF THE MONTH - 1:30 PM

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Parish Church Support

Thank you for your
continued generosity!

October 18 & 19

\$27,093

World Mission

\$3,270

Celebrating our Faith

BAPTISM OF INFANTS

Baptisms of children under 7 years old are offered every fourth Sunday of each month in Spanish and every second Sunday of the month in English. Please visit our website or contact our office for details and requirements.

CONFIRMATION

At confirmation we receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit and confirm and renew our baptismal promises committing to a life of maturity in the Christian faith. Unconfirmed Catholics wishing to receive the Sacrament should contact the Parish Office to make arrangements for suitable instruction. Unbaptized or non-Catholics can be confirmed at the Easter Vigil when they are baptized or received into the Church as a part of Order of Christian Initiation of Adult. To enroll in OCIA, please call Griselda Cisneros at 992-0901.

EUCHARIST

Parishioners who wish to bring communion to their spouses should contact the parish office to pick up a pyx with the St. Leo's inscription on it. Please use this pyx when approaching to receive a host for your spouse or a family member in the Communion procession during Mass. If you need to receive a gluten free host due to a medical condition please arrive 15 minutes before Mass begins and inform the Sacristan.

RECONCILIATION

Individual confession with a priest is the principal means of absolution and reconciliation of grave sins within the Church. The Sacrament of Reconciliation frees us from sinful patterns of behavior and calls us to complete conversion to Christ. Confessions are heard at 2pm on Saturday in English and 2pm on Sunday in Spanish in the Church. You may also approach any of our parish priests to hear your confession at another suitable time.

THE RITE OF ANOINTING

A person does not need to wait until the point of death to receive this sacrament. A careful judgment about the serious nature of the illness is sufficient. The Sacrament may be repeated if the sick person recovers after the anointing but becomes ill once again, or if, during the same illness, the person's condition becomes more serious. For those who are about to depart from this life, the Church offers the person Penance, Anointing of the Sick, and the Eucharist as Viaticum (food for the journey) given at the end of life. Contact the Parish Office at 992-0901 to be connected with the priest on duty.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

If you are a registered parishioner of St. Leo and plan to marry in our parish please contact our office at least six months prior to the tentative wedding date. Weddings cannot be scheduled until the marriage preparation process is complete and it is determined that the parties are free to marry.

ANNULMENT - Reestablishing the freedom to marry.

An annulment is more accurately described as a declaration of matrimonial invalidity. It is an official determination made by an ecclesiastical court that at the time of the marital consent exchanged by the parties a specific component of the marriage was lacking or defective. Hence, the marriage failed to be a marriage as defined by the Catholic Church. If you wish to reestablish your freedom to marry in the Church, please contact a parish priest to be your advocate in presenting your case to the Tribunal.

VOCATION

If you think that you have a vocation to the priesthood or religious life please speak with one of our priests, or contact the Diocesan Director of Vocations at 941-484-9548, visit www.dioceseofvenice.org/vocations

ONLINE GIVING

WWW.STLEOCATHOLICCHURCH.ORG

FORMED



We are pleased to provide for all our of parishioner the ability to access this wonderful website filled with thousands of wide ranging movies, programs, audios, such as the Lives of Saints of History and Modern Day, The Sacraments, Bible Study, Children's Entertainment, Praying at Home, and Movie Night selections.

To access FORMED choose the link on our website, search "St Leo Bonita" to find us in the drop box, and sign up for your own account.

Next Weekend's Mass Schedule

Saturday, November 1

3:30 pm	Fr. Jack
5:30 pm	Fr. Jack

Sunday, November 2

7:30 am	Fr. Jack
9:30 am	Fr. Stan
11:30 am	Fr. Stan
3:00 pm-Spanish	Fr. Raul
5:00 pm	Fr. Raul

Changes may occur without notice.

Daily Reflections

by Father Jarek

Sunday, October 26

The Prayer That Pierces the Clouds

"The prayer of the lowly pierces the clouds." (Sirach 35:17)

Some prayers rise like incense; others crawl through tears and still reach heaven first. The tax collector in the temple offers no theology, no résumé, just breath and honesty. God hears that sound as clearly as thunder. Meanwhile, the Pharisee polishes his virtue until it blinds even himself. Heaven waits through his monologue in silence, unmoved.

Paul writes with the peace of a man who has emptied his cup for Christ and found the taste of joy at the bottom. His words carry the fragrance of surrender: *I have kept the faith*. There is a strange freedom in being poured out, nothing left to protect, nothing left to prove. Humility, not eloquence, makes the prayer soar.

So pray today with both feet on the ground. Speak small words, but let them come from deep water. The sky may seem closed, but remember, God's ear is nearer than your pulse. And when your words falter, let your silence finish the prayer; heaven understands sighs better than speeches.

Prayer: *Lord, strip my words of pretense and fill them with truth. Teach me to pray, not as a performer, but as one beloved. Amen.*

Monday, October 27

Standing Tall Again

"Woman, you are set free of your infirmity." (Luke 13:12)

Eighteen years. Imagine the horizon forgotten, the spine folded over like a question mark. Then Jesus speaks, and the question becomes an exclamation. One sentence, no thunder, no ceremony, and she stands tall for the first time in a generation. Dust gives way to daylight. Worship begins not in the synagogue but in the posture of her body.

Paul calls us heirs, not slaves. That word, *heirs*, sounds almost reckless in its generosity. We belong not as servants cowering by the door but as children who have learned to run again. Fear bends us; love lifts us.

If life has stooped you with disappointment, hear this: Christ still calls you by name. Lift your soul. There is a new horizon waiting at eye level. And when you rise, take someone's hand beside you, so grace can stand two hearts tall.

Prayer: *Abba, raise what has fallen in me. Teach me again the dignity of a soul standing tall in Your light. Amen.*

Tuesday, October 28

Built Together

"Through him the whole structure is held together." (Ephesians 2:21)

Every cathedral begins as dust and stubborn hope. The mortar is patience; the blueprint, prayer. Saints Simon and Jude never sought grandeur; they were foundation stones, invisible under centuries of grace. God builds with quiet hands and prefers the sound of humility to applause.

Jesus spends the night in prayer before choosing the Twelve. He prays over fishermen, tax collectors, and one man destined to betray Him. Heaven chooses with eyes that see beyond résumé and failure. What holds the Church together is not strength but surrender, the willingness to be fitted wherever love requires.

So if you feel ordinary today, remember the apostles who were, too. The ordinary becomes sacred the moment it bears the weight of another soul. Together we become a living temple, each small stone indispensable.

Prayer: *Master Builder, set me firm in the wall of Your mercy. May my life, however small, help hold the world together in love. Amen.*

Wednesday, October 29

The Narrow Door and the Spacious Heart

"Strive to enter through the narrow gate." (Luke 13:24)

The question is statistical: "Will only a few be saved?" Jesus refuses the math and gives us a doorway. It is narrow, yes, but not because heaven is stingy. Love simply cannot be carried in bulk. To pass through, you must let go of luggage: grudges, self importance, the well folded scorecard of comparison.

Paul speaks of a Spirit that prays when we cannot. Even our wordless sighs become music in God's hands. Grace knows the way through tight spaces. The narrow door

opens into a banquet; its small entrance only makes the welcome more astonishing.

So travel light today. Forgive before you are asked. Pray even when your words wobble. Heaven's door is closer than you think, and wider than it looks from the outside. Once you step through, leave the door open for the next weary traveler.

Prayer: *Lord, unclench my hands so I may pass freely through Your mercy. Teach me to love without luggage. Amen.*

Thursday, October 30

Nothing Can Separate

"What will separate us from the love of Christ?" (Romans 8:35)

Paul's words sound like a defiant hymn sung from the middle of a storm. He names every possible enemy of love, death, life, angels, demons, the future, the past, and strikes each from the record. Nothing holds. Love remains. It is the one law the universe never manages to repeal.

When Jesus calls Herod a fox, He is not being clever; He is naming a predator whose noise cannot silence compassion. Then, like a mother hen, He spreads His wings over a city that will not be gathered. That image alone could save theology from itself, power bending down into tenderness.

If you feel hunted by worry or guilt, step beneath those wings. Fear counts losses; love counts feathers. Beneath that shelter, even the trembling can rest. And once you have found peace there, become that shelter for someone else; the safest wings are those that learn to open.

Prayer: *Christ, keep me within the reach of Your mercy. When I scatter, call me back to the warmth beneath Your wings. Amen.*

Friday, October 31

Dinner with the Watchers

"They were observing him carefully." (Luke 14:1)

Jesus walks into a dinner party where the main course is scrutiny. Eyes flicker over Him like candlelight. The man with dropsy sits swollen and silent, suffering invited but not welcomed. The question hovers: will He heal or behave? He heals, of course. Love never waits for polite permission.

Paul writes of anguish for his own people, a love so fierce he would trade his soul for theirs. Only hearts stretched by divine mercy can speak like that. Maybe that is the hidden miracle of this dinner: Jesus eating with those who misunderstand Him and still breaking bread. Grace keeps pulling up extra chairs.

If your table tonight holds tension or silence, set an extra place for Christ. He is good with awkward pauses and excellent at softening them. His quiet presence can turn even scrutiny into grace.

Prayer: *Lord, let compassion be my etiquette. Where conversation grows cold, make my presence warm. Sit with us until peace tastes familiar. Amen.*

Saturday, November 1

The View from the Mountain

"Blessed are the pure of heart, for they shall see God." (Matthew 5:8)

John's vision spills beyond counting, faces from every border and accent, robes washed, palms waving like green alleluias. The saints are not marble statues but people who kept walking toward mercy until it changed their shape. They carry the scent of struggle and the shine of grace.

The Beatitudes read like the family photo album of heaven: the meek smiling shyly, the mourners finally comforted, the merciful still wiping someone's tears out of habit. No one poses, they simply belong. Purity of heart is not flawlessness; it is seeing God everywhere and refusing to give up on love.

So climb the mountain again. Look down on the world not with pride but with tenderness. You are already part of that great crowd in the making, robes still in the wash, hearts still learning the rhythm of mercy. Keep walking toward the light; your place at the feast is already being set.

Prayer: *Lord, let my heart grow transparent enough to catch Your light. Make my life a quiet beatitude others can glimpse and give thanks for. Amen.*

The Crown Nobody Sees

By Father Jarek

(Based on Sirach 35:12–18; Psalm 34; 2 Timothy 4:6–8, 16–18; Luke 18:9–14)

There is a kind of person heaven delights in, the one who keeps goodness alive quietly. They are not loud or dramatic. You might not notice them unless you look closely: the caregiver who stays late, the volunteer who keeps stacking chairs after everyone has gone home, the parent who whispers a final prayer after the lights are out. Their work rarely trends, but it holds the world together.

Saint Paul must have had such people in mind when he wrote, “I have competed well, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.” Those words sound victorious, but he wrote them from prison with no crowds, no applause, only a man at peace with what he gave. His race was never about winning but about staying faithful, one step at a time. That is how the crown of righteousness is earned, by finishing with love, not fame.

The tax collector in Jesus’ parable understood that truth. He does not make a speech or defend himself; he simply says, “God, be merciful to me, a sinner.” That short, trembling prayer carries more grace than a lifetime of self promotion. Jesus says it was he, not the proud Pharisee, who went home right with God. Heaven listens differently than we do. It hears humility before it hears credentials.

There are moments in every age when humility is mistaken for weakness and mockery passes for courage. Voices grow louder, as if shouting proved wisdom. Dignity and respect for others begin to sound old fashioned. But whenever truth is used to wound rather than to heal, something sacred is lost. The line between confidence and cruelty can vanish before we notice, and when it does, both truth and mercy fall silent. A people cannot live on derision; hearts cannot be lifted by scorn.

That is why the quiet souls matter so much. The woman who still writes thank you notes. The man who drives his neighbor to treatment. The grandmother who prays for faces she barely remembers. They live without spectacle, but they carry the light that keeps faith human. If you listen carefully, you can almost hear heaven applaud. Their faith is not glamorous, but it is steady and bright.

The crown Paul speaks of is not a jeweled trophy for a few elites. It is a quiet radiance that forms in anyone who loves without reward, who forgives without being asked, who serves without being seen. The Church is filled with these hidden saints, people who polish halos they will never notice and whose reward will surprise them because they never thought of earning one.

So keep doing the quiet good. Keep the faith when no one seems to care. Keep showing up, forgiving, setting the table, folding the linens, and whispering the prayers that only God hears. The Lord stood by Paul; He stands by you.

And when you reach your finish line with no medals, no headlines, just a soul poured out, you will find what Paul found: the Lord already waiting, holding a crown that shines only on the humble.

Prayer

Lord, when I grow tired of unseen goodness, remind me that You see it all.

Teach me to measure my life not by applause but by love given.

Let faithfulness be its own joy until the crown You promise becomes simply the light of Your face.

Amen.

Christmas Gala

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9TH AND WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10TH
ST. LEO PARISH LIFE CENTER • \$50 PER PERSON

TICKETS GO ON SALE WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12TH AT 8 AM
IN THE PARISH OFFICE - CASH OR CHECKS ONLY PLEASE

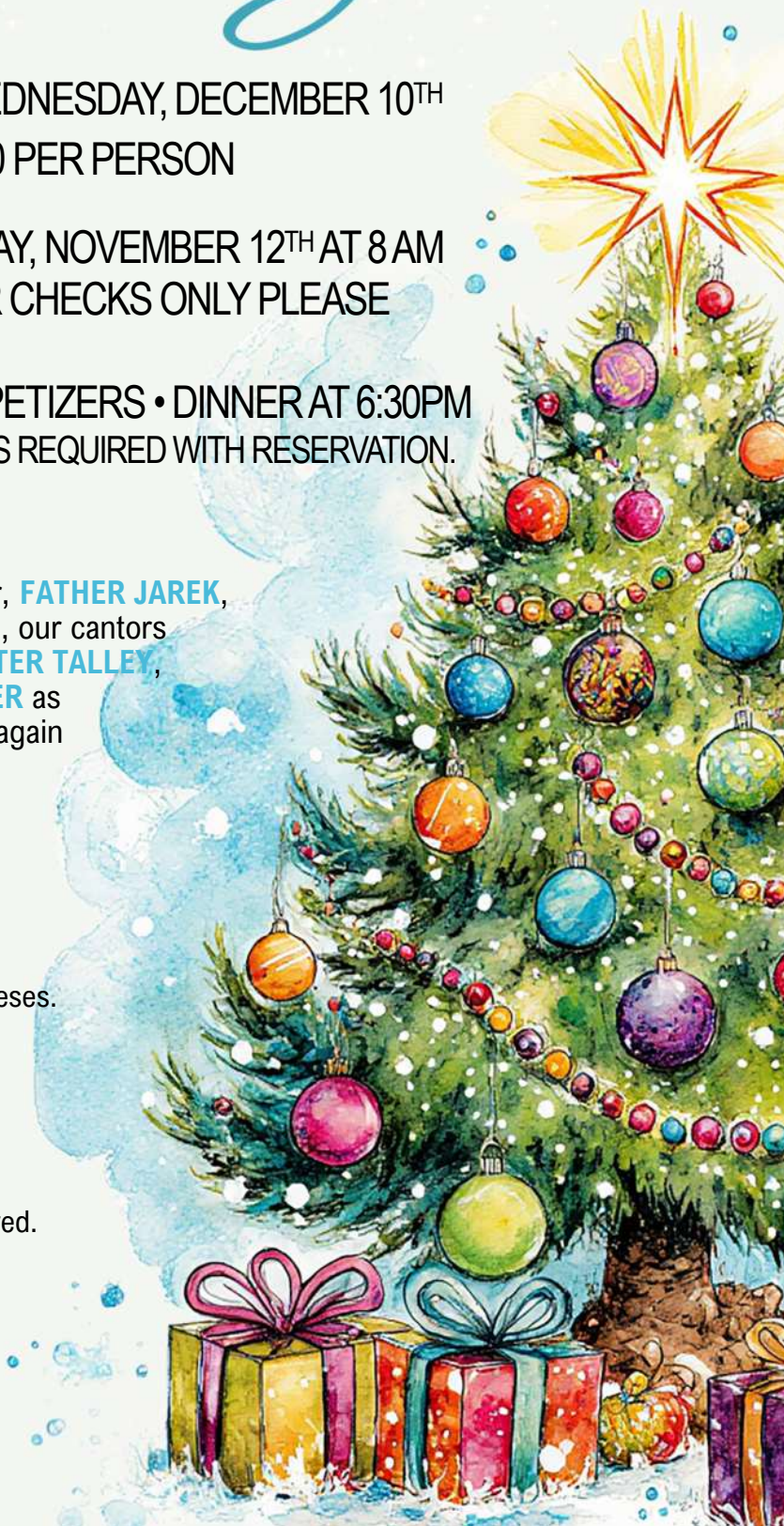
DOORS OPEN AT 5:30PM FOR APPETIZERS • DINNER AT 6:30PM
FOR TABLES OF 8-10 ENTIRE PAYMENT IS REQUIRED WITH RESERVATION.

Enjoy the incredible talents of our Pastor, **FATHER JAREK**,
our Music Director, **MARCIN MALEWSKI**, our cantors
JULIANA ALFONO, and **MARIE** and **WINTER TALLEY**,
and our special friend **CHRISTIAN MILLER** as
they bring the Magic of Christmas once again
to our stage. Let the party begin!

MENU:

Visit our new Antipasto Garden display for
a beautiful array of Appetizers and a
mouthwatering Caesar Salad complete with
shaved Romano, Asiago and Parmesan cheeses.
Then sit down to enjoy tantalizing Breast of
Chicken brimming with Cranberries, Apples
and Brie cheese served over creamy Orzo
and garnished with dressed Arugula and
Green Beans Almondine. And to finish,
a delectable Chocolate Delight with a
surprise indulgence just for you will be served.

CATERING BY FRISCO'S





Coming Home

Autumn Dinner Concert Parish Life Center Wednesday, November 12th

TICKETS ARE ON SALE IN THE PARISH OFFICE.
\$20 PER PERSON - CASH OR CHECK ONLY PLEASE
DOORS OPENS AT 5:15PM
DINNER AT 5:30PM
ALL SEATING IS OPEN, NO RESERVED TABLES.
ENJOY A LIGHT SEASONAL SUPPER & A GLASS OF WINE .



Share a nostalgic evening with us as our lovely and amazing cantor, Juliana Alfano, accompanied by Jodie De Salvo, provide autumn music that is sure to bring back memories meant to lead our hearts home.

Enjoy a light seasonal supper and a glass of wine.



Flying Solo
Table Available



All Souls' Requiem Mass Commemorating our Beloved Dead Monday, November 3rd at 6pm

Envelopes are available at the doors of the church to list those for whom you want to offer intentions.

After completing, place them in the collection basket or bring them to the Parish Office.

These intentions will be placed inside the Book of Remembrance for this Mass of Commemoration.

They will also be cumulatively included in the weekend Prayers of the Faithful during the month of November.



Patrons of the Calvary Garden



An additional opportunity for you to be recognized as a patron, or to honor your family or a loved one in the renovation of our Outdoor Stations of the Cross garden is now available.

The center of the Stations now includes a garden area which, as depicted, will soon be enhanced with three crosses, a water feature and illumination.

On a granite pedestal will be a bronze plaque holding up to 50 names chosen by Patrons of the Calvary Garden. You may choose to include the name of the donor, someone you would like to honor, or a deceased loved one which may be identified with a cross preceding their name. The cost per name is \$1,000 and orders are now being accepted. Because the names are cast and cannot be added at a later date, orders will end when the maximum of 50 names are submitted.

Order forms are available in the parish office.

For additional information, please contact Beth Daniels at slladiesguild21@gmail.com.

Please include your name and phone number with your inquiry.

St. Leo Food Bank

"The need has never been greater."

The St. Leo Food Bank is always in need of supplies to share with local food pantries.

All unopened, non-perishable foods that are not expired are welcomed.

**You may continue to drop off your donations when you come to Mass,
or at our office Monday - Friday from 8am-3pm.**

THESE ITEMS ARE ESPECIALLY NEEDED

MOST NEEDED

- ☐ COOKING OIL
- ☐ DRIED BEANS
- ☐ MASECA (CORN TORTILLA FLOUR)
- ☐ WHITE RICE

- ☐ TOOTHPASTE
- ☐ TOOTHBRUSHES
- ☐ BAR SOAP
- ☐ SHAMPOO/BODY WASH
- ☐ TOILET PAPER
- ☐ ANTIBACTERIAL WIPES

- ☐ CANNED FRUIT & VEGETABLES
- ☐ CANNED TUNA & CHICKEN
- ☐ FLOUR & SUGAR
- ☐ CANNED SOUP

- ☐ POWDERED MILK
- ☐ PEANUT BUTTER & JELLY
- ☐ CEREAL
- ☐ JUICE

If you prefer, you may donate money directly to St Leo Food Bank. These funds will be dispersed to those in need both directly, and through our partner parishes and organizations.



Our St. Leo Ladies' Guild hosted their annual fall Welcome Back Luncheon for parish women on October 15th. Special guests Sister Soledad and Sister Yuri from the Santa Rosa de Lima Mission of St. Margaret Parish in Clewiston joined 105 ladies for lunch. Sister Soledad provided an update on the undertakings of their parish and mission, sharing the plight of those in need to whom they serve. Luncheon attendees generously donated much needed items for the Sisters to take back to their food pantry. Children from the mission enthusiastically unloaded the truck filled with these much appreciated supplies. St. Margaret is one of three area parishes supported by our parish and the Ladies' Guild.

Catholic Charities is in need of volunteers to help with food pantry distribution every other Wednesday from 9am to noon at their building on the St. Leo campus.

If you would like to help please contact Michael Vega at 239-270-3291 or mvega@ccdov.org

The St. Leo Food Bank supports Catholic Charities on our campus, Café of Life in Bonita Springs, as well as the food pantries at the parishes of Jesus the Worker (Ft. Myers), St. Margaret (Clewiston) and Our Lady Queen of Heaven (LaBelle).

If you need assistance from Catholic Charities for food, financial assistance, or tele-mental health counseling, please call 239-390-2928 between the hours of 9am-5pm Monday-Friday.

TO DONATE HOUSEHOLD ITEMS AND CLOTHING BRING THEM TO:

Our Lady of Light Thrift Shop
24600 S. Tamiami Tr. Ste. 600A (992-1576)

St. Vincent de Paul Resale Shop
3725 Bonita Beach Road (992-1899)

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

IT'S TIME AGAIN TO MAKE A FAMILY'S THANKSGIVING A LITTLE BRIGHTER!

If you would like to provide an area family with food for their holiday dinner you may write a check for \$50 payable to St. Leo Poor Box and drop it in the collection basket, or bring it to the Parish Office.

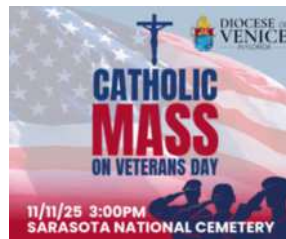
Your continued support for this annual project is appreciated.
We will serve over 800 families this year.

ALL YOU HOLY MEN AND WOMEN,

PRAY FOR US



This year All Saints' Day
Saturday, November 1st is
NOT A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION.
Morning Mass will be celebrated,
as normally scheduled, at 8am.



A Catholic Mass on Veterans Day, **Tuesday, November 11**, will be held outdoors in the Amphitheater at Sarasota National Cemetery at 3pm. This annual Mass, now in its 16th year in the Diocese of Venice, has become a sacred tradition.

Gathering as one people under God, we honor and remember our United States veterans, both living and deceased. All are welcome to attend and join in prayer for the souls of our faithfully departed veterans as well as for those currently in the military, and all who labor to protect the freedom we enjoy. If you are a member of the military, come, and wear your uniform! Opening ceremonies begin at 2:45 p.m.

If you are "flying solo" at this point in your life....whether by choice, widowhood, or divorce, and you would like to socialize with others in the same situation, you are welcomed to sit at our specially designated tables during select entertainment events at the parish.



NEXT WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

MASS	INTENTION	REQUESTED BY
MONDAY	OCTOBER 27	
8:00 am	+Antoinette D'Agositino	Sal & Maureen Bellino
TUESDAY	OCTOBER 28	
8:00 am	+Joseph Scenna	His Loving Daughter & Son-in-Law, Rita & Robert Sokol
WEDNESDAY	OCTOBER 29	
8:00 am	+Stella Bardauskis	Her Loving Family
THURSDAY	OCTOBER 30	
8:00 am	+Albert Kidwell	His Loving Mother, Sally
FRIDAY	OCTOBER 31	
8:00 am	+Ann & James Gallagher	Their Family
SATURDAY	NOVEMBER 1	
8:00 am	+Albert Kidwell	His Loving Mother, Sally
3:30 pm	+John Mehok	Corinne & Charlie
5:30 pm	The Parishioners of St. Leo	
SUNDAY	NOVEMBER 2	
7:30 am	+Joe & +Rose Scenna	Their Loving Daughter & Son in Law, Rita & Robert
9:30 am	+Ross Heim	The St. Leo Bible Study & Prayer Groups
11:30 am	+John L & Mary Lee Volden	Their Loving Family
3:00 pm - Spanish	Special Cumulative Intentions	
5:00 pm	+Adriana Cisneros	Her Loving Family

Hearing Loops are installed around the pews adjacent to the north and south entrances of the church and in the new auditorium. Hearing Loops transmit sound directly into a hearing aid or cochlear implant. To receive the Loop signal, manually activate the T-coil or telephone setting on your device. Consult your audiologist or hearing aid professional with problems.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Experiencing the marvelous presence of Christ through Eucharistic Adoration is available in our Chapel from 7am to 3:30pm Monday through Friday and on Saturdays and Sundays from 7am to 5:30pm.

ST. LEO MARIAN MOVEMENT OF PRIEST CENACLE

On the second Friday of each month in the Cry Room following 8am Mass we pray for good and holy priests for one hour.
For more information contact Betty at 860-595-6370 or holdenbnd@gmail.com

Prayer Group

All are welcome on Wednesday mornings in the Nest Café at 8:45am to pray for our personal intentions and those of our community, country and peace in our world.

Rosary Makers - Wednesday at 10:30 am - Nest Café

All are welcome to join the JMJ Rosary Makers as they make beaded string rosaries. The instructions, supplies and tools required will be provided. Since prayer and evangelization are needed more than ever, so are rosaries.

Walking with Moms in Need is a program at St. Leo which connects pregnant women and new mothers in need with assistance and support. Please go to our website for more information www.stleocatholicchurch.org

The Sewing, Knitting & Crocheting Group

shares their talents to benefit local charities. They welcome volunteers of all skill levels on Tuesdays beginning at noon in the Juan Diego Outreach Center. Contact Bernice Romano at 239-601-5877 with questions.



DAILY PRAYER SCHEDULE

MONDAYS THROUGH THURSDAYS, AND SATURDAYS: 7:15 am-Divine Mercy Chaplet in the Cry Room, 7:30 am-Rosary in the main church.
FRIDAYS: 7:10 am-Divine Mercy Chaplet in the Cry Room, 7:25 am-Rosary in the main church, followed by the Miraculous Medal Novena. We invite you to join us in these wonderful prayers. Your presence and participation are greatly appreciated.



ST LEO'S RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY

Meetings are held in the Nest Café on the last Friday of each month following 8am Mass beginning again in January.
For questions contact Loretta at 917.886.7273 or Peggy at 239.293.3201.



Flowers this week are dedicated to Parishioners of St. Leo

Candles this week are dedicated to †Deceased Parishioners of St. Leo



Please Pray for Our Troops

Lt. Marco Colavecchia	Joseph McDermond
Brian Dearcia Leon	Daniel McDonald
Michael DeSantis	Cpt. Kyle Martin
Cpt. Mary Kate Flynn	Michael Oliveira
Lt. Thomas A. Flynn	Sgt. Thomas Pauls
Cpt. Sean Flynn	Nick Parrorzio
Thomas Geanuracos	Sean Michael Perry
Carlos Gonzales	Cpt. Evan Razzano
Lt. Andrew D. Holt	Lt. Riley N. Schliem
Brian Howlett	Lt. Col. Jonathan W. Schwarz
Lt. Com. Matthew Kleine	Lt. Col. Peter Shayhorn
Reed Lessman	All serving in the military,
Lt. Col. Nicholas LoRusso	especially those in combat.

We pray today for...

Tom Bardol	Jose Manuel Meraz
Jay Bavaro	Jay Miller
Dave Bowezs	Linda Mizur
Tom Brown	Paul Modzelewski
Denise Buk	Barbara Moloney
Isabelle Marie Caiola	Jay Morgan
Patrick Cain	Deborah Muñiz
Carol Compagna	Audrey Grace Neeley
Mark Chambers	Glen Nelson
Mickey Chervitz	Kathleen Nelson
Kevin Clark	Paul Nippert
Scott Cochell	Rita Off
Lourdes Coll	Paul Orzech
Greg Daeger	Connie Phillips
Eli Davis	Aiden Putnam
Janet Davis	Michelle Rendon
Tara DeRoma	Norman Robinson
Carrie Derse	Jack Rubush
Paul Duggan	Tessa Santagate
Brad Fairfield	Cindy Santiago
Matthew Fairfield	Martha Simons
Paula Fairfield	Rosemarie Smedile
Linda Fischel	Y'vonne Socha
Sean Flynn	Kathleen Sonoc
John Galli	Sheryl Southerd
Gisette Lupita Garcia	Cathleen Staid
Esmeralda Gomez Moreira	Jim Stokes
Cory Gray	Charlie Sweeney Jr.
Pauline Graziano	Debra Tailerco
Karen Grimshaw	Michael Taveripte
Ryan Hammond	Kim Thomson
Alan Handsman	Fabio Thurman
Tara Handsman	Tom Thurman
Luke Hass	Eleanor Trevison
Robbin Holcomb	Keanu Vallette
Jack Jeffrey	Debra Vannotti
Jerry Kaehle	Tim Young
Nolan Kane	Michael Warner
Mary Kobel	John White
Peggy Land	George Witkowski
Diane Lamdi	Ray Zanghetti
Emily Lienesch	Annie Zanussi
Cole LoRusso	Anthony, Christine, Fabiala,
Pauline McKeen	Krislin, Michael, Tray. Present
Misaela Mendiola Sandoval	& past parish priests.

Names remain on our prayer list for 30 days & troop list for 6 months.
To add names or update information call the Parish Office at 992-0901 or email: ehernandez@stleocatholicchurch.org

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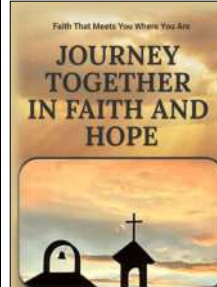
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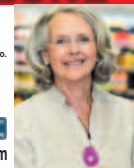
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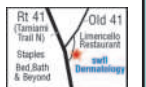


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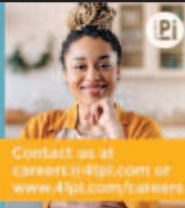
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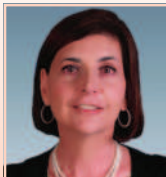
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