



LEONARD CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL

GROWING AS CATHOLICS IN THE IMAGE OF JESUS CHRIST THROUGH WORSHIP, FORMATION AND COMMUNITY.

Lord, let your
mercy be
upon us, as
we place our
trust in you.

Psalm 33:22



March 1 2026

Mass Times

Saturday (Vigil): 5 p.m.
Sunday: 7 a.m., 9 a.m., 11 a.m.
Daily Mass: See page 2

Confessions

Saturday, 3:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration

Monday, 11 a.m.-6 p.m.
Wednesday, 8:30 a.m.-8:30 p.m.

Parish Office Hours

Monday-Thursday: 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.
Friday: 8:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

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Welcome!



Mass Schedule

Tuesday, Mar. 3, Lenten Weekday

12 p.m., chapel
+ Adam Jachimiec

Wednesday, Mar. 4, Lenten Weekday

8 a.m., chapel
+ Phil Stollenwerk

Thursday, Mar. 5, Lenten Weekday

8 a.m., chapel
Timothy Eilers

Friday, Mar. 6, Lenten Weekday

9 a.m., church
+ Eleanore Domanski

Fr. John Cella will preside at the following:

Saturday, Mar. 7, Third Sunday of Lent

5 p.m., church
+ Edward McCoy

Sunday, Mar. 8, Third Sunday of Lent

7 a.m., church
All Parishioners

*9 a.m., church
+ Julie Busch

11 a.m., church
+ Dan Schulist

*livestream: youtube.com/stleonardmuskego

Parish Office | 262-679-1773

Parish membership, marriage, baptism, becoming Catholic, ministry to the sick and homebound, funerals, giving, etc.

- Fr. Pat O'Loughlin, Pastor
- Fr. John Cella, Assisting Priest
- Deacons: Rick Wirch, Larry Ramsey
- Bridget Klawitter, Pastoral Associate
- Bryan Staedler, Director of Worship & Liturgy
- Karen Tenfel, Director of Administrative Services & H.R.
- Michelle Kreuser, Dir. Stewardship & Financial Support
- Samantha Dresen, Dir. Communications & Marketing
- Administrative Assistants: Debbie Sheridan, Terese Smits
- Maintenance: Jim Kahle, Bill Nielsen

Christian Formation | 262-679-0880

Religious education and sacrament prep for youth

- Lisa Jachimiec, Director of Child Formation & Safeguarding
- Bethanne Maus-Schaefer, Director of Youth Ministry
- *We're hiring: Administrative Assistants*

School | 262-679-0451

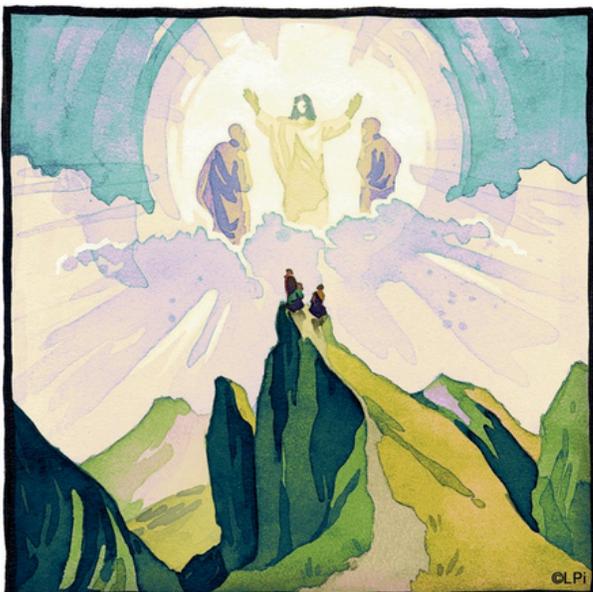
Grades K3-8

- Laura Bisher, Principal
- Brianne Van Acker, Administrative Assistant
- Janet Mroczkowski, Secretary



Additional Resources

Staff Emails (non-clergy)..... first.last@stleonards.org
 Facility Reservation..... calendarrequests@stleonards.org
 Bulletin Articles..... samantha.dresen@stleonards.org
 Daily Readings..... bible.usccb.org
 St. Vincent de Paul..... 262-290-5188
 Crisis Pregnancy..... 262-682-3832
 Athletics..... athletics@stleonards.org
 Trustee Secretary..... Bill Klovas, 414-416-2178
 Trustee Treasurer..... Charles DuPont, 262-679-3452
 Pastoral Council Chair..... Brian Weidner, 414-231-5000
 P.C. Vice-Chair..... Jennifer Hensley, 816-718-5516
 P.C. Secretary..... Bob Prentki, 414-899-4281



Regular Parish Contributions

	Week of 2/15	Year-to- date 2/15	Ash Wed. 2/18	Year-to- date 2/18
Giving				
Budgeted				
Difference				



The Meaning Of Lent

Bridget Klawitter, Pastoral Associate

In the Catholic Church, the year is divided into liturgical seasons based on significant events in the life and earthly ministry of Jesus as well as the great Mysteries of our Faith. The Church Year, as it is called, begins with Advent, which is celebrated as four weeks of preparation before Christmas.

Catholics are called to live liturgically by actually entering into the Church year. Such an approach to life and worship is not simply about re-enacting the great events of Salvation history (what is called the "Paschal Mystery"- the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ). Rather, it is an invitation to all the baptized, living their lives now in the Church- which is the Body of Christ- and thus to enter into the deeper meaning of our faith; to experience our Salvation as an ongoing process as we cooperate with grace and allow the Holy Spirit, the same Spirit which raised Jesus from the dead, to change us from within making us more like Him.

The key to understanding the meaning of Lent is simple: Baptism. Preparation for Baptism and for renewing baptismal commitment lies at the heart of the season. Since the Second Vatican Council, the Church has reemphasized the baptismal character of Lent, especially through the restoration of the Catechumenate and its Lenten rituals. Our challenge today is to renew our understanding of this important season of the Church year and to see how we can integrate our personal practices into this renewed perspective.

Why is Baptism so important in our Lenten understanding? Lent, as a 40-day season, developed in the fourth century from three merging sources. The first was the ancient paschal fast that began as a two-day observance before Easter but was gradually lengthened to 40 days. The second was the catechumenate as a process of preparation for Baptism, including an intense period of preparation for the Sacraments of Initiation to be celebrated at Easter. The third was the Order of Penitents, which was modeled on the catechumenate and sought a second conversion for those who had fallen back into serious sin after Baptism. As the catechumens (candidates for Baptism) entered their final preparation for Baptism, the penitents and the rest of the community accompanied them on their journey and prepared to renew their baptismal vows at Easter.

The 40 days of Lent preceding Easter is based on two Biblical accounts: the 40 years of wilderness wandering by the Israelites, and our Lord's 40 days in the wilderness- at which point He was tempted by Satan. Each year the Church observes Lent where we, like Israel and our Lord, are tested. We participate in abstinence, times of fasting, confession and acts of mercy to strengthen our faith and devotional disciplines. The goal of Christians is to leave Lent stronger and a more vital person of faith than before.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church states, "The seasons and days of penance in the course of the liturgical year (Lent, and each Friday in memory of the death of the Lord) are intense moments of the Church's penitential practice. These times are particularly appropriate for spiritual exercises, penitential liturgies and pilgrimages as signs of penance, voluntary self-denial such as fasting and almsgiving, and fraternal sharing (charitable and missionary works)," (CCC #1438)

Lent officially ends on Holy Thursday. That is when the "Triduum", the great three Days of Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday, occur leading to Easter.

From: <http://www.catholic.org/lent/faq.php>

Prayer List

Dean, Dennis, Matt, Paul,
Tom, Kevin B., Brian
Burley, Rachel C., Mary
Sue Coffey, Bill
Domenosky, Gary Fleming
Jr., Gary Fleming Sr., Joan
Kaminski, Craig Knapp,
Colin M., Maureen M.,
James Makinen, Rose
Mathy, Bob Miller, Tazia
Miron, Melody S., Mary
Schuster, Jane Ann Spieler,
Sue Tomaszewski, Jake W.,
Lisa Welch



New Parishioners

Dustin Ross and his son
Neil Sutschek
Todd & Shirley Roberts
Chuck & Sharon Averkamp
Derek & Taylor Wieting
Wayne and Marion Liss



We announce the passing of:

Former parishioner
Rosemary Ceretto, wife of
the late Joseph

Faith Community Updates



Ministry Fair

Last weekend was our semi-annual Ministry Fair, where we had the chance to learn more about our formation programs for all ages and various committees. Thank you to our volunteers for being here and to our parishioners who attended! Our Ministry Fairs are a great way to learn about how you can get involved in our mission, and to meet those coordinating the initiatives that make it happen.



Soup & Bread

We couldn't have made our Ash Wednesday Soup & Bread Meal possible without the help of many parishioners who donated meal items or volunteered their time. Let's allow this meal to remind us about the importance of community on our journey of faith.



We're Hiring

We are seeking two part-time **Christian Formation Administrative Assistants**. This will be a paired job position for two forward thinking and collaborative people, with a split week or split day schedule. For more information and application instructions, visit tinyurl.com/3swzfjv3

Spring Forward One Hour

Sunday, Mar. 8

*Daylight savings
time begins.*



What's Coming Up



Adult Volleyball League

The St. Leonard Adult Volleyball League is back! The league is a 30 and over parish league with friendly competition. Games are held on Sunday evenings in the St. Leonard gym from March 8 to May 3 (Except Easter Sunday). The fee is \$12 per person, payable the first night. For more information and to sign up, please contact Linda Elliott by Monday, Mar. 2 at 414-916-7999 or PatnLinda72@gmail.com. New players- couples and singles- are welcome!



Lenten Collects For Local Non-Profits

The Human Concerns Committee will collect NEW items for Kathy's House, which provides lodging and a supportive environment to families experiencing illness- either themselves or a loved one. Please leave items in the wooden bins:

March 8/9: Kathy's House

- Ziploc bags
- paper napkins
- coffee pods
- free & clear laundry detergent, dryer sheets
- swiffer dusters
- toilet bowl cleaner
- dishwasher detergent
- dish soap
- trash bags (40 gallon clear, 13 gallon kitchen)

Place items in the wooden bins near the side entrances of the church. Kathy's House also has an Amazon Wish List if you'd prefer to shop and donate online. Online donations will be sent directly to Kathy's House.



Mom Connect: A New Ministry

Begins March 4, 10 a.m.-11 a.m., Little Leos Room

Moms and their children (ages four and under) are invited to our new ministry, Mom Connect, on the first and third Wednesdays of each month for time to share, learn with each other and play! We will meet in the Little Leos Room (in the Gathering Space down the corridor across from the restrooms). Please enter through the side door by the Marian Garden.

More to come: Starting in April, a guest speaker will join us on the first Wednesdays of the month. We are excited to share more details as this ministry grows.

For questions or thoughts, contact Michelle in the Parish Office at michelle.kreuser@stleonards.org or call 262-679-1773.



What's Coming Up



Happy Daze

Parish Senior Group for Ages 55+

March 9, 1 p.m.-3 p.m., Gathering Space

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day with an Irish themed lunch, games, fellowship and fun! RSVP to Judy at 414-331-9105 or tinyurl.com/2026marchHD



Easter Food Collection

You can help the Human Concerns committee provide an Easter meal for those in need. We are seeking volunteers to donate food and paper items. Sign up at tinyurl.com/52vw44u3

- Drop off non-perishable items in the wooden bins on the sides of the Gathering Space the weekend of March 21-22 before or after Masses.
- Drop off perishable items in front of the main doors of church on March 28, 9 a.m.-9:30 a.m.

For questions contact Melissa Rabe at 262-951-1886 or smrabe6@gmail.com



Building Men Of Virtue

This year's Men of Christ conference will be held on March 14 at the Miller High Life Theater in Milwaukee. Join other men from around the Archdiocese of Milwaukee for a day of "faith, camaraderie, confession, and renewal." Our theme this year is "Building Men of Virtue." The day will include prayer, fellowship and guest speakers, plus Vigil Mass with Archbishop Grob. Lunch is included with registration. Register online at menofchrist.net. Use discount code MOC20Virtue for 20% off.



Sign Up For Futsal (Grades K4-4)

Futsal is a fast-paced, indoor version of soccer played with a smaller, heavier ball on a basketball court. Teams are smaller (typically 5 players per side), which means every player is constantly involved in the action. The game emphasizes ball control, quick passing, and creativity- skills that translate directly to outdoor soccer! Register by March 3 at registration.teamsnap.com/form/52535

At this time, the season is tentative. Registration is being used to gather a headcount of students who are interested in participating. The season would be April-May. For questions email athletics@stleonards.org