

**FEBRUARY 12, 2017**  
**SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



## **ST. LEO'S/HOLY ROSARY PARISH**

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**Web Site:** www.stleos-holyrosary.org  
**Pastor:** Reverend Vincent Dang  
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**Baptisms:** Call the Rectory  
**Weddings:** Call the Rectory

**READINGS:** (Feb. 19) Lv 19:1-2, 17-18 Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13 1 Cor 3:16-23 Mt 5:38-48  
Offer no resistance to one who persecutes you. Rather, love your neighbor as you love yourself. As the Lord is gracious and merciful, treat others in the same way, humbling yourself before the Lord.

### **St. Leo's/Holy Rosary Mission Statement**

We, the members of the Body of Christ of the Parish of St. Leo's/Holy Rosary, in fullness of love of God and Neighbor, wish to affirm our unity in faith, expressed most completely in the celebration of the Eucharist. We continue the work of our founder Jesus Christ in serving all in healing, charity, religious education, promotion of vocations, community involvement and welcoming all to the fullness of faith through the Sacraments.

**Parish Office Hours:**  
**Monday through Friday**  
**8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.**

**VIETNAMESE MASS:** There will be a Vietnamese Mass on Sunday, Feb. 19, 2017 at 2 p.m. All are welcome!

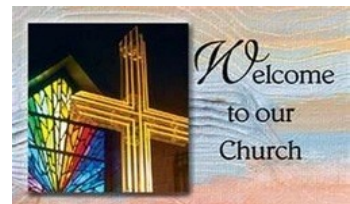
### **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**

**WEEKEND** — Saturday 4:30 p.m., Sunday 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.  
**WEEKDAYS** — 8:00 a.m. all weekdays except Wednesday  
**HOLY DAYS** — (Vigil) 5:15 p.m., (Day) 8:00 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.

### **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

All weekdays except Wednesday at 7:45 a.m.  
Saturday — 3:45 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. or by appointment

**NEW PARISHIONERS:** We, St. Leo's/Holy Rosary Parish welcome new parishioners to register with our parish by calling the Rectory at (570) 825-6669 or stopping by during office hours. We are handicap accessible in the rear side of the church. We also invite you to visit our web page at <http://stleos-holyrosary.org>. Thank you.



**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION / CCD INFORMATION**

**Our CCD Motto is "MASS AND CLASS OR CLASS AND MASS"**

**Classes are from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. on Sunday.**

**Mrs. Michele Casey, DRE (570) 760-9793**

**NO CCD CLASS:** There will be no CCD Classes on Sun., Feb. 19 in observance of President's Day. Classes will resume on Sun., Feb. 26.

**SAFETY OF OUR CHILDREN:** Please lookout for the safety of our children especially as they are dismissed from CCD class at 10:30 a.m. when you may be arriving for 11:00 a.m. Mass. Thank you.

**WEATHER CONDITIONS:** Your children's safety is always the primary concern of ours. Please use your discretion if you choose to send your children to CCD in inclement weather.

**THANK YOU:** A special thank you to Erin Frank, Michele Casey, Robert Passetti, parents and those who helped the children for their First Penance. Thank you to those that participated in the children's mass. May the Lord Bless you for your faithfulness and love to our church.

**SAVE THE DATE:** First Holy Communion will be celebrated **Sun., May 7 at 11a.m.** Please save this important date in your calendars. Thank you.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:** Congratulations to the members of the St Leo the Great Council for receiving the Columbian Award for the 2016 fraternal year. This award is presented annually to councils who exhibit excellence in volunteer program activities related to Church, community, council, Culture of Life, family, and youth. Since being chartered in 1997, St Leo the Great Council has attained this award every year.

**WINTER WEATHER:** When attending mass during the winter season because of slippery conditions please enter through the Church Hall or use the Church side door. Thank you.

**GREETERS:** The greeter for Sat., Feb. 11 at 4:30 p.m. is Maggie Falchek and for Sun., Feb. 12 at 8:30 a.m. are Mary Kay Gavlick and Alyssa Gayewski and at 11:00 a.m. is Catherine Smith. The greeter for Sat., Feb. 18 at 4:30 p.m. is Ann Drazba and for Sun., Feb. 19 at 8:30 a.m. is Mary Lou Cook and at 11:00 a.m. is Rose Mary Strish. Thank you for your faithful service to our parish.

**CANTOR SCHEDULE:** Sat., Feb. 18 at 4:00 p.m. Julianna; Sun., Feb. 19 at 8:30 a.m. Bob & at 11:00 a.m. Lynn. Thank you for your faithful service to our parish.

**2016 DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL:** "Living Faith Serving with Mercy." Our Parish Goal is \$35,000.00. So far we have donated \$22,088.00. Please be generous. Thank you and God Bless.

**THANK YOU:** Thank you for your generosity to the 2nd collection last weekend for Care and Education of Priests. May God Bless you always.

**WORLD DAY OF THE SICK:** In observance of the World Day of the Sick, anointing of the sick will take place after all masses the weekend of Feb. 11 & 12.

**WORLD MARRIAGE DAY:** In observance of World Marriage Day, there will be a renewal of marriage vows on Sat., Feb. 18 at the 4:30 p.m. mass and on Sun., Feb. 19 at the 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. masses.

Couples should attend mass together so you can renew your marriage vows and receive your blessing.

**HOLY NAME SOCIETY MEETING:** Will be held Sun., Feb. 12 after the 11 a.m. Mass. All members are asked to attend. Thank you.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING:** Will be held Tuesday, February 14, at 7 p.m. in the Church Hall. All members are urged to attend.

**ALTAR & ROSARY/ST. ANN'S SOCIETY MEETING:** Will be held Sunday, February 26 at **2 p.m.** in the Church Hall. The report on our Piggie Dinner will be given and we will begin the planning for our Victorian Tea in April. Hostesses will be Maggie Falchek and Mary Lou Cook. New members are always welcomed.

**SPAGHETTI DINNER:** St. Robert Bellarmine Parish will hold a spaghetti dinner Sunday, Feb. 19 from 12 - 4 p.m. For info call (570) 823-3791.

**2017 CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE: MARY'S CALL TO BATTLE**: Will be held Saturday, May 6, 2017 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at King's College Scandlon Physical Education Center 149 N. Main St. Wilkes-Barre. \$35 (Early Bird \$30 until 4/15/17, Student \$15, Light breakfast and box lunch included. Info and registration: (570) 207-2213/www.BeAManConference.com.

**ST. NICHOLAS/ST. MARY'S ANNUAL WINTER BAZAAR:** Will be held Fri., Feb. 17 from 3 - 9 p.m. at the school gym located at 242 S. Washington St. WB. For info call (570) 823-8089.

Dear Parishioners and Friends:

The steps replacement project on the east side of the church is complete! Steps are available for use and the elevator is back in service. New awnings that will cover all the landings and steps are being custom-cut. They should be available for installation around Feb. 13. Temporary lighting has been installed until the new awnings are installed and then permanent lighting will be installed. Thanks to all parishioners and visitors for your patience during the steps work.

Tom Nealon has completed work for the 2016 project on the Ed Center/Food Pantry. He installed 44 new windows and 4 steel doors with safety exit hardware. New aluminum siding also was installed in non-brick areas. In March, Tom will redo the side porches and remove the outside steps. He will install new steps from the second floor porch to the first floor porch. He will also enclose the porches with the same siding as the remainder of the Ed Center.

We are awaiting the new St. Joseph's statue that will stand to the rear of the rectory. The base and upright granite pieces are in place.

Last year, we also installed the new air conditioner system. The rectory exterior walls were repaired and painted. The two-car garage and the large storage building were painted and some new blacktopping was put in place. LED flood lights were installed on the front of the church to light up the steps and sidewalk. Tom Hooper rebuilt the storage closet in the northeast corner of the church hall.

We thank all donors who have contributed toward the projects. Please continue to support our parish projects. All work, completed and planned, is being made possible by donations from church organizations, parishioners and friends of St. Leo's/Holy Rosary Church.

Again, thank you! Let us join hands together to do God's work. May God's love and blessings be with you always.

Father Vinnie, Finance Committee and Projects Subcommittee

**PERPETUAL NOVENA IN HONOR OF OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL:** Every Monday after 8 a.m. Mass the Novena will be prayed. Please come to honor our Blessed Virgin Mary.

**DEVOTIONS IN HONOR OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS:** Every First Friday of the Month we will have devotions in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus following 8 a.m. Mass.

**COMMUNION FOR THE HOMEBOUND:** Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion from St. Leo's/Holy Rosary take Holy Communion to the sick and homebound. Calls are made on the First Friday and Third Sunday of every month. Please advise family members or friends who cannot attend Mass that they can have an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion bring the Lord Jesus to them. Anyone wishing to receive Communion may call the Rectory, (570) 825-6669 or Toni Riscavage, (570) 868-8215 or Debbie Milford, (570) 829-5356.

**HOSPITAL/HOME VISITS:** If you or a love one are hospitalized or homebound and wish a visit from Father Dang, please notify the rectory (570) 825-6669. Father Dang wants to make sure that his parishioners are visited and blessed when they are ill. He will be happy to hear confessions when requested. Thank you.

**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:** Please pray for Jared and Debbie Bellas, John Lucas, Lois O'Hara, Flavia Pollick, Florence Ryder, Ron Warke, Robert Cronauer, Lorraine Shinko, Mary Golias, Lila Aukstakalnis, Tom Smith, Marion Ferguson, Harry Bobos, Joyce Seiger, Jerry Cavanaugh, Geri Truschel, William Vancosky, Katherine Svetz, Bonnie Magda, Frank Kempf, Louise & Ron Brandt, Robert Lusk, Jean Wiernusz, Karen Hannis, Leonard Kelly, James Curry and Richard Curry, Ann Fedak, Amanda Braley, Robert Pepperling, Appi Pepperling, Carla Schlegel, Jackson Chapasko, Faye Klings, Margaret Sipple, Robert Bozek, Christopher Fee, Karen Spagnola, Bonnie Turchin, Maryann Lavan, Richard Reed, Jesse Mendoza, Mary Benson, Sophie DeLuca, Anna Lorraine Merlie, Billy Shemanski, Carl Bozinko, Mary Krupa, Ruth Kackauskas, Maureen Latzman, Rodell Dunn, Richard Walton, Colleen Lorelli, Elizabeth Spagnola, Jared Banesh, Mary Jo Murphy, George Warman, David Bukoski Jr., Kate and Jacob Ide, Mary Tomasko, Jonathan Elick, Jimmy Kinney, Peanut Frantz, Sally Hooper, Janet Tyson, Sara White, Richard Prestas, Robert Norkus, Dan R., Elaine Golias, Joseph Cianciotta and Christie Wolff and the faithful departed especially Florence Boston and all our parishioners. We will be listing in the bulletin names of people who are ill or need our prayers. If you have someone you would like us to pray for, please call the rectory at (570) 825-6669.

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday	02/13	8:00 AM	Mary Collins	Family
Tuesday	02/14	8:00 AM	Ross A. Beckley	Wife & Family
Wednesday	02/15	8:00 AM	No Mass	
Thursday	02/16	8:00 AM	Gerald Mizenko	Mike & Joanne Dinoski
Friday	02/17	8:00 AM	Cathy Ostrowski	Family
Saturday	02/18	4:30 PM	John Nealon Sr.	Wife & Family
Sunday	02/19	8:30 AM	Joseph J. Pechulis	George Strish Family
		11:00 AM	George H. Taggart Sr.	Robert & Rose O'Donnell
		2:00 PM	Vietnamese Mass	

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE WILL BURN THIS WEEK IN MEMORY OF PAUL LATZKO BY LAVERNE & AL LATZKO. A BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE WILL BURN THIS WEEK IN MEMORY OF ROSS A. BECKLEY BY WIFE & FAMILY; IN MEMORY OF PAULINE EVANS BY CELESTINE WENDOLOWSKI; IN MEMORY OF TOM HART SR. BY WIFE JO & FAMILY; IN MEMORY OF IRENE DRAZBA BY HER DAUGHTER; IN MEMORY OF ALBERT RUSAK BY WIFE & FAMILY; IN MEMORY OF LORETTA GRAHAM BY FAMILY AND IN MEMORY OF MICHAEL BELLAS BY BELLAS FAMILY. A SACRED HEART CANDLE WILL BURN THIS WEEK IN MEMORY OF EDWARD J. HOLLAND BY EDWARD J. HOLLAND JR.; IN MEMORY OF IRENE DRAZBA BY HUSBAND & DAUGHTER; IN MEMORY OF IRA & ELIZABETH MOYER BY GRANDDAUGHTER ANN AND IN LOVING MEMORY OF BILL GALARDI BY WIFE NANCY & SONS.

### CANDLES

There are Sanctuary, Blessed Mother and Sacred Heart Candles available for 2017. If you would like to dedicate a candle for someone, please call the rectory at (570) 825-6669. Thank you.

**SOUPER SUNDAY CANNED SOUPS COLLECTION THANK YOU:** The Holy Name Society's 2nd Souper Bowl Soup Collection netted **400** cans of soup, over double the collection from the first year. A special thanks to all who contributed! May God Bless you abundantly for your generosity.

**ANNOUNCEMENT IN BULLETIN:** Attention societies and organizations, if you would like to place an announcement in the bulletin, the deadline is Tuesday. Thank you.

**THANK YOU:** **With gratitude for your Weekly Sacrifice!** We are grateful to all those who financially sacrifice to support our parish and its ministries! May God Bless you for your faithfulness, generosity and love.

**TAX STATEMENT:** Itemized statements of contributions for tax purposes will be issued to any parishioner requesting one. Please call the office (570) 825-6669. Thank you.

**25TH OR 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY:** His Excellency, the Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L., Bishop of Scranton, and the Office for Parish Life wish to invite couples celebrating their 25<sup>th</sup> or 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary in 2017 to a diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sun., June 11. The event includes a 2:30 P.M. mass at St. Peter's Cathedral followed by a reception. Requests for an invitation, with a mailing address, should be made by registering with the office before March 13. Please call (570) 825-6669. Thank you.

**SOUP & SALAD SALE:** Centenary United Methodist Church 25 N. Main St. Ashley will hold a Soup & Salad Sale Sat., Feb. 18 from 3:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. Tickets available at the door. \$5/adult & children 10 & under/\$2.50.

**CHOIR:** The choir is looking for additional members and anyone who plays an instrument and wants to share their talents to enhance our worship celebration please see Bob Passetti, Music Director after any mass or call him at (570) 814-1747. **Adult Choir practice is from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on Wednesday Evenings.** Thank you and God Bless you always.

### ASHLEY FOOD PANTRY

**Items in special need during February:** Tea, Coffee, Spaghettios and Ravioli.

**Thank you:** Thank you to all who have donated.

May God Bless you for your kindness and generosity!

### COMMITMENT OF TREASURE

*Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not Reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver— II*

<b>Weekly Collection for 02/05/17</b>	<b>\$5,905.80</b>
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<b>Second Collection Care &amp; Education of Priests</b>	<b>\$589.26</b>
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