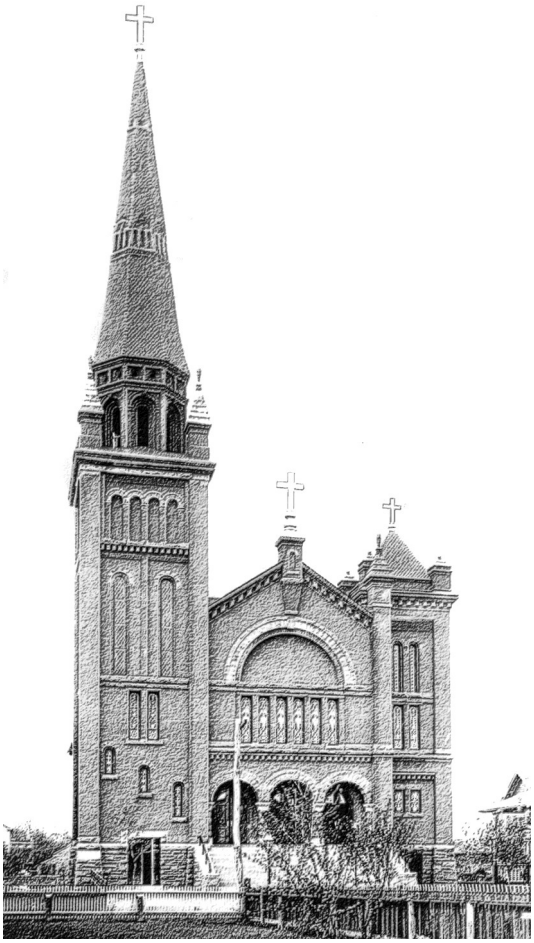
FEBRUARY 15, 2015
SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



ST. LEO'S /HOLY ROSARY PARISH

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Weddings	Call the Rectory

READINGS: (Feb. 22) Gn 9:8-15 Ps 25:4-9 1 Pt 3:18-22 Mk 1:12-15
Mindful of his covenant, the Lord promises never to destroy creation again by flood waters. The waters of baptism bring salvation and forgiveness through the death of Christ. After fasting forty days and being put to the test, Jesus begins his public ministry.

CHURCH ENVELOPES: 2015 Church envelopes are available in the church vestibule. Please pick them up as soon as possible. If you can't find your envelopes, please contact the rectory and we will issue envelopes for you. Thank you for your cooperation and may God Bless you for your faithful service to our parish.

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

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

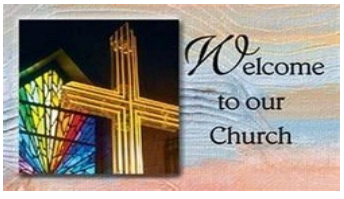
WEEKEND — Saturday 4:30 p.m., Sunday 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
WEEKDAYS — 8:00 a.m. all weekdays except Wednesday
HOLY DAYS — (Vigil) 5:15 p. m., (day) 8:00 a.m., & 5:30 p.m.

VIETNAMESE MASS : There will be a Vietnamese Mass on Sunday, February 22, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. All are welcome!

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 stop 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 from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. on Sunday.

CCD: There will be no CCD classes Sunday, Feb. 15 due to the observance of Presidents' Day.

CHILDREN'S MASS: There will be a children's Mass on Sunday, February 22 at 8:30 a.m. Please bring your children to attend and participate in the mass.

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.

CATHOLIC STUDENTS: Those students attending catholic school and belonging to St. Leo's/Holy Rosary Church should receive the sacraments in our parish. Please register through the office or the CCD Director Michelle Casey at (570)760-9793. Deadline is as soon as possible. Thank you.

SAVE THE DATE: Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on **Tuesday, April 7, 2015** at 5:00 p.m. by Emeritus Bishop John M. Dougherty. First Holy Communion will be celebrated on **Saturday, May 2, 2015**, at 11:00 a.m. Please save these important dates in your calendars. Thank you.

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

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: Eucharistic ministers 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 a Holy Communion Minister bring the Lord in the Eucharist. Please call the rectory, Toni Riscavage, 868-8215 or Paul Golias, 829-6251.

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

SUMMER FESTIVAL 2015: The Committee has been formed. Arlene Hooper-Walsh is the Chairperson and Rose Murray is the Co-Chairperson. The dates of our Summer Festival are June 25, 26 & 27. This is our most important parish activity. Thank you so much for your dedication and service to our parish. God Bless you.

DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL: As we come closer to the end of the diocesan annual appeal we are grateful for all your kindness and generosity. Our parish goal is $44,000.00. We have collected $22,530.00. Please give what you can and send your donation directly to the Office of the Diocesan Annual Appeal. May God Bless you always.

GREETERS: The greeters for the weekend of Feb. 14/15: Feb 14 at 4:30 p.m. are Dorothy Hess & Faye Klinges and Feb. 15 at 8:30 a.m. are Angie & Jackson Chapasko and Feb. 15 at 11:00 a.m. are Theresa & Ray Yedlock. The greeters for the weekend of Feb 21/22: Feb 21 at 4:30 p.m. is Ann Drazba and Feb 22 at 8:30 a.m. Children's Mass and at 11:00 a.m. is Marianne Shulo.

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. 21 & 22.

WORLD MARRIAGE DAY: In observance of World Marriage Day, there will be a renewal of marriage vows on Saturday February 14 at the 4:30 p.m. mass and on Sunday at 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.

CONGRATULATIONS: Congratulations to the newly baptized members of our parish Finn William Lorentz, son of Luke Raymond and Beth Ann Lorentz and Maddox John Centak son of John James and Erica Ann Centak, on Sunday, Feb. 8. May God Bless them.

ALTAR & ROSARY/ST. ANN'S SOCIETY: The Altar & Rosary /St. Ann's Society will hold a meeting on March 1 at 1PM in the church hall. Final report will be given on the Piggie Dinner which was a success, thanks to everyone who participated. Hostesses for the social to follow the meeting are: Mary Lou Cook and Maggie Falchek. New members are always welcomed.

CHOIR PRACTICE: Choir practice will be held every Wednesday. The Youth Choir will meet at 6:00 p.m. The Adult Choir will meet at 7:00 p.m. All parishioners are welcome to come and raise their voices in praise. Looking forward to seeing everyone there! For questions please call Bob Passetti, Music Director at 570-814-1747. Thank you.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY: The Holy Name Society will sell potato pancake batter on Ash Wednesday. Orders for containers, at $6 each, may be placed by calling the rectory at 825-6669 or Tom Heiser at 824-9741. Deadline for orders is Thursday , Feb. 19 at 10 a.m. Batter can be picked up following the noon Mass on Ash Wednesday, until 2 p.m. Batter also will be sold to fill orders or until the supply is exhausted at the Friday Lenten food sales in the church hall. The society will offer clam chowder, mushroom soup, halushki, tuna hoagies, pirohy and a special non-meat item each week on the Fridays of Lent from noon to 5p.m. Eat in or take out. The special item for the first week is macaroni and cheese with stewed tomatoes. The annual ham & kielbasa bingo will be held Sunday, March 22 starting at 1 p.m. in the church hall. The kitchen will be open! Thank you for your support and patronage!

CYRENIANS: The Cyrenians will have their annual **Night at the Races on Saturday, Feb. 21.** See Insert regarding sponsoring horses and races. SPONSOR A RACE: Please call Maire Gorham at 570 814-7445 if you wish to sponsor a race. Race sponsors can be in memory of someone, by a business a family sponsorship, by politicians or in thanks for something. A race sponsor costs $25.00. You can either fill out the form or call Maire. RAFFLE: We are seeking donations of bottles of liquor and wine to be raffled off at "A Night at the Races". For more information call John Walsh at 824-2294 or drop off any donations at the rectory.

LIVING STATIONS: On Feb. 15 after the 11 a.m. mass there will be a meeting for Living Stations in the church hall. This is opened to the Parish for casting, props, lighting and narrators. If interested and not able to make it please call Lynn @ 570 817-3815 and leave a message.

ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES: There will be three (3) Masses on Wednesday, Ash Wednesday, Feb. 18 at 8:00 a.m., Noon and 5:30 p.m. Ashes will be distributed at each mass. Please come and begin the 40 days of our Lenten journey.

LENTEN REGULATIONS: As Jesus fasted 40 days in the desert, the Church traditionally fasts during Lent. A form of bodily prayer, fasting and abstinence in union with other Christians reminds us of our utter dependence on and love for God. A gesture of repentance, fasting is symbolic of change of heart as we turn away from sin to live in fidelity to the Gospel. **Fasting**: Ages 18-59 fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, limiting ourselves to one full meal and two smaller meals each day, with no snacking between meals. **Abstinence**: Catholics age 14 and older abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all the Fridays of Lent.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Praying the Stations of the Cross is a way to embrace the passion of Jesus as we journey through Lent. Please join Fr. Dang every Friday evening at 6 p.m. in St. Leo's/Holy Rosary Church for this Lenten devotion.

VIETNAMESE NEW YEAR MASS: Sunday, February 22 at 2 p.m. the Vietnamese Community will celebrate the New Year, the Year of the Goat with a Mass at St. Leo's/Holy Rosary Church. A reception will immediately follow the Mass in the Church hall. All are welcome to celebrate with the Vietnamese brothers and sisters.

CHUC MUNG NAM MOI !

Happy New Year !

PENNSYLVANIANS FOR HUMAN LIFE: Are in need of baby cribs that are in good condition and have sides that do not go down. Call 570 826-1819 if you wish to donate.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Please pray for Jared & Debbie Bellas, John Lucas, Rita Bly, Lois O'Hara, Flavia Pollick, Florence Ryder, Ron Warke, Robert Cronauer, Joseph Nealon Sr., Julie Harlen, Lorraine Shinko, Dane McSparron, Mary Golias, Eileen Aukstakalnis, Tom Smith, Joyce Kahlau, Marion Ferguson, Harry Bobos, Joyce Seiger, Jerry Cavanaugh, Barbara Smith, Geri Truschel, William Vancosky, Katherine Svetz, Joseph Murray, Bonnie Magda, Frank Kempf, Louise & Ron Brandt, Robert Lusk, Paul Nice, Jean Wiernusz, John H. Hooper, III, Karen Hannis, Leonard Kelly, James Curry and Richard Curry, Ann Fedak, Amanda Braley, Nancy Mc Govern, Gerald Mizenko, Robert Pepperling, Appi Pepperling, Florence Borkoski, Bill Galardi, John Sheeder and the faithful departed especially all our parishioners. We will be listing in the bulletin names of people who and are ill or need our prayers. If you have someone you would like us to pray for, please call Marianne at the rectory office 570-825-6669.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday	02/16	8:00 AM	Mary Collins	Phil & Maire Gorham
Tuesday	02/17	8:00 AM	Cathy Ostrowski	Family
Wednesday	02/18	8:00 AM	Frank C. Hourigan Jr.	Henry F. Smith Sr. M.D.
		12:00 PM	Ray Long	John Mazza
		5:30 PM	Dorothy Henahan	John Gibbons
Thursday	02/19	8:00 AM	Edna Madrak	Family
Friday	02/20	8:00 AM	Dawn Mullin	Jim Mullin Family
Saturday	02/21	4:30 PM	Deceased Dobranski & Rygielski Families	Dobranski Family
Sunday	02/22	8:30 AM	For Our Parishioners	
		11:00 AM	Clara Sabatura	Daughter & Grandchildren
		2:00 PM	Vietnamese Mass	

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE WILL BURN THIS WEEK IN MEMORY OF WILLIAM MCGOWAN BY WIFE & FAMILY.
A BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE WILL BURN THIS WEEK IN MEMORY OF ROSS BECKLEY BY WIFE & FAMILY; IN MEMORY OF MICHAEL BELLAS BY THE BELLAS FAMILY; IN MEMORY OF THOMAS M. HART SR. BY JO HART & FAMILY; AND IN MEMORY OF KATHERINE LEWANDOSKI BY HUSBAND & FAMILY.
A SACRED HEART CANDLE WILL BURN THIS WEEK IN MEMORY OF IRA & ELIZABETH MOYER BY GRANDDAUGHTER ANN, IN MEMORY OF KAY LEWANDOSKI BY ST. LEO CYRENIANS; FOR A SPECIAL INTENTION BY EMMA MARIE MARKEY AND IN MEMORY OF MATILDA NARDONE AND ROBBIE NARDONE FROM THEIR LOVING FAMILY.

Please remember them in our prayers.

CANDLES: There are still Sanctuary, Blessed Mother and Sacred Heart Candles available for 2015. If you would like to dedicate a candle for someone, please call the rectory at 570-825-6669.

PARISH MINISTRIES : 25TH OR 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY: His Excellency, The Most Rev. Joseph C. Bambera, D. D., J.C.L., Bishop of Scranton, and the Office for Parish Life wish to invite couples celebrating their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in 2015 to a diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 7. 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 through Father Dang before March 16.

FOOD BANK ITEMS IN SPECIAL NEED:
Coffee, Tea, Vegetable Soup, Tuna Helper, Cereal, Pancake Mix/Syrup and Crackers.

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 Corinthians 9:7

Weekly Collection for 02/08/15	**$7,042.46**
Second Collection for 02/08/15	**$582.00**