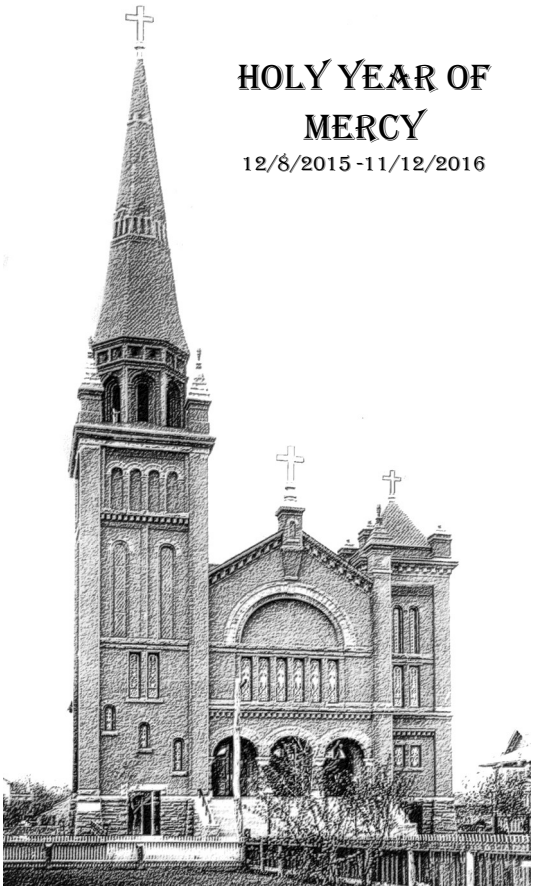
MARCH 20, 2016
PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD



HOLY YEAR OF MERCY
12/8/2015 -11/12/2016

ST. LEO'S/HOLY ROSARY PARISH

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

READINGS: (Mar. 27) Acts 10:34a, 37-43 Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 Col 3:1-4 or Cor 5:6b-8 Jn 20:1-9
On this day of days we offer a joyful sacrifice of praise to the Father who raised his Son from the dead. Let us be intent upon the life of Christ offers us, Christ our Passover who has been sacrificed.

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.

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

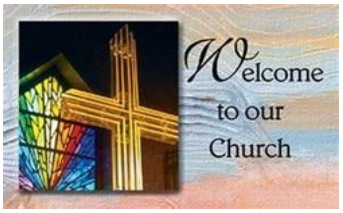
WEEKEND — Saturday 4:30 p.m., Sunday 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
WEEKDAYS — 8:00 a.m. all weekdays except Wednesday
HOLY DAYS — (Vigil) 5:15 p.m., (Day) 8:00 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.

VIETNAMESE MASS: There will be a Vietnamese Mass on Sunday, April 17, 2016 at 2 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 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.

THANK YOU: Father Vinnie would like to thank parents, children and teachers who participated in the Children's Mass last Sunday. May God Bless you always.

SAVE THE DATE: First Holy Communion will be celebrated on **Saturday, May 7, 2016 at 11 a.m**. Please save this important date in your calendars. Thank you.

NO CLASSES: There will be no CCD classes on Easter Sunday, March 27.

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.

LENTEN REGULATIONS: **Fasting**: Ages 18-59 fast on Good Friday. **Abstinence**: Catholics age 14 and older abstain from meat on Good Friday and all the Fridays of Lent.

CONFESSION: There will be confession on Monday, March 21 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at St. Leo's/Holy Rosary Church. Please come and return to God's grace, mercy and healing. Thank you.

2016 SUMMER FESTIVAL: St. Leo's/Holy Rosary's Summer Festival is scheduled for **June 23 - 25, 2016**.

SUMMER FESTIVAL PIEROGIES: In preparation to make the pierogies for the festival the following items are needed: Gold Medal flour, cooper cheese and butter. Please do not substitute any other flour or cheese. We have found over the years there items make the best pierogies. There will be boxes marked in the back of the Church for donations or they can be dropped off at the Rectory, Monday - Friday during business hours 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Thank you and God Bless you.

GREETERS: The greeters for Sat., March 19 at 4:30 p.m. are Catherine Smith, Ann Drazba, Maggie Falchek and Ellen Davis and for Sun., March 20 at 8:30 a.m. are Mary Kay Gavlick & Alyssa Gayewski and for 11:00 a.m. are Rose Murray & Trish Savitsky. Good Friday Service, March 25 at 2:00 p.m. are Jean Schappert and Mary Lou Cook and Holy Saturday, March 26 at 8:00 p.m. are Maggie Falchek and John Walsh. Easter Sunday, March 27 at 8:30 a.m. is Mary Lou Cook and at 11:00 a.m. are Catherine Smith and Mary Heiser. Thank you for your faithful service to our parish.

CYRENIANS: The Cyrenians will host "**A Night At The Races**" Sat., April 2 in the church hall. Doors open at 5:45 p.m. Food is served at 6 p.m. Post time is 7 p.m. Admission is $5.00. To purchase a horse or sponsor a race, please call the Rectory (570) 825-6669 or Jackie Lehman (570) 823-6633. You must be 21 years of age to attend. They will be selling horses before and after all Masses. March 19 at 4:30 p.m. Helen Rice & Charlotte Neupauer and March 20 at 8:30 a.m. - Jackie Lehman.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Knights of Columbus will meet Tues., March 22 at 7 p.m. in the Church Hall. All members are urged to attend.

ST. VINCENT DEPAUL SOCIETY: The St. Vincent DePaul Society will not hold a meeting during the month of March. Their next meeting will be in May. Any questions call Christine Casey at (570) 262-5008.

EASTER TRIDUUM SCHEDULE: March 24, Holy Thursday, The Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7 p.m., March 25, Good Friday Service at 2 p.m. & Living Stations at 7 p.m. March 26, Easter Vigil at 8 p.m. and March 27, Easter Sunday at 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. The Blessing of the Easter Food Baskets will be on Saturday, March 26 at 2 p.m. Please come to celebrate the Easter Triduum at St. Leo's/Holy Rosary Church. Altar servers are asked to report to the Sacristy on Holy Thursday by 6:15 p.m. for instructions for that Mass and for the remainder of the Easter Triduum.

NO AM MASSES: There will be no 8:00 a.m. Mass on Holy Thursday and Good Friday.

HOLY THURSDAY: Those participating in the Washing of the Feet on Holy Thursday, March 24 please report to the Church at 6:30 p.m. Thank you.

GOOD FRIDAY: There will be a collection on Good Friday for the Holy Land. Please be generous.

HOLY SATURDAY: The Eucharistic Lord will be carried in procession in the church on Holy Saturday following Mass. In addition, parishioners representing our societies and ministries will carry the symbols of our faith as presented to us during Holy Week.

THANK YOU: Fr. Vinnie wishes to thank those who participated in attending the Stations of the Cross during the Lent Season at St. Leo's/Holy Rosary Church.

PARKING: Please respect the church property by not parking on the sidewalk in front of the church. These walks were repaved last year. Your support of our improvement projects is greatly appreciated and we appeal for your co-operation in maintaining the property. Thank you and God Bless you.

CHOIR: Adult Choir practice is from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on Wednesday Evenings. Thank you and God Bless you always. Any questions please call Bob Passetti at (570) 814-1747.

LIVING STATIONS: Living Stations Set Up will be Sun., March 20 at 3 p.m. Practice Schedule: Sun. 3/20 at 5 to 8 p.m. Dress Rehearsal (All Cast/Crew/Props) Pizza Party to follow. Mon, 3/21 at 6 p.m. Tentative Practice for (Jesus/Soldiers/Mary/Mary M. and John/Veronica/women/children). Any questions please call Lynn Cole at (570) 817-3815 and please leave your name and number. Thank you.

CYRENIANS' SEDER SUPPER: On Wed., March 23 the Cyrenians will be having their annual Covered Dish "Seder Supper". Anyone wishing to attend, please call the church or Jackie Lehman at (570) 823-6633 and give your name, how many are attending and what you will bring. It is a covered dish supper and no desserts are requested but you will need to bring your own juice, soda, water or wine for your attendees.

CYRENIANS: The Cyrenians will meet Sun., March 20 at 4 p.m. in the church hall. It will be the last meeting before the Seder Supper and The Night at the Races. Please attend. Thank you.

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

THANK YOU: Thank you to the Holy Name Society for purchasing the Easter Paschal Candle. We have been truly blessed and thank them for their dedication to St. Leo's/Holy Rosary Church. May God Bless them.

THANK YOU: A very special thank you for the monetary donation made in memory of Anna Ulichney by her friends and family to the Ashley Food Pantry. Please remember her in your prayers.

CONGRATULATIONS: Congratulations to the newly baptized members of our parish Nicholas John McDade, Jr., son of Nicholas John McDade, Sr. and Margaret Ann Raimondi, and Hunter Bryce Tirpak son of Joseph Rogan and Nicole Tirpak on Sunday, March 13. May God Bless them.

CHRISM MASS: All the faithful of the Diocese of Scranton are invited to attend the Christ Mass at the Cathedral of St. Peter, Scranton on Tuesday, March 22 at 4:00 p.m.

PARISH OFFICE: The office will be closed on Good Friday.

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, Joseph Nealon Sr., Lorraine Shinko, Dane McSparron, Mary Golias, Eileen Aukstakalnis, Lila Aukstakalnis, Tom Smith, Joyce Kahlau, Marion Ferguson, Harry Bobos, Joyce Seiger, Jerry Cavanaugh, Barbara Smith, 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, Dr. James Poulton, Carla Schlegel, Jackson Chapasko, Faye Klinges, Margaret Sipple, Robert Bozek, Sharon Nagy, Christopher Fee, Dottie Grivner, Karen Spagnola, Leah Cronauer, Bonnie Turchin, Maryann Lavan, Richard Reed, Jesse Mendoza, Mary Benson, Sophie DeLuca, Florence Borkowski, Anna Lorraine Merlie, Billy Shemanski, Mary Lou Kelly, Carl Bozinko, Mary Grace Gavlick, Mary Krupa, Theresa Woydzick, Ruth Kackauskas and Maureen Latzman and the faithful departed and 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 the rectory at (570) 825-6669.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday	03/21	8:00 AM	Robert Androckitis	Charlotte L. Androckitis
Tuesday	03/22	8:00 AM	Raymond Long	Children
Wednesday	03/23	8:00 AM	No Mass	
Thursday	03/24	7:00 PM	For Our Parishioners	
Friday	03/25	2:00 PM	Good Friday Service	
		7:00 PM	Living Stations	
Saturday	03/26	2:00 PM	Blessing of Food Baskets	
		8:00 PM	For Our Parishioners	
Sunday	03/27	8:30 AM	For Our Parishioners	
		11:00 AM	For Our Parishioners	

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE WILL BURN THIS WEEK IN MEMORY OF KAY LEWANDOSKI BY HUSBAND & FAMILY; AND IN MEMORY OF NANCY MCGOVERN BY HER FAMILY.
A BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE WILL BURN THIS WEEK IN MEMORY OF MICHAEL BELLAS BY MOM, DAD, CASEY & JARED; IN MEMORY OF NANCY MCGOVERN BY NANCY GALARDI & SONS; IN MEMORY OF GRANDMA MARY ZABOWSKI BY NANCY GALARDI & SONS; AND IN MEMORY OF NANCY MCGOVERN BY JIM & CORLISS MCGOVERN.
A SACRED HEART CANDLE WILL BURN THIS WEEK IN LOVING MEMORY OF BILL GALARDI BY WIFE NANCY & SONS; AND IN MEMORY OF MARGARET HANNON BY THE HANNON FAMILY.

CANDLES

There are still Sanctuary, Blessed Mother and Sacred Heart Candles available for 2016. If you would like to dedicate a candle for someone, please call the rectory at (570) 825-6669.

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.

ASHLEY FOOD PANTRY: In the spirit of the Lenten season, please consider donating something different each week of Lent - Mar. 20: Tuna Fish. Thank you for your support. May God Bless you.

TAX STATEMENT: Itemized statements of contributions for tax purposes will be issued to any parishioner requesting one.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY: The Feast of Divine Mercy will be held at St. Maria Goretti Parish, Laflin Rd., Laflin on Sunday April 3 at 1 p.m. For more information, call Cathy Mack at (570) 654-6063.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION, LECTORS, YOUTH ALTAR SERVERS: The schedule is now available to be picked up in the Sacristy. This schedule covers April 9th through May 8th and includes the schedule for Ascension. As always, it is your responsibility to get a replacement, if you can't serve. If you can no longer serve or have any special requests, please call or email Toni Riscavage at (570) 868-8215 or alrisc@hotmail.com. Thank you and God Bless you.

REGISTRATION OPEN FOR UNITED NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER CAMPS: UNC of NEPA is leasing Camp St. Andrew from the Diocese of Scranton for the 2016 summer camping season. UNC will operate a Girls Traditional Camp and Girls and Boys Basketball Camps there in July. To obtain a registration form, visit www.uncnepa.org or call UNC at (570) 346-0759.

ASHLEY FOOD PANTRY

Items in special need: Cereal, Crackers, Peanut Butter, Soup, Jelly, Canned Fruit, Tea, Coffee and Hot Chocolate.

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 Corinthians 9:7

Weekly Collection for 03/13/16	**$6,801.00**