AUGUST 14, 2016
TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

ST. LEO'S/HOLY ROSARY PARISH

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Baptisms	**Call the Rectory**
Weddings	**Call the Rectory**

READINGS: (Aug. 21) Is 66:18-21 Ps 117:1-2 Heb 12:5-7, 11-13 Lk 13:22-30
No one is to be excluded from the kingdom for all peoples are called to proclaim the praises of the Lord and confess his holy name. No ethnic or religious group possesses exclusive right to the kingdom. Suffering and pain are part of the human condition.

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

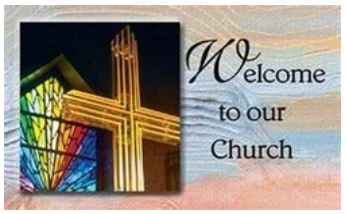
WEEKEND — Saturday 4:30 p.m., Sunday 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
WEEKDAYS — 8:00 a.m. all weekdays except Wednesday
HOLY DAYS — (Vigil) 5:15 p.m., (Day) 8:00 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.

VIETNAMESE MASS: There will be a Vietnamese Mass on Sunday, Aug. 14, 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.

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

C.C.D. REGISTRATION: Religious Education Classes registration will be held in the Church Hall on Sun., Sept. 4, after the 8:30 A.M. Mass. All children in public or private schools who wish to receive their sacraments at St. Leo's/Holy Rosary Church must register for religious instruction. Children who attend Catholic schools are **NOT** required to attend Sunday religious education classes, **however, their parents/guardians must register them as members of the First Penance and First Communion classes on 9/4.** Thank you so much for your attention and love to our children.

CONFIRMATION: Beginning this academic year, the Diocese of Scranton will institute new regulations regarding the reception of Confirmation by students in our diocese. **From now on, only students who have reached the second semester of the eighth grade or the first semester of the ninth grade will be eligible to receive Confirmation**, and Confirmation celebration will be held once a year at a central location to be chosen by the Diocese. Because our last Confirmation celebration was in Spring 2015, and included 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students, our parish will not enter this new cycle either in the Spring or Fall of 2018. **ALL OTHER REGULATIONS REMAIN IN PLACE:** Students will still have to provide evidence of continued religious education until the reception of Confirmation and the completion of required service hours. If you have any questions regarding this new policy, please see Mrs. Casey, Director of Religious Education or contact her at (570) 760-9793. Thank you and God Bless you for your love to our children.

GREETERS: The greeter for Sat., Aug. 13 at 4:30 p.m. is John Walsh and for Sun., Aug. 14 at 8:30 a.m. is Frank Aukstakalnis and for 11:00 a.m. is Rose Wallace. The greeter for Sat., Aug. 20 at 4:30 p.m. is Mary Lou Cook and for Sun., Aug. 21 at 8:30 a.m. are Alyssa Gayewski and Mary Kay Gavlick and at 11:00 a.m. is Dennis Pisano. Thank you for your faithful service to our parish.

CANTOR SCHEDULE: Sat., Aug. 20 at 4:30 p.m. Sue; Sun., Aug. 21 at 8:30 a.m. Kelly and at 11:00 a.m. Lynn. Thank you for your faithful service to our parish.

CYRENIANS: The Cyrenians will meet on Sunday, August 21 at 7 p.m. The Fall bingo will be discussed. The Fall Bingo is scheduled for Sun., Oct. 16. Thank you.

BAKE SALE: The Altar & Rosary/St. Ann's Society will have its Annual Bake Sale on August 13th and 14th before and after all weekend masses. We encourage members and all the wonderful bakers in our parish to donate their favorite baked goods for our society's fundraiser. We will accept your donation starting at 3 p.m. on Saturday, August 13th or call Rose Mary Strish to arrange for a special time to bring your baked goods.

AFGHAN RAFFLE: The Altar & Rosary/St. Ann's Society will have an Afghan Raffle. Tickets will be sold during the Bake Sale in the Church Hall this week-end and during the weekend of Aug. 20 & 21 in the vestibule before and after all weekend Masses. A beautiful 48" x 56" white & beige tone/blue border Angel Afghan was donated by members Donna Ranieli, Rose Deno and Nina Deno. It will be on display at the Bake Sale. Chances are $2.00 or 3/$5.00. The drawing for the winner will be after the 11 a.m. Mass, Sun., Aug. 21.

BAKE SALE SCHEDULE: Sat., Aug. 13 before and after 4:30 Mass: Jane Clarke, Maggie Falchek, Toni & George Riscavage and Rose Mary Strish. Sun., Aug. 14 at 8:30 a.m. - John & Mary Carol Gabla, Mary Lou Cook and Rose Mary Strish; 11a.m. - Mary Frances Heiser, Donna Ranieli, Mary Bozinko and Nina Deno.

AFGHAN RAFFLE SCHEDULE: Sat., August 20 before and after the 4:30 p.m. Mass: Nancy Walton and Maggie Falchek. Sun., August 21 at 8:30 a.m. - Mary Carol Gabla and Rose Mary Strish; 11:00 a.m. - Marianne Shulo and Mary Bozinko.

CONGRATULATIONS: Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Paul (Elaine) Golias on the 50th Anniversary of their wedding. May God Bless them with good health, joy and happiness.

THE ASSUMPTION OF MARY INTO HEAVEN (MONDAY, AUGUST 15): The Assumption is not a Holy Day of Obligation this year since it is celebrated on a Monday. However since this feast is a Solemnity, Masses will be held on Monday, August 15 at 8:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. We honor Mary our Mother, whom we believe intercedes for us in heaven and enjoys the fullness of God's life promised to all of us.

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 2016: $45,626.71 net profit for this year's festival. On behalf of the entire parish, Father Vinnie would like to express his gratitude and thanks for a "Job Well Done!" to the entire Festival Committee, all the Festival Volunteers and workers and anyone who donated, worked or attended our Festival. May God Bless you for your faithful service to our parish.

DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL: The 2016 Diocesan Annual Appeal: "Living Faith Serving with Mercy." We are asked to renew our commitment to support the local Church and the greater community by sharing God's gifts with those in need. Our Parish Goal is $35,000.00. Please be generous. Thank you and God Bless.

CHURCH PROJECTS COMMITTEE: Committee members include: Tom Hooper, Don Kane, Paul Golias, John Gabla, Michael Yasenchak, Ray Clarke, Todd Argenziano and Jack Mergo. If you have any questions, please call the rectory or any committee member.

Dear Parishioners:

Work is underway on the foundation for the St. Joseph statue. Please exercise caution in the work area to the rear of the rectory.

Again, thank you for your patience as we await installation of a new air conditioning system.

Replacement windows will be installed in the Education Center/Food Pantry. Additional repairs and renovations are planned, including siding in the non-brick area and roof repairs.

We have received an anonymous $2,000 donation toward the parish projects. Thank you! Thank you also to all who donated previously toward the improvements! If you have not donated, please consider doing so… make checks payable to St. Leo's/Holy Rosary Dedicated Fund.

All work, completed and planned, is being made possible by donations from church organizations, you the parishioners and friends of St. Leo's/Holy Rosary. 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, Dane McSparron, Mary Golias, Eileen Aukstakalnis, 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, Dr. James Poulton, Carla Schlegel, Jackson Chapasko, Faye Klinges, Margaret Sipple, Robert Bozek, Christopher Fee, Karen Spagnola, Leah Cronauer, Bonnie Turchin, Maryann Lavan, Richard Reed, Jesse Mendoza, Mary Benson, Sophie DeLuca, Anna Lorraine Merlie, Billy Shemanski, Carl Bozinko, Mary Krupa, Theresa Woydzick, Ruth Kackauskas, Maureen Latzman, Rodel Dunn, Richard Walton, Colleen Lorelli, Bob Paisley, Elizabeth Spagnola, Richard Gdovin, Jared Banesh, Mary Jo Murphy, George Warman and Lucy Niemiec 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	08/15	8:00 AM	Margaret Gorham	Family
		5:30 PM	Wanda Baseski	Lance & Marianne Baseski
Tuesday	08/16	8:00 AM	Helen Pelski	Jim & Francie Londergan
Wednesday	08/17	8:00 AM	No Mass	
Thursday	08/18	8:00 AM	Scott & Robert Mitchell	Family
Friday	08/19	8:00 AM	Mary Tomko	Family
Saturday	08/20	4:30 PM	Paul Chmil Sr.	Wife & Family
Sunday	08/21	8:30 AM	For Our Parishioners	
		11:00 AM	Kathy Bly	Family

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE WILL BURN THIS WEEK IN LOVING MEMORY OF BILL GALARDI BY WIFE NANCY & SONS AND IN MEMORY OF JOSEPH LEWANDOSKI BY FAYE R. BEAIL.
A BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE WILL BURN THIS WEEK IN MEMORY OF MICHAEL BELLAS BY BELLAS FAMILY, IN MEMORY OF ROD LUCAS JR. BY FAMILY AND FOR SPECIAL INTENTIONS.
A SACRED HEART CANDLE WILL BURN THIS WEEK FOR THE HEALTH OF THE MOTHER OF MISS EMMA MARIE MARKEY AND IN MEMORY OF RICKY J. WANAT BY DONALD KANE 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.

MELANIE MIZENKO FUNDRAISER: Melanie Mizenko a parishioner and member of our Choir is battling endometrial cancer for the last two years. Please show your support and attend a fundraiser for her Sun., Aug. 14 from 3 - 6 p.m. at Skateaway 610 Blackman Street Wilkes Barre. Admission $5.00 donation, Skate Rental $2.00 if needed (YOU DO NOT HAVE TO SKATE !) This isn't just a Roller Skating event, there will be Basket Raffles, 50/50 drawings, Bake Sales, Food and many more activities planned for the day. So even if your not skating stop by and have a fun afternoon helping a Great person! Thank you.

PARISH MINISTERS SCHEDULE: The schedule for Aug. 6th through Sept. 4th for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Lectors and Youth Altar Servers is in the Sacristy for pick up. As always it is very important for you to find a replacement if you are unable to serve on the dates assigned. If you have any special requests for the next schedule or are no longer able to serve, please call or e-mail, Toni Riscavage at (570) 868-8215 or alrisc@hotmail.com. 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.

BUS PILGRIMAGE: A bus pilgrimage to the National Shrine of Divine Mercy in Stockbridge, MA will be celebrating the Feast Day of St. Faustina, observed on Wed., Oct. 5, 2016. Coordinator of the trip is Eucharistic Apostle of Divine Mercy Cenacle Leader, Cathy Mack. Please call Cathy for reservations at (570) 654-6063.

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

ASHLEY FOOD PANTRY

Items in special need during August: Cereal and Soup. Due to past food drives we do not need pasta for some time.

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 Corin-

Weekly Collection for 08/07/16	**$5,699.15**
Care & Education of Priests	**$586.00**