SEPTEMBER 11, 2016
TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

READINGS: (Sept. 18) Am 8:4-7 PS 113:1-2, 4-8 1Tm 2:1-8 Lk 16:1-13
Amos cries out against those who exploit the poor for the sake of extortion and greed. They seek to serve only themselves rather than the Lord. By giving ourselves to God rather than to money, we can truly pray with blameless hands for all those in need, especially the poor whom the Lord will raise up.

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, Sept. 18, 2016 at 2 p.m. All are welcome!

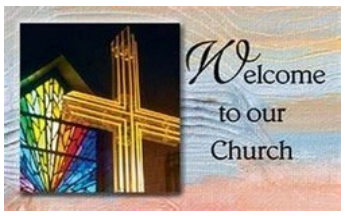
CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

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

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. Thanks.

CCD TEACHERS: The following parishioners have volunteered to be CCD Teachers: Mrs. Christine Casey, Kindergarten; Ms. Angeline Chapasko, Grade 1; Mrs. Lisa Argenziano & Mrs. Erin Frank, Grade 2; Mrs. Kathleen Rusak, Grade 3; Mrs. Jill Fedorczyk, Grade 4; Mrs. Donna Ranielli, Grade 5; Mr. Donald Kane, Grade 6; Mrs. Lynn Cole assisted by Mrs. Michele Casey, Grades 7 & 8. We are extremely grateful and thankful for your dedication to serve our parish and our children. May God bless you always.

C.C.D. REGISTRATION: 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.** If you still need to register your child for Religious Education, please see Mrs. Michele Casey or call her at (570) 760-9793 or contact the rectory at (570) 825-6669.

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.

CONGRATULATIONS: We congratulate our beloved Bishop Emeritus James C. Timlin on his 65th anniversary of priestly ordination and his 40th anniversary of Episcopal ordination. We honor and thank Bishop Timlin for his many years of service to the Church.

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

GREETERS: The greeter for Sat., Sept. 10 at 4:30 p.m. is Ellen Davis and for Sun., Sept 11 at 8:30 a.m. are Barbara & Dan Piestrak and for 11:00 a.m. is Marianne Shulo. The greeter for Sat., Sept 17 at 4:30 p.m. is Maggie Falcheck and for Sun., Sept. 18 at 8:30 a.m. is Mary Kay Gavlick and for 11:00 a.m. are Rose Murray and Trish Savitsky. Thank you for your faithful service to our parish.

CANTOR SCHEDULE: Sat., Sept. 17 at 4:30 p.m. Sue; Sun., Sept. 18 at 8:30 a.m. Melanie and at 11:00 a.m. Lynn. Thank you for your faithful service to our parish.

PASTORAL COUNCIL: There will be a meeting on Mon., Sept. 12 at 7 p.m. in the Church Hall. Please attend. Thank you and God Bless you.

ST. VINCENT DEPAUL SOCIETY: Will meet on Sun., Sept. 11 at 2:00 p.m. in the Church Hall. Suggestions for new projects & charities for 2016-17 will be decided upon. All members are urged to attend and new members are invited. Thank you.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY: Will meet after the 11:00 a.m. Mass on Sun., Sept. 11. Please attend. Thank you.

DESIGNER BINGO: The combined organizations will host the **Designer Bingo** on Sunday, Sept. 18 in the Church Hall. Doors open at 1:00 p.m. Games begin at 2:00 p.m. Please contact Tammy Glasson at (570) 479-3414 or Bonnie Lazar at (570) 474-1031 with any questions. The kitchen will be open. **We also need baked goods for the bingo. They can be dropped in the hall anytime after 9:00 a.m. on the day of the bingo.** Please come and enjoy a wonderful time and support your parish. Thank you.

CONGRATULATIONS: Congratulations to the newly baptized member of our parish Avery Margaret Haywood, daughter of Craig Haywood & Maggie Schlude, on Sunday, September 4. May God Bless them.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Will meet on Tues., Sept. 13 at 7:00 p.m. in the church hall. All members are urged to attend.

CONGRATULATIONS: Congratulations to Cody Bedosky and Sheila St. Preux who were married on Saturday, September 3 in St. Leo's/Holy Rosary Church. May God Bless them with happiness and love.

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.

2016 DIOCESAN CONGRESS "REVOLUTION OF TENDERNESS": Concert with Dan Schutte Fri., Oct 7, Cathedral of St. Peter, Scranton and Worship, Workshops and more Sat., Oct 8 Univ of Scranton. For info call (570) 207-2213 or www.dioceseofscranton.org.

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.

The contractor doing the stairs replacement is finalizing plans. The old stairs will be removed and new aluminum stairs will be installed. The deck at the elevator door will be widened to better accommodate wheelchairs. A new canopy will cover the stairway.

Thank you to all who donated toward the improvements! Please continue to support our Parish Projects… Please make checks payable to St. Leo's/Holy Rosary Dedicated Fund.

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, Elizabeth Spagnola, Richard Gdovin, Jared Banesh, Mary Jo Murphy, George Warman, David Bukoski Jr. and Kate and Jacob Ide and the faithful departed especially 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	09/12	8:00 AM	Mr. & Mrs. Peter Lombardelli	John & Mary Carol Gabla
Tuesday	09/13	8:00 AM	Wendell Wolfe	Wife & Family
Wednesday	09/14	8:00 AM	No Mass	
Thursday	09/15	8:00 AM	Stephen, Anna & Joseph Tomasko	Mary Tomasko
Friday	09/16	8:00 AM	Gary Bilski	Mom, Jared & Jessica
Saturday	09/17	4:30 PM	Rosemary Saba	Frances Gutosky
Sunday	09/18	8:30 AM	Maryellen Kashubski	Mr. & Mrs. Dominick Panetta
		11:00 AM	Elizabeth Megatulski	Her Family
		2:00 PM	Vietnamese Mass	

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE WILL BURN THIS WEEK IN MEMORY OF GRANDPARENTS ANDREW & THERESA DOBRANSKI BY GRANDSON, ANTHONY DOBRANSKI.
A BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE WILL BURN THIS WEEK IN MEMORY OF DEBORAH A. KLINGLER BY MOM & FAMILY; IN LOVING MEMORY OF BILL GALARDI BY WIFE NANCY & SONS; IN MEMORY OF MICHAEL BELLAS BY MOM, DAD, CASEY & JARED; IN CELEBRATION OF ANNE MCDONALD'S 97TH BIRTHDAY BY RITA MCDONALD & FAMILY AND FOR A SPECIAL INTENTION BY EMMA M. MARKEY.
A SACRED HEART CANDLE WILL BURN THIS WEEK 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.

CYRENIANS: The Cyrenians will meet on Sunday, Sept. 18 at 7:00 p.m. in the church hall. The Fall Bingo will be discussed. Fall Bingo is scheduled for Sunday, Oct. 16.

THANK YOU: A special thank you to all who donated to RUTH'S PLACE. Thank you for your kindness and generosity. May God Bless you always.

ROSARY RALLY: The 40th Annual Knights of Columbus Rosary Rally is Sun., Sept. 25 at St. Ignatius Church, Kingston. A Rosary Procession from the Church, through the streets of the Parish will begin at 2 p.m. and after The Most Rev. James C. Timlin will be the celebrant at Mass. For more info call Chris Calore (570) 328-2430.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: C.O.A.L. chances are on sale. $6.00 a book. Winner can take prize or cash value of same. Contact John Walsh at (570) 824-2294 or any member of the Council.

ALTAR & ROSARY/ST. ANN'S SOCIETY: Will meet Sun., Sept 25 at 12 NOON in the Church Hall. Hostesses will be Mary Frances Heiser & Flossie Jablowski. Reports on the Bake Sale & Afghan Raffle will be given. Final preparations will be made for the October Corporate Communion and Crowning of the Blessed Mother on Sun., Oct. 9. Jane Clarke will be Queen to crown the Blessed Mother. Rose Deno will be the Crown Bearer. Dues of $3/year is accepted at anytime. New members are always welcome.

CONGRATULATIONS: Congratulations to Anne McDonald on her 97th birthday. May God Bless her and her upcoming year be filled with good health, joy and happiness.

PRAYER SERVICE: On Sun., Sept. 18 at 6:00 p.m. Holy Resurrection Orthodox Cathedral 591 N. Main St. Wilkes-Barre will host a service at which "The Office of Vespers for the Preservation of Nature" will be prayed. Contact dr.cremeens@ggsm.us or smkapral@comcast.net for questions. Thank you.

ASHLEY FOOD PANTRY

Items in special need during September: Crackers, canned ravioli or spaghettio's and tea.

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 09/04/16	**$6,070.01**
Care & Education of Priests	**$634.89**