JANUARY 15, 2017
SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ST. LEO'S/HOLY ROSARY PARISH

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

READINGS: (Jan. 22) Is 8:23-9:3 Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17 Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17
We have seen a great light: Jesus, the Messiah, who heals us of our sin and who is our unity and peace.

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, Jan. 29, 2017 at 2 p.m. All are welcome!

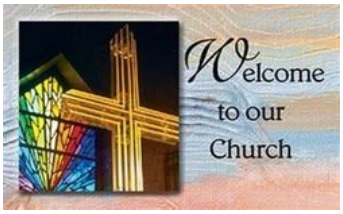
CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

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

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.

CONFIRMATION MEETING: There will be an **important meeting** for parents and confirmation candidates on **Sunday, Jan. 15** after the 8:30 a.m. Mass in the Church for children who will be in 8th grade in the Spring of 2018 or in 9th grade in the Fall of 2018. Please attend. Thank you.

CHILDREN'S MASS: There will be a children's Mass on Sun., Jan. 29 at 8:30 a.m. Please bring your children to attend and participate in the mass.

SAVE THE DATES: First Penance will be celebrated **Sat., Jan. 21at 11a.m**. First Holy Communion will be celebrated **Sun., May 7 at 11a.m**. Please save these important dates in your calendars. Thank you.

FIRST PENANCE: The following children will receive First Penance on Saturday, January 21: Caleb Balas, Lukas Balas, Jacob Vanderhoff, Khloe Evans, Adelynn Brill, Katherine Beth Mullen, Abigail Simcox, Connor Padden, Brendan M. Searfoss, Dominik Spece and Jayden Spece. Please pray for these children as they prepare to receive the sacrament.

FIRST PENANCE PRACTICE: Will be Tues., Jan. 17 & Thurs., Jan. 19 from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. in the Church.

CHURCH ELEVATOR: The Church elevator is out of order due to the stairs construction work. Once operational, we will place a notice in the bulletin. Thank you for your understanding and patience.

CONGRATULATIONS: Congratulations to the newly baptized member of our parish Blake William Barnes, son of Robert Christopher and Katie Barnes, on Saturday, January 7. May God Bless them.

RESPECT LIFE MASS: The Knights of Columbus of Wyoming Valley is sponsoring a Respect Life Mass Sun., Jan. 15 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, 116 Hughes Street, Swoyersville. Please attend.

MARCH FOR LIFE BUS: A Bus to the March For Life, Washington, D.C., Fri., Jan. 27 will leave from St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, Swoyersville. For info and reservations please call Chris Calore at (570) 824-5621.

RESPECT LIFE BREAKFAST: The Scranton Chapter, Pennsylvanians for Human Life, annual Respect Life Breakfast is Sat., Jan. 28 at Fiorella's Restaurant, Peckville. Mr. Steve Mosher will be Guest Speaker. For reservations ($21.00) please call the Scranton PHL Office at (570) 347-8299. Thank you.

THANK YOU: Thank you to those who took down the Christmas decorations and cleaned the altar. May God Bless you always.

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.

DIOCESAN SEXUAL ABUSE POLICY: It is the policy of the Diocese of Scranton to report any allegation of sexual abuse of a minor to law enforcement. If you are a victim of sexual abuse committed by a priest, deacon, religious or lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton, you are encouraged to immediately report the matter to law enforcement. If any priest, deacon, religious, lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton has cause or reason to suspect that a minor has been subjected to any form of abuse, including child sexual abuse, the matter will be reported to law enforcement. In accordance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Child Protective Services Laws, reports of suspected child abuse should also be made immediately by phone to the 24-HourChild Abuse hotline (ChildLine) at 1-800-932-0313 or electronically at www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis. It is also the policy of the Diocese to adhere to all civil and state regulations. To this end, the Diocese is equally committed to adhering to the norms of the Code of Canon Law and to upholding the tenets of the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, which includes supporting victims of sexual abuse in their pursuit of emotional and spiritual well-being. As such, information regarding an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor should also be reported to the Victim Assistance Coordinator Mary Beth Pacuska at (570-862-7551) or to Diocesan officials, including the Vicar General, Monsignor Thomas M. Muldowney, V.G., at (570-207-2269).

CANTOR SCHEDULE: Sat., Jan. 21 at 4:00 p.m. Lynn; Sun., Jan. 22 at 8:30 a.m. Bob & at 11:00 a.m. Marie. Thank you for your faithful service to our parish.

VIETNAMESE NEW YEAR'S MASS: Sunday, Jan. 29 at 2 p.m. the Vietnamese Community will celebrate the New Year, the Year of the Rooster 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. If you plan on attending, there is a sign up sheet in the back of the church or you can call the Rectory at (570) 825-6669. The deadline is Monday, Jan. 23 to sign up. Thank you.

CHUC MUNG NAM MOI!

Happy New Year!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS C.O.A.L. WINNER: The Council is pleased to announce that we had a winning ticket in the recent C.O.A.L. drawing. The winner was Francis Kennedy. Thanks all who supported this fundraiser.

HANOVER AREA STUDENT COUNCIL & JSC CHILI, CHOWDER & SOUP CONTEST: Will be held Sun., Jan. 22 from Noon to 2:00 p.m. to benefit the Ashley Food Pantry. It will be at the Hanover Area Jr./Sr. H.S. Cafeteria. Adults: $5.00; Children (6-12) $3.00 and Under 5 free. Admission includes samples of all entries. Deadline to enter Tues., Jan. 17. For info see http://www.hanoverarea.org; or call 831-2300, ext. 229.

CYRENIANS: Will hold their monthly meeting, Sunday, January 15, 2017 at 7:00 pm. They will discuss the Annual Night at the Races. New members welcome. Thank you.

PARISH MINISTERS' SCHEDULE: The schedule for Jan. 28 to March 1 for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Lectors and Youth Altar Servers is in the Sacristy for pick up. Please find a replacement if you are unable to serve. If you have any special requests for the next schedule or are no longer able to serve, call or e-mail, Toni Riscavage at (570) 868-8215 or alrisc@hotmail.com. Thank you.

GREETERS: The greeter for Sat., Jan. 14 at 4:30 p.m. is Mary Lou Cook and for Sun., Jan. 15 at 8:30 a.m. are Mary Carol & John Gabla and at 11:00 a.m. is Tom Heiser. The greeter for Sat., Jan. 21 at 4:30 p.m. is Dorothy Hess and for Sun., Jan. 22 at 8:30 a.m. are Angie & Jackson Chapasko and at 11:00 a.m. are Rose Murray & Trish Savitsky. Thank you for your faithful service to our parish.

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 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, Ruth Kackauskas, Maureen Latzman, Rodel Dunn, Richard Walton, Colleen Lorelli, Elizabeth Spagnola, Richard Gdovin, 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 and Dan R. and the faithful departed especially Bernard Okuniewski, Joseph Pechulis and James Ehret (Brother of Mary Engle) 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	01/16	8:00 AM	George Shigo	Family
Tuesday	01/17	8:00 AM	Theresa P. Kerick	Al Bukeavich
Wednesday	01/18	8:00 AM	No Mass	
Thursday	01/19	8:00 AM	George Taggart, Sr.	Tim & Sandy Lyons
Friday	01/20	8:00 AM	Charlotte Eddy	Michele Kotchick
Saturday	01/21	4:30 PM	Gertrude Lehman	Gertie
Sunday	01/22	8:30 AM	For Our Parishioners	
		11:00 AM	George & Theresa Kerick	George Rossick Family

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE WILL BURN THIS WEEK IN MEMORY OF MARYBETH KOVIACK BY NIECE CINDY & HUSBAND GENE AND IN MEMORY OF THERESA DOBRANSKI BY FAMILY.
A BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE WILL BURN THIS WEEK IN LOVING MEMORY OF BILL GALARDI BY WIFE NANCY & SONS, IN MEMORY OF MICHAEL BELLAS BY MOM, DAD, CASEY & JARED, IN MEMORY OF JOHN SVETZ BY WIFE & DAUGHTER, IN MEMORY OF CHARLOTTE EDDY BY MICHELE KOTCHICK, IN MEMORY OF MY MOTHER FRAN SALSAVAGE BY DAUGHTER SANDY & HUSBAND MIKE PASTERNICK AND IN MEMORY OF MY GRANDMOTHER ANNA SUHENA BY GRANDDAUGHTER SANDY & HUSBAND MIKE PASTERNICK.
A SACRED HEART CANDLE WILL BURN THIS WEEK IN MEMORY OF WILBUR HOUCK BY DONALD & THERESA KANE & SONS AND IN MEMORY OF MICHAEL FEDAK BY WIFE & FAMILY.

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.

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.

ALTAR & ROSARY/ST. ANN'S SOCIETY PIGGIE DINNER: Will be Sun., Jan. 22 from 12noon - 3 p.m. in our Church Hall. Tickets will be available in the vestibule before & after the weekend masses. Tickets are $10/adult & $5/child. Sellers for Sat., Jan. 14, 4:30 p.m. Bonnie Lazar & Flossie Jablowski, Sun., Jan. 15, 8:30 a.m., Mary Carol Gabla & Rose Mary Strish, 11 a.m. Marianne Shulo & Donna Ranieli, Sat., Jan. 21 at 4:30 p.m. are Bonnie Lazar and Rose Mary Strish and Sun., Jan. 22 at 8:30 a.m. is Beth Nealon and at 11:00 a.m. is Marianne Shulo. **We ask all members, parishioners and friends to donate your favorite cakes and cupcakes for the dinner. We love your desserts and thank you in advance for your support.**

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 25th or 50th 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.

SOUPER SUNDAY CANNED SOUPS COLLECTION: The Holy Name Society will be collecting canned soups any flavor or brand starting this weekend up to Feb. 4/5. Boxes will be at the church entrances. Place your canned soups in the boxes and the Holy Name Society will get the soup to the Food Pantry. Thanks to all!

2016 DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL: "Living Faith Serving with Mercy." Our Parish Goal is $35,000.00. So far we have donated $19,938.00. Please be generous. Thank you and God Bless.

ASHLEY FOOD PANTRY

Items in special need during January: Cereal and crackers. Thank you: Thank you to all who have

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 01/08/17	**$7,371.90**