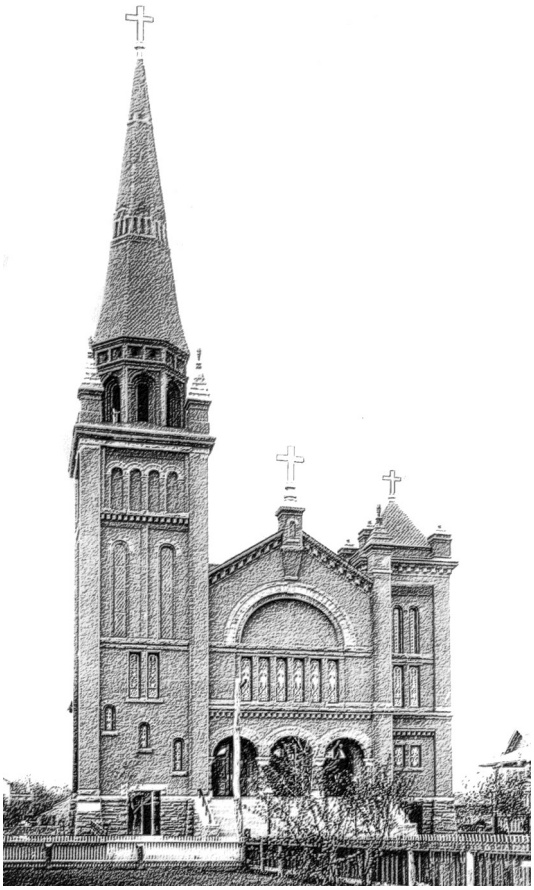

JANUARY 29, 2017
FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ST. LEO'S/HOLY ROSARY PARISH

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Web Site:	**www.stleos-holyrosary.org**
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Baptisms	**Call the Rectory**
Weddings	**Call the Rectory**

READINGS: (Feb. 5) Is 58:7-10 Ps 112:4-9 1 Cor 2:1-5 Mt 5:13-16
Through the power of God, we can be a light to the world by our loving concern for others, especially the poor and the oppressed.

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

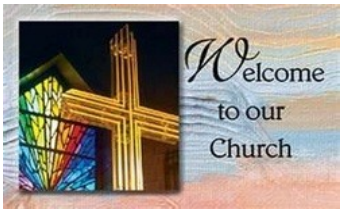
WEEKEND — Saturday 4:30 p.m., Sunday 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
WEEKDAYS — 8:00 a.m. all weekdays except Wednesday
HOLY DAYS — (Vigil) 5:15 p.m., (Day) 8:00 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.

VIETNAMESE MASS: There will be a Vietnamese Mass on Sunday, Jan. 29, 2017 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

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.

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

FIRST PENANCE: Congratulations to the following children who received First Penance on Saturday, January 21 - Caleb Balas, Lukas Balas, Adelynn Brill, Khloe Evans, Katherine Beth Mullen, Connor Padden, Brendan M. Searfoss, Abigail Simcox, Dominik Spece, Jayden Spece and Jacob Vanderhoff. May God bless our children always.

ROSARY FOR LIFE: In support of the March for Life in Washington D.C. the Holy Name Society will pray the rosary after the 11 a.m. Mass on Sun., Jan. 29. Everyone is invited to participate. Thank you.

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.

CANTOR SCHEDULE: Sat., Feb. 4 at 4:00 p.m. Mary; Sun., Feb. 5 at 8:30 a.m. Bob & at 11:00 a.m. Claire. Thank you for your faithful service to our parish.

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.

2016 DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL: "Living Faith Serving with Mercy." Our Parish Goal is $35,000.00. So far we have donated $20,263.00. Please be generous. Thank you and God Bless.

VIETNAMESE NEW YEAR'S MASS: Sun., 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.

CHUC MUNG NAM MOI!

Happy New Year!

2ND COLLECTION: There will be a 2nd collection this weekend Jan. 28/29 for Catholic Campaign for Human Development. Please be generous. God Bless you always.

CONGRATULATIONS: Congratulations to the newly baptized member of our parish Reagan Mae Grant, daughter of Shannon & Edward John Grant Jr. on Sunday, January 22. May God Bless them.

FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD: The Feast of the Presentation and Candlemas Day will be celebrated on Thursday, February 2 at 8:00 a.m. at St. Leo's/Holy Rosary Church. Candles will be blessed at this Mass. All are invited to bring candles to Mass to have them blessed.

MEMORIAL OF ST. BLAISE/BLESSING OF THROATS: Fri., Feb. 3 is the Memorial of St. Blaise. The traditional blessing of throats will take place on the weekend masses of Feb. 4 & 5 at St. Leo's/Holy Rosary Church. Please come to receive your blessing.

WORLD MARRIAGE DAY: In observance of World Marriage Day, there will be a renewal of marriage vows on Sat., Feb. 18 at the 4:30 p.m. mass and on Sun., Feb. 19 at the 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.

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. 11 & 12.

THANK YOU: The Altar & Rosary/St. Ann's Society thanks all who participated in the Annual Piggie Dinner. It was a success because of all the support of our parishioners and friends. We thank all who worked, helped in any way, donated delicious baked goods and came to enjoy a meal and socialize. We appreciate your support and may God bless you all. Winner of the Piggie Dinner 50/50 was Michelle Balas.

Dear Parishioners and Friends:

The steps replacement project on the east side of the church is complete! Steps are available for use and the elevator is back in service. New awnings that will cover all the landings and steps are being custom-cut. They should be available for installation around Feb. 13. Temporary lighting has been installed until the new awnings are installed and then permanent lighting will be installed. Thanks to all parishioners and visitors for your patience during the steps work.

Tom Nealon has completed work for the 2016 project on the Ed Center/Food Pantry. He installed 44 new windows and 4 steel doors with safety exit hardware. New aluminum siding also was installed in non-brick areas. In March, Tom will redo the side porches and remove the outside steps. He will install new steps from the second floor porch to the first floor porch. He will also enclose the porches with the same siding as the remainder of the Ed Center.

We are awaiting the new St. Joseph's statue that will stand to the rear of the rectory. The base and upright granite pieces are in place.

Last year, we also installed the new air conditioner system. The rectory exterior walls were repaired and painted. The two-car garage and the large storage building were painted and some new blacktopping was put in place. LED flood lights were installed on the front of the church to light up the steps and sidewalk. Tom Hooper rebuilt the storage closet in the northeast corner of the church hall.

We thank all donors who have contributed toward the projects. Please continue to support our parish projects. All work, completed and planned, is being made possible by donations from church organizations, parishioners and friends of St. Leo's/Holy Rosary Church.

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, 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, Dan R., Elaine Golias and Joseph Cianciotta and the faithful departed especially Leo Florek and Paul A. Latzko 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	01/30	8:00 AM	Raymond Ostrowski	Family
Tuesday	01/31	8:00 AM	Pat Emery	Emery & Fehlinger Families
Wednesday	02/01	8:00 AM	No Mass	
Thursday	02/02	8:00 AM	Gilbert Cooney	Cooney - Musial Family
Friday	02/03	8:00 AM	Joe Lewandoski	Mr. & Mrs. John Ciavarella Sr.
Saturday	02/04	4:30 PM	John Hammersley	Phil & Joann Duffy
Sunday	02/05	8:30 AM	Jeanette Karboski	Angie & Jackson Chapasko
		11:00 AM	James G. Ehret	Father Dang, Marianne & Marina

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE WILL BURN THIS WEEK IN MEMORY OF PATRICK A. NEALON BY COLLEEN NEALON CALENTI AND IN LOVING MEMORY OF BILL GALARDI BY WIFE NANCY & SONS.
A BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE WILL BURN THIS WEEK IN MEMORY OF MICHAEL BELLAS BY MOM, DAD, CASEY & JARED; IN MEMORY OF ALBERT RUSAK BY WIFE & FAMILY AND IN MEMORY OF CECILIA MCGOVERN BY MCGOVERN FAMILY.
A SACRED HEART CANDLE WILL BURN THIS WEEK IN MEMORY OF PAT EMERY BY EMERY & FEHLINGER FAMILIES.

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.

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

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.

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.

SOUP & SALAD SALE: Centenary United Methodist Church 25 N. Main St. Ashley will hold a Soup & Salad Sale Sat., Feb. 18 from 3:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. Tickets available at the door. $5/adult & children 10 & under/$2.50.

CHOIR: The choir is looking for additional members and anyone who plays an instrument and wants to share their talents to enhance our worship celebration please see Bob Passetti, Music Director after any mass or call him at (570) 814-1747. **Adult Choir practice is from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on Wednesday Evenings.** Thank you and God Bless you always.

GREETERS: The greeter for Sat., Jan. 28 at 4:30 p.m. is John Walsh and for Sun., Jan. 29 at 8:30 a.m. is 3rd Grade CCD and at 11:00 a.m. is Marianne Shulo. The greeter for Sat., Feb. 4 at 4:30 p.m. is Ellen Davis and for Sun., Feb. 5 at 8:30 a.m. are Barbara & Dan Piestrak and for 11:00 a.m. is Bonnie Lazar. Thank you for your faithful service to our parish.

ASHLEY FOOD PANTRY

Items in special need during January: Cereal and crackers.

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	
Weekly Collection for 01/22/17	**$5,380.93**