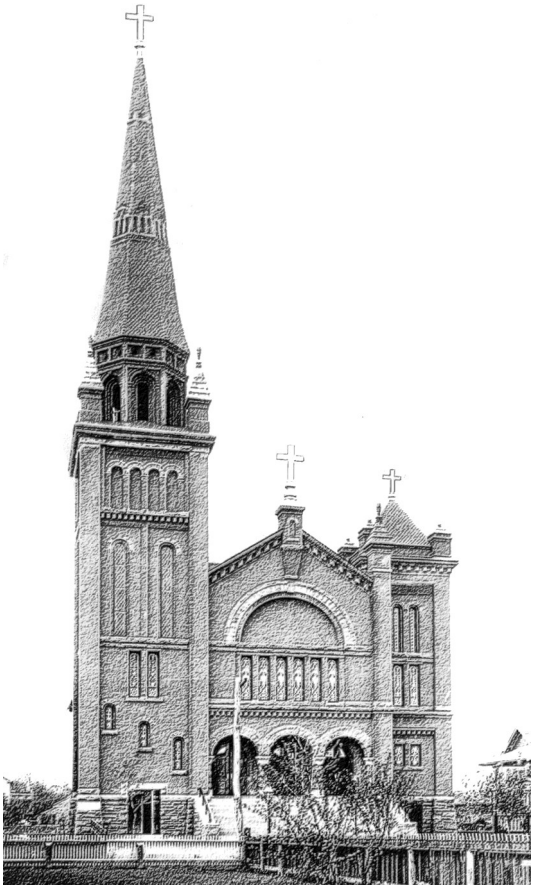

MARCH 12, 2017
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

ST. LEO'S/HOLY ROSARY PARISH

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Web Site:	**www.stleos-holyrosary.org**
Pastor:	**Reverend Vincent Dang**
Pastor Emeritus:	**Reverend Thomas J. O'Malley**
Administrative Asst:	**Marianne Baseski**
Secretary:	**Marina Kachinko**
Director of Music:	**Robert Passetti**
Director of Religious Education:	**Michele Casey**
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Baptisms	**Call the Rectory**
Weddings	**Call the Rectory**

READINGS: (Mar. 19) Ex 17:3-7 Ps 95:1-2, 6-9 Rom 5:1-2, 5-8 Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42 Jesus satisfies our thirst for eternal life. Through his Spirit his grace has been poured into our hearts. God satisfies the thirst of the Israelites whose heart had become hardened and rebellious.

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, March 19, 2017 at 2 p.m. All are welcome!

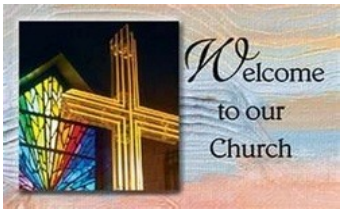
CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

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.

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.

THANK YOU: Thank you to those that participated in the Children's Mass. May the Lord Bless you for your faithfulness and love to our church.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY LENTEN FOOD SALES: Every Friday during Lent, noon - 5 p.m. Orders for quarts of potato pancake batter must be called into the Rectory (570) 825-6669 before 10 a.m. on Thursdays. The specialty item March 17 is Spanish Rice. The menu includes Manhattan clam chowder, mushroom soup, pirohy, halushki, tuna hoagies, fudge brownies, coffee, soda and bottled water. Eat in or take out.

GREETERS: The greeter for Sat., March 11 at 4:30 p.m. is John Walsh and for Sun., March 12 at 8:30 a.m. are Angie & Jackson Chapasko and at 11:00 a.m. is Rose Wallace. The greeter for Sat., March 18 at 4:30 p.m. is Fran Spencer and for Sun., March 19 at 8:30 a.m. are Barbara & Dan Piestrak and at 11:00 a.m. are Rose Murray & Trish Savitsky. Thank you for your faithful service to our parish.

CANTOR SCHEDULE: Sat., March 18 at 4:30 p.m. Julianna; Sun., March 19 at 8:30 a.m. Bob & at 11:00 a.m. Marie. Thank you for your faithful service to our parish.

2017 CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE: "MARY'S CALL TO BATTLE": Will be Saturday, May 6, from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at King's College Scandlon Physical Ed Center 149 N. Main St. WB. $35 (Early Bird $30 until 4/15/17), student $15, light breakfast and box lunch included. Info and registration: (570) 207-2213/www.BeAManConference.com.

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

NOVENA & FEAST OF ST. JOSEPH: The Oblates of St. Joseph Fathers will hold their annual Novena in honor of St. Joseph beginning Friday, March 10 until the Feast Day, March 20. Masses will be celebrated every day at 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. at the Oblates of St. Joseph Chapel, Route 315, Laflin. Following Mass, Novena prayers will be offered to St. Joseph with the blessing of relic of St. Joseph Marello. The Feast Day will be celebrated Monday, March 20 at 11:00 a.m. Please come and present to St. Joseph your special needs. For info call (570) 654-7542.

PROJECTS UPDATE: Installation of the canopy on the new steps is underway. Once done, Tom Hooper and some parishioners who do electrical work will install new lighting. This will complete the second major project undertaken--the steps and replacement of the air conditioning system. The statue of St. Joseph has been installed. It is a beautiful rendition of St. Joseph holding the child Jesus. Please stop and say a prayer at our statues. Classrooms in the Ed Center are being painted. This work follows installation of new windows and exterior work. Further exterior renovations are planned for 2017. 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.

THANK YOU: Thank you to the Holy Name Society for donating the 2017 Paschal Candle. May God Bless them for their generosity.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING: Will be Tues., March 14 at 7 p.m. in the Church Hall. All members are requested to attend. Thank you.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY MEETING: Will be Sun., March 12 after the 11 a.m. Mass. All members are asked to attend. Thank you.

LENTEN REGULATIONS: As Jesus fasted 40 days in the desert, the Church traditionally fasts during Lent. A form of bodily prayer, fasting and abstinence in union with other Christians reminds us of our utter dependence on and love for God. A gesture of repentance, fasting is symbolic of change of heart as we turn away from sin to live in fidelity to the Gospel. **Fasting:** Ages 18-59 fast on Good Friday, limiting ourselves to one full meal and two smaller meals each day, with no snacking between meals.
Abstinence: Catholics age 14 and older abstain from meat on Good Friday and all the Fridays of Lent. **Easter Duty Obligation:** After they have received their First Holy Communion, Catholics are bound by the obligation of receiving at least once a year. The precept should be fulfilled during the Easter Season. Catholics are also bound to confess their sins at least once a year but this is not limited to the Lenten-Easter Season.
STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Praying the Stations of the Cross is a way to embrace the passion of Jesus as we journey through Lent. Please join Fr. Dang every Friday evening at 6 p.m. in St. Leo's/Holy Rosary Church for this Lenten devotion.
CONFESSION: The Church encourages us to make confession a regular part of our spiritual life, especially during the holy season of Lent, as we reflect on our baptism and repentance. Again this year, parishes are participating in a Lenten initiative called The Light Is On For You. Every Monday evening during Lent, St. Leo's/Holy Rosary Church and each parish throughout the Diocese of Scranton will have their "lights on" from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. for confession so that Catholics can return to God's grace, mercy and healing.
SOUP & SCRIPTURE: St. Leo's/Holy Rosary Church will join Centenary United Methodist and Ashley Presbyterian for Soup and Scripture Time each Thursday evening during the 6 weeks of Lent. St. Leo's/Holy Rosary Church will host this event in the Church Hall beginning at 6 p.m. Please attend. Thank you.
WASHING THE FEET: Those who would like to volunteer (can be an entire family, children or members of Lay Ministry) to have your feet washed on Holy Thursday, April 13 at the 7:00 p.m. Mass, please see Father Dang or call the Rectory at (570) 825-6669. Thank you and God Bless you.

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, 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, 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, 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, Joseph Cianciotta, Christie Wolff, Cynthia Sickler, Jim Altavilla and Elaine Warman and the faithful departed 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	03/13	8:00 AM	Wayne & Michelle Volciak	Gary Burczy & Carole Kneal
Tuesday	03/14	8:00 AM	Ruth Ioanna	Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Truskoski
Wednesday	03/15	8:00 AM	No Mass	
Thursday	03/16	8:00 AM	Rory Rodgers	Mary Pat Curry
Friday	03/17	8:00 AM	Elizabeth Taggart	Family
		6:00 PM	Stations of the Cross	
Saturday	03/18	4:30 PM	Anna Machey	Thomas & McGrady Families
Sunday	03/19	8:30 AM	For Our Parishioners	
		11:00 AM	Pat Emery	Bernadette Truszkowski
		2:00 PM	Vietnamese Mass	

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE WILL BURN THIS WEEK IN MEMORY OF CLYDE MEINEKER 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 REV. JOHN SAMSON BELOVED PASTOR OF HOLY ROSARY CHURCH BY BERNADETTE DRUBY; IN MEMORY OF THOMAS BUFF SUTTON BY THE CURRY FAMILY; IN MEMORY OF MICHAEL BELLAS BY MOM, DAD, CASEY & JARED; IN MEMORY OF MARY YENCHIK BY SISTERS & FAMILY AND IN
MEMORY OF ALBERT RUSAK BY WIFE DOROTHY.
A SACRED HEART CANDLE WILL BURN THIS WEEK IN MEMORY OF PAUL & ANNA BALOG BY CELESTINE WENDOLOWSKI; IN MEMORY OF TOM HART SR. BY WIFE JO & FAMILY; IN LOVING MEMORY OF BRUNO TERKALA BY GLORIA TERKALA AND IN MEMORY OF JOHN LUKAS BY THE NARDONE 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.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME: Reminder, daylight savings time begins, Sat. evening, March 11.
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.
CYRENIANS NIGHT AT THE RACES: Thanks to all who donated food, sponsored races and horses and attended the races. Everyone not at the races, but who won will receive a check in the mail in the next week.
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.
MISSIONS: Deacon Edward T. Kelly will visit our parish next week-end March 18/19 to invite us to renew our commitment to the worldwide mission of Jesus through your membership in the Society of the Propagation of the Faith. There will be a second collection next week-end for the Pontifical Mission Societies. Please welcome him and be generous for the second collection. Thank you and God Bless you always.
2016 DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL: "Living Faith Serving with Mercy." Our Parish Goal is $35,000.00. So far we have donated $23,083.00 which is 66% of our goal. Thank you and God Bless.
DIOCESEAN VOCATION EVENT FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS: Fri., March 24 from 7- 9p.m. at Divine Mercy Parish, 312 Davis St., Scranton. For more info contact Dominick at (570) 780-2996.

ASHLEY FOOD PANTRY
Items in special need during Lent:
Week #2 Canned Fruit, Jelly & Crackers
Week #3 Cereal
Week #4 Cookies/Candy for Easter
Week #5 Pancake Mix & Syrup
Week #6 Soup & Ramen Noodles
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 03/05/17	**$8,040.25**
2nd Collection Care & Education of Priests	**$612.00**