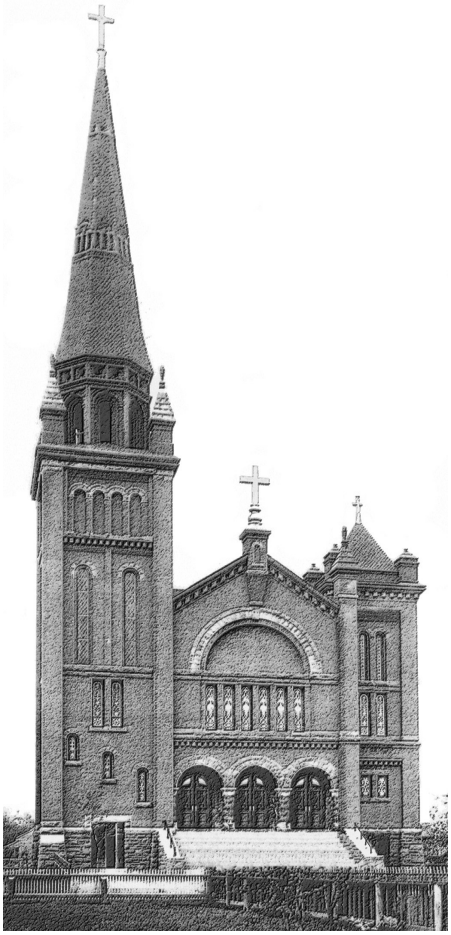

DECEMBER 9, 2018
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

ST. LEO'S/HOLY ROSARY PARISH

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Web Site:	www.stleos-holyrosary.org
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Pastor Emeritus:	Reverend Thomas J. O'Malley
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Secretary:	Marina Kachinko
Director of Music:	Robert Passetti
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Baptisms:	Call the Rectory
Weddings:	Call the Rectory

READINGS: (Sun., Dec. 16) Zep 3:14-18a (Ps) Is 12:2-6 Phil 4:4-7 Lk 3:10-18
Rejoice in the Lord always! Great in our midst is the Holy One of Israel, a mighty savior. It is he whom John foretold; it is he who will baptize in the Holy Spirit.

Diocese of Scranton
2018 DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL
THE JOURNEY MAKES US ONE

Parish Office Hours:
Monday through Friday
8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

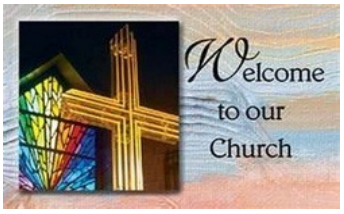
WEEKEND — Saturday 4:30 p.m., Sunday 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
WEEKDAYS — 8:00 a.m. all weekdays except Wednesday
HOLY DAYS — (Vigil) 5:15 p.m., (Day) 8:00 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.

VIETNAMESE MASS: There will be a Vietnamese Mass on Sunday, Dec. 9 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 being dismissed from class at 10:30 a.m. when you may be arriving for 11:00 a.m. Mass. Thanks.

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. Thank you.

CHILDREN'S MASS: Sun., Dec. 16 at 8:30 a.m. Please bring your children to attend and participate in the mass. Thank you.

CCD CHRISTMAS PARTY: For children in CCD and their younger siblings will be Sun., Dec. 16 in the Church Hall after the 8:30 a.m. Mass. A note was sent home about the Mass/party details. If you need more information please check with any of the CCD teachers. Thank you.

SAVE IMPORTANT DATES: First Penance - Sat., Jan. 26, 2019 at 11 a.m.; **First Holy Communion** - Sun., May 5, 2019 at 11 a.m. Mass and **Confirmation** - Sun., June 9, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. Mass. Please mark these dates on your calendar. Thank you.

THANK YOU: To those that cleaned the Church in preparation for Christmas. May God Bless you always.

DECORATING THE CHURCH: Sat., Dec. 15 at 9 a.m. for the Christmas celebration. If you are available to help, please come. Thank you.

ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE: St. Leo's/Holy Rosary Church, Sun., Dec. 9 at 4 p.m.; Holy Family Church, Sugar Notch, Tues., Dec. 11 at 7 p.m.; St. Nicholas Church, WB, Mon., Dec. 17 at 7 p.m. and St. Mary's Church, WB, Wed., Dec. 19 at 7 p.m. and every Monday 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at St. Robert Bellarmine Parish, WB with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 5:30 p.m. and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 6:45 p.m. Please come.

CHRISTMAS MASSES AT ST. LEO'S/HOLY ROSARY CHURCH: Mon., Christmas Eve, Dec. 24 at 4:00 p.m. and 10 p.m. and Tues., Christmas Day, Dec. 25 at 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS: We encourage parishioners to use your Christmas Flower envelope. It helps defray the costs of decorating our church. The envelopes will be placed on the altar to remember and honor our loved ones. Thank you and God Bless you always.

CHRISTMAS COLLECTION: Every Christmas brings new hope for our world and our lives as we celebrate the birth of Christ, the Prince of Peace. Let us pray that Christ will bestow greater peace on our society and world. As we ask for Christ's gifts of peace, our parish asks for your Christmas gift for our Christmas collection. Please be generous and thank you with all my heart for your special gift to St. Leo's/Holy Rosary Parish this Christmas.

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.

THE ST. VINCENT DEPAUL SOCIETY LOTTERY CALENDAR SALE: For the month of Feb. 2019 can be purchased before/after all masses. The calendars have two lottery numbers on each for the 7 p.m. drawing and are $5.00. If you have questions please call Christine Casey at (570)262-5008. Thank you.

ANNUAL PARISH GIVING TREE: Is in the Sanctuary until **Sun., Dec. 16.** Paper ornaments list the age and gender (infant to age 17) of the children. The gifts will go to the children served by our food pantry and/or parish children in need. There is also ornaments for adult men/women. Gifts for adults will go to the homeless served by Catholic Social Services. Please take an ornament; buy a gift; and place the **UNWRAPPED** package with the ornament taped to it under the Giving Tree. Thank you.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY MEETING: Sun., Dec. 9 in the Church Hall following the 11 a.m. Mass. All men of the parish are welcome.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING: Tues., Dec. 11 at 7 p.m. in the Church Hall. All members are urged to attend.

THANK YOU: The Huber Breaker Preservation Society thanks all who supported in any way the spaghetti dinner they held last weekend. It was a great success! May God Bless you always.

2ND COLLECTION: This weekend Dec. 8/9 for Retirement Fund for Religious and Diocesan Priests. Please be generous. God Bless you always.

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

SNOW REMOVAL: Father is interested in hiring someone to clean the Church sidewalks and steps during the winter season. If interested please call the Rectory at (570) 825-6669 or see Father. Thank you.

2019 CALENDARS: Are available in the rear of the church. We would like to thank George Strish, Inc. and Lehman Family Funeral Service, Inc. for sponsoring the calendars. May God Bless them for their generosity.

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!

2018 DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL: "The Journey Makes Us One." 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. Please be generous. Our parish has raised $10,540.00 to date. Thank you and May God Bless you always.

ST. LEO'S/HOLY ROSARY CHURCH CHOIR PRACTICE: Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. All are invited. Please see Bob Passetti, Music Director after any mass or call him at (570) 814-1747 for additional information.

CANTOR SCHEDULE: Sat., Dec. 15 at 4:30 p.m. Mary Claire; Sun., Dec. 16 at 8:30 a.m. Bob and at 11:00 a.m. Marie. Thank you for your faithful service to our parish.

GREETERS: The greeters for Sat., Dec. 8 at 4:30 p.m. are Theresa & Don Kane and for Sun., Dec. 9 at 8:30 a.m. is John Gabla and at 11:00 a.m. is Catherine Smith. The greeter for Sat., Dec. 15 at 4:30 p.m. is Catherine Smith and for Sun., Dec. 16 at 8:30 a.m. is 4th grade CCD and at 11:00 a.m. is Rose Wallace. Thank you for your faithful service to our parish.

ANNOUNCEMENT IN BULLETIN: Attention societies and organizations, if you would like to place an announcement in the bulletin, the deadline is Tuesday. Thank 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 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 call the rectory (570) 825-6669. **Due to HIPPA regulations, hospitals will not provide us the names of our parishioners.** 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, Robert Cronauer, Lorraine Shinko, Mary Golias, Lila Aukstakalnis, Tom Smith, Marion Ferguson, Joyce Seiger, Jerry Cavanaugh, Geri Truschel, William Vancosky, Frank Kempf, Louise & Ron Brandt, Robert Lusk, Jean Wiernusz, Karen Hannis, Richard Curry, Dianne Curry, Ann Fedak, Appi Pepperling, Carla Schlegel, Jackson Chapasko, Margaret Sipple, Robert Bozek, Christopher Fee, Bonnie Turchin, Maryann Lavan, Jesse Mendoza, Mary Benson, Sophie DeLuca, Billy Shemanski, Carl Bozinko, Mary Krupa, Ruth Kackauskas, Maureen Latzman, George Warman, David Bukoski Jr., Mary Tomasko, Jonathan Elick, Janet Tyson, Sara White, Robert Norkus, Dan R., Cynthia Sickler, Jim Altavilla, Elaine Warman, Tia Toney, Missy Garbush Schneikart, John Pac, Norbert Wisniewski, Frank Sorokach, Terry Murphy, Steve Rontinonis, Elaine Thornton, Faye Klinges, Allen Scoble, Dennis Pisano, Toni Riscavage, Maggie Falchek, Irene Kopiczak, Frank Balas, Mary Ann Yedloski, Michael Ralston, Ralph Evans, Lauran McDonald, John Mazza, Llayl Swank, Thomas Gorman, Quinn Gorman, Theresa Yuknavich, Leah Cronauer, Kenneth Yermal Sr. and all the faithful departed. 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	12/10	8:00 AM	Raymond McNulty	Family
Tuesday	12/11	8:00 AM	Charlotte Benio	Charlotte L. Androckitis
Wednesday	12/12	8:00 AM	No Mass	
Thursday	12/13	8:00 AM	Carole Chapasko Abbott & Angie Chapasko	Jackson
Friday	12/14	8:00 AM	Special Intention	
Saturday	12/15	4:30 PM	Deceased Baseski & Madrak Families	Lance & Marianne Baseski
Sunday	12/16	8:30 AM	Raymond Pietrzykoski	Regina Pietrzykoski
		11:00	Gil & Geraldine Cooney	Family

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE WILL BURN THIS WEEK IN MEMORY OF CHESTER & JOSEPHINE RYGIELSKI BY DOBRANSKI FAMILY; IN MEMORY OF ROD LUCAS SR. BY AUDREY & LEONARD BALL AND IN MEMORY OF JOSEPH J. MERLIE BY THE BARGER FAMILY.
A BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE WILL BURN THIS WEEK IN MEMORY OF JOSEPH E. BRADSHAW BY NORENE BRADSHAW; IN MEMORY OF FLORENCE PHILLIPS BY THE PHILLIPS FAMILY; IN MEMORY OF HELEN HOOPER BY HOOPER FAMILY; IN MEMORY OF MICHAEL BELLAS BY MOM, DAD, CASEY & JARED; IN MEMORY OF ALBERT RUSAK BY WIFE DOROTHY AND IN MEMORY OF CAROLE CHAPASKO ABBOTT BY BROTHER JACKSON.
A SACRED HEART CANDLE WILL BURN THIS WEEK IN MEMORY OF CHARLES ZAVASKAS BY WOODS & OPET FAMILIES; IN LOVING MEMORY OF BILL GALARDI BY WIFE NANCY & SONS AND IN MEMORY OF FRANK DRAZBA BY HIS DAUGHTER.

CANDLES

There are Sanctuary, Blessed Mother and Sacred Heart Candles available for 2018. If you would like to dedicate a candle for someone, please call the rectory at (570) 825-6669. Thank you.

***2018-2019 CANDLES*: The rectory's computer had to be replaced and unfortunately the candle lists for 2018 & 2019 did not transfer to the new computer. Please call the office at (570) 825-6669 as soon as possible if you ordered candle(s) for the rest of 2018 & 2019 so we can rebuild the data base. We apologize for the inconvenience and thank you for your anticipated understanding!**

ALTAR & ROSARY/ST. ANN'S SOCIETY COOKIE SALE: The week-end of **Dec. 8 & 9** in the Church Hall. Cookies will be in bags of 6/$2.50 or 12/$5.00 We invite every good cookie maker to bake and share their favorite cookies for this fundraiser. Money made on all our fundraisers supports our church's needs. Thank you.
ALTAR & ROSARY/ST. ANN'S SOCIETY WAFER SALE: Continues through the Dec. 22 & 23 before and after week-end masses in the Church vestibule. Also you may call or stop in the rectory during business hours for wafers. Donations are greatly appreciated which help support our parish needs. Thank you.
SHUT-IN LIST: The Altar & Rosary/St. Ann's Society together with the Holy Name Society will offer a candle for each of our parishioners who are homebound, in hospitals or nursing homes. If you know of a parishioner who is ill and can't get to mass and are homebound please call the rectory at (570) 825-6669 or Rosemary Strish at (570) 825-3681 and we will be glad to add them to our Shut In List. Thank you.
ATTENTION: EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION, LECTORS & YOUTH ALTAR SERVERS: The schedule for Dec. 7 - Dec. 25 is ready to be picked up in the Sacristy. As always please find replacements if unable to serve as scheduled. Contact Toni Riscavage at alrisc@hotmail.com or (570) 868-8215 with special requests or if you are no longer able to serve. Thank you for serving our parish.

ASHLEY FOOD PANTRY
Items in special need for December:
Turkey Stuffing, Gravy & Cranberry Sauce
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 Corinthians 9:7	
Weekly Collection for 12/2/18	**$4,878.72**
2nd Collection Care & Education of Priests	**$471.40**