29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 20, 2024

ST. LEO THE GREAT PARISH

A COMMUNITY OF FAITH FORMED BY THE UNION OF HOLY FAMILY, HOLY ROSARY & ST. LEO'S PARISHES

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ST. ANDREW PARISH

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Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702
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St. Leo the Great Mission Statement

We, the members of the Body of Christ of the Parish of St. Leo the Great, 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.

St. Andrew Mission Statement

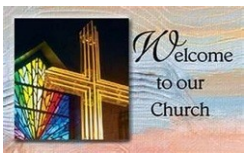
We, the people of St. Andrew Parish in Wilkes - Barre, strive to encounter the God who loves us, to remain a community that welcomes strangers as warmly as we do our fellow parishioners, and to become the hands of God in a world in need of divine peace and love.

ST. LEO THE GREAT & ST. ANDREW MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKEND — Saturday 4:00 p.m. (St. Leo), 5:30 p.m. (St. Andrew)
Sunday 8:30 a.m. (St. Leo), 11:00 a.m. (St. Andrew)
WEEKDAYS — Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday 8:00 a.m. (St. Leo)
HOLY DAYS — (Vigil) 5:15 p.m. (St. Leo), (Day) 8:00 a.m. (St. Leo), 5:15 p.m. (St. Andrew)

CONFESSION
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 7:45 a.m. (St. Leo)
Saturday 3:30 p.m. (St. Leo), 5:00 p.m. (St. Andrew)

BAPTISM & WEDDINGS
Call the Rectory



NEW PARISHIONERS: We, the parishes of St. Leo the Great & St. Andrew, welcome new parishioners to register with our parish by calling the Rectory at (570) 825 - 6669 or (570) 823 - 1948 or stop by during office hours. We are handicap accessible. We also invite you to visit our web pages.

PASTOR: REVEREND VINCENT H. DANG

Administrative Asst:	Mary Anne Malone
Director of Music:	Robert Passetti
Director of Religious Ed:	Michele Casey
Web Site:	www.stleos-holyrosary.org
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Administrative Asst:	Helene Skopek-Krygier
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Director of Religious Ed:	Kristi Gibson
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Office Hours:	Mon, Tue, Thurs & Fri 9:30 a.m.- 12:30 p.m.

Readings for Sunday of October 27, 2024

First Reading: They departed in tears, but I will console them and guide them. (Jer 31:9)
Psalm: The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy. (Ps 126)
Second Reading: You are a priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek. (Heb 5:6)
Gospel: Jesus said to him in reply, "What do you want me to do for you? The blind man replied to him, "Master, I want to see" (Mk 10:51)

OCTOBER, THE MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY: Every Monday we will pray the rosary at 7:30 a.m. before the 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Leo. We will also recite one decade of the rosary before all weekend Masses. Please come a little bit earlier to pray and honor our Mother Mary. Thank you!

NO DAILY MASS: Tuesday, Oct. 22, Wednesday, Oct. 23 & Thursday, Oct. 24. Thank you.

SECOND COLLECTION: This weekend, October 19 & 20 for World Mission Sunday. Please be generous. Thank you and may God bless you always.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE: Are announced for the 2nd time for Mark Davis & Amy Hilstolsky who will be married on Sat., Nov. 9 at 12:00 p.m. at St. Leo Great Church. May God Bless them.

ST. LEO EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION, LECTORS, & YOUTH ALTAR SERVERS: The mass schedule for 11/02 to 12/08 is ready to be picked up in the Sacristy. Please get a replacement if you cannot serve when you are scheduled. Notify Toni at (570) 868 - 8215 or alrisc@hotmail.com with any special requests or if you can no longer serve. Thank you for serving our parish.

ALL SAINTS (HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION): All Saints Mass will be celebrated on Thurs., Oct. 31 at 5:15 p.m. (Vigil at St. Leo), Fri., Nov. 1 at 8:00 a.m. (St. Leo) and 5:15 p.m. (St Andrew.)

ALL SOULS OFFERING: November is the traditional month for remembering those who have died. During this time, we pray in a particular way for those we love and to whom we owe so much—deceased family and friends. Fr. Dang invites you to remember your own families/friends with him. All souls envelopes with the names of those to be remembered during Masses in November. It is his privilege to pray for those you love.

PERPETUAL NOVENA IN HONOR OF OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL: Every Monday after 8 a.m. Mass at St. Leo Church 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 at St. Leo Church.

ST. LEO COMMUNION FOR THE HOMEBOUND: Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion from St. Leo ' s take Holy Communion to the sick/homebound the first Sunday of every month after the 8:30 a.m. Mass. Please advise family members or friends who cannot attend Mass that an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion can bring the Lord Jesus to them. Anyone wishing to receive Communion may call Kathy Snyder 570 - 814 - 4138. Communion is distributed on the first Sunday of the month. Thank you.

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 (St. Leo) or (570) 823 - 1948 (St. Andrew). Due to HIPAA 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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION INFORMATION

Our CCD Motto is "MASS AND CLASS OR CLASS AND MASS"

St Leo

Classes are from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. on Sunday in the Education Center.
Mrs. Michele Casey, DRE (570) 760 - 9793
CCD teachers: Mrs. Darcy Werner (K); Mrs. Joanna Schultz (1); Mrs. Erin Frank (2); Mrs. Kathleen Rusak (3);Mrs. Rachel Young (4); Mrs. Donna Ranieli (5); Mr. Donald Kane (6); Mr. Kevin Hooper (7); Mrs. Michele Casey (8).
SAVE IMPORTANT 2025 DATES;
FIRST PENANCE: Sat., Jan. 25 at 11 a.m.
HOLY COMMUNION: Sun., May 4 at 8:30 a.m.
CONFIRMATION: Sun., June 8 at 8:30 a.m.
HALLOWEEN CELEBRATION: On Sunday, 10/27, there will be *NO CCD CLASSES*. Instead, our various parish societies, and generous parents and parishioners will combine to sponsor our annual Halloween celebration. Activities will begin with the 8:30 a.m. Mass and the blessing of children, followed by a visit to our TENTS & TREATS and a costume contest, both located on the rear lawn. All parish children, from infant to 8th grade, are invited to participate.
COLLECTION FOR VA RESIDENTS: St. Vincent DePaul Society and our Confirmation candidates are co - sponsoring a "personal items" drive from Oct. 19 – Nov. 10. for the military veterans at the VA facility in Wilkes-Barre. Items requested for 10/26 - 27 are shaving cream, razors, skin lotion, tissues, and hand wipes. Thank you for your help.

ST. ANDREW CHILDREN'S RAFFLE: Our parish is sponsoring a children's raffle Oct. 19 - Nov. 24. Prizes include Nintendo Switch Lite, Magnetic-Tiles and Princess American Doll. Additional prizes will be listed as they are received. Chances are $5 or 5/$20. Tickets will be available before and after masses in the vestibule and the church office. Additional prizes (min. $50.) would be appreciated. Please contact the rectory at 570 - 823 - 1948.
CONGRATULATIONS: To the newest member of St. Leo Parish, Jamison Blejwas, son of David Blejwas and Kelsey Panagakos. Jamison was baptized on Sun., October 13. May God bless him.

St. Andrew

Classes are from 9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. on Sunday at the Rectory & Church Hall.
Ms. Kristi Gibson, DRE (570) 417 - 2505
CCD teachers: Alaina Lutz, Judy Flaherty, Kristi Gibson, Nicholas Lutz, Peter Bonczewski, substitutes Traci Bradshaw, Cheryl Gibson, Helene Skopek - Krygier, and teacher's aide Emily Pugh.
SAVE IMPORTANT 2025 DATES;
FIRST PENANCE: Sat. Feb. 8 at 10 a.m.
HOLY COMMUNION: Sun, May 4 at 11 a.m.
CONFIRMATION: Sun. June 8 at 11 a.m.
HALLOWEEN CELEBRATION: The Halloween Party and Mass for our CCD program will be held on Sunday, 10/27. The party will begin at 9:45 a.m. Following the party, we ask that the children take part in the procession during the Mass, so our parishioners get to see them in their costumes. Costumes need to be appropriate for church.

PRAYING THE ROSARY AT HOME WITH YOUR FAMILY: Would you like to have the statue of Our Lady of Fatima in your home for a week? The purpose is to promote praying the Holy Rosary at home with your family. The statue of Our Lady of Fatima will be in the home of Antoinette and George Riscavage during the week of Oct. 19—26. If you are interested, or want more information, please contact Gloria Calabro at 570- 479 - 1175 or Gildine Musial at 570 - 970 - 8095. Thank you for loving our Mother Mary.

ROSARY RALLY. A Rosary Rally will be held on Sat., Nov., 16 at 1:30 p.m. at St. Peter Cathedral , 315 Wyoming Ave., Scranton. For more information visit ScrantonPrays.com.
LECTORS: Please pick up your Lectionary Workbook for the new Church year. Workbooks are in the sacristy of both churches. Thank you.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF ST. LEO & ST. ANDREW				
Monday	10/21	8:00 a.m. (St. Leo)	Anna and Peter	Family
Tuesday	10/22	8:00 a.m. (St. Leo)	No Mass	
Wednesday	10/23	No Mass		
Thursday	10/24	8:00 a.m. (St. Leo)	No Mass	
Friday	10/25	8:00 a.m. (St. Leo)	Mitzie Drazba Phillips	Her sister Debbie
Saturday	10/26	4:00 p.m. (St. Leo)	Michael Smith	David & Jackie Smith & Family
		5:30 p.m. (St. Andrew)	Joe Oravek	Sue & Mike Havrilosin
Sunday	10/27	8:30 a.m. (St. Leo)	Gilbert & Geraldine Cooney	Family
		11:00 a.m. (St. Andrew)	Agnes Busacco	Judy Flahety

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE WILL BURN THIS WEEK (ST. LEO): In Memory of John & Joan Cunningham by Norene Bradshaw; In Memory of Mary Ann Fedorczyk by John Walsh.
THE SANCTUARY CANDLE WILL BURN THIS WEEK (ST. ANDREW): In Memory of Donna Ushinski by Ann & Michael Shinko.
A BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE WILL BURN THIS WEEK (ST. LEO): In Memory of Catherine Krzywicki by daughter Mary Lou Loughnane & Family; In Memory of Michael Bellas by Mom, Dad, Casey & Jared; In Memory of Geraldine Keefe by sister Audrey Ball and Husband Leonard; In Loving Memory of Wayne Pearce by Gary Burczy & Carole Kneal; In Memory of Mary Ann Kachinko by John Walsh; In Memory of Mary Ann Orman by Bill & Ellen Davis; In Memory of Joan Latzko by the Altar & Rosary/St. Ann ' s Society.
A BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE WILL BURN THIS WEEK (ST. ANDREW): In Memory of Stephen J. Yenchak, Wizda & Yenchak Families and Edward Polchin by Stephen & Mary Yenchak; In Memory of Ann Marie Sanders by Helene Skopek - Krygier.
A SACRED HEART CANDLE WILL BURN THIS WEEK (ST. LEO): In Loving Memory of Jim Londergan by his wife Francie; In Memory of Zach Kollar by his grandparents Dorothy & Dominick Ferro; In Memory of Agnes Batanus by Audrey Ball; In Memory of Lorraine Lucas by Audrey Ball; In Loving Memory of Carmen Nardone by Aunt Millie ' s Family; In Loving Memory of Ray Clarke in Memory of Our Anniversary by Jane Ellen.
A SACRED HEART CANDLE WILL BURN THIS WEEK (ST. ANDREW): For the Health of Adrienne Nicholas by Helene Skopek - Krygier.

If you would like to dedicate a candle for someone,
please call the Rectory 570 - 825 - 6669 (St. Leo) or 570 - 823 - 1948 (St. Andrew). Offering is $10.

ST ANDREW MINISTRY SCHEDULE
Saturday, Oct. 19, 5:30 p.m.: Lector: Steve Yenchak; Extraordinary Minister: Maryellen Sloat; Altar Server: Pete Bonczewski
Sunday, Oct. 20, 11:00 a.m.: Lector: Mike Kelly; Extraordinary Minister: Colleen Yanora; Altar Server: Colleen Jorda.
Saturday, Oct. 26, 5:30 p.m.: Lector: Kathy Smith; Extraordinary Minister: Mary Ashton; Altar Server: Mia Ashton.
Sunday, Oct. 27, 11:00 a.m.: Lector: Yanitsa Gonzalez; Extraordinary Minister: Cheryl Gibson; Altar Server: Joshua Gonzalez.

DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL: The 2024 - 2025 Annual Appeal is underway. The theme this year is: " Our Call to Serve. " The St. Leo goal is $38,760 and the St. Andrew goal is $19,046. You may have already received your pledge envelope. Please be as generous as you can. Thank you and may God bless you always.

ST. ANDREW MASS OF REMEMBRANCE: A celebration Mass of Remembrance and Eternal Life will be held at St. Andrew Church on Wednesday, November 6, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. Following our parish tradition, our parish family will prayerfully and joyfully remember parishioners who have returned to God since our last All Souls Day.

ENTRANCE AT ST. ANDREW CHURCH: If you find navigating the steps at St. Andrew Parish difficult, please use our handicapped entrance located at the rear right side of the church. Handicapped parking is accessible from Filbert Lane and near the entrance.

ST. LEO ADULT FAITH FORMATION: Our new Bible Study, **Matthew, The King and His Kingdom**, meets in St. Leo Church Hall each Monday, from 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. through Nov. 25. Welcome all.

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS: Any candle requests or bulletin submissions must be received in the church office by 12:30 p.m. on Mondays to be included in the weekend bulletin. Holidays will require earlier submission dates, so please order your holiday candles early. Please submit all notices as early as you can.

CHILDREN 'S HALLOWEEN PARTY: Sponsored by the Rolling Mill Hill/Iron Triangle Residents ' Association. Sunday, 10/27 from 3:30—5:30 p.m. at St. Andrew Church Hall, 316 Parrish St., Wilkes - Barre. Open to all children. Food, drinks, face painting, lots of candy and treats.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Darlene Abraham, Susie Ambrose, Eugene Antos, Bonnie Balakier, Bailey Barnds, Terri Belanchik, Jared and Debbie Bellas, Stella Bobrowski, Robert Bozek, Louise Brant, Valerie Brody, Chloe Brown, David Bukoski, Jr., Vivian Grace Busardo, Pat C., Thomas and Louise Cavanaugh, Jackson Chapasko, Michael Corcoran, Patrick Cosgrove, Kathy Crane, Dylan Culp, John Devaney, Sue Devaney - McClatchy, Janice Divers, Maureen Ehret, Jonathan Elick, David Evanko, Christopher Fee, Marion Ferguson, Jean Flanley, Pam Gibson, Roslyn Glynn, Thomas Gorman, Quinn Gorman, Karen Grula, Nicole Halversen, Karen Hannis, Jo Hart, Mary Frances Heiser, Mary Himmel, Mary Hoffman, George Joyce, Ruth Kackauskas, Pam Kalinowski, Sharon Keefe, Marie Keegan, Frank Kempf, Thomas Mark Kinney, Abigail Klass, Chris Klau, Teresa Kucharski, Joseph Kulbaski, Maryann Lavan, Cathy Linker, Cinde Linker, Rachel Lohman, Janice Lord, Robert Lusk, Jodie Martin, Jessica Mbaye, Lauren McDonald, Debbie Mellas, Jesse Mendoza, Mary Ann Mihneski, Christopher Mortensen, Terry Murphy, Donna Nealon, Margaret Nealon, Lois O 'Hara, Betty Oldfield, John Ostrum, John Pac, Alice Pahler, Maria Parra, Janet Peake, Margaret Prestas, David Pudlosky, Dan R., Benjamin Rae, Michael Ralston, Bobby Ramage, Donna Ransom, Linda Reedy, Marie Lu Reinninger, The Reynolds, Fadden & Alfano Families, Toni Riscavage, Libby Rush, Florence Ryder, Nick Santana, Joyce Seiger, Billy Shamanski, Cynthia Sickler, Kevin Sinnott, Margaret Sipple, Tom Smith, Neil Smith, Frank Sorokach, Michael Sedon, Theresa Shrader, Jeff Statkiewicz, Tony Straka, Jim Thomas, Justin Thompson, Tia Toney, Lisa Urbanski, Lynn Vinyard, Albert Vrabel, George Warman, Elaine Warman, Barbara Wasilewski, Jean Wiernusz, Cameron Wilson, Maria Wujik, Ruth Wysocki, Joseph Yedlock, Mary Ann Yedloski, Patty Zukoski and the faithful departed, Lorraine Bilski. If you know someone ill or you want us to pray for, call the Rectory of St. Leo or St. Andrew.

ASHLEY FOOD PANTRY

For clients residing in the 18706 zip code
Open: Thurs., November 14
10 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. & 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Items in special need for October
Cranberry Sauce/Canned Yams

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 10/13/2024

St. Leo: $7,615.00 St. Andrew: $

Due to publication deadlines weekly collections may not always be published.

Second Collection: $