

**St. Leonard Parish – Heath –  
September 1st & 2nd  
The 22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time**

Saturday, September 1st	5:30 p.m. <u>Judy Frischen</u> – Don Frischen
Sunday, September 2nd	9:30 a.m. <u>Tim Kinney+</u> – Ron & Dee Jones
Tuesday, September 4th	9:00 a.m. <u>Parishioners</u>
Wednesday, September 5th	9:00 a.m. <u>Communion Service</u>
Thursday, September 6th	9:00 a.m. <u>Parishioners</u>
Friday, September 7th	9:00 a.m. <u>Communion Service</u>
Saturday, September 8th	5:30 p.m. <u>Thelma Calametti</u> – Sharon Niggemeyer
Sunday, September 9th	9:30 a.m. <u>Parishioners</u>

**Mass Intentions:** Please be reminded that any parishioner is welcome to ask that Masses be celebrated for the deceased or living loved one, Catholic or non-Catholic, or important occasions. Intentions can be made for Sunday and weekday Masses, and are published in the bulletin. The suggested donation, set by the Bishops of Ohio, is \$10.00. To schedule a Mass Intention, contact Peggy at (740) 522-5270. If you need a specific date, make your request early so the office can schedule that date.

**Contact Information for Fr. Bill Hritsko**  
St. L.: (740) 522-5270; OLMC: (740) 928-3266  
Sacramental Emergency: (740) 323-6437



Dear fellow parishioners, this weekend we celebrate Labor Day. In some countries it is celebrated on May 1, the feast of St. Joseph the Worker. But America does the first Monday of September as the “end of summer.” Many places close up swimming pools, summer programs, etc. It used to be the last weekend before school started – at least when I was in school back in the Dark Ages or sometime just after the glaciers began to recede...

On Labor Day, government offices are closed to celebrate Labor... or maybe the freedom from it. It used to be one of the days I had as holiday when I worked in the real world... In any case, the Gospel works in favor with this “work” or “labor” theme this year. Jesus talks about work and intention. He corrected the Pharisees with this truth: *“Well did Isaiah prophesy about you hypocrites, as it is written: This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching as doctrines human precepts. You disregard God’s commandment but cling to human tradition.”* Now, there are rules and laws to be followed; we would have anarchy without them. But when they become more important than compassion, then there is a problem.

As we are beginning a new year - academically speaking - I urge you to think about what you have learned, or not, or need to, about the faith. When did you last try to educate yourself, or take advantage of learning about the faith? What are things that you don’t remember being taught? Or even if they were taught... Sometimes this last statement was true. I can relate to lapses of education in my faith as well.

This can be fixed. There are several faith building things happening at our parishes. Bible Studies, RCIA, PSR (teachers and aides can still be used) all can give insight, new knowledge and even refreshing the knowledge we once had - again or not. There are also lots of online courses, readings, information at your finger tips. I use these sources myself - many are very good, some may be more questionable. If you have questions about them, feel free to ask me. Make an appointment and we can discuss questions. I am considering offering some sessions this coming year to enhance our educational program. Maybe on those things every Catholic should know. If there might be interest in this, let the office/s know.

I would like to close with this column with these thoughts from Jesus... to offer as thoughts for the week...

*“Hear me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile. From within people, from their hearts, come evil thoughts, unchastity, theft, murder, adultery, greed, malice, deceit, licentiousness, envy, blasphemy, arrogance, folly. All these evils come from within and they defile.”*

Let us pray for each other – know that you are in mine always.

*Peace and blessings – Fr. Bill*

**Our Lady of Mercy Prayer Chain**

Changes to the Prayer Chain – Contact the Office

**St. Leonard Parishioners:** Bob Adams; Jody Adams; Norma Annarino; Roy Atkinson; Joe Beckman; Fr. Ronnie Boccali; Nancy Bradley; Kay Brodsky; Kecha Brodsky; Anna Cooperrider; John Cooperrider; Walter Crowe; Carl DiBlasio; Mary Jo DiGiandomenico; Forrest Garey; Doug Gill; Gloria Gill; Sissy Goodin; Rosemary Gordon; Ruth Hottinger; George Jackson; Dale Keeler; Lois McDermott; Philip Miller; Robert Neumeyer; Ben Piper; Owen Stout McAlpine; Beth Prichard; Robert Rager; Joe Reed; Fr. Michael Reis; Cindy Riesbeck; Rodger Richter; Della Seymour; Susie Sherrard; Jan Smith; Carol Watercutter; Joe Whyte; Rita Wimer.

**Our family and friends:** Christopher Allen; Father Allen; Sr. Chris Bailey; Kay Baker; Sharon Baldy; Mike Barrett; Liam Barry; Nancy Bell; Megan Boley & family; Betty Burchfield; Bruce Campbell; Cardoza Family; Brooke Chute; Deborah Cockran; Karis M. Crosmer; Ashley Deck; Glenn DeDona; Sue Denison; D.H.; E.B.; Jim Durda; Dr. Robert Finley, Jr.; Richard Flynn; Terry Fout; Debbie Frazee; David Froberg; Doug Froberg; Christine DeSerio Gatehouse; Maxine Gebhart; Pat Goodin; Phil Gregg; Steven Gress; Cheri & Dale Grigsby; Gary Grigsby; Doug Grimm; Shelly Hartless; Carol Herr; Dennis Hoffman; Beau, Gina, Jill, Matt Jago; Terry Jones; Darla Jurden; Nevin Keim; Hope Klaus; L.B.; Richard Koch; Storm Lazo; Eva Legace; Richard Lieson; Bernard Oberfield; Lombardo Family; Trinity Langwasser; Fr. Michael Lumpe; Ashley M.; Andrew Madrid; Bernie Madrid; Richard Mayhew; Holden McFann; Bill McCluggage; Bill McNamara; Steve McNamara; Fr. Dick Metzger; Pat Molnar; Flint Morgan; Bridgette Morgan; Claire Elizabeth Morgan; Josh Morgan; Sean Morris; Jackie Newman; Norman/Collins Family; Salvatore Presutti; Jeanette Price; Jerry Price; Sean O’Hara; Sally Orend; Colton Phillips-Huffman; Richard Patellos; Don Powell; Eric & Ashley & Tristan Riesbeck; Hannah Roberts; Melvin Robinson; Sammy Roszman; Anderson R. Trinity Russell; Kristen Ryan; Ohmson Schroeder; Carol Diane Smith; Marie & Ken Smith; Barry Spurr; Joel Stanford; Kyle Stowers; Kathleen Thomas; Philip Vogelmeier 5th; Mary Wade; John Walters; David Walton; Carla Watson; Rodger Watson; Francis Weather; Roberta Widman; Iona Wilson; Roger Wimer; Michael White; Hunter Wise; Dee Wright; Russ Yahn.

**PSR AND SPECIAL NEEDS INFORMATION**  
**PSR TIME: SUNDAYS, 10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. September-May**  
**Allison Shardell – Director of Religious Education**  
**and Special Needs/Inclusion Coordinator**  
(Allison.shardell@gmail.com or 740-405-8892)

**ST. LEONARD PARISH CONFERENCE of the SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL:**

Monthly Meeting – 3rd Tuesday – on Tuesday, September 18, 2018

**Altar Flowers** – Teresa Grigsby – 740 366-3892

**Scheduler** – Maryann Chisek – 740 587-3438

1st Collection – September 9th: Catholic Education

2nd Collection – September 16th: Capital Maintenance

**Dusters** – September 3rd: Gini & Greg Johnson

**Lay Ministers Schedule for September 1st & 2nd**

(EMHC – Minister of Sacred Body/Precious Blood)

**September 1st**

**Ushers:** Jan & Les Waldren, Joan Kefeli, Bill Scholl

**Lector:** Jody Adams

**Altar Servers:** Dee Jones, Ron Jones, Wanling Baker

**E.M.H.C.:** Deacon Larry, Joe Beckman, Mary Beckman

**Cantor:** Diane Reef

**September 2nd**

**Ushers:** Frank Flynn, Gene Hill, Bill Gress, Gary Childers

**Lector:** Bonnie Kinney

**Altar Servers:** Mason May, Carlos Chaney, Volunteer

**E.M.H.C.:** Jim Deacon Larry, Terri Jackson, Al Smith

**Cantor:** Tom Held

**Lay Ministers Schedule for September 8th & 9th**

(EMHC – Minister of Sacred Body/Precious Blood)

**Ushers:** Jan & Les Waldren, Joan Kefeli, Bill Scholl, Frank Flynn, Gene Hill, Bill Gress, Gary Childers

**Lectors:** Mary Gillespie; Bob Morman

**Altar Servers:** Kozlowski Family Brandon Shardell, Amelia Shardell, Andrea Chaney

**E.M.H.C.:** Sonny Del Matto, Ron Jones, Don Hobbs, Jim Watercutter, Terri Jackson, Bonnie Kinney

**Cantors:** Don & Cindy Reisbeck; Steve Schlicher

**Lay Ministers Schedule for September 15th & 16th**

(EMHC – Minister of Sacred Body/Precious Blood)

**Ushers:** Jan & Les Waldren, Joan Kefeli, Bill Scholl, Frank Flynn, Gene Hill, Bill Gress, Gary Childers

**Lectors:** Sherron Hamm; Leigh Ann Lutz

**Altar Servers:** Benvie Family Jack Lutz, John LaBelle, Volunteer

**E.M.H.C.:** Deacon Larry, Elizabeth Benvie, Dee Jones, Deacon Larry, Carol Scholl, Nello Allori

**Cantors:** Suzanne Baker; Tom Held

**Money Counters**

September 3rd: Bill Gress & Al Smith

September 10th: Rita Kelly & Nancy Willey



**Upcoming Events**

St. Leonard Knights of Columbus Council #12641

Next Meeting: September 12th at 7:00 p.m.

Don Hobbs – Grand Knight – (740) 344-5008  
tower1249@hotmail.com



**STEWARDSHIP ACTIVE REGISTERED FAMILIES 235**  
**PARISH OFFERINGS NEEDED PER WEEK: \$4,100.00**

**PARISH OFFERTORY FOR THE WEEKEND OF AUGUST 25TH & 26TH**

PARISH OFFERING: \$2,762.50 HALL RENTAL \$ 75.00

CANDLES: \$ 7.00 ONLINE GIVING \$350.00

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL \$1,120.00

**OPERATING BUDGET FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2018 – AUGUST 27, 2018**

INCOME: \$35,514.43 EXPENSE: \$35,664.17 NET: -\$149.74

**Upcoming American Sign Language Interpreted Parish Events**

September 9th, 16th, 23rd

9:30 a.m. Mass, 10:30 a.m. PSR (Pre-K)



**Eucharistic Adoration** will take place Friday, September 7th, from 9:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. Come spend time with our Lord in quiet and prayer.

**The Office** will be closed on Labor Day, September 3rd.

**Blood pressures** will be taken September 8th and 9th after Masses in the sacristy.

**PSR 2018-2019 Begins:** PSR will begin Sunday, September 9th with the opening parent meeting at 10:30 a.m. and class beginning at 11:00 a.m. that same day.

**Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA):** Are you or someone you know interested in learning more about the Catholic faith? St. Leonard and Our Lady of Mount Carmel in Buckeye Lake will begin RCIA classes Tuesday, September 18th at 7:00 p.m. in OLMC's parish hall. All are welcome! Please contact the offices of St. Leonard or Our Lady of Mount Carmel for details.

**Focalore** will meet on Thursday, September 6th at 4:30 p.m. in the Church parking lot to car-pool to Watts for dinner. After dinner, we will return to the Church to recite the Rosary and have a discussion on a Word of Life reading. All are welcome. If there are any questions, please call Mary Morman at (740) 522-1639.

**The St. Leonard Women's Guild** will be meeting on Thursday, September 13th, in the Social Hall at 11:00 a.m. All women in the parish are invited to become members of this wonderful organization. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Dee Jones at 740-522-4875 or Shelley Wilson at 740-323-3849. Lunch will follow at the Tokyo Steakhouse.

## Parish Happenings

**The Turban Project**, which provides free headwear to cancer patients, is in desperate need of costume jewelry, pins, brooches, etc., to embellish the turbans. 20,270 turbans have been donated. For more info, please contact Dee Jones at [drjones1@columbus.rr.com](mailto:drjones1@columbus.rr.com) or 740-522-4875.

**Knox/Licking Vocations Club** will be meeting on Tuesday, September 11th at St. Leonard Church at noon. Please come join us for lunch and the speaker, Fr. Mark Ghiloni, from Church of the Ascension. The cost of the lunch is \$5.00. The money we collect helps support and encourage seminarians, religious and priests. Bring a friend and make new ones. Questions? Call Linda at 366-4074.

## Around the Diocese

**Men Of The East - Traveling Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration with Reflection:** St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church (303 E High Street, Mt. Vernon, OH) will host the Men Of The East for a traveling Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration with Reflection on Thursday, September 13th starting at 7:00 p.m. in the church. All men of the twelve-parish consortium are invited to participate in these once a month Holy Hours. Men Of The East is a new Catholic Men's Laity Ministry comprised of all Catholic men who are registered at one of the twelve parishes in Knox, Licking and Muskingum Counties. Men Of The East exists to support, strengthen and help maximize the spiritual growth of men of the Catholic Church. Men Of The East is a part of the larger Catholic Men's Laity Ministry for the Columbus Ohio Diocese. *For more information about Men Of The East, visit [www.MenOfTheEast.com](http://www.MenOfTheEast.com)*

**Annual Jack Nutter Memorial Golf Outing:** Blessed Sacrament is hosting its annual Jack Nutter Memorial Golf Outing on Saturday, September 15th at Kyber Run Golf Course, 5261 Mink Street, Johnstown. Sign up for the Four-Man Scramble. The cost is \$40.00/person and \$160.00/team, which includes lunch, awards and door prizes. Registrations are due by August 31st. Go to [blsac.net](http://blsac.net) and click the link to register or call Don Blosser at (740) 407-6298 for more information.

**GriefShare Program:** Are you grieving the death of a family member or friend? GriefShare is an 11-week video seminar series at St. Edward Church, from 2:00-3:30 p.m. in the Parish Lounge **beginning September 9 through November 18**. This weekly series is for people who are suffering a deep hurt from the loss of a spouse, child, family member, or friend through death. GriefShare features some of the nation's foremost Christian experts on grief and recovery topics. The seminar is designed to help you face these challenges and move forward. For additional information or registration, please visit the link at <https://saintedwards.org/griefshare> or contact Bill or Mary Hoekstra at 740-587-0164 or [griefshare43023@gmail.com](mailto:griefshare43023@gmail.com).

**Join us for REBOOT, a life-changing event:** Let internationally renowned speaker and author Chris Stefanick, along with top performing live music artists, help you REDISCOVER God, and REDISCOVER the life you were made for. REBOOT! is the fun, inspiring and practical experience for all (ages 12 and up), of applying the beauty and genius of the Gospel to every aspect of your life, from prayer and spirituality, to work, dating, marriage, parenting, health and more! It's time to start living the Life you were made for. Join us at St. Francis de Sales parish in Newark on September 26th at 7:00 p.m. for REBOOT. This is a ticketed event, so please buy your tickets ahead of time. They will not be sold at the door. We expect it to sell out and don't want you to miss this opportunity to grow in your faith. Tickets are \$22.00 and can be purchased online at [stfrancisparish.net](http://stfrancisparish.net), [reallifecatholic.com/reboot](http://reallifecatholic.com/reboot), or St. Francis' parish office. *St. Leonard has tickets available to purchase in the parish office.*

**Catholic Conversations Presents Deyra Little**, author of *From Islam to Christ*, on Sunday, September 9, 2018, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Sports on Tap (4030 Main Street, Hilliard, OH 43026). Born and raised in Muslim Turkey, Derya wandered far and wide in search of her true home. After her parents' divorce, she rejected her family's Islamic faith and became an atheist. During her stormy adolescence, she tried to convince a Christian missionary that there is no God, but was converted to Christ instead. Derya's compelling story provides a window into both Islam and modernity. C.C. is hosted by St. Margaret of Cortona Parish and we invite you to join us as we learn about one woman's conversion. There is no fee to attend, you simply pay for what you order. Registration is preferred to guarantee your seat. Please register online through [EventBrite.com](http://EventBrite.com) and search for Catholic Conversations or by email to Julie Naporano at [julienaporano1@gmail.com](mailto:julienaporano1@gmail.com) OR to Nancy Whetstone at [nancywhetstone@gmail.com](mailto:nancywhetstone@gmail.com).

**Classes for 2-3- year-olds with communication and/or socialization challenges:** On September 11th, our school year program will resume at St. Edward's Church for 2- and 3-year-olds with communication and/or socialization challenges. The classes are tentatively scheduled from noon to 2:00 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The children work in groups of 6 with two teachers; evidence-based "play" procedures are used to improve their communication and socialization skills. There is also a **free program for young people with autism**. This program starts September 10th. Participants should have basic reading skills. They will work one-on-one with mentors in small groups on Mondays from 4:00-6:00 p.m. participating in noncompetitive physical activities including: "obstacle" courses, music, dancing, yoga, crafts, games, cooking, interviewing, drama, visiting restaurants and other places of interest in Granville, etc. This program was created to improve social and communication skills, to allow for sensory issues and a child's need for routine, to develop executive skills, and to reduce anxiety with new situations, new activities and new people. Applications are being accepted for Mentors who will be trained and paid. Please use contact information below. These programs are sponsored by the Language Experience Center, a nonprofit organization. Children of all races, colors, and national/ethnic origins are welcome. Classes are held at Saint Edward Catholic Church, 785 Newark-Granville Road, Granville. Please contact Barbara Lechner, Ph.D. at 740-587-7214 or [talkdoc43023@msn.com](mailto:talkdoc43023@msn.com) to enroll or for more information.

### **Let us pray for our parishioners, family, & friends serving in the military**

SrA. Therin Brown, USAF  
Pvt. Kaleb Hoffer, USMC



Sgt. Donald R. Hoffer II, US Army  
Pvt. Andre Manning, US Army

**Please also keep their families in your prayers.**

*If you would like to submit names for this list, please email Allison at [Allison.shardell@gmail.com](mailto:Allison.shardell@gmail.com).*

### **We Are One Body—Catholic Social Teachings: Diocese & Worldwide**

**Bethesda Healing Ministry:** Post-traumatic suffering is the untold story of abortion. Are there many like you who may be waiting to hear a word of hope for healing? Yes. You do not suffer alone. Bethesda Healing Ministry invites and welcomes you. The ministry meets on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month to share in the healing experience. Confidential lines are 614-309-2651 or 614-309-0157 or visit our website at [www.bethesdahealing.org](http://www.bethesdahealing.org).



**Friends of the Poor Walk:** Join the Society of St. Vincent de Paul for the 2018 Columbus Friends of the Poor Walk Saturday, September 29th at 10:00 a.m. (registration begins at 9:00 a.m.). The walk will be held at St. Francis de Sales High School, 4212 Karl Road, Columbus. Register at <https://www.fopwalk.org/eventlisting/eventdetail/?eventid=2093>.