

St. Leonard Parish ~ Heath ~ October 20th & 21st
The 29th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Saturday, October 20th	5:30 p.m.	<u>Peggy Oberfield Tate</u> ~ Don & Helen Smith
Sunday, October 21st	9:30 a.m.	<u>Michael Hritsko+</u> ~ Women's Guild
Tuesday, October 23rd	9:00 a.m.	<u>Bob & Mary Morman</u> ~ Special Intention
Wednesday, October 24th	9:00 a.m.	<u>Communion Service</u>
Thursday, October 25th	9:00 a.m.	<u>Parishioners</u>
Friday, October 26th	9:00 a.m.	<u>Communion Service</u>
Saturday, October 27th	5:30 p.m.	<u>David Nesser, Sr.</u> ~ Nesser Family
Sunday, October 28th	9:30 a.m.	<u>Tim Kinney +</u> ~ St. Leonard Youth Choir



Dear fellow parishioners, many folks don't get (or take?) the opportunity to read or ponder the weekday readings. I think it is important to avail ourselves to them. Sometimes they affect me and make me think that others might sometimes benefit from the daily Scriptures as well.

This past Wednesday, the first reading for Mass was from St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians (5:18-25). We heard: "...the works of the flesh are obvious: immorality, impurity... [I left out some of the carnal things] *hatreds, rivalry, jealousy, outbursts of fury, actions of selfishness, dissensions, factions, occasions of envy... and the like.*" The list is not exhaustive – that is why St. Paul puts in "the like." I am sure most of us can add to the list easily.

I bring this to attention because, I have to watch for those "works" in my own life. I have even experienced (and seen it) in families, work places and – *say it isn't so* – parishes – *gasp!* You know the Evil One tries to get in everywhere – however he can. He will even use "good stuff" to do it. Selfishness, dissensions, hatreds, etc. (the list above is not exhaustive as I state above) can damage the good stuff and then the positive momentum, energy, movement of the Spirit gets damaged by our own sinful works.

St. Paul further gives the warning (not just a caution): "*I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the Kingdom of God.*" That lack of inheritance is by our choice – not God's. God gives us what we decide we want... to be with Him or to not. It is not only by our words that determine to whom we belong... it is mostly by our actions (re-read James' letter). If we don't want to live according to His will on earth, then we are saying we don't want to live with Him forever.

I know that we fall and show some of the "works" (been there *done* that). That comes from our dealing with our fallen nature (Original Sin and its effects). However, the warning by St. Paul and the Lord, Himself, is to change. Yes, *change* if you want, you can call it *shift* but we have to convert (another good word) ourselves. Take the energy or passion (or whatever you want to call it) that you put to the negative stuff, turn them over to God and decide to follow the guidance of the Holy Spirit and put it to doing positive stuff.

How can you tell if you have? St. Paul states: "...*If you are guided by the Spirit, you are not under the law...*" and your "new fruits" will be: "*love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control.*" I would guess that he might have put "and the like" in this as well.

Considering the above, where are you deciding to live these days – be honest... Let us pray for each other. Know that you are in mine always.

Peace and blessings – Fr. Bill.

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

Our Lady of Mercy Prayer Chain

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. Sharon Baldy; Chris Bailey; Kay Baker; 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 DeDonna; 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; Lutz & McDermott Families; 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 Weether; Roberta Widman; Iona Wilson; Roger Wimer; Michael White; Hunter Wise; Dee Wright; Russ Yahn.

**If your loved one needs our support and is not listed,
 please contact the church office at 522-5270.**

PSR & 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**

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**ST. LEONARD PARISH CONFERENCE of the
SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL:**
Monthly Meeting~ 3rd Tuesday
Next Meeting: Tuesday, November 20, 2018

Altar Flowers ~ Teresa Grigsby ~ 740-366-3892
Scheduler ~ Maryann Chisek ~ 740-587-3438
2nd Collection ~ October 21st: Mission Sunday
1st Collection ~ October 28th: St. Vincent de Paul
Dusters ~ October 22nd: Sonny Del Matto

**Lay Ministers Schedule for October 20th & 21st
(EMHC – Minister of Sacred Body/Precious Blood)
October 20th**

Ushers: Jan & Les Waldren, Joan Kefeli, Bill Scholl
Lector: Mary Gillespie
Altar Servers: Kozlowski Family
E.M.H.C.: Deacon Larry, Joe Beckman, Mary Beckman
Cantor: Suzanne Baker

October 21st

Ushers: Frank Flynn, Gene Hill, Bill Gress, Gary Childers
Lector: Bonnie Kinney
Altar Servers: Brandon Shardell, Amelia Shardell, Volunteer
E.M.H.C.: Deacon Larry, Richele Piper, Al Smith
Cantor: Tom Held

**Lay Ministers Schedule for October 27th & 28th
(EMHC – Minister of Sacred Body/Precious Blood)**

Ushers: Jan & Les Waldren, Joan Kefeli, Bill Scholl,
Frank Flynn, Gene Hill, Bill Gress, Gary Childers
Lectors: Dee Jones, Leigh Ann Lutz
Altar Servers: Benvie Family, Ben Bemis, Andy Bemis, Volunteer
E.M.H.C.: Elizabeth Benvie, Sonny Del Matto, Don Hobbs,
Jim Watercutter, Terri Jackson, Bonnie Kinney
Cantors: Don & Cindy Riesbeck; Tom Held
Cantors for 10/31 & 11/1: Suzanne Baker; Tom Held

**Lay Ministers Schedule for November 3rd & 4th
(EMHC – Minister of Sacred Body/Precious Blood)**

Ushers: Jan & Les Waldren, Joan Kefeli, Bill Scholl,
Frank Flynn, Gene Hill, Bill Gress, Gary Childers
Lectors: Joan Kefeli, Christina Ross
Altar Servers: Benvie Family, Carlos Chaney, Andrea Chaney,
Volunteer
E.M.H.C.: Deacon Larry, Mike Benvie, Ron Jones,
Deacon Larry, Bob Morman, Volunteer
Cantors: Diane Reef; Don & Cindy Riesbeck

Money Counters

October 22nd: Gary Grigsby & Nello Allori
October 29th: Don Hobbs & Nello Allori



**UPCOMING EVENTS
ST. LEONARD KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
COUNCIL #12641**



Next Meeting: November 14th at 6:30 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 OCTOBER 14TH

PARISH OFFERING: \$ 2,741.00	EDUCATION: \$ 214.00
CANDLES: \$ 10.00	ONLINE GIVING: \$ 250.00
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL: \$ 50.00	CAPITAL MAINT.: \$ 35.00

OPERATING BUDGET FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2018-OCTOBER 16TH, 2018

INCOME: \$62,048.51	EXPENSE: \$70,422.00	NET: -\$8,373.49
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**Upcoming American Sign Language
Interpreted Parish Events**

October 28th, 9:30 Mass; 10:30 a.m. PSR (Pre-K)
November 4th, 9:30 Mass; 10:30 a.m. PSR (Pre-K)
November 11th, 9:30 Mass; 10:30 a.m. PSR (Pre-K)



Bulletin Article Submission Information: If you would like to submit articles for publication in the bulletin, please email them to Allison at STLeonardPSR@outlook.com by Tuesday morning each week.

Holy Day of Obligation: November 1st is the celebration of the Feast of All Saints. Mass times will be held Wednesday, October 31st, at 7:00 p.m. and Thursday, November 1st, at 9:00 a.m.

The Annual Remembrance Memorial Service will be on October 28th at 2:00 p.m. If you have friends or relatives who have passed away in the past year, their names will be entered into the Memorial Book during the service, and a family member may come up and light a candle in their memory. Please submit names to the office or to Mary Morman by October 23rd. Thank you!

Month of the Holy Rosary: Focalore will sponsor recitation of the Rosary each weekday in October, at 7:00 p.m. in the Church. All are welcome.

Heartbeats Baby Bottles: Please pick up a baby bottle to support the pro-life mission of Heartbeats. You can return your bottles by October 28th. Please hand them to an Usher or Lorraine Allori to ensure that they are safely locked up after Mass.

Our condolences to Tom Held and his family on the passing of his mother, Betty.

St. Leonard Auction: Save the Date! The 2019 Parish Auction will be held Saturday, March 2, 2019. The auction committee is looking for a chairperson to lead this important fund raiser for the parish. Call the Parish Office if you are interested.

Parish Happenings

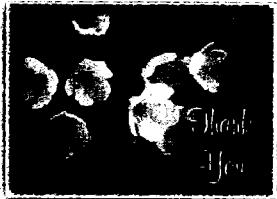
Financial Update: Our Parish Offertory each week is not meeting our needed expenses. We need \$4,100.00 each week to meet our budget for the fiscal year. We averaged \$3,400.00 each week over the past 16 weeks, including online giving. That is a shortfall of \$700.00 per week. The current deficit is \$8,245.00, and we have had to borrow from our reserves to cover bills. Please consider giving what you can to help with the deficit. ~ *Finance Committee*

The Women's Guild will be selling crocheted hats before and after Masses during the month of October. Proceeds will be used to help with Parish projects.



Ministry Opportunities: St. Leonard needs your help! We are in urgent need of Altar Servers and Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Eucharist, as well as musicians (instrumentalists, youth choir members, and youth and adult bell ringers). If you are interested in serving the Church in these ways, please contact the office.

PSR Service Learning Donations Request: The sudden chilly weather has inspired our 4th, 5th, and 6th grade PSR students to want to be a blessing to those in our community who may not have the means to stay warm and healthy this winter, and are asking for donations. Suggested items include: hand warmers, warm socks, feminine products, toothbrushes, floss, travel-size mouthwash and toothpaste, deodorant, hand sanitizers, unopened hotel toiletries, gloves, hats, scarves, baby wipes, beef jerky, snack packs of nuts, crackers, seeds, granola bars, chewing gum, trail mix, packs of instant coffee or tea, dried fruit, Chapstick, grooming kits, travel-size first aid kits, sunscreen, and chewable vitamins. Donations can be given to Allison Shardell, Kecha Brodsky, Russell Robinson, or any PSR 4th-6th grader. There will also be a box in the back of the church. In mid-November, our middle school students will assemble the Blessing Bags and donate them to St. Vincent de Paul and other local organizations to distribute to those who need them. Thank you for supporting our youth, and thank you to our PSR students for being Christ in the world!



Messages of Appreciation: A heartfelt thank-you goes to Father Bill Hritsko, Father Mike Gribble, Deacon Larry Wilson, Altar Servers, Pianist, Cantor, Ushers, and Choir. Your participation during the funeral Mass made it a comforting celebration of Bob's life. God bless you for performing the Corporal work of Mercy to bury the dead. The cards, phone calls, and expressions of sympathy are greatly appreciated. ~The Bob Marshall, Jr. Family

From the Robert Marshall family to the St. Leonard Parish Family: Words cannot thank you enough for the wonderful meal that was provided on Wednesday! Everything was perfect – the table settings, food and beverages. We all appreciate the hard work, time and special touches to make this day easy on our family. We are forever grateful for your kindness. Thank you.

The Bereavement Committee would like to acknowledge all who participated in the Robert Marshall funeral Mass and mercy lunch. Special thanks to Peggy and the Music Ministry, the ladies of the Guild, friends of the Guild — Jamie and Sadie Haidet, Kathy Wildermuth, Rosemary White and several gentlemen of the parish, including Jr Allori, Sonny DelMatto, Larry Hughes, Bob Morman, Al Smith, and Deacon Wilson.

Congratulations to Leigh Ann Lutz, who received the Leaders for Learning Award by the Licking County Foundation. Leigh Ann teaches at Stevenson Elementary in Heath. Educators across Licking County were honored throughout the past week for "inspiring future generations of citizens" by the Licking County Foundation. The awards were made possible through support by the Lindorf-Warner Memorial Fund of the LCF. Area teachers were surprised in their classrooms by representatives of the Licking County Foundation, where they were presented with a unique blown-glass apple, sculpture and \$500.00 awards "to further their professional development or purchase materials for their classrooms," according to the LCF.



Congratulations to Leigh Ann!

Around the Diocese

The Catholic Foundation: “For the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many.” (MARK 10:45) If you held a mirror up to your life, would it reflect God’s love and mercy? If you are struggling with this, try changing your attitude from “I want more” to “thank you God, for everything you have given me; I have enough to share.” This change in perspective will bring you joy through service to others. Learn how to share your gifts and serve others by supporting your parish and contact The Catholic Foundation. Visit www.catholic-foundation.org/development for more information.

Saint Luke Productions is presenting *Tolton: From Slave to Priest*, performed live by Jim Coleman on Friday, November 9th, at 12:30 and 6:00 p.m. and Saturday, November 10th, at 1:30 and 6:30 p.m., at the Ohio Dominican University Matesich Theater (1216 Sunbury Road, Columbus). Admission is \$20.00 and youth 10 and under are free (due to subject matter, however, this performance is recommended for ages 10 and up). The performance is sponsored by the Diocese of Columbus African-American Catholic Ministries in the Office of Ethnic Ministries. For more information on the performance, visit www.toltondrama.com. To purchase tickets, contact Pam Harris at pharris@columbuscatholic.org or 614-221-7990, ext. 1492, or visit www.columbuscatholic.org/cem.

Annual Diocesan Prayer Shawl/Fiber Ministries Fair: It’s time again to mark your calendar for the annual diocesan Fiber Fair on Saturday, October 27, 2018, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., hosted by the Church of the Resurrection (6300 East Dublin-Granville Road, New Albany). All knitters, crocheters, quilters, seamstresses, and all who work with fibers and their friends are invited to join in the fun and sharing of our talents as servants of God – creatively! This year, shawls will be collected for the St. Peregrine (cancer) Ministry. Lunch will be provided! To register for the Prayer Shawl/Fiber Fair and for lunch (including any dietary restrictions), please contact Sandy Walsh at 614-342-6003 or scwalsh@aol.com or the Diocesan Office for Social Concerns at 614-241-2540 by October 24th.

Let us pray for our parishioners, family, and 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.

We Are One Body – Catholic Social Teachings: Diocese and Worldwide

Bethesda Healing Ministry: Have you had an abortion? Are you seeking healing? God is ever present at Bethesda Healing Ministry. Please come. He is waiting for you. The ministry meets on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month to share in the healing experience. Confidential lines: 614-309-2651 or 614-309-0157 or visit our website at www.bethesdahealing.org.

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Election Day is Tuesday, November 6. “In the Catholic tradition, responsible citizenship is a virtue, and participation in political life is a moral obligation.” ~ U.S. Catholic Bishops, *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*, www.faithfulcitizenship.org. Visit the Catholic Conference of Ohio’s website at www.ohiocathconf.org for state issue positions. The Catholic Bishops have not taken a position on State Issue 1, Drug and Criminal Justice Policies Initiative, but call for prayerful discernment of the pros and cons. Please vote and let your voice be heard!

Responding to the Drug Addiction Epidemic: The Diocesan Hope Task Force continues to add new resources for families, parishes, and schools. Visit www.columbuscatholic.org/drug-awareness for information on responding to the drug addiction crisis.

Suicide Prevention and Response: If you or someone you know is suicidal, in danger of harming themselves, or is in emotional distress, contact the confidential National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 1-800-273-8255 or text HOME to 741741. Trained crisis workers are available to talk 24/7. In cases of immediate risk and/or danger, please call 911. For more information on diocese resources available for responding to and preventing suicide, please visit www.columbuscatholic.org/suicide-prevention.