

**St. Leonard Parish ~ Heath ~ November 3rd & 4th
31st Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Saturday, November 3rd	5:30 p.m.	<u>Robert "Bob" Marshall, Jr. +</u> ~ Women's Guild
Sunday, November 4th	9:30 a.m.	<u>Parishioners</u>
Tuesday, November 6th	9:00 a.m.	<u>Ron Jones (Special Intention)</u>
Wednesday, November 7th	9:00 a.m.	<u>Communion Service</u>
Thursday, November 8th	9:00 a.m.	<u>Fr. Stanley Cmich, CPPS+</u>
Friday, November 9th	9:00 a.m.	<u>Communion Service</u>
Saturday, November 10th	5:30 p.m.	<u>Douglas Gordon ~ Family</u>
Sunday, November 11th	9:30 a.m.	<u>Michael Hritsko+</u>



Dear fellow parishioners, I am at the Adult Tamburitza Festival hosted by the Croatian Fraternal Union, held this year in Pittsburgh. It is a weekend of friends, music, dancing – all that good stuff. I offer the invocation before each day

of the concerts, setting up for and then concelebrating the Mass. Might be food in there somewhere... See you when I get back. This weekend, Jesus gives the "two greatest Commandments": "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: You shall love your neighbor as yourself." He was asked about *the* (one) greatest commandment, but in the practice of rabbinical teaching, Jesus gives an answer of *two*. If one is good then two is better, when talking about God.

I'd like to note that the word "love" here is an *action word/verb*. By its being used as such, Jesus means that something needs to be done! (As is often my mantra – *do something!*) It doesn't even have to be big or out in the front – it can be behind the scenes. If we don't move or do nothing, we atrophy.

When I worked at Children's Hospital (before seminary), I did some research on lack of movement, as my dad was battling cancer (and being bedridden was in his future). I came across a study with a group of college athletes who agreed to be bedridden over a period of three weeks. Some athletes lost up to 20% of muscle strength after seven days. After 14 days, it was up to 50% in some subjects – with a significant amount of muscle loss noted for all. The experiment was ended at that time, as there was concern of potential damage if it would have continued. There is a parallel for us in our spiritual life; when we don't exercise faith, prayer, yes – even love of God and neighbor – our spirits can literally die.

Care and compassion, when not practiced, follows the same. If we bind these things up and stop using them – it is like gangrene of the soul. Our spirits wither, fade then, well, look at the world today. Look what lack of compassion, concern, *love of God and neighbor* has brought about: hatred, anger, lack of respect of human or any life. Integrity of the human person is not even seen. How many homicides have you counted this past week? How many armed robberies, assaults, other atrocities committed against human and animals have you noted in the past month?

Love your neighbor as yourself seems to be lost. Maybe it is because people have decided they aren't worth loving. I am telling you – *you, and all people, are worth loving*. If for no other reason than that: every person was created by God and Jesus suffered, died and rose for *each person individually!* If you can't hold onto anything more than that... then hold onto that fact! 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; Amelia Shardell; 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; Chris & Gracias Cannon; James Cannon; 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; 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 Weather; Roberta Widman; Iona Wilson; Roger Wimer; Michael White; Hunter Wise; Dee Wright; Russ Yahn.

**If your loved one needs our support & 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**

Allison.shardell@gmail.com / 740-405-8892

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

Monthly Meeting ~ 3rd Tuesday
Next Meeting: November 20, 2018

St. Leonard Women's Guild

Monthly Meeting ~ 2nd Thursday in the Social Hall
Next Meeting: November 8th at 11:00 a.m.

Dee Jones ~ 740-522-4875 / Shelley Wilson ~ 740-323-3849

Altar Flowers ~ Teresa Grigsby ~ (740) 366-3892

Scheduler ~ Anna Sikora ~ (740) 745-2044

Money Counters

November 5th: Bill Gress & Al Smith

November 12th: Rita Kelly & Nancy Willey

Dusters

November 5th: Greg & Gini Johnson

November 12th: Sonny Del Matto

Lay Ministers Schedule for November 3rd & 4th

(EMHC – Minister of Sacred Body/Precious Blood)

November 3rd

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

Lector: Joan Kefeli

Altar Servers: Benvie Family

E.M.H.C.: Deacon Larry, Mike Benvie, Ron Jones

Cantor: Diane Reef

November 4th

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

Lector: Christina Ross

Altar Servers: Carlos Chaney, Andrea Chaney, Volunteer

E.M.H.C.: Deacon Larry, Bob Morman, Richele Piper

Cantor: Don & Cindy Riesbeck

Lay Ministers Schedule for November 10th & 11th

(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, Bonnie Kinney

Altar Servers: Wanling Baker, Dee Jones, Ron Jones,
Mason May, John LaBelle, Volunteer

E.M.H.C.: Terri Larkins, Carol Scholl, Nello Allori,
Al Smith, Jim Watercutter, Terri Jackson

Cantors: Suzanne Baker, Steve Schlicher

Lay Ministers Schedule for November 17th & 18th

(EMHC – Minister of Sacred Body/Precious Blood)

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

Lectors: Terri Larkins, Leigh Ann Lutz

Altar Servers: Kozlowski Family, Brandon Shardell,
Amelia Shardell, Volunteer

E.M.H.C.: Deacon Larry, Dee Jones, Sonny Del Matto
Deacon Larry, Bonnie Kinney, Bob Morman

Cantors: Suzanne Baker, Don & Cindy Riesbeck



**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 28TH

PARISH OFFERING:	\$ 3,339.61	EDUCATION:	\$ 5.00
CANDLES:	\$ 2.00	ONLINE GIVING	\$ 300.00
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL	\$ 702.00	WORLD MISSION:	\$ 108.00

OPERATING BUDGET FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2018-NOVEMBER 2, 2018

INCOME: \$68,348.89 EXPENSE: \$78,365.33 NET: **-\$10,016.44**



November 3rd and 4th:

1st Collection ~ Capital Maint.; 2nd Collection ~ Hurricane Victims

November 11th: 1st Collection ~ Catholic Education

November 18th: 2nd Collection ~ Human Development

**Upcoming American Sign Language
Interpreted Parish Events**

November 11th, 9:30 Mass, 10:30 PSR (Pre-K)

November 18th, 9:30 Mass, 10:30 PSR (Pre-K)



St. Leonard Spaghetti Dinner: St. Leonard will be having a Spaghetti Dinner on Thursday, November 8th, from 4:30-7:30 p.m., in the St. Leonard Social Hall. Come and enjoy Sonny Del Matto's special sauce. The dinner includes spaghetti, salad, bread, drink, and dessert. Adults are \$8.00, children 6-12 years are \$5.00, and children 5 and under are free. Proceeds will benefit our parish maintenance projects. Dessert donations can be dropped off after 10:00 a.m. on the 8th. Our recent projects have been the parking lot resurfacing, sidewalk repair, and repair to the heating systems in the church and Rectory. Thanks. If you can help with the dinner, contact the church office.

Ministry Schedule: St. Leonard Parish would like to thank Maryann Chisek for her years of service to our parish as our ministry scheduler. She is stepping down as scheduler and Anna Sikora will be taking her place. Thank you, Maryann for all you have done for our parish, and thank you, Anna for taking on this important position!

Our sympathy and prayers go out to the Gaunder family in the passing of Thomas Gaunder.

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

Knox/Licking Vocations Club

The meeting will be on Tuesday, November 13th, at St. Leonard Church. The speaker will be Sister Carol Spencer. Please come join us for lunch at 12:00 noon with our speaker to follow. The cost of the lunch is \$5.00. Money collected is used to support and encourage the seminarians, priests, and religious life. Call Debby at 366-6924 with questions. Hope to see you on the 13th.

The St. Leonard's Women's Guild

The meeting will be on Thursday, November 8th, in the church, 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 Tumbleweed.

PSR Service Learning Donations Request:

The middle school PSR class is asking for donations to make Blessing Bags for area people in need. Suggested items include: hand warmers, warm socks, feminine products, chewable vitamins, travel size grooming or personal care products, and healthy prepackaged snacks. Donations can be given to Allison Shardell, Kecha Brodsky, Russell Robinson, or any PSR 4th-6th grader. 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!

Giving Tree:

If you know of someone who needs some help with Christmas this year, let us know so we can put something on our Giving Tree for them. Their names will be kept confidential, but we will put their individual needs on our Giving Tree. Parishioners will then pick an item from the tree and share their Christmas with those in need. Please contact Deacon Larry, Peggy or Allison with names as soon as possible. The Giving Tree will be put up the weekend of November 17th and 18th.

Coats for Kids Campaign:

Saturday, November 3rd through Sunday, November 25th, the Knights of Columbus and the Women's Guild are sponsoring the Coats for Kids Campaign. They will be collecting new winter coats for children in need. Please donate by placing a new children's winter coat in the box at the back of the Church. See the bulletin insert for more details.

Around the Diocese

The Catholic Foundation:

"And 'to love him with all your heart, with all your understanding, with all your strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself' is worth more than all the burnt offerings and sacrifices." (MARK 12:33). Of all the gifts that God gives us, the one He wants the most is our heart. He wants us to share out of love, not out of obligation. Using our talent in parish ministry and contributing money to support our parish mission is important, but it's more important to spend time in prayer with God daily and discern how He is calling us to be generous with all of our gifts. Not just the visible ones, but the invisible ones like love, mercy and forgiveness. Learn how to share your gifts and Catholic legacy by supporting your parish and contact The Catholic Foundation. Visit www.catholic-foundation.org/development for more information.

St. Vincent Haven Media Volunteer:

St. Vincent Haven is looking for help with social media, to tell some of the inspiring stories of the beautiful people that we are blessed to serve. Here, the miraculous is commonplace, and of course it is, for Jesus taught us that His place is with the poor. If in reading this you (or someone one know) are feeling called, have writing skills, know your way around Facebook, newsletters and/or websites, and are able to give some of your time and talent, please email us at johnpaul@svdphaven.org. Thank you and God Bless!

Men Of The East – Traveling Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration with Reflection.

Church of the Ascension, 555 S. Main Street, Johnstown, will host the Men Of The East for a traveling Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration with Reflection on Thursday, November 8th, starting at 7:00 p.m. in the church. All men of the 12-parish consortium are invited to participate in these once-a-month Holy Hours. Men Of The East is a Catholic Men's Laity Ministry comprised of Catholic men who attend one of the 12 parishes in Knox, Licking and Muskingum Counties. It exists to support, strengthen and help maximize the spiritual growth of men in the Catholic Church and is part of the larger Catholic Men's Laity Ministry for the Columbus, Ohio Diocese. For more information, visit www.MenOfTheEast.com.

Bimonthly Mass of Healing: St. Joseph Cathedral (212 E. Broad Street, Columbus) is celebrating a healing Mass at 6:30 p.m. on November 19th, beginning with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Veneration of relics of the True Cross. Each person will then have an opportunity to speak with a priest about their particular situation and receive a prayer of healing. The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick will also be available. The service will conclude with Benediction. All persons who seek Christ's healing are invited, especially those in need of physical, spiritual, or emotional healing. All caregivers and medical providers are also invited.

High School Advisory Board Position: Newark Catholic High School is seeking interested individuals to fill two open positions on their Advisory Board. Individuals should email a resume/bio and a letter of recommendation to Newark Catholic's School Board by November 16th. Questions can be directed to David Stalling at schoolboard@newarkcatholic.org or 614-519-1853.

St. Francis Women's Retreat: On Saturday, November 10th, St. Francis Church in Newark will be hosting a women's retreat from 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Treat yourself to a day of fellowship and inspiration as we explore our identity in Christ as daughters of the King in the sisterhood of our faith. The day includes Reconciliation, Adoration, music, and amazing talks featuring Deb Herbeck, Julia Rooke, and Fr. Dave. All women are welcome. Cost is \$20.00 and includes meals. Register online at stfrancisparish.net or at the parish office. For more information, contact Tina Burtch at tburtch@stfrancisparish.net.

Job Opportunity: Sts. Peter and Paul Retreat Center in Newark is seeking a full-time Maintenance/Custodian that can work a flexible schedule of day, evening and weekend hours. This FULL-TIME position requires general maintenance and housekeeping, moderate manual labor, kitchen help, and linen servicing. Qualifications include the ability to multi-task, establish priorities, and exhibit initiative, responsibility and flexibility. Job offer is contingent on the successful passing of the mandatory background screening and completion of the VIRTUS® "Protecting God's Children" program. Compensation is commensurate with candidate's training and experience. All benefits are according to Diocesan policy. If interested or you have any questions, call 740-928-4246. Send your resume to info@stspeterandpaulretreatcenter.org.

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:

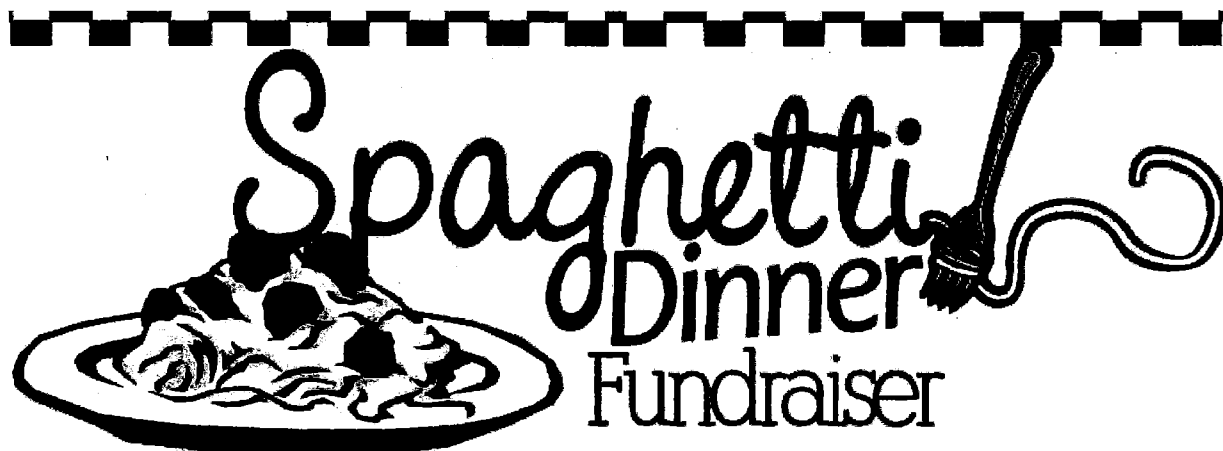
"For I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for welfare and not evil, to give you a future and a hope. Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will hear you. You will seek me and find me; when you seek me with all your heart..." (Jeremiah 29:11-13)
The pain and sorrow of the abortion experience need not endure a lifetime. Call Bethesda Healing ministry for support and assistance from those who know and have been there. 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. Call us on confidential lines: 614-309-2651 or 614-309-0157 or visit our website at www.bethesdahealing.org.

Election Day

Election Day is *this* 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.



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.



ST. LEONARD
SPAGHETTI DINNER

THURSDAY,
NOVEMBER 8TH

4:30-7:30PM

Adults: \$8.00

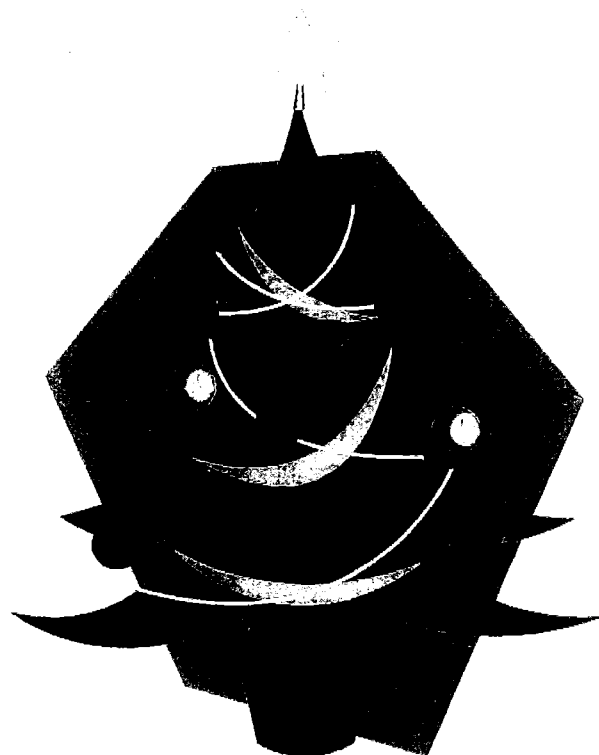
Children 6-12 yrs. - \$5.00

Children 5 and under - FREE

Dinner includes Spaghetti, bread, salad, drink & dessert

Proceeds benefit St. Leonard Maintenance Projects

Help us help others At Christmas



If you know of someone who needs some help with Christmas this year, let us know so we can put something on our Giving Tree for them. Their names will be kept confidential, but we will put their individual needs on our Giving Tree. Parishioners will then pick an item from the tree and share their Christmas with those in need. Please contact Deacon Larry, Fr. Bill, or Peggy with names as soon as possible.

“God so loved the world that
he gave his only begotten son.”

In this season of giving,
may we share with those
who are less fortunate.

(The Giving Tree will be up
November 17-18, so please try to have
families to us before that date)

