

MASS INTENTIONS: May 4th & 5th**Third Sunday of Easter**

Saturday, May 4th	5:30 p.m.	<u>Norma Annarino</u> + ~ Ron & Dee Jones
Sunday, May 5th	9:30 a.m.	<u>Dolly Stephens</u> + ~ Bill & Chris Rollins
Tuesday, May 7th	9:00 a.m.	<u>Eugene C. & Diane F. Ney</u> + ~ Eugene C. Ney, Jr.
Wednesday, May 8th	9:00 a.m.	<u>Communion Service</u>
Thursday, May 9th	9:00 a.m.	<u>Denise Hritsko (SI)</u>
Friday, May 10th	9:00 a.m.	<u>Communion Service</u>
Saturday, May 11th	5:30 p.m.	<u>William & Pat Thomas</u> + ~ Nello & Lorraine Allori
Sunday, May 12th	9:30 a.m.	<u>Kristina Ukanar</u> + ~ Daughter



Dear fellow parishioners,

This weekend, we begin the 2019 Bishop's Annual Appeal. Hopefully, you have received a letter regarding this important appeal. It supports our diocese and our parish. Every dollar we raise beyond our parish goal is returned to us.

It is a tradition (at both sister parishes) to exceed our goal.

The monies have gone into each parish's Capital Maintenance accounts. There are always needs for repair and replacement of things in both parishes and with the BAA "fundraiser" the funds don't have to come from other parish accounts. I ask you to truly consider a generous donation. If you have had "misgivings" in the past, remember we are "under new management." Bishop Brennan is proving to be a wonderful shepherd to our diocese already (barely a month), help him and diocese in the ministries supported by this BAA endeavor – remember you help out ourselves as well...

We have begun the month of Our Lady. As part, this weekend we are celebrating an old tradition of "May Crowning." I remember back in grade school we had a "May Altar" that was decorated with fresh flowers from gardens, flower shops and even the cemetery (don't ask... it was my Mom's idea) and every school day we had "May Crowning." One boy and one girl were selected each day as "May Children" who would lead a classroom procession (Catholics do love parades!), lead a decade of the Rosary and crown the classroom image of Mary. As a May Child, we did not have to wear the school uniform, but still wore "Sunday Best." We wore medals to indicate our status of the day and as signs to teachers and the principal that we were allowed to be out of uniform. These days are special memories for me.

Many non-Catholics get the impression from such practices that we worship statues or images as idols. This is not the case. One time someone accused me of this. In response, I asked if the person had a picture or a memento of a loved one somewhere in their house. The answer was "yes." I asked if they ever "talked" to it or maybe put some flowers, decoration, etc., beside it to remember and honor the person. Again, "yes." One more question – do you feel better after the "communication" or moment of honor? Once more, "yes." I said it is no different for us when we honor or venerate an image of Mary or other holy one because statues are merely 3D versions of pictures. Honoring Mary and/or the saints is not an affront to God, but actually *gives glory to God* because of the work He has done and graces He gives through the holy ones.

In this month of Our Lady, give some honor to her who is the Mother of God. Honoring her honors her Son and He blesses those who honor her. 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 a 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.

Our Lady of Mercy Prayer Chain**St. Leonard Parishioners**

Bob Adams; Jody Adams; Roy Atkinson; Joe Beckman; Mary Beckman; Fr. Ronnie Boccali; Kay Brodsky; Kecha Brodsky; Steve Conner; Anna & John Cooperrider; Walter Crowe; Sonny Del Matto; Carl DiBlasio; Mary Jo DiGiandomenico; Frank Flynn; Forrest Garey; Doug Gill; Gloria Gill; Sissy Goodin; Rosemary Gordon; Ruth Hottinger; George Jackson; Dale Keeler; Bob Ley; Carol Luciotti; Frank Luciotti; Lois McDermott; Philip Miller; Robert Neumeyer; Mollie Overbey; Beth Prichard; Robert Rager; Jason Reed; Joe Reed; Fr. Michael Reis; Cindy Riesbeck; Rodger Richter; Della Seymour; Benjamin Sheets; Susie Sherrard; Jan Smith; Carol Watercutter; Joe Whyte; Rita Wimer.

Our family and friends

Christopher Allen; Father Allen; Chris Bailey; Kay Baker; Sr. Sharon Baldy; Mike Barrett; Liam Barry; Nancy Bell; Megan Boley & family; Amy Brown; Betty Burchfield; Karen Burns; Bruce Campbell; Chris & Gracias Cannon; James Cannon; Cardoza Family; Brooke Chute; Deborah Cockran; Jeffery J. Connor; Karis M. Crosmer; Ashley Deck; Glenn DeBona; Sue Denison; D.H.; E.B.; Jim Durda; Dr. Robert Finley, Jr.; Richard Flynn; 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; Linda Henry; Carol Herr; Dennis Hoffman; Beau, Gina, Jill, Matt Jago; Terry Jones; Darla Jurden; Nevin Keim; Hope Klaus; L.B.; Richard Koch; Storm Lazo; Richard Lieson; Sharon Luft; Lutz & McDermott Families; Lombardo Family; Trinity Langwasser; Fr. Michael Lumpke; Ashley M.; Andrew Madrid; Bernie Madrid; Richard Mayhew; Holden McFann; Bill McCluggage; Bill McNamara; Steve McNamara; Ed Moats; Fr. Dick Metzger; Pat Molnar; Flint Morgan; Bridgette Morgan; Claire Elizabeth Morgan; Josh Morgan; Sean Morris; Jackie Newman; Norman/Collins Family; Jeanette Price; Sean O'Hara; Sally Orend; Colton Phillips-Huffman; Richard Patellos; Don Powell; Eric, Ashley & Tristan Riesbeck; Hannah Roberts; 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; Roberta Widman; Dave Wilson; Iona Wilson; Roger Wimer; Michael White; Hunter Wise; Dee Wright; Russ Yahn; Bettyann Zimmerman

PSR & INCLUSION INFORMATION

PSR: SUNDAYS, 10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m., September-May

Allison Shardell – Director of Religious Education &

Disabilities/Inclusion Coordinator

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ST. LEONARD PARISH CONFERENCE of the SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL:
 Monthly Meeting ~ 3rd Tuesday
 Next Meeting: May 21st

St. Leonard Women's Guild
 Monthly Meeting ~ 2nd Thursday in the Social Hall
 Next Meeting: May 9th 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
May 6th: Bill Gress & Al Smith
 May 13th: Rita Kelly & Nancy Willey

Dusters
May 6th: Greg & Gini Johnson
 May 13th: Sonny Del Matto

Lay Ministers Schedule for May 4th & 5th
EMHC – Minister of Sacred Body/Precious Blood)

May 4th

Ushers: Jan & Les Waldren, Joan Kefeli, Bill Scholl
Lector: Mary Gillespie ,
Altar Servers: Kozlowski Family
E.M.H.C.: Deacon Larry, Dee Jones, Terri Larkins
Cantors: Diane Reef

May 5th



Ushers: Frank Flynn, Gene Hill, Bill Gress, Gary Childers
Lector: Leigh Ann Lutz
Altar Servers: Ben Bemis, Andy Bemis, Volunteer
E.M.H.C.: Deacon Larry, Bob Morman, Christina Ross
Cantors: Tom Held

Lay Ministers Schedule for May 11th & 12th
(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, Anna Sikora, Terri Jackson
Altar Servers: Bob Adams, Wanling Baker, Volunteer, Brandon Shardell, Amelia Shardell, Volunteer
E.M.H.C.: Joe Beckman, Carol Scholl, Nello Allori, Al Smith, Jan Smith, Jim Watercutter
Cantors: Diane Reef; Suzanne Baker

Lay Ministers Schedule for May 18th & 19th
(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, Christina Ross
Altar Servers: Kozlowski Family, Keira Haynes, John LaBelle, Volunteer
E.M.H.C.: Deacon Larry, Joe Beckman, Mary Beckman, Deacon Larry, Bob Morman, Terri Jackson
Cantors: Suzanne Baker; Don & Cindy Riesbeck

 **ST. LEONARD KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**
COUNCIL #12641
 Next Meeting: May 8th 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 APRIL 27TH & 28TH


PARISH OFFERING:	\$3,317.00	ONLINE GIVING	\$325.00
CANDLES	\$19.00	CAPTAL MAINT.	\$10.00
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL	\$736.00	RICE BOWL	\$173.00
EASTER FLOWERS	\$10.00	EDUCATION	\$10.00
EASTER	\$95.00	HOLY LAND	\$50.00


OPERATING BUDGET FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2018-MAY 3, 2019
 INCOME: \$255,071.70 EXPENSE: \$240,551.85 NET: \$14,519.85

 **Gifts for God**
 2nd Collection ~ May 5th: Central & Eastern Europe
 1st Collection ~ May 12th: Catholic Education

Upcoming ASL Interpreted Parish Events

May 12th: 9:30 am Mass
 May 19th: 9:30 am Mass



 **Gluten Free** We have low-gluten Communion hosts available for those with Celiac disease or who need to be gluten-free. Please see the Sacristan at least 10 minutes before Mass if you require a low-gluten host.

Happy Birthday Card Shower: On Mother's Day this year, Mary Jo DiGiandomenico will be celebrating her 90th Birthday. To help Mary Jo celebrate 90 years, St. Leonard asks that parishioners send her a card. You can send cards and wishes to 2359 Ryan Road, Newark, Ohio 43056. Thanks for your help!!!

Our sympathy to the family and friends of Ruth Simross. Ruth passed away April 27th. Her funeral was on May 2nd at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Lexington, VA. Ruth was a lifetime member here at St. Leonard.

Prayers and healing for the following who are having health issues Cards are welcome. Joe Whyte (8317 Somerset Road, Thornville, Ohio 43076); Jason Reed (P.O. Box 983, Newark, Ohio 43055, and Kathy Wildermuth (622 Hudson Avenue, Newark, Ohio 43055).

Focalore members will be saying the Rosary every weeknight at 7:00 during the month of May at the Church. It only takes 15 minutes to complete and you have the opportunity the have many prayers being acknowledged and answered.

Thank you to our youth choir, adult cantors/singers, and youth and adult bells, instrumentalists, along with Fr. Bill, the flower and decorating committees, the Women's Guild, and our sacramental prep catechists for making last week's First Holy Communion a beautiful and memorable celebration for our young people.

St. Leonard Spaghetti Dinner



Save the date – May 23rd from 4:30-7:30 p.m. Spaghetti dinners are back! Come and enjoy spaghetti with marinara or meat sauce, salad, bread, beverages, and dessert. Adults are \$8.00, children 6-12 are \$5.00, children 5 and under are free, and families are \$30.00. Volunteers, dessert donations, or financial contributions are greatly appreciated. Proceeds go to support the parish maintenance fund. If you need a gluten-free meal, please contact Sonny Del Matto or the office at least a week in advance. Join us for an evening of good food and fellowship!

Parish Happenings

Attention, graduating high school or college seniors:

If you are graduating from high school or college this spring or are the parent of an upcoming graduate, please contact Peggy in the office so that all graduates can be congratulated and acknowledged by the parish.

PARISH DIRECTORY PHOTOGRAPHS:

St. Leonard is doing a NEW PICTORIAL DIRECTORY! Photographers will be on-site May 29, 30, & 31, taking pictures from 2:00-9:00 p.m. and June 1st from 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. All families (pets welcome!) are encouraged to be photographed. Each family will receive a complimentary 8x10 photograph and a directory, and have the opportunity to purchase a package. You can sign up for appointments after the Masses. You can also sign up today at <https://booknow-lifetouch.appointment-plus.com/ykg98t66/> or go to our website and click on the Lifetouch link. On the weekend, the site will be unavailable, so we do not have double bookings. The site will be back up on Monday morning.

PSR classes for the 2018-2019 school year end this Sunday, May 5th. A huge thank-you to the Cartwright, Grigsby, Schwartz, Kinney, Frabel, Cooperrider, Foehl, Robinson, Brodsky, Shardell, and Benvie families for all of your time and talent this year to help educate our parish's children in the faith. Your efforts and sacrifices are deeply appreciated! Registration for 2019-2020 PSR and Confirmation classes will begin in August.

Spring Cleaning? Remember to set aside items for the annual St. Leonard Women's Guild Rummage Sale. The event will take place August 2 & 3. Donations can be brought to church starting June 1, 2019. The items can be put in the Music Room by the restrooms or the classroom off the social hall. We do not accept exercise equipment, electronics, or furniture. For more info, please contact Dee Jones at 740-522-4875 or drjones1@columbus.rr.com.

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL 2019

GOD MAKES EVERY GRACE ABUNDANT

...the theme of the 2019 Bishop's Annual Appeal, inspires us, as people of Faith, to place our trust in God and bring hope to those who most need to feel His love. Works of kindness and assistance, sometimes in the smallest way, can bring about a profound change in a person's life. Through the Bishop's Annual Appeal, we have an opportunity to bring about a positive change in the lives of many of God's people. Through your generosity, you are supporting the various ministries and programs that are vital in spreading His love. This week is Commitment Weekend for the Appeal. Our parish has been asked to raise \$25,131.94. We can accomplish this if, after prayerful consideration, everyone gives what they can. Any amount raised over our goal will be returned to our parish to be used for paving the main parking lot. Thank you!

St. Leonard Women's Guild Retreat: Wednesday June 5th, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. The Women's Guild is hosting a retreat entitled Reflection – Spirituality – Sacred Peaceful Living. The Mass celebrant is Fr. Hritsko and presenter is Sister Carol Spencer, OP. Reservations are a \$10.00 donation and include a continental breakfast and lunch. Reservations can be sent to Lorraine Allori (nlallori@roadrunner.com, 740-522-2306) or Mary Morman (oldfolks78@yahoo.com, 740-522-1639) by May 31st.

Around the Diocese

May 29th Blue Mass: 7:00 p.m. Please join us for this special Mass celebrated for the first responders who protect our communities. All are welcome! Refreshments will be served after Mass in the Gathering Space. Maria Stein Shrine, 2291 St. Johns Road, Maria Stein, Ohio 45860.

Jubilee of Anniversaries Mass: Couples celebrating their 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th, 55th, 60th (and every year thereafter) anniversary are invited to the annual Jubilee of Anniversaries Mass and celebration in honor of their marriage! The Jubilee will take place on Sunday, June 23rd at St. Brigid Catholic Church in Dublin. Bishop Robert Brennan will celebrate Mass at 2:30 p.m. and a light reception will follow. Couples may register by contacting the Marriage and Family Office at 614-241-2560 or by visiting columbuscatholic.org. Please RSVP by Wednesday, June 12th. Late registrations will be accepted, but the names will not be featured in the event program or The Catholic Times. Congratulations to these couples on their faithful love!

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

SrA. Therin Brown, USAF
Sgt. Donald R. Hoffer II, U.S. Army
Pvt. Kaleb Hoffer, USMC
Pvt. Andre Manning, U.S. Army
Evan Andrew Hammond, U.S. Navy
Pvt. Kaitlin Hanks, U.S. Navy
Sgt. Matthew Mills, USMC



Please also keep their families in your prayers. If you would like to submit names for this list, please email Allison.shardell@gmail.com.

Friday Night Lights is coming! The teams and coaches of the Central Catholic League (CCL) have joined together for the second annual Friday Night Lights Football Camp on Friday, May 17, 7:00-8:30 p.m., at Bishop Hartley High School. This one-night camp will focus on the FUNDamentals of CCL Football and is open for all young men in grades 2-7. Cost is \$5.00; walk-up registration begins at 6:00 p.m. Contact any CCL Head Football Coach for more information.

May 12th Mother's Day Tours: 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. Treat mom to a special day with the Saints! Tours will be offered at 1:00, 2:00 and 3:00 p.m. To reserve your spot, call Matt Hess at 419-925-4532 or email m.hess@mariasteinshrine.org. All moms will receive a special gift! Private, staff-guided tours are also available for groups of any size every day, during normal Shrine hours. Maria Stein Shrine, 2291 St. Johns Road, Maria Stein, Ohio 45860.

Men Of The East – Traveling Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration with Reflection: St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church, 58 Granville Street, Newark, OH 43055 will host the Men Of The East for a traveling Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration with Reflection on Thursday, May 9th, 2019 starting at 7:00 p.m. in the Adoration Chapel. All men of the twelve parish consortium are invited and encouraged to participate in these once-a-month Traveling Holy Hours. Men Of The East exists to support, strengthen and help maximize the spiritual growth of men of the Catholic Church and 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.

The Catholic Foundation: "Peter was distressed that Jesus had said to him a third time, 'Do you love me?' and he said to him, 'Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep.'" (JOHN 21:17) All of us are challenged to show our love for Jesus and others. Discern how God is calling you to use your time in prayer, your talent in charitable works and your treasure to assist those who are in need. Remember that giving is an act of worship and helps advance the mission of our parish and greater Church. Learn how you can give by supporting your parish and contact The Catholic Foundation. Visit www.catholic-foundation.org/development for more information.



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

The Pope's Monthly Intention – May: *The Church in Africa, a Seed of Unity.* That the Church in Africa, through the commitment of its members, may be the seed of unity among her peoples and a sign of hope for this continent.

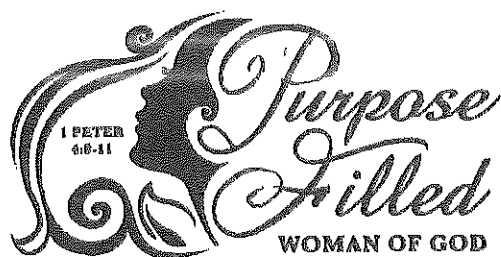
Bethesda Healing Ministry: This Easter, as we embrace our Risen Christ, sometimes we cling to unbelief. We in Bethesda invite you to take time today to pray about what is "old" in you that He wants to make new. Ask Him to turn your mourning into joy and put a new song in your heart. Many in Bethesda now move beyond the empty tomb, no longer tired and worn out. Come and join us as a resurrection people. We meet on the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month. Please call us on confidential lines at 614-309-2651 or 614-309-0157 or visit our website at www.bethesdahealing.org.



St. Leonard Women's Guild Retreat

Date-Wed. June 5, 2019

Time-9 a.m.-1 p.m.



**Mass Celebrant-Father William
Hritsko**

**Presenter-Sister Carol
Spencer, O.P.**

Reflection-Spirituality-Sacred Peaceful Living

Continental Breakfast & Lunch

Donation-\$10

Reservations

Lorraine Allori

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Mary Morman

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Reservation deadline- Friday May 31, 2019



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