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LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday evening 4:00 and 6:00 p.m.

Sunday 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 and 12:00 noon.

Spanish Mass 6:30 p.m. on Saturdays

2:00 p.m. on Sundays

at Holy Trinity Chapel

Brazilian & Portuguese Mass on Sundays

7:30 p.m. at Anna Church

Spanish Mass 11:00 a.m. on Sundays

at St. Francis, Fitchburg

WEEKDAY MASS

7:00 a.m.

8:30 a.m. Convent

FRIDAYS

Adoration of Blessed Sacrament

7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

HOLY DAY MASSES

5:30 p.m. - Vigil

7:00 a.m.

9:15 a.m. (school days only)

12:15 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

PASTOR

Rev. Msgr. John E. Doran

ASSOCIATE PASTOR

Rev. Thien X. Nguyen

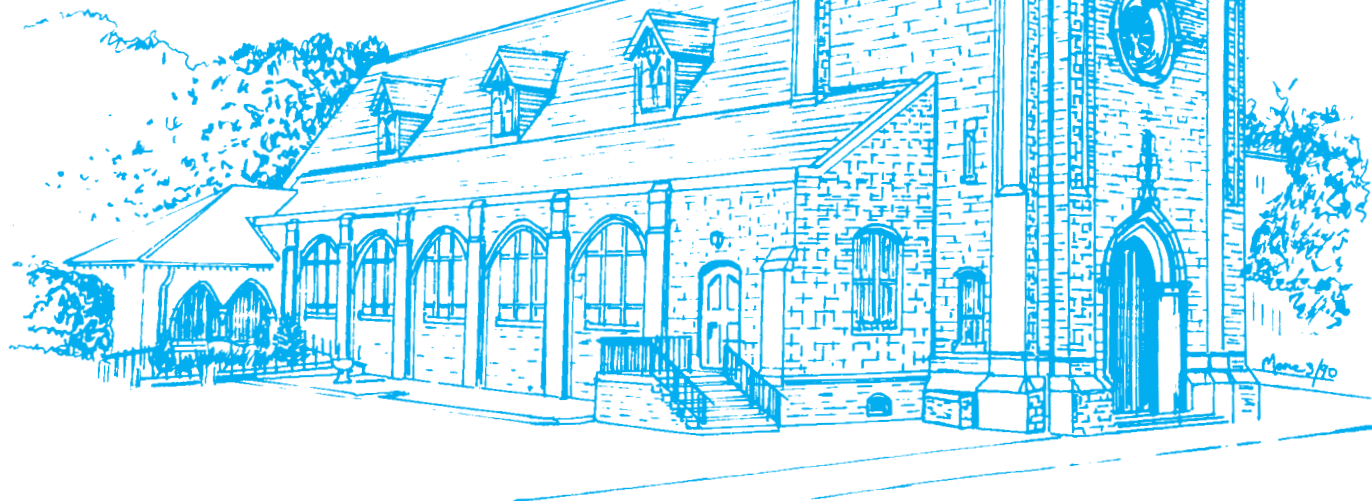
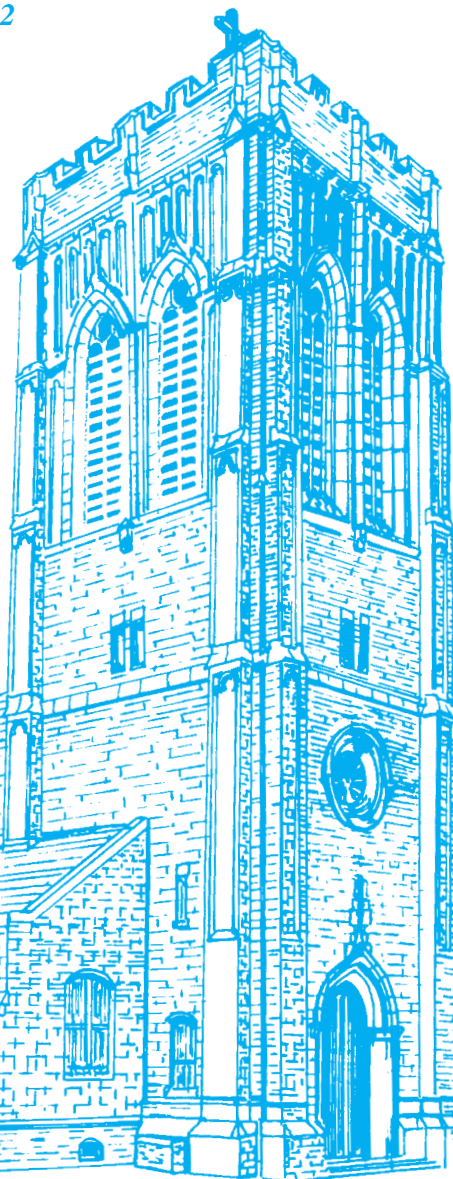
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Sacrament of Baptism: Please make arrangements in advance. Baptisms will be the Second Sunday of each month at 1:30 p.m.

Sacrament of Penance: Saturdays 3:00-3:45 p.m.

Eve of Holydays: 4:45 p.m. (weekdays only)

Sacrament of Marriage: Arrangements must be made at least six months prior to the wedding.

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537-1007
www.St-Leoschool.org

St. Leo's Cemetery Office:
108 Main Street
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360 Lancaster St.

St. Leo's Religious Education
Office (CCD)
118 Main St.
537-1194

Mass Intentions

- SATURDAY, March 26
4:00 PM Harold Sidilau by Mr & Mrs Frank DiMaria
6:00 PM Michael Moriarty, 1st Anniversary by family
SUNDAY, March 27
7:30 AM Anthony Lapointe by family
8:30 AM Daniel Sculley, Jr. by family
9:00 AM William Fontaine, 27th Anniversary by family
10:30 AM John M. Buja, 20th Anniversary by family
12:00 NN Norman & Berthamay Long
MONDAY, March 28
7:00 AM
8:30 AM Joseph & Mary Connolly by daughter, Irene
TUESDAY, March 29
7:00 AM For the People of St. Leo's
8:30 AM
WEDNESDAY, March 30
7:00 AM Helen Shughrue by a friend
8:30 AM William J. Hoffman, Jr. by his wife
THURSDAY, March 31
7:00 AM
8:30 AM
FRIDAY, April 1
7:00 AM For our March Deceased
8:30 AM Nathan P. Roberts by family
SATURDAY, April 2
7:00 AM A Mass of Thanksgiving
8:30 AM Laurent Loiselle & Elizabeth Gough 10th Anniv by family
4:00 PM Vincent & Ida Digeronimo by family
6:00 PM Special Intention
SUNDAY, April 3
7:30 AM Sue Mullaney
8:30 AM Young Family Deceased
9:00 AM Gloria Dussault, 18th Anniv., by family
10:30 AM John Isler, Jr., 6th Anniv., by family
12:00 NN Phyllis Choleva by Danny & Jan

Parish Support

Last weekend our parishioners contributed \$8,081 in ordinary support, \$300 for capital needs, \$37 for phase 2 of winter fuel and \$622 for Latin America. In March we have received \$3,262 for the Capital Improvement Fund and phase 2 of winter fuel stands at \$20,336. Many thanks!



The Leominster Middle School's Fine Arts Dept. Presents Rodgers & Hammerstein's beloved classic

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Friday, April 1 at 7:00PM

Saturday, April 2 at 2:00PM & 7:00PM

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Service on Sunday

Dr. Andrew Moore, Sr., the first plastic surgeon in Lexington, Ky., believed that "medicine was about service." It was the 1950's, and as his son tells it in an article by Leslie Askew of CNN.com, his father would accept a bushel of apples, a chicken, a piece of furniture as payment for his services.

His son, Dr. Andy Moore, followed in his father's footsteps and began a program called Surgery on Sunday, which provides outpatient surgical care to Kentucky's uninsured population free of charge. The program operates on the third Sunday of each month and, since 2005, has treated over 3,100 patients.

Moore recruits doctors from around the state—surgeons, nurses, receptionists, and anesthesiologists. "In this economic time, the people who need this are our friends, neighbors, and family," Moore said. "They need this health care now."

On an average Sunday, the volunteer doctors serve twenty-five to thirty patients. "It's our duty to help people that fall between the cracks in the health care system. This is what I went into medicine for...it's about taking care of people and not necessarily expecting something in return for it."

Such work is not usually performed on Sundays but it is God's work nonetheless. God rested on the Sabbath and what Andy Moore and his volunteers rest from on every third Sunday is complacency and acceptance of a system not providing simple care for people in need.

Jesus was often criticized for speaking with people He should not have been seen with, such as the woman at the well. But through His openness and honesty with her, many "began to believe in Him because of the word of the woman who testified." Perhaps many come to believe in the goodness of God, and the Christian message of charity, from those who keep holy the Sabbath by providing services in a makeshift Sunday clinic.

LENTEN REMINDERS

During the holy season of Lent, we are asked to increase our prayer, fasting and acts of charity.

Each Sunday of Lent we will have EVENING PRAYER at 5pm followed by Benediction.

Each Monday night we will have CONFESSIONS from 7-8pm.

Each Friday at 3:30PM we will have the public observance of the STATIONS OF THE CROSS.

PLEASE JOIN US.

Liturgical Roles

WEEK OF April 2 & 3, 2011

	CELEBRANTS	LECTORS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	ALTAR SERVERS
4:00 PM	Msgr. Doran	D. Bergeron	J.Shannon,P.Lozeau,D.Lanciani,F.Joseph	B.Peterson,K.Burdett,E.Adams,M.Norton
6:00 PM	Msgr. Doran	C.LeDuc	A.Bissonnette,K.Lambert,M.White	D.Barrette,S.Koehler,Z.Belanger,
7:30 AM	Msgr. Doran	M.Gendron	P.Morin,D.McCaffrey,	R.Fratantonio,A.Morin,S.Withers,T.Gendron
9:00 AM	TBA	E.Wade-Medeiros	B.Maki,M.Olivier,M.Ledoux	C&B.Hanlon , K&R.Domenichella,M.O'Malley
10:30 AM	TBA	F.Joseph	D.SlarskeyP.Proietti,R.Rogers,J.O'Neil	E.Cucchiara,Slarskey's,J.McGown ,E&L.Jenny,Mercer
12:00 NN	Msgr. Doran	K.Boudreau	D.Bean,D.Henderson,J.Shannon	E.Provencher,K&B.White,E.Baron,B.Coppinger

OPEN HOUSE

St. Peter-Marian Central Catholic Jr.-Sr. High School is hosting an open house and welcomes all inquiring Junior and senior High students and families on Thursday, March 31, from 6PM to 8PM at the Junior and Senior High School. For directions to the school or for further information, access our website:

www.spmguardians.org or call the school at 508-852-5555.



Come home to your parish family.

Let us come together, renew our faith and be strengthened by the hope that only comes from Our Lord Jesus Christ.

SHARING OUR BLESSINGS

Our increased giving initiative begun last fall continues to be successful thanks to the generosity of the good people of St. Leo's. On the first three weekends of March last year, we received \$23,787 in ordinary support. This year we received \$27,915. **THANKS!**



Applications for the St. Thomas More Scholarship for law students are now available at the diocesan chancery, 49 Elm Street, Worcester. Call Eileen at 508-791-7171 for an application if you will be attending law school in the fall. The amount is \$3,000 and applications must be returned by June 30, 2011.

MADONNA OF THE HOLY ROSARY

118 Theresa Street, Fitchburg, continues with its fish fry on the Fridays of Lent. Servings begin at 4:30PM and take-out is available.

Blessed palms from previous years may be left in a basket in the main vestibule of the church. These palms will be burned and the ashes used for Ash Wednesday, 2012.

BISHOP MCMANUS has asked us to be particularly generous next weekend to the national collection for **Catholic Relief Services**. This international organization represents the American bishops in their concern for the needy throughout the world. This year the bulk of the funds will aid the victims of the earthquake and tsunami in Japan.



THE SISTERS OF THE PRESENTATION of the Blessed Virgin Mary are holding a Lenten Day of Prayer for women entitled "The Woman at the Well" at the Presentation Convent, 99 Church Street, Leominster, MA, on Saturday, April 9, 2011. Sisters Margaret Boyle and Norma Carney, PBVM, will be presenters. The day will begin at 9:30AM with refreshments and will end by 3PM. There will be an opportunity for quiet reflection and sharing. Lunch will be included. Free will offerings are accepted. To register please contact one of the following: Sr. Mary Anne Selig (978-537-7108) or Sr. Maureen Hickey (978-790-0056). The registration deadline is April 1, 2011.



TWO PARISH TRIPS

St. Leo's Parish is happy to announce that we will sponsor two trips this year in conjunction with Collette Vacations. The first will be to the Pacific Northwest (Oregon and Washington State) and Northern California (Eureka and San Francisco) from September 12-19, 2011 and the cost is \$2,299 (per person double occupancy).

The second is Italian Vistas (including Rome, Naples, Florence and Venice) from November 5-17, 2011 and the cost is \$3,699 (per person double occupancy). Price includes airfare, hotels, guides and most meals. Contact Msgr. Doran (978-537-7257) for brochures and information.

MARCH 27, 2011

PRESIDENT'S LECTURE SERIES

Assumption College has announced that the lecture scheduled for Tuesday, March 29, 2011, at 7pm, with Ambassador Michael Novak HAS BEEN CANCELLED. They apologize for any inconvenience and hope that he will be visiting campus at a later date. However, it will not be this semester.

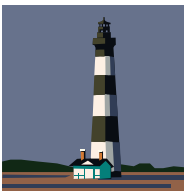
BUILDING FUND

St. Leo's Building Fund which has made possible our new parish center has now reached the total of \$1,698,945 this remarkable achievement is a credit to the loyal and generous parishioners and friends of St. Leo's. The debt on the \$4.5 million project is \$502,492. Thanks for your continued support.



Our city-wide Lenten Mission is

fast approaching. The theme this year is "Living the Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy" and the dates are April 10 thru the 13th at 7PM each night. On Sunday (April 10) St. Leo's will host the Mission with a Holy Hour and talk by Msgr. Francis Scollen, pastor of St. Peter's Parish in Worcester. On Monday April 11, there will be Mass at St. Anna's with Fr. Stephen Gemme, pastor of St. Bernadette Parish in Northborough, as homilist. On Tuesday (April 12), St. Cecilia's will host a penance service with Fr. Michael LaVallee as speaker. On Wednesday (April 13), Bishop George E. Rieger, retired auxiliary bishop of Worcester, will preach at a Mass at Holy Family Church. Please join us for all or some of the Lenten experience.



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