

St. Leo's Church

128 MAIN STREET
LEOMINSTER, MASSACHUSETTS 01453

Incorporated 1872



Mass Intentions

- SATURDAY, April 16**
 4:00 PM Leo Raftery, 8th anniversary by family
 6:00 PM Alfred Leblanc, by Family
- SUNDAY, April 17**
 7:30 AM Vin and Lee Bonner, by Family
 8:30 AM Connie Buckley, by Family
 9:00 AM Carmen and Ernest Cote by Family
 10:30 AM Mary and Harold Benton by Family
 12:00 NN John Delibero 7th Anniv., by Andrew Isler
- MONDAY, April 18**
 7:00 AM
 8:30 AM Richard & Ester Levin by the McCaffreys
- 7-800PM Confessions**
- TUESDAY, April 19**
 7:00 AM Margaret Mazierski, by John Shannon
 8:30 AM Raher & Shea by family
- WEDNESDAY, April 20**
 7:00 AM Mary T Paquett
 8:30 AM Clarence Monroe, 13th Anniv. by Wife
- THURSDAY,**
 7:00PM Holy Thursday Liturgy
- FRIDAY,**
 12:00NN Seven Last Words
 3:00PM Stations of the Cross
 3:30PM Confessions
 7:00PM Good Friday Liturgy
- SATURDAY,**
 11-12:NN Confessions
 3-4:00PM Confessions
 7:00 PM Holy Saturday Liturgy
- SUNDAY, April 24 - Easter**
 7:30 AM Edwin & Bernice McCaffrey
 8:30 AM John J. & Mary E. Andrews Family deceased
 9:00 AM Bernard Lamkin by his wife & sons
 10:30 AM John Kenneth Regan by family
 12:00 NN Robert Melanson, 7th Anniversary by family

LENTEN EVENING PRAYER
& EUCHARISTIC BENEDICTION
Conclude this Sunday evening at 5PM.
 Confessions will be heard on Monday evening
 from 7-8PM.

MEMORIAL GIFT

Please notice this Palm Sunday weekend that the new red priest vestments and the red frontal piece at the altar are being unveiled for the first time. These beautiful liturgical pieces are the gift of the Mitchell family in honor of the patriarch, Lawrence F. Mitchell, who passed away last year. We are grateful to his family for these wonderful donations.



PALM SUNDAY, 2011

In the 4th century, St. Gregory Nazianzus wrote a beautiful reflection on the Paschal Mystery. It is printed below in part.

“For He Whom you now treat with contempt was once above you...what He was He continued to be; what he was not He took to Himself. In the beginning He was uncaused; for what is the Cause of God? But afterwards for a cause He was born. And that cause was that you might be saved, who insult Him and despise His Godhead...He hungered—but He fed thousands; yea, He is the Bread that gives life, and That is of heaven. He thirsted-but He cried, If any man thirst, let him come unto Me and drink...He was wearied, but He is the Rest of them that are weary and heavy laden...He prays but He hears prayer. He weeps but He causes tears to cease....He is sold, and very cheap, for it is only for thirty pieces of silver; but He redeems the world, and that at a great price, for the Price was His own blood, As a sheep He is led to the slaughter, but He is the Shepherd of Israel, and now of the whole world also. As a Lamb He is silent, yet He is the Word, and is proclaimed by the Voice of one crying in the wilderness. He is bruised and wounded, but He heals every disease and every infirmity. He is lifted up and nailed to the Tree, but by the Tree of Life He restores us....He lays down His life, but He has power to take it again...He dies, but He gives life, and by His death destroys death. He is buried, but He rises again; He goes down into Hell, but He brings up the souls; He ascends to Heaven, and shall come again to judge the quick and the dead....”

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

HOLY THURSDAY (April 21)

7:00PM Mass of the Lord's Last Supper
 9:30PM Reposing of Eucharist and
 And Night Prayer

GOOD FRIDAY (April 22)

12noon to 3PM Seven Last Words
 3:00PM Stations of the Cross
 3:30-4:30PM Confessions
 7:00PM Good Friday Service

HOLY SATURDAY (April 23)

11AM to noon Confessions
 7:00PM Easter Vigil

EASTER SUNDAY

Masses at 7:30, 9 & 10:30AM and 12 noon

LITURGICAL + ROLES

WEEK OF April 23 & 24, 2011

	CELEBRANTS	LECTORS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	ALTAR SERVERS
7:30 AM	Fr. Nguyen	M.Fratantonio	N.Pierce,P.Crowley,P.Morin	E.Provencher,A.Morin,K.Lyons,M.Whitney
9:00 AM	Fr. Nguyen	F.Domenichella	R.Gaston,M.Olivier,B.Maki	B.Robillard,A.Kittredge,K.Casella,M.LeBlanc,Aubuchon
10:30 AM	Msgr. Doran	F.Marien	P.Proiotti,D.Slarskey,A.Doiron,R.Rogers	J&J.Slarskey,H.Wells,M.Roberto,M.Edleston,E&LJenny
12:00 NN	Msgr. Doran	P.Lambert	M.Tarara,T.Tarara,D.Barbaro	Z.Dyment,R.Lajoie,G,B,D,&Z.Zarella

ST. LEO'S SCHOOL NEWS

CONGRATULATIONS to our principal, Mrs Polselli, the teachers and staff for a fine presentation from April 3-6 to the seven member team from the New England Association of Schools and Colleges for a renewal of our ten-year accreditation. The staff and administration worked hard for 1 ½ years in preparation for the visit and the evaluation of our school. Though we will not receive the final word until July, we did receive accolades regarding our school from the team. Everyone is to be praised.

SHARING OUR BLESSINGS

Our increased giving initiative begun last fall continues to be successful thanks to the generosity of the parishioners of St. Leo's. For the first two weeks of April last year the ordinary collection was \$16,711. This year we have received \$18,572. Thanks.



To our 7th and 8th grade girls' basketball team for winning the Worcester Diocesan Tourney on March 13th qualifying them to play in the New England Catholic Tourney in Nashua, N.H., on April 2nd. Though we lost to a good Connecticut team on that date, the girls are to be praised for a great season.

Nice Going!!

SERRA CLUB NORTH

Is a lay organization of men and women devoted to praying and working for vocations to priest hood and religious life. The Serrans also pray that priests, deacons and religious persevere in their vocations. This week we are asked to pray for Msgr Goguen, Fr. Fraini and Deacons Fiore, Gendron Giard, Graves and Griffin.

This weekend (April 16-17) we will be collecting food and canned goods for the Catholic Charities food pantry.

PARTNERS IN CHARITY

The annual appeal for Partners in Charity is underway this month. This charity helps to fund 29 agencies and ministries throughout Worcester County and St. Leo's is a beneficiary of many of those services. Our school parents can receive grants-in-aid and campus ministry at Fitchburg State University receives support. Our retired priests and the Office of Religious Education (CCD) are supported as well. The overall goal this year is \$5 million and our parish goal is \$79,000 (up \$9,500 over last year.)

Please be generous

In Pew collection next weekend: April 16,17

EFT GIVING

St. Leo's is now in the process of offering Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT) Giving in addition to our regular use of church support envelopes. As part of "SHARING OUR BLESSINGS," many parishioners have already committed themselves to this form of electronic giving. We will partner with Parish Pay which is a reputable firm involved in Church giving. If you have not received a letter and sign-up form and wish to donate by EFT, please contact the rectory at 978-537-7257.

BUILDING FUND

St. Leo's Building Fund which has made possible our new parish center has now reached the total of \$1,700,280 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 \$499,243. Thanks for your continued support.

WINTER FUEL

This Palm Sunday weekend (April 16-17), we will receive donations for phase 3 of our winter fuel collection. Parishioners have been most generous to date in donating \$32,014 toward our expenses of \$47,725 through March. Please be generous. In the period from September 1, 2010 to April, 2011, we have also spent \$34,978 on electricity. Thanks for your support in phases 1 and 2.

APRIL 17, 2011


Weekly Schedule

SUNDAY,	April 17
5:00PM	Lenten Evening Prayer
MONDAY,	April 18
7:00PM	Confessions
7:30PM	AA
TUESDAY,	April 19
7:30PM	Women's AA
WEDNESDAY,	April 20
10-11:30AM	Bible Study
THURSDAY,	April 21
7:00PM	Mass of the Lord's Last Supper
9:30PM	Reposing of the Eucharist & Night Prayer
7:00PM	Boy Scouts
FRIDAY,	April 22
12-3PM	Seven Last Words
3:00PM	Stations of the Cross
3:30-4:30PM	Confessions
7:00PM	Good Friday Service
SATURDAY,	April 23
11:00-noon	Confessions
3-4PM	Confessions
7:00PM	Easter Vigil

Parish Support

Last weekend our parish community contributed \$8,794 in ordinary support, \$2,340 for the Capital Improvement Fund and \$200 for Catholic Relief Services. The latter collection now stands at \$1,008. THANKS!

 **MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER** 

Are you looking to put Christ in your marriage? Attend the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend and learn how to refocus your marriage on what is most important. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends in New England are April 29-May 1 and May 13-15. For more information call Ralph or Jane at 800-710-WWME or visit our webpage at www>wwme.org.

PRO-LIFE THOUGHT

A couple of weeks ago I went for my physical, and was in the X-ray room. There, as clear as day, was the dramatic warning: "X-rays can be dangerous to your unborn baby. Let the technician know if you are pregnant." We all know it, don't we? We're not talking about a "fetus," "a mass of cells," but a baby. The X-ray technicians know it; the obstetricians who show the sonogram to a mom know it; even the teenage mom on a recent TV program sympathetic to abortion knew it when she pointed to a little baby and whispered, "Don't tell me that little baby is just an 'it.'"

Archbishop Timothy Dolan



CURLEY-MARCHAND FUNERAL HOME

89 West St., Leominster, MA 01453

978/534-8254

Thomas S. Marchand, Funeral Director

*Honoring the
needs of local families
for generations*



Open For Lunch, Dinner and our Famous Sunday Breakfast

(978) 862-0060

4 Ryans Way, Devens, MA (Exit 37 off Rte. 2)
www.devensgrill.com

\$5.00 off Any \$10 minimum purchase
with this coupon



CENTURY 21 REALTY TEAM

5 Park St., Leominster, MA
Cell # 978 549-9630



Linda Largey
Notary Public

THINK SPRING! Contemplating selling your
home? Call me for a complimentary **MARKET
ANALYSIS** to learn what the current value of your
home is in today's market.

(Parishioner discount)
QUALITY Q SERVICE

The Health Conscious Choice



Vietnam

Restaurant

(978) 466-5991

814-822 North Main St., (Rt. 12), Leominster, MA

...Over 75 Years



*Fraticelli
Oil*

clean zone

Fuel Oil Additive

978-537-3637

239 LITCHFIELD ST
LEOMINSTER, MA 01453

Fully Insured

Roof Consulting



J.D. Despres Roofing, Inc.

3RD GENERATION TOP QUALITY ROOFING

**All Types of Commercial
& Industrial Roofs**

Tel: 978-534-3950

John D. Despres, President

91 Mechanic Street • Leominster

IRS TAX PROBLEMS?



Federal & State Resolution

Personal, Local Service

FREE Initial Consultation

Full Service CPA Firm

HENRY C. KULIK, JR. CPA, LLC

114 Merriam Ave., Suite 201, Leominster

978-514-8829 • www.HenryKulikCPA.com

**#1 BRAND AND MOST TRUSTED
NAME IN HOME REMODELING**

Free Estimates



**OWENS CORNING
RESIDENTIAL
PRODUCTS**



Specializing in:

- Basement Refinishing
- Window Replacements • Waterproofing

Call Susie 1-800-993-1157

www.800Basement.com

ALL PARISHIONERS RECEIVE A 10% DISCOUNT
(CANNOT BE COMBINED WITH ANY OTHER OFFER)

DDM Heating & Air Conditioning, Inc.
 356 Central St.
 Leominster, MA 01453
(978) 537-9335
FULL SERVICE COMPANY

ROCKWELL ROOFING, INC.
 Roof Consultants-Single Ply Systems
 Specializing in Industrial & Commercial Roofing
 44 POND ST., LEOMINSTER, MA 01453
978-537-7825
 FAX 537-4132

ABM ANDERSON, BAGLEY & MAYO INSURANCE
 Richard M. Bagley
 978-534-5133
 rbagley@abminsurace.com
 Home * Auto * Business * Life
 44 Main Street, Leominster, MA 01453
 www.abminsurace.com

Paul's Plate Glass
 Home / Auto & Commercial
 "Your One-Stop Glass Shop"
978-343-0750
800-287-0750
 MA Reg #RS 1303

BARTLETT LANDSCAPING
978-537-0099
 Leominster, Ma

Massachusetts
Single Catholics
 CatholicMatch.com/MA

KATE'S FINE FURNITURE ON CONSIGNMENT
 47 Main St., Leominster, MA
978-534-6200
 www.katesconsignment.com

DICK'S AUTO SERVICE
 Established 1969
 GENERAL AUTO REPAIRS
 TRANSMISSION REPAIRS
 COMPUTER DIAGNOSTICS
 Richard Partridge, Sr • Richard Partridge, Jr.
 103 Main St., Leominster, MA 01453
(978) 534-3154

GOLAS CONSTRUCTION CO. INC.
 Backhoe • Dozer • Sewer
 Water • Septic • Hot-Top
 Title 5 Inspector **978-537-0377**

Hathaway Memorials
Granite • Marble • Bronze
 203 Main Street
 Leominster, MA 01453
 Tel 978-537-2346

STERLING Auto Body
Bruce Hyche • R.S. #4193
 9 Chocksett Rd, Sterling
978-422-6823
 We Offer Four Days of Free Rental While Your Car Is Being Repaired
 It is your RIGHT to choose who repairs your car
Choose someone you can trust!
 "Environmentally friendly waterborne paint."
 We work on your behalf with all insurance companies • Free Pickup & Delivery

Crystal Cleaners
 264 MECHANICS STREET

WRIGHT-ROY FUNERAL HOME, Inc.
 www.wrightroyfuneralhome.com
 109 West Street, Leominster, Massachusetts 01453
978-534-9372

The Claw Shop Day Spa
 Nails • Tanning • Hair • Skin
 Massage
 Acupuncture • Acupressure
 (978) 840-8888
 1123 Central St., Leominster, MA 01453

V.P. HOLMAN CONSTRUCTION, INC.
 Site Development - Paving
 Sewer - Water - Drainage
 Subdivisions
 665 Mechanic St. **978-537-5647**
 Leominster, MA 01453 Fax 978-534-6655

Leominster Service Center
 12 N. Main St. Leominster, MA 01453
 KEVIN BOUCHER
978/534-7000

Sal's PIZZA Home of 19" 3 lb. Pizza
 Breakfast Served 7 Days a Week
 861 Central St., Leominster, MA
978-534-9222
10% OFF ALL PIZZAS

Vincent J. Spingola Jr. Photographer
SPingola Photography LLC
 Call Today!
 978-790-8731
 978-537-1955
 Spingola Photography LLC is a proud member of:
 PPAM - Professional Photographers Association of Massachusetts
 PPA - Professional Photographers of America
 Web Site: <http://www.spingolaphotography.com>

Please patronize these advertisers

Cristina's Restaurant
 Bridal Showers
 Bereavement Lunches
 Rehearsal Dinners
 Delectable Party Platters
 Homemade Italian Cookie Platters
 Function Room for 80 pp
 314 Central St., Leominster, MA
978-534-0849
 www.cristinas.net

TJB Plumbing & Piping Co.
 Thomas J. Bartlett, Owner
 MP8968
 Industrial, Commercial & Residential
 Sprinkler \$425
 153 Lancaster Street
 Leominster, MA 01453
 Phone: (978) 537-1426
 Fax: (978) 537-3813
 Cell:(978) 423-6163
 Plumbing Heating Process Piping Gas Piping Sprinkler Installation

Rollstone BANK & TRUST
 Rock Solid Banking Since 1846
 www.RollstoneBank.com

PROTECT GOD'S PRECIOUS INFANTS!
 PRAY, SPEAK & VOTE TO END ABORTION!
 "I knew you before I formed you in your mother's womb..." ...GOD
 Joseph H. O'Donnell, CPA
 840-1040