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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

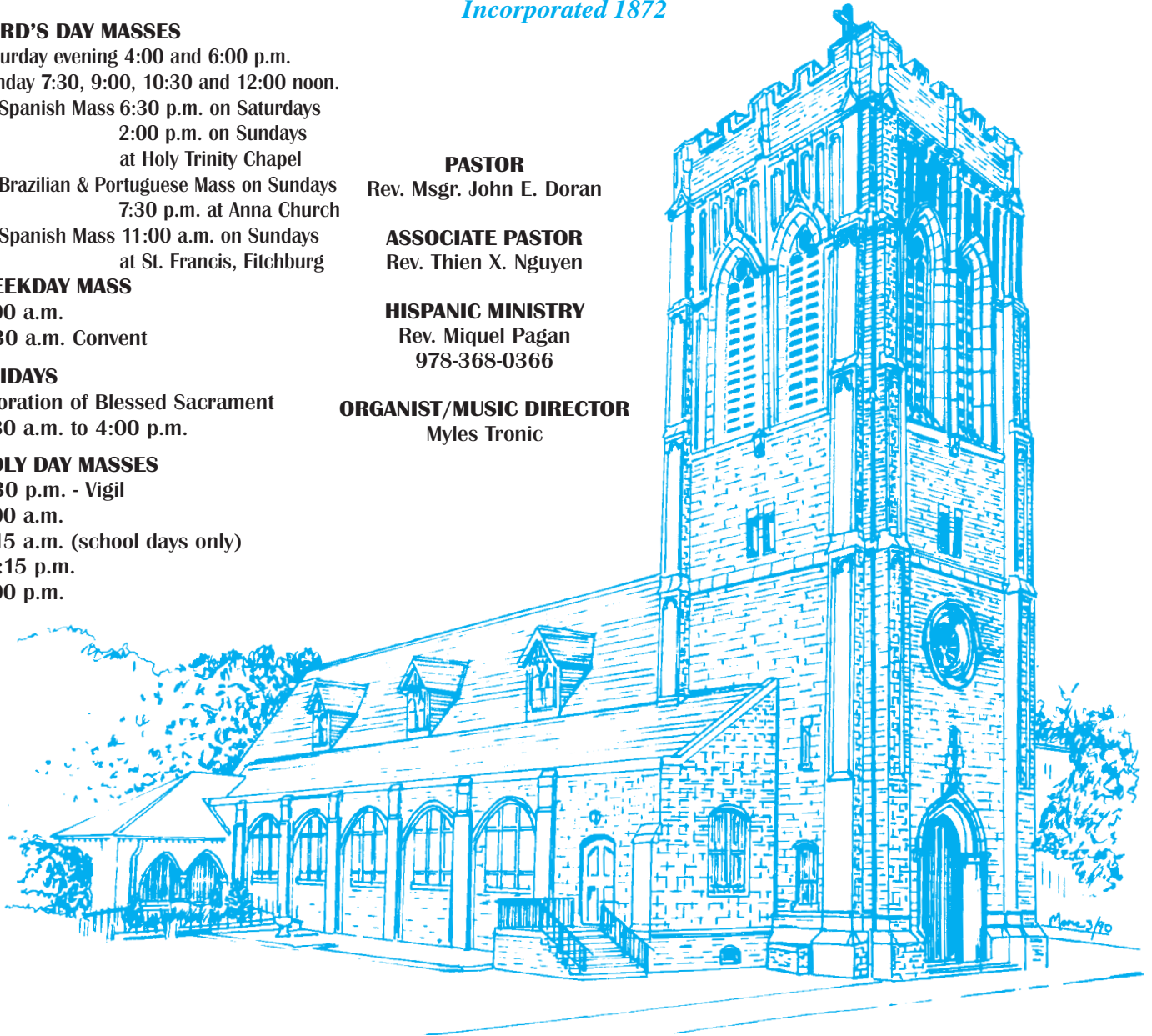
5:30 p.m. - Vigil
7:00 a.m.
9:15 a.m. (school days only)
12:15 p.m.
7:00 p.m.

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Rev. Msgr. John E. Doran

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Rev. Thien X. Nguyen

HISPANIC MINISTRY
Rev. Miquel Pagan
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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.

Saint Leo's School
Mrs. Carolyn Polselli (Principal)
120 Main Street
537-1007
www.St-Leoschool.org

St. Leo's Cemetery Office:
108 Main Street
537-7257
St. Leo's Cemetery Location:
360 Lancaster St.

St. Leo's Religious Education
Office (CCD)
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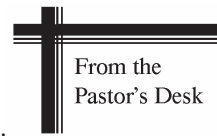
Mass Intentions

SATURDAY,	MAY 28
4:00 PM	Josephine Thomas, 40 th Annv. by family
6:00 PM	Doris Keefe, by family
SUNDAY,	MAY 29
7:30 AM	Doris Ebb by M/M Frank DiMaria
8:30 AM	Beatrice Burns by M/M/ Kenneth Holdreth
9:00 AM	Ruth & Joseph Dufresne by family
10:30 AM	Patrick & Mary Malley by Benton Family
12:00 NN	John F. & Julia Ashe family deceased
MONDAY,	MAY 30
7:45 AM	Mass at Cemetery
8:30 AM	Thomas, Maureen, Tommy, Ryan Jordan by family
TUESDAY,.	MAY 31
7:00 AM	Mass of Thanksgiving
8:30 AM	Herbert Hasenstein 3 rd Annv. by family
WEDNESDAY,	JUNE 1
7:00 AM	Don, Mildred Bergeron & son Alfred by family
8:30 AM	Presentation Sisters Prayer Association
5:30PM	Paul Malo 2 nd Annv. by family
THURSDAY,	JUNE 2
7:00 AM	Ed Small
8:30 AM	Joseph DiDuca 7 th Annv. by family
9:15AM	St. Leo's School Ascension Mass 2 nd graders
12:15PM	Herman Hasenstein by The McCaffreys
7:00PM	For the people of St. Leo's
FRIDAY,	JUNE 3
7:00 AM	For our May deceased
8:30 AM	Anna N. Harmon by daughter Doris Fournier
SATURDAY,	JUNE 4
7:00 AM	Myron & Lillian Wood by family
8:30 AM	Vera & Bernard O'Neill by family
4:00 PM	Daniel Sculley, Sr. by family
6:00 PM	William Buckley by wife Cynthia
SUNDAY,	JUNE 5
7:30 AM	John Flynn 4 th Annv. by Helen Raftery
8:30 AM	Robert Gladding by wife
9:00 AM	Steven Brown by family
10:30 AM	Rena Rogers by family
12:00 NN	Rita Buckley by family



MEMORIAL DAY

Once again this year we will observe the national holiday of Memorial Day on May 30th with an outdoor Mass at our cemetery at 7:45 AM (weather permitting) followed by the Veterans Program at 8:30 AM. This annual remembrance is a unique way of honoring our beloved deceased and for recognizing those men and women who have given their lives in service to our country. Please join us on this special day.



From the
Pastor's Desk

MEMORIAL DAY 2011

Memorial Day began as Decoration Day in the mid 19th century. Many cities and towns have called Memorial Day their own. Originally, the holiday was set aside to decorate the graves of those who died in war but eventually all of our deceased were remembered. In 1867, Nella Sweet composed a hymn entitled, "Kneel Where Our Loved Ones Are Sleeping," as a tribute to all the deceased. In May, 1966 President Lyndon Johnson declared Waterloo, New York, as the official site of the first Memorial/Decoration Day but other places still claim that honor.

During the Civil War, both sides observed a remembrance day for fallen comrades. On May 5, 1868, General John Hogan of the Grand Army of the Republic declared May 30th as the day and former Union and Confederate soldiers decorated graves at Arlington National Cemetery. In 1873, New York become the first state to make this day an official holiday but no southern states would do so until after World War I. In 1915, John McCrae honored the dead buried in the fields of France and Belgium during the "Great War." After that war "Buddy Poppies" were sold to help disabled veterans and their families. To honor our Veterans we reprint the poem by John McCrae.

In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.
We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders Fields.
Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders Fields.



SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Liturgical Roles

WEEK OF JUNE 4 & 5

	CELEBRANTS	LECTORS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	ALTAR SERVERS
4:00 PM	Msgr. Doran	P. Lozeau	J. Shannon, F. Guidara, D. Lanciani,	.Connors, Peterson, .Burdett, .Norton
6:00 PM	Fr. Nguyen.	W. Benton	L. Maye, M. White, A. Bissonnette	.Scougal, Barrette, Lombardozzi
7:30 AM	Msgr. Doran	M. Fratantonio	P. Crowley, D. McCaffrey, D. Barbaro	.Malone, .Lyons, McNamara, Halliwell
9:00 AM	Fr. Nguyen	L. Gaston	R. Gaston, M. Olivier, M. Ledoux	.Gavin, Umbrello, Belanger, McGown
10:30 AM	Fr. Nguyen	R. Keating	J. O'Neill, J. Belley, R. Rogers, B. LeBlanc	Cucchiara, Mercer, Roberto, Wells, Aubuchon
12:00 NN	Msgr. Doran.	D. Baron	D. Bean, D. Henderson, P. Lambert	Baron, Lajoie, McDowell, Mauro

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.) To date we have received \$76,444. or 97% of our goal.

Please be generous.



The Fitchburg Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring a chicken barbecue to benefit the Sisters of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary the chicken barbecue will be held on Sunday, June 5th from 12pm to 4pm. at the Knights of

Columbus Hall, 165 Electric Ave. Fitchburg. Tickets are \$7.00 ea. and are available in the Fitchburg Knights of Columbus member quarters or by calling (978)343-3984.

SHARING THE BLESSINGS

Our increased giving initiative begun last fall continues to be successful because of the generosity of St. Leo's parishioners. In the first four weeks of May 2010, we received \$27,443 in ordinary income. In the first four weeks of May this year, we received \$33,633 Thanks for your continued generosity.

HOLYDAY

On Thursday, June 2nd, the church celebrates the Feast of the Ascension of our Lord into heaven. Always forty days after Easter, we remember the Lord's ascent as given us by St. Luke: "And as He blessed them, He withdrew from them and was carried up to heaven" (24, 51). It is a Holyday of Obligation for Catholics. A vigil Mass will be held on Wednesday (June 1st) at 5:30PM and Masses on Thursday will be at 7 and 9:15AM and 12:15 and 7PM. Confessions will be heard on Wednesday at 4:45 pm.



The St. Paul Catholic School Consortium will be offering a Math and Science Summer Enrichment Program in collaboration with Fitchburg State University from July 11-

August 12, 2011.

There are five distinct modules for each of the weeks featuring CSI investigations, flight, pond life, geology and topography, and force and motions.

Cost is \$150 per student per week. (Includes daily lunch and field trips). For information contact Mary Kramek at 508-929-4317 or mkremek@worcesterdiocese.org

Church Support

Last weekend our parish community contributed \$7,539 in Ordinary Support, \$192 for the Capital Improvement Fund and \$20 for Phase 3 of winter fuel. Our fuel collection now stands at \$8,682. THANKS!!!!

MAY 29, 2011

**Weekly Schedule**

SUNDAY, MAY 29
5:00pm MAY DEVOTIONS
MONDAY, MAY 30
7:30PM MEN'S AA
TUESDAY, MAY 31
7:30PM WOMEN'S AA
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1
5:30PM VIGIL MASS
5:30PM SERRA BOARD MEETING
THURSDAY, JUNE 2
7 & 9:15AM MASSES HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION
12:15 & 7 PM MASSES HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION
7:00PM CHOIR
7:00PM BOY SCOUTS
FRIDAY, JUNE 3
7:30AM-4PM ADORATION
SATURDAY, JUNE 4
11:00AM TOPS

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**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 \$3,939 (per person double occupancy). Price includes airfare, hotels, guides and most meals.

**BUILDING FUND**

St. Leo's Building Fund, which has made possible our new parish center, has now reached the total of \$1,701,050. 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 \$495,879.. Thanks for your continued support.



Don't take a summer vacation from caring for your marriage. God wants to be a part of your marriage all summer long. Bring a breath of fresh air to your relationship. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekends in New England are June 24-26, July 27-29 and September 16-18. For more information call Ralph & Jane Becker at 1-800-710-WWME or visit our webpage at [www.wwme.org](http://www.wwme.org).



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