

St. Leo's Church

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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

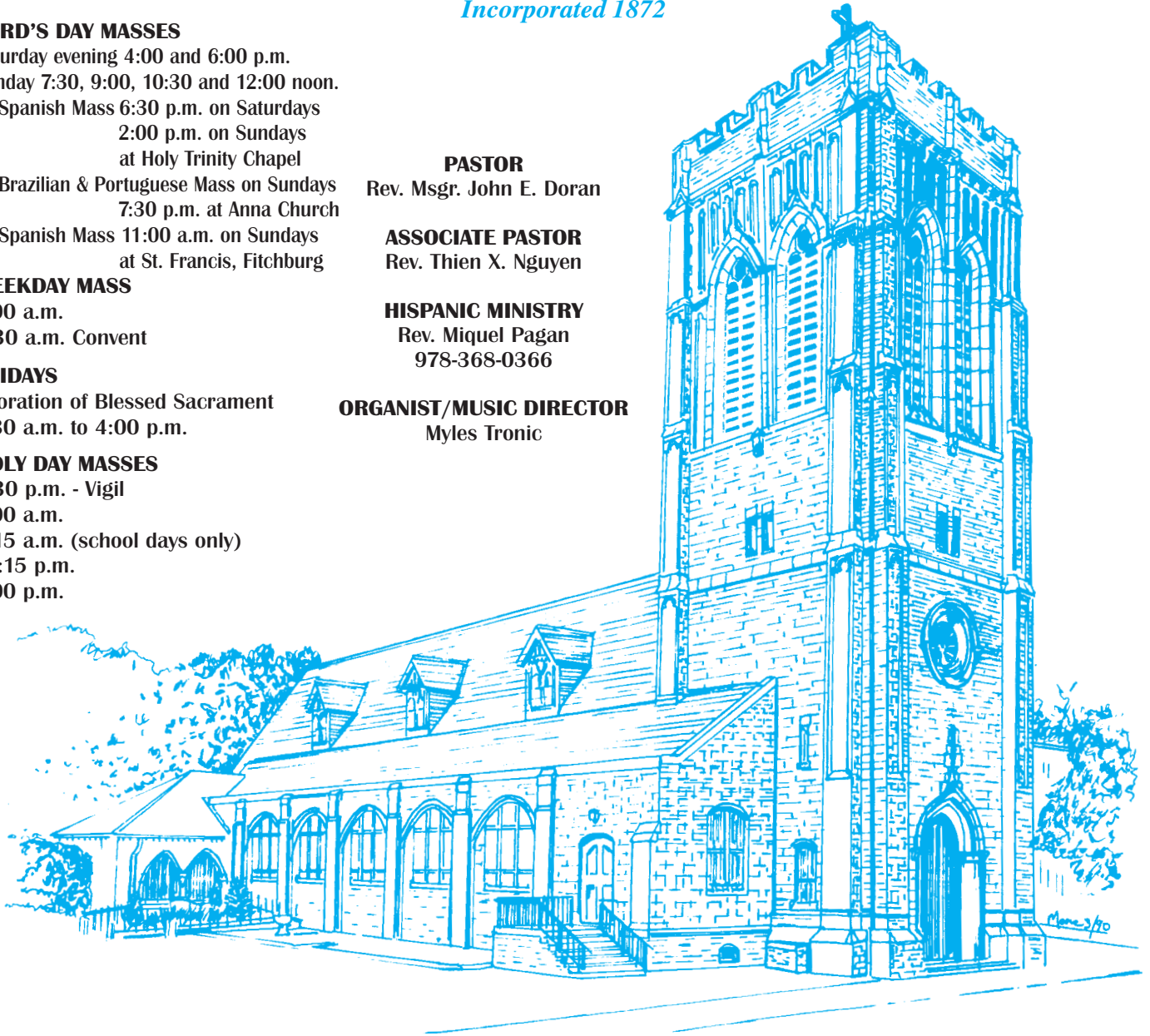
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Sacrament of Baptism: Please make arrangements in advance. Baptisms will be the Second Sunday of each month at 1:30 p.m.

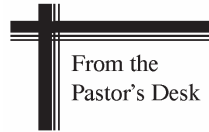
Sacrament of Penance: Saturdays 3:00-3:45 p.m.
Eve of Holydays: 4:45 p.m. (weekdays only)

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

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

St. Leo's Cemetery Office:
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360 Lancaster St.

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

CORPUS ET SANGUINIS CHRISTI

SATURDAY,	JUNE 25
4:00 PM	Fred & Virginia Gauthier by Marlene
6:00 PM	John Krysiak by family
SUNDAY,	JUNE 26
7:30 AM	Loretta Grudzicki by Corinie Shepherd
8:30 AM	G. Lillian Barron
9:00 AM	Intentions of John Sabra Family by family
10:30 AM	Dr. Charles Gerry
12:00 NN	Alfred LeBlanc by family
MONDAY,	JUNE 27
7:00 AM	
8:30 AM	Phyllis Flanagan by St. Vincent N.S class of 1953
TUESDAY,	JUNE 28
7:00 AM	
8:30 AM	Joan Hannagan
WEDNESDAY,	JUNE 29
7:00 AM	
8:30 AM	Enrica Valeri by Louie & Pat Nardello
THURSDAY,	JUNE 30
7:00 AM	
8:30 AM	Fr. Thomas Garlick
FRIDAY,	JULY 1
7:00 AM	For our June Deceased
8:30 AM	John & Rose Bell & Family by Dan Bell's family
SATURDAY,	JULY 2
7:00 AM	
8:30 AM	Fr. Thomas Garlick by Joe & Betsey Tammara
11:00AM	Ethiopian Rite Mass
4:00 PM	Harold Sidilaie by wife Ruth
6:00 PM	Helen Krysiak by family
SUNDAY,	JULY 3
7:30 AM	Michael Chaisson by M/M Frank DiMara
8:30 AM	Richard Duval
9:00 AM	Elizabeth Marlborough by Kimberly Lambert
10:30 AM	O'Leary Family Intentions
12:00 NN	Thomasina & Stanley Pasierb by family

Wedding  Banns

1st Banns
Julia Biery &
Patrick Flanagan



Our annual Altar Server Outing for active servers will be held on Monday June 27th. Once again we will be going to Canobie Lake Park and will leave our parking lot at 10AM and will return about 7:30PM. Permissions slips should be returned by June 26th.

Every church year, the Sunday celebration of the solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ follows Trinity Sunday. Developing further the theme from last Sunday of the unity-in-relationship between Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, the readings for today remind us of the unity we experience with each other and with God through the body and blood of Jesus Christ.

The first reading is taken from the Book of Deuteronomy. It is an excerpt from a speech that Moses delivered to the Israelites at the end of their forty-year journey through the desert. By the time that Moses and the Israelites reach the Promised Land, most of the original Israelites who experienced slavery in Egypt had died in the desert. An entire generation had passed since the experience of the Exodus, and the Israelites listening to Moses' speech were the children born in the desert. They never experienced captivity in Egypt or many of the adventures in the desert wilderness. This is one of the reasons why Moses places so much emphasis on remembering. Moses instructed this next generation of Israelites about to enter the Promised Land to remember two things about the Lord. First, the Lord directed the desert journey and put their parents and relatives to the test, facing hunger and thirst in the desert. Secondly, the Lord fulfilled their needs and "brought forth water...from the flinty rock and fed you in the desert with manna, a food unknown to you and your fathers."

Today's Gospel reading is taken from Jesus' larger "bread of life" discourse (jn6:22-71). Of the five major discourses of Jesus in the Gospel of John (Jesus as the living water 4:4-42; Jesus as the Son of the Father, 5:19-47; Jesus as the bread of life, 6:22-71; Jesus as the light of the world, 8:12-59; Jesus as the good shepherd, 10:1-18), Jesus' bread of life discourse stirs the most controversy. In the Gospel reading, we hear Jesus refer to the "bread that came down from heaven." He draws a comparison between this bread that the Israelites received in their forty-year desert journey and the bread he now offers, which provides "eternal life." As you hear in today's reading, Jesus tells the already quarreling Jewish crowds "unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life in you." Jesus' command to literally eat his flesh and drink his blood challenged the crowds to recognize him as the "life of the world." Jesus' statement certainly falls within the category of his "hard sayings" whose meaning continues to challenge us today.

Through his body and blood, Jesus invites us to share in the eternal life of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. On this solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, we celebrate our unity with the divine and with each other that comes through our faith that the flesh and blood of Christ redeems us.

Liturgical Roles

WEEK OF JULY 2 & 3

	CELEBRANTS	LECTORS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	ALTAR SERVERS
4:00 PM	Fr.Nguyen	D&N. Faucher	J.ShannonP.LozeauD.LancianiF.Joseph	B.Peterson E.Adams M.Norton
6:00 PM	Msgr. Doran	William Benton	A.BissonnetteK.lambertM.White	Z.Belanger D.Barrette S.Koehler
7:30 AM	Msgr. Doran.	John Mann	P.MorinD.McCaffrey N.Pierce	R.Fratantonio A.Morin T.Gendron K.Lyons
9:00 AM	Msgr. Doran	Lorraine Gaston	B.MakiM.LedouxM.Olivier	C&B.Hanlon M.O'Malley K&R.Domenichella
10:30 AM	Fr Nguyen	Francis Marien	D.SlarskeyP.ProiettiR.Rogers J.O'Neill	E.Cucchiara J&J.slarskey E&L.Jenny J.Mercer
12:00 NN	Fr.Nguyen	Deborah Baron	D.BeanD.HendersonJ.Shannon	E.Provencher K&B.White E.Baron



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ITALIAN VISTAS

Once again this year our parish in conjunction with Collette Vacations will be sponsoring a trip. Entitled "ITALIAN VISTAS," we will visit Rome, Florence, Pisa, Venice and many other sites from November 5-17. Price is \$3,939 ppdo and \$4539 for singles. The price includes airfare, hotels, transfers, guides, all breakfasts and most meals. Contact Msgr. Doran for a brochure or more information.

PARISH SUPPORT

Last weekend our parish community contributed \$8,552 in ordinary support, \$487 for the capital improvement fund and \$15 for Catholic communications. In June we have received \$2,644 for Capital need and \$576 for Catholic Communications. THANKS!!!

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 \$85,059.56. or 108% of our goal.

Please be generous.

SHARING OUR BLESSINGS

The increased giving initiatives began last fall continues to be successful thanks to the generosity of the parishioners of St. Leo's. In the first three weekends of June last year, our ordinary income was \$21,503. This year it is \$23,277 for the same period. Thanks!!!!

BUILDING FUND

St. Leo's Building Fund, which has made possible our new parish center, has now reached the total of \$1,810,195. 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 \$492,591. Thanks for your continued support.

GREETING TO NEWCOMERS, VISTORS & PARISHIONERS

Our parish community welcomes you and invites you to enter more fully into parish life I you wish, fill out the form below and mail it to the rectory or drop it into the collection basket.

I WOULD LIKE:

- To become a parishioner
- To volunteer in parish activities
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- To request Eucharistic visits for sick
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