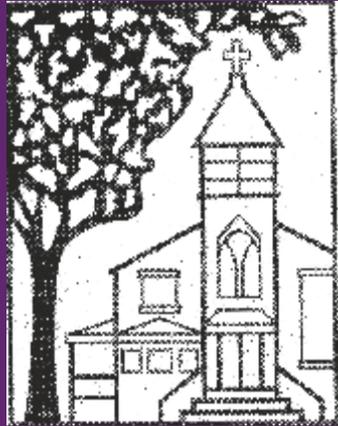


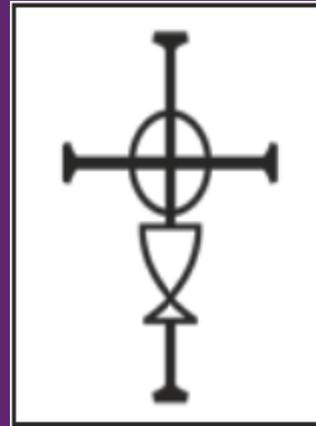
February 21, 2021: First Sunday of Lent

St. Frances of Rome



St. Frances of Rome is an inclusive, welcoming Roman Catholic family challenging ourselves to seek, experience and share the loving presence of God.

St. Leonard



The St. Leonard family welcomes all into our Catholic community to serve, pray and worship, as we welcome Christ.

A colorful, artistic background image featuring a woman's face on the right and a bright, glowing light source on the left, creating a dramatic effect.

1st
SUNDAY OF LENT

"This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel." - Mk 1:15

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Lent at Saint Frances of Rome Lent at Saint Leonard

Sacrament of Reconciliation (individual Confessions)

Sunday, March 21 from 12:30 - 2:00 pm

Wednesday, March 24 from 1:00 - 2:30 pm

Rosary

Mondays & Fridays during Lent following the 8:30 a.m. Mass

Adoration

Fridays during Lent following the 8:30 a.m. Mass & Rosary

Stations of the Cross

Wednesdays during Lent following the 8:30 a.m. & 12:00 p.m. Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation (individual Confessions)

Saturday, March 13 from 3:00 - 4:30 pm

Tuesday, March 16 from 6:00 - 7:30 pm

Stations of the Cross

Sundays during Lent at 3:00 pm in the church and live-streamed

Friday, April 2 (Good Friday) at 3:00 pm

Rosary

Tuesdays and Thursdays following the 12:00 pm Mass



Join St. Frances of Rome and St. Leonard—and more than 12,000 Catholic communities across the United States—in a life-changing Lenten journey with Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl. During these 40 days of Lent, we will reflect on how hunger and malnutrition affect our human family, and on the need to take action to end this global injustice.

Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more about the Rice Bowl program from our own @CatholicArchLou CRS Global Fellow, or view Deacon Scott Haner's video here or at <https://youtu.be/FCWtHrYt0zM>.



**St. Frances of Rome
~ 2021 Lenten
Stewardship
Renewal has begun!**



The St. Frances of Rome 2021 Lenten Stewardship Renewal has begun! This Lenten stewardship journey calls our parish family to seek, experience and share the loving presence of God by fulfilling our parish mission. Each parishioner household is invited to renew your stewardship commitments through time, talent and treasure.

Fr. Lou's invitation and your lenten stewardship renewal commitment forms were sent out last week. Prayerfully consider how you can offer and share your gifts. Return completed forms in the enclosed pre addressed envelope by March 7, 2021 either by mail, drop in Sunday's collection basket or bring them to the parish house during business hours. Thank you in advance for being a vital and active member of the St. Frances of Rome family!

We would like to say a big THANK YOU to the students of Immaculata Classical Academy for the beautiful Valentine's Day cards that they sent to some of the older members of our Saint Leonard community this week. We are thankful for your love and care!



**St. Frances of Rome's
"Make A Difference"
Outreach Project for
United Crescent Hill
Ministries**



St. Frances of Rome is collecting the following items: Clorox Wipes, Toilet Paper, Paper Towels, Soap and Shampoo. Donations can be placed in the basket near the organ at the entrance of the church or dropped off at the parish house, Monday – Friday: 8:00am to 2:00pm. Thank you in advance for your ongoing generosity and support!

Black & Indian Mission Collection

Next weekend, we will take up the annual Black and Indian Mission Collection. This Collection exists to help diocesan communities preach the Gospel of Jesus among the African American, Native American, and Alaskan Native people of God. Your donations help fund parish-based catechetical programs, support teacher and catechist professional development, encourage vocations to the priesthood and religious life, and create diocesan structures, such as our own archdiocesan Office of Multicultural Ministry, that support ministry and evangelization in these diverse cultural communities. Please be generous.

25% Returned!

Our turn in rate is growing. Thank you so much to everyone who has turned their renewals in so quickly! If you have not turned your membership renewal in yet, there is still time! Send it in today!

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St. Leonard





Leonard Ladies Lenten Journey: Imagine

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Our next meeting is on Wednesday, February 24 at 7:15 pm via Zoom

The next meeting of the Leonard Ladies series Imagine will take place on Wednesday, February 24 at 7:15 pm via Zoom. Our discussion this week will be based on “Episode 4 - Walking on Water” of the podcast Imagine: A Guide to Jesuit Prayer. You can follow along by using the technique of Ignatian contemplation to pray with Matthew 14:22-33. As you pray, we encourage you to ponder the following questions:

-As you imagine the scene of Jesus walking on water, with whom do you most strongly identify (the disciples, Peter, Jesus)? Why?

-Which details and emotions most stand out to you as you imagine this scene?

-How do you feel that Jesus is speaking to your heart through this passage and prayer experience?

If you are interested in calling in to our Zoom meeting on February 24 at 7:15 pm, follow these instructions:
Dial 1 929 205 6099

When asked to enter the Meeting ID, enter these numbers: 994 1699 9249#

When asked for Participant ID, enter just the pound sign: #

When asked to enter the Passcode, enter these numbers: 932922#

You can now enter the meeting.

ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

February 21, 2021

1st Sunday of Lent

St. Oscar Romero said, “Aspire not to have more, but to be more.” These powerful words provide the perfect framework for a conversion oriented Lenten experience. God is giving us this Lenten sign to stop being concerned about what you have and focus on who you are. This requires that we create a desert space and listen more attentively for God to reveal His presence. It is all so wonderfully simple on the one hand and so incredibly challenging on the other. The message is simple: love God, neighbor, and self. Those simple words make great sense, but we struggle translating them into reality. Our attachments, compulsions, obsessions, addictions, routines, and busyness all anchor us to the “idol of the self,” keeping us mired in our compulsive need for self-aggrandizement. It’s not about us!

God vowed, long ago, to nurture, sustain and protect the relationship He has with His people. He called us into being, nurtures us in being, and sustains us in being. Without the Loving Divine Presence, all life would cease. Once we slow down a bit and clear away some of the clutter, we can see how the journey of our life is unfolding. We can see what brings us in and out of tune with God’s love and how we can better imitate God’s loving fidelity in our relationship with Him. In short, we will see our myopic short sightedness and figure out how we can better share the Divine Fire within with others. Lent isn’t just about giving stuff up for forty days and indulging again at Easter. We need to push things much farther and wrestle with the question of how we can be more. “Being more” means becoming more fully alive and in touch with the holiness of life and the divinity that lives in and empowers all beings and things. It is realizing that the “quality” of our presence is crucial to being an effective witness and herald of God’s unconditional love.

The illusion we have bought into causes us to believe that the wrong things and systems matter. We tirelessly fight to keep things the way they are, to return to the former ways of doing things or restore some nostalgic fantasy memory of “life in the good old days.” Lent isn’t about maintaining what we have or returning to something that is gone. It’s about becoming something new. It’s about being more focused, centered, convicted, and grounded so that we can be a person who truly loves and treasures being made in the image of God. The secret to Gospel living is not found in accumulating anything for ourselves, even merit points for heaven. Gospel living means learning how to live with less so that others can live with more. The thought of permanently giving something up makes us feel uncomfortable. Truth often does.

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Conversations with Archbishop Kurtz

During segment one of March's Conversations with Archbishop Kurtz, Chancellor Dr. Brian Reynolds and Archbishop Kurtz discuss the themes of Pope Francis' 2021 Lenten message and plans for celebrating the Year of St. Joseph in the Archdiocese. In segment two, Archbishop Kurtz welcomes **Teresa Riggs**, a volunteer with Saint Leonard Parish and several other Catholic schools and organizations, to talk about her volunteer ministry. In segment three, Archbishop Kurtz and Chancellor Dr. Brian Reynolds discuss Archbishop Kurtz's 49 years of priesthood.

Conversations airs on the Faith Channel (Spectrum channels 19 and digital channel 279) on Tues. at 7 p.m., Wed. at 10 a.m., Fri. at 7 p.m., and Sat. at 4 p.m. It is on radio stations WLCR 1040 AM, Breadbox Media, and WLHN 95.3 FM in Meade County. In addition, Conversations can be downloaded for no charge through iTunes. Conversations also is available on Bardstown Cable Channel 19 (BRTV) at 7 p.m. on the first two Monday nights of the month and on Bardstown's PLG TV on Tuesday afternoons at 4 p.m. and Saturdays and Sundays at 11:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Conversations is online at www.archlou.org/conversations.

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Readings

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Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time-February 21

First Reading: Gn 9:8-15

Second Reading: 1 Pt 3:18-22

Gospel: Mk 1:12-15

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time-February 28

First Reading: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18

Second Reading: Rom 8:31b-34

Gospel: Mk 9:2-10

Stewardship of Treasure



Due to the inclement weather, the collection report for February 14th for St. Frances of Rome was not available at the time the bulletin was submitted. The collection will be updated in next week's bulletin.



Collection 2/7/2021	\$3,287
Amount Needed Weekly	\$6,975
YTD Overage	\$2,859

Mass Intentions



Friday, Feb 19, 8:30am: **Jim Milliner**

Sunday, Feb 21, 8:30am: **Tom Coomes**

Sunday, Feb 21, 11:30am: **Jack Ford**

Monday, Feb 22, 8:30am:

Wednesday, Feb 24, 8:30am:

Wednesday, Feb 24, 12Noon: **Jayne BecVar**

Friday, Feb 26, 8:30am:

Sunday, Feb 28, 8:30am: **Mary Ann Schwantes**

Sunday, Feb 28, 11:30am: **People of the Parish**

***Please note:** the weekday Mass at St Frances of Rome will be cancelled if Jefferson County Catholic schools are closed due to inclement weather. Watch St Leonard's Facebook page for updates about weekday Masses on snowy Tuesdays or Thursdays. Weekend Mass cancellations for both parishes will be posted on the local news stations.



Saturday, Feb 20, 5:00pm: **Jack Kessler***

Sunday, Feb 21, 10:00am: **People of the Parish**

Tuesday, Feb 23, 12Noon:

Thursday, Feb 25, 12Noon:

Saturday, Feb 27, 5:00pm: **Holy Souls**

Sunday, Feb 28, 10:00am: **People of the Parish**

Tuesday, Feb 16, 12Noon: **David Staggs**

Wednesday, Feb 17, 6:00pm:

Thursday, Feb 18, 12Noon:

Saturday, Feb 20 8:30am: **Jack Kessler***

Sunday, Feb 21, 8:30am: **People of the Parish**

**The Kessler family asks for extra prayers for Jack on the anniversary of his birth*



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