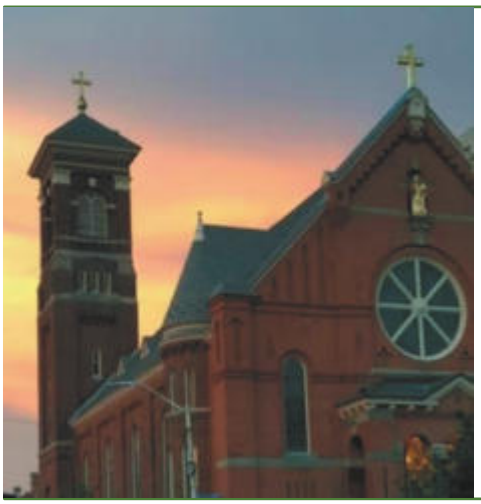

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Roman Catholic Church in Little Italy, Baltimore

OUR MISSION: We, the parish family of St. Leo the Great Church in the heart of historic Little Italy, Baltimore, are united in our Catholic faith and rich in our heritage. We see the face of Christ in all of God's people and welcome new parishioners. In answer to our baptismal call, we reach out in the areas of liturgy, devotion, education, needs for the poor, evangelization, and advocacy. Our stewardship of time, resources, and talent go beyond the parish boundaries to hospitals, schools and nursing homes. Thus, we strive to follow Christ, who is the "Light of the human race." [John 1:4]

February 13-14, 2021
6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Pastor

Rev. Mr. Douglas P. Kendzierski
Deacon

MASS SCHEDULE

8 am Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri, Sat
4:30 pm Saturday
9:30 & 11:30 am Sunday

Holy Days of Obligation Mass times are announced. **Confession** is heard 45 minutes before Mass. To schedule a different time, call the parish office. The **Rosary** is said after 8am Masses and 30 minutes before weekend Masses.

Saint Leo the Great Church was built for Italian immigrants, dedicated September 18, 1881. It is registered as a Historical Landmark by the U.S. Dept. of the Interior.

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WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday/sabato 13 febbraio
8am Pro Populo
4:30pm Joseph Scalia by Philomena Scalia & Family

Sunday/domenica 14 febbraio
9:30am Owen Bracken by wife Mary Bracken
11:30am Leo & Jennie Scaffidi by Cathy & Bob Costa

Monday/lunedì 15 febbraio
NO MASS - parish office closed for President's Day

Tuesday/martedì 16 febbraio
8am Joan P. Canavan by The Pomento Family

Ash Wednesday/mercoledì 17 febbraio
8am Santa Triolo by Family
6:30 Vito Iacovelli by Ester Iacovelli & Children

Friday/venerdì 19 febbraio
8am Leonardo & Giovanna Scaffidi by Angela C. Scaffidi

Saturday/sabato 20 febbraio
8am Pro Populo
4:30pm John Guerriero (anniversary) by wife Angie Guerriero

Sunday/domenica 21 febbraio
9:30am Angelo Nucci by Chuck & Carmela Walsh
11:30 Elmer Thomas & Laura Wilson Richardson by great-granddaughter Salliann & Bill Alborn

2021 MASS BOOK - Donation $10 per name per Mass, payable to Pallottines of Immaculate Conception. We try our best to accommodate dates. Office visitors are discouraged during Covid, please mail checks or drop in the outdoor mailbox.

WORDS FROM FATHER BERNIE

A PERSON IS WORTH DYING FOR

I had a difficult experience this past week. It was a minor "fender bender." Well thank God there was almost no bending of fenders, but it could have been a nasty event. I found myself on a steep decline and could not see that the road surface for 20 yards was sheer ice below a construction site. One car stopped ahead of me at a red light. I was going slowly, tried to stop, but slid right into that car. The lady in it got out exclaiming, "Oh no! My brand-new car!" and almost slipped on the ice as I warned her about it. We examined the "damage," of which there was truly little. She was happy to just proceed but asked if I was all right. I told her I would watch until she got back into her car to be sure she was safe. Gratefully, a quite simple encounter.

As I went on my way full of gratitude that it was not a serious incident, I thought of the gracious attitude of that lady. A sudden thought came to mind, "a person worth dying for." Not to exaggerate the gravity of the situation, but I think the Lord was sending a lesson my way. Even for something so simple, a person is worth the sacrifice of Jesus. He died for everyone: the people we appreciate, the kind and helpful, the difficult, the problematic, even the worst among us. Everyone is saved by Jesus' self-sacrifice, His life offering. This chance encounter made me think about the reality and depth of salvation in Jesus. Not exaggerating but seeing the divine in an ordinary event. What have you seen or realized lately?

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 14, 2021

SUN 2/14	Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11 [7]/1 Cor 10:31—11:1/Mk 1:40-45
MON 2/15	Gn 4:1-15, 25/Ps 50:1 and 8, 16bc-17, 20-21 [14a]/Mk 8:11-13
TUE 2/16	Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10/Ps 29:1a and 2, 3ac-4, 3b and 9c-10 [11b]/Mk 8:14-21
WED 2/17	Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17 [cf. 3a]/2 Cor 5:20—6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
THR 2/18	Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [Ps 40:5a]/Lk 9:22-25
FRI 2/19	Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19 [19b]/Mt 9:14-15
SAT 2/20	Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [11ab]/Lk 5:27-32
SUN 2/21	Gn 9:8-15/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [cf. 10]/1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15

FEBRUARY BREAD & WINE

In loving memory of *nonni* Luigi & Anna Molino and Louis Saverio Molino Jr. by Gina, Danny, Paula, Pamela & Suzanna Molino

FEBRUARY 6-7 MASSES

Attendance: 89 adults / 5 children
Offering: $3,431

PRAYER INTENTIONS

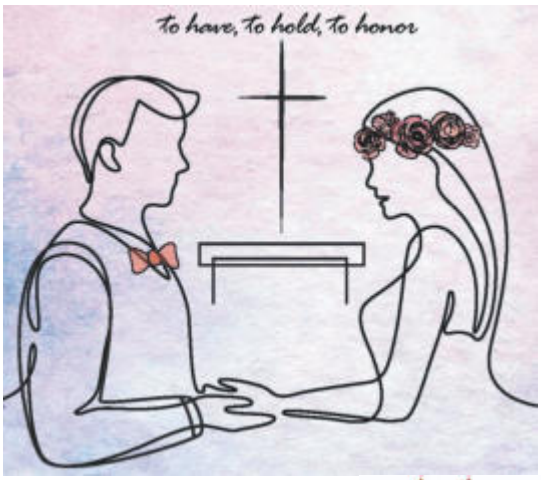
FOR Khola O.
FOR Nick D.
FOR Ida M. in rehab recovering from a broken leg

Q&A WITH ST. LEO'S DEACON DOUGIE

Q: *There are certain Catholic traditions and exercises that strike me as problematic. Why do we worship and pray to Mary and the saints? We are supposed to only worship God. Also, why do we pray before statues and religious paintings - isn't that idolatry?*

A: These are common misinterpretations of Catholic tradition that often leave even "cradle-Catholics" questioning the virtue of such practices. To be clear, Catholics *only* worship the Triune-God (Father, Son and Holy Spirit). However, to facilitate our petitions, we can rely on the intercession of the Blessed Mother and the saints, as presumed with certainty to be co-existing with God in His Heaven. This is correctly referred to as "veneration," *not* worship. It is not required that we pray "through" the saints, but it is certainly a helpful strategy to rely upon "patron saints" or other heavenly men and women of recognized virtue, particularly when we can relate to their lives or causes. Their good examples also are helpful reminders to us in our lives, and our honoring of their holiness. When we pray before statues or paintings of Christ or saints, we are simply utilizing the imagery to reinforce our sense of their presence and accessibility in our lives. There is no expectation that the likeness has any value independent of the Savior's gift of salvation and mercy, or the co-dwelling of the saints and their good example with God in heaven. Think of these icons more as "study aids" in improving and enhancing our communication with the Father.

Deacon Doug invites your Catholic-related questions for future bulletin discussions via email dkendzierski@ccbcmd.edu.



HAPPY WORLD MARRIAGE DAY & HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!

"love is patient and kind"

[Corinthians]

FEBRUARY RAVIOLI/MEATBALLS/PASTA SALE!

St. Leo's is selling its homemade meatless sauce, meatballs and ravioli (from Casa di Pasta). Visit the parish office Monday through Thursday 9 am to 3 pm to pay by cash, check or charge.

- homemade sauce $7 (a blessing in every jar!)
- 30 meatballs - $30
- 30 ravioli - $15

FEB 15 Monday - No 8 am Mass. Parish office closed in observance of President's Day.

FEB 17 - ASH WEDNESDAY

- 8 am and 6:30 pm Masses with ash distribution
- 12:10 prayer service only with ash distribution

FEB 28 Sunday - Carryout Ravioli Dinner, 11 am to 4 pm, School Hall, free parking at Stratford University during pickup.

FEB 19 & 26 - Friday Lenten Dinners

MAR 5, 12, 19, 26 - Friday Lenten Dinners

LENTEN DINNERS OFFERED ON SIX FRIDAYS

February 19, 26
March 5, 12, 19, 26
4-7 pm / Church Hall

$15 includes linguine in homemade crab sauce, garden salad, fresh Italian bread

- Bottled soda & water $1
- Carryout & cash only
- Either stop in between 4-7 pm to purchase a meal or preorder by phone 443-841-5223 between 9am-6:30pm then pick up 4-7pm.
- Fundraiser hosted by Knights of Columbus St. Vincent Pallotti Council #14535 and St. Leo's Church to share the proceeds.
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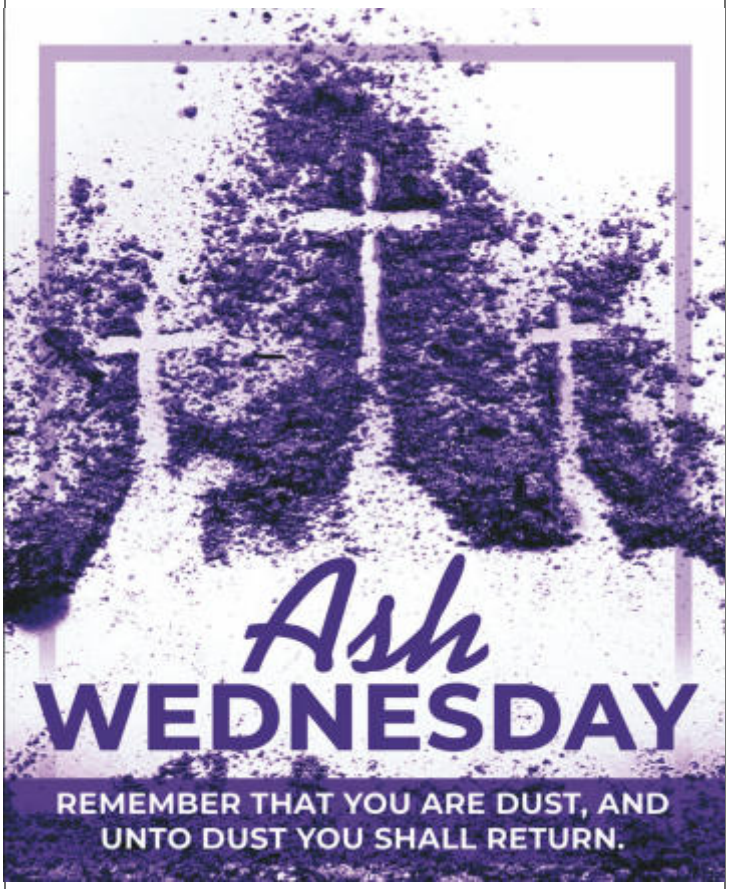

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CARRY-OUT RAVIOLI DINNER

Sunday, February 28, 2021

11am-4pm ~ Pandola Learning Center in St. Leo's School ~ 908 Stiles Street in historic Little Italy

MENU $13

- Choice of 5 cheese ravioli w/ 1 meatball OR spaghetti w/ 2 meatballs
- Garden salad with dressing
- Italian bread with butter

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- $2 per extra meatball
- $3 per extra salad
- $8 meatball sub
- $4 Vaccaro's cannoli
- $5 pizzelle (vanilla or anise)
- $1 bottles of soda & water

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READ THE GOSPEL AND COMPLETE A PUZZLE!

SHARING THE GOSPEL

It is not fun to be sick. You miss your friends at school. You can't go outside to play. On top of being bored and lonely, you don't feel well at all. The man with leprosy in today's Gospel was sick a long, long time. He was really bored, lonely, and feeling awful. There was no medicine for leprosy. Jesus was the only one who could help him.

PRAYER

God, you have the power to heal. Help me to trust you, even when I'm sick.

MISSION FOR THE WEEK

Visit the sick. Make a card.
Take a treat to share.
Give them something to read.
Pray for them before you leave.
You will brighten their day.

KIDS CORNER

Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

~~LEPROSY~~	WELL	GIFT
JESUS	WARNED	HEALED
POWER	SHOW	WALKED

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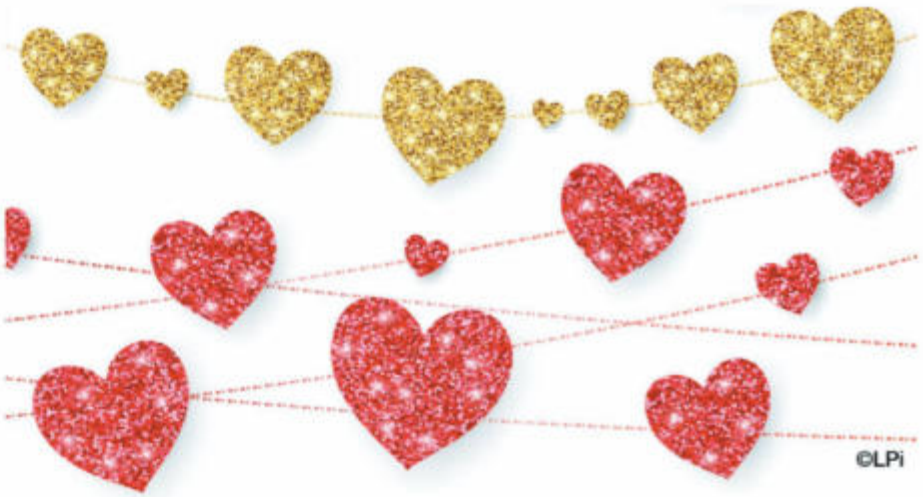

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