

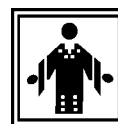
# St. Leo's Church

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*The Nativity of the Lord*



**FROM  
THE  
PASTOR**

**SATURDAY DECEMBER 25**  
7:30AM For St. Leo's parishioners who are Ill  
10:00AM For Shut-in and Hospitalized Parishioners  
4:00PM NO MASS

**SUNDAY DECEMBER 26**  
7:30AM Iginia Joseph by Lambert Family  
8:30AM Guennette Family Deceased  
11:00AM Jim Murray by family  
Jamie Ball by family

**MONDAY DECEMBER 27**  
7:00 AM NO MASS  
8:30 AM Months Mind for Raymond Smith

**TUESDAY DECEMBER 28**  
7:00 AM NO MASS  
8:30 AM Patricia Espinola

**WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 29**  
8:30 AM NO MASSES

**THURSDAY DECEMBER 30**  
7:00AM NO MASS  
8:30AM Presentation Sisters Prayer Association

**FRIDAY DECEMBER 31**  
7:00AM No MASSES  
8:30AM Eunice Roberts by family

**SATURDAY JANUARY 1**  
7:30AM Edward C. Champlin  
11:00AM No MASS  
4:00 PM

**SUNDAY JANUARY 2**  
7:30 AM Irene Hurtubise by daughter  
For those served by SVDP  
8:30AM  
11:00AM Larry Guartafierro by family



No report this weekend due to an early printing of this weekend bulletin.

Thank you for your generosity!

**My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,**

Merry Christmas! We welcome all who are with us this weekend as we celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Whether you are a parishioner or a visitor, you are welcome as we celebrate this very important day in our church year. As I reflect upon Jesus' birth, I know that Mary and Joseph welcomed all who wished to come to the stable to lay their eyes on the Christ Child. In the same way, we welcome all who wish to celebrate Jesus' birth in Bethlehem.

I can only imagine the gratitude that Mary and Joseph felt in their hearts as shepherds and kings came to visit and to pay homage to their child. I likewise express my gratitude to all who helped in our preparation for Christmas. I am grateful to the St. Vincent de Paul Society and to all parishioners and staff who helped through the Giving Tree. As a result of your efforts, struggling families, nursing home residents, and seminarians were remembered this Christmas.

I am grateful for our liturgical ministers who put in extra time and effort to see that our parish liturgies were prayerful and beautiful celebrations worthy of Jesus' birth. I am thankful for Debra LaPointe who once again decorated our sanctuary so beautifully. I am grateful for parish staff who put in extra time to see that the many details of Christmas were in place in time for our Christmas celebrations.

I am grateful for the parishioners of St. Leo's who always come through when we ask for their help and assistance with any projects that comes up!

I take this opportunity to wish you all a safe, healthy and blessed Christmas. May the birth of the Christ Child fill you with hope and love during this Christmas season.

**Have a great week!**

**Sincerely yours in Christ,  
Fr. Bill**

**MERRY CHRISTMAS**



# THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

## Liturgical Roles

### WEEK JANUARY 1 & JANUARY 2 EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

	LECTORS	WEEK JANUARY 1 & JANUARY 2 EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS		USHERS	
4:00PM	NO MASS				
7:30 AM	D. Bergeron	B. LeBlanc	D. Sutton	K. Lambert	A. Fournier
9:30 AM					
11:00AM	K. Bell	V. Spingola	J. Shannon	B. Keating	N. Keataing



### THE LATEST FROM THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

1. This week, our Food Pantry will be open **MONDAY**. We invite parishioners who are in need of food to sign up for the pantry. To sign up for the Food Pantry call 978-786-7637 on next **MONDAY** between 10:00A.M. and 2:00 P.M. Come to the back of the rectory between 5:00 and 5:30 P.M. to pick up your food!
2. We are asking parishioners to donate this weekend **Mayo, Mustard and Ketchup**. Please drop off items in the bins at church.
3. We continue asking you to submit your prayer intentions to us. Members of the St. Vincent de Paul Society will pray for your intentions. Maybe a prayer request you submitted previously had been answered. Share your stories of prayers answered with us!  
Thank you from the Saint Vincent de Paul Society.

### Knights of Columbus News

The Knights of Columbus are seeking Catholic men who may be interested in joining the Knights of Columbus. Men who are looking to deepen their faith and make a difference in the community through acts of service are invited to join. Also, interested men can contact Dominic Zarella on his cell phone at 978-429-6894 (either call or text).



### PROVIDING MEALS FOR NORTH STAR

Beginning Sunday, December 26th it is our week to provide meals for North Star Family Services. If you are able to provide a meal this week, please contact Sylvia Pepin at 978-534-5262 (either call or text).

Thank you for your help!



### Schedule of Masses for the weekend of January 1st and 2nd

Here is the schedule of Masses for the weekend of January 1st and 2nd:

January 1st is the Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of god. Since this solemnity falls on a Saturday it is **not** a day of obligation.

On Saturday, January 1st we will celebrate the following Masses:

8:30Am (convent) 11:00AM (in church)

There will be no 4:00 Mass on Saturday, January 1st so families and parish staff can celebrate New Year's Day with their families.

Sunday, January 2nd is the feast of the Epiphany. Masses will be celebrated in church as usual :  
7:30AM. And 11:00AM.

*DECEMBER 26, 2021*

*Weekly Schedule*

<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>DECEMBER 26</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>DECEMBER 27</b>
5:30PM	FOOD PANTRY
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>DECEMBER 28</b>
6:00PM	NO TOPS (TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY)
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>DECEMBER 29</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>DECEMBER 30</b>
6:00PM	NO SCRIPTURE STUDY
7:00PM	NO CHOIR REHEARSAL
7:00PM	BOY SCOUTS
<b>Friday</b>	<b>DECEMBER 31</b>
9:00AM	NO ADORATION
4:30PM	
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>JANUARY 1</b>
10:00-3PM	NO IRISH STEP DANCERS
2:30PM	NO CONFESSIONS



As we have announced earlier, St. Leo's is celebrating its 150th anniversary in 2022. The first anniversary event will be the annual Open House in the rectory. On the weekend of January 8 & 9, the rectory will be open after all weekend Masses. Come to the rectory after Mass that weekend and enjoy refreshments and fellowship while looking at the Christmas decorations in the rectory. Please join us at our first 150th anniversary event the weekend of January 8th & 9th!

THANK YOU

St. Leo's Parish staff would like to thank everyone who participated in the Giving Tree for the children, elderly and the seminarians. These gifts are appreciated. Once again thank you to everyone.







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