

# St. Leo Catholic Church

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June 20, 2021 ~ Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Happy Father's Day

### LOW SUGAR APRICOT & WATMAUGH STRAWBERRY JAM SALE:

Jars of these delicious jams will be sold after Masses on Saturday and Sunday, June 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>. The cost is \$5 a jar. Due to a limited supply, you can initially buy only 2 jars. Once the first round of sales has taken place any jams left over will be offered as first come first served.

**CONFESSION OFFERED:** Fr. Jojo is available, by appointment only, to hear confessions. Call the office, 996-8422 to set up an appointment.

### DONATIONS FOR INDIA FUNDRAISER

#### KEEP COMING IN: THANK YOU

To date WE have collected **approx. \$19,005.**

If you haven't dropped off your coins yet, no worries, you may still do so.



### HS YOUTH GROUP / CONFIRMATION CLASS:

Open to all high school teens wanting to be confirmed next spring. Attending weekly meetings is part of our Confirmation program. Classes will start Wednesday, October 6, 2021, 7-8:30 p.m. At this time, we are not sure if classes will be virtual or in person but will definitely start on the above date.

Contact Nancy Gibson, (707) 291-1916 with questions about confirmation.

### JAM JARS NEEDED:

It's **JAMMING TIME** at St. Leo's. Mary Pat is asking for your clean canning jars from previous purchases. You can drop them by the office during office hours or leave in church after Mass. Thank you ahead of time, *Jam Committee.*

### DAILY MORNING MASS UPDATE:

8:30 a.m. weekday Mass has moved inside the church with masks as an option. Saturday, 5:00 p.m. Mass and Sunday, 9:30 & 11:30 a.m. Mass will continue outdoors for now.

### SANCTUARY LAMP

Dedication for June

In Memory of Judy Paolini



### Mass Times

**Saturday Mass:**

5:00 p.m.

**Sunday Masses:**

9:30 a.m.

11:30 a.m. Spanish

**Sunday Masses are Live Streamed on our website, Facebook and YouTube:**

[www.stleosonoma.org](http://www.stleosonoma.org)

**Weekday Mass:**

8:30 a.m. M, W – F (no Mass on Tuesday)

7:00 p.m. – Wed. – Spanish Mass and Adoration

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:**

1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month, 9 - 10 a.m.

✠ Sacraments ✠

**Baptisms: Call the office, 996-8422**

**Weddings: Call the office, 996-8422**

### MASS INTENTIONS: June 19<sup>th</sup> - June 27<sup>th</sup>

Sat 19	5:00 p.m.	Walter & Olive Cousineau †
Sun 20	9:30 a.m.	Frank Lynch † & Kara Mazza
Mon 21	8:30 a.m.	Mary Witter, Improved health
Tues 22	8:30 a.m.	<b>NO MASS</b>
Wed 23	8:30 a.m.	the People of St. Leo's
Thurs 24	8:30 a.m.	Sr. Mary of the Angel, Carmelite OCD †
Friday 25	8:30 a.m.	Ann Shrum, Happy B-day
Sat 26	5:00 p.m.	Tina & Roland Levesque †
Sun 27	9:30 a.m.	Annette Valim Choate, Happy Birthday

### FISCAL LOG June 12 / 13

**Sunday Collection: \$ 3,360.**

**APC 2021 Pledged: \$119,626. ~ 83%**

*Thank You St. Leo Parishioners. We are so close.*

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

- July 5 OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED
- July 7 Memorial Mass, John Fanucchi, 11AM

## RETURN OF MEN'S CLUB DINNER MEETING:

With restrictions being lifted things around here are happening again. The 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month Men's Club dinner meeting was the first to resume and it was attended by many of the men of the parish. You can see some of the festivities from the evening on our Facebook page. The group will continue to meet on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month, in the Lillian Wing, 6:00 p.m. for cocktails & dinner at 7:00 p.m. Contact Steve Rogers with any questions, (707) 771-9290.

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*Your attitude should be the same as  
that of JESUS CHRIST.*

*Philippians 2:5*

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## OFFICE HOURS DURING PANDEMIC:

Due to the pandemic restrictions, the office hours have been cutback. The office staff is here Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

### Staff

**Office Manager**  
**996-8422**

Michelle Levesque  
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**Parish Bookkeeper / Office Asst.**

Mayra Alvarez  
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**Coordinator of Religious Education**

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### Tips

Something in my past badgers me always to leave more than the standard twenty percent tip at restaurants – indeed on occasion way more! It certainly makes me a welcome customer at my usual hangouts – but it has more to do with my remembrance that it was my mother's tips as a waitress at a downtown restaurant in Philadelphia's civic and financial district that got us through the big 1930's Depression. (My father, though a young skilled sheet metal worker, had to take jobs like driving a laundry truck. All development had stopped, leaving wide ditches plowed through open fields in what *would have been* new streets lined with new houses – for years after the 1929 Crash.)

My mother was a favorite of visiting conventioners, lawyers, city officials, theatrical celebrities . . . But don't think in dollars. Back then fifty cents was a big tip; all of my mother's evening intake was contained in a purse full of quarters, dimes and nickels – with a purchasing power – given the low price of things - of what might seem astronomical nowadays. I mean a lead soldier from Woolworth's Five and Dime could be bought for a nickel. A movie cost only a dime.

Which brings up the subject of divine Grace. We hear a lot about justice during these critical times. But what is justice? The traditional symbol of justice is a tall woman wearing a blindfold (signifying objectivity) holding a pair of scales – upon which a balance is achieved *adjusting conflicting claims or merited rewards or penalties*. (Thank God for dictionaries!)

She symbolizes the Law as codified by societies. Of course, down through history a lot of people have complained that the laws as they stand can perpetuate injustices – e.g. slavery or redlining . . . complaints we hear about everyday in the news.

Well, what has that to do with the subject of divine Grace? Precisely this: in the New Testament (e.g. in St. Paul) true Justice *is* Grace! It is gratuitous graciousness – as where Paul says that, while transgressions lead to so much pain, “how much more” does the grace of God overflow upon us all. God as revealed in the teaching and behavior of Christ is characterized by “how much more” – a love, an appreciation of all things created and as *excessively* appreciative of human existence – to the point of mercy, but not even of mercy but of your actual worth and worthiness as you *are*, regardless of how much you (or others) may belittle yourself.

And that's how we must think of God as just – as Grace – as always “*doing us justice*” – a justice *based* not even on our behavior but *upon what an astonishing being each of us is* . . . (even as you look upon your newborn child as such). And until that day when we “do each other justice” in that gratuitous, gracious, radical, pre-judicial way, our (often biased) ways of quid pro quo justice will tense us up for years to come.

Unless you can't wait that long – and then you can begin to change by bestowing *at least* a twenty percent tip on somebody's waitressing mother – so that her son may also benefit from your generosity and buy another lead soldier.

**Geoff Wood**