

# St. Leo the Great Catholic Church

## "Where all are Welcome"



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### October 24, 2021 ~ Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### MASS SCHEDULE FOR ALL SAINTS DAY

Monday, November 1<sup>st</sup> we celebrate All Saints' Day, which is a Holy Day of Obligation with morning Mass at 9:30 a.m. instead of 8:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. in Spanish. All Souls' Day, Tuesday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> Mass will again be at 9:30 a.m. instead of 8:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. in Spanish.

#### NEXT WEEKEND'S SECOND COLLECTION:

#### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY, ST. LEO'S

Envelopes are located in plastic pocket on metal bulletin board outside and inside the church.

Anyone In need of food can call the office Wednesday thru Friday to order from the pantry. Clients must call the parish office to place an order by 11a.m. Pick up time is 11:30a.m. to 12noon. Clients may call to order food once a week, 996-8422. Every Tuesday, our SVDP and the Redwood Empire Food Bank distribute "Groceries to Go" in the parking lot from 8:45 – 10a.m. The food distribution is first come, first served. No need to call ahead, just show up.

#### REMEMBER TO USE YOUR COMMUNITY

**SCRIP CARD AT SONOMA MARKET:** Please use your COMMUNITY SCRIP CARD when checking out at Sonoma Market. We earn a percentage from the sale which goes to our Religious Education program. If you do not have a COMMUNITY SCRIP CARD but would like one, contact the parish office, 996-8422 and we can set you up.

#### WORLD MISSION SUNDAY (Propagation of

Faith) Thank you for your generous response to the collection for the Society for the Propagation of Faith. Our parish collected \$1,128. In donations.

#### MANDATORY 10-DIGIT DIALING:

Beginning October 24, 2021, you must dial 10 digits (area code + telephone number) for **ALL local calls**. After this date, local calls dialed with only 7 digits may not be completed, and a recording will instruct you that your call cannot be completed as dialed. You must hang up and dial again using the area code and the 7-digit number.

#### SANCTUARY LAMP

Dedication for October

Is to end Abortions



#### Mass Times

##### Saturday Mass:

5:00 p.m.

##### Sunday Masses:

8:00 a.m. Spanish

9:30 a.m.

11:30 a.m. Spanish

Sunday Masses are Live Streamed on Facebook, YouTube, or our website: [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

##### ✠ Sacraments ✠

**Baptisms: Call the office, (707) 996-8422**

**Weddings: Call the office, (707) 996-8422**

#### MASS INTENTIONS: October 23<sup>rd</sup> - October 31<sup>st</sup>

Sat 23	5:00 p.m.	Walter & Olive Cousineau †
Sun 24	9:30 a.m.	Bill Maffei †
Mon 25	8:30 a.m.	Mary Rose & Bob Donohue † and George Slevin †
Tues 26	8:30 a.m.	<b>NO MASS</b>
Wed 27	8:30 a.m.	Joanne & Al Meillon †
Thurs 28	8:30 a.m.	All Souls
Friday 29	8:30 a.m.	Joe Byrne †
Sat 30	5:00 p.m.	Paul Franklin †
Sun 31	9:30 a.m.	Kathy Gallagher †

#### FISCAL LOG October 16 / 17

Sunday Collection: \$ 3,940.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY \$ 1,128.

ANNUAL PARISH CAMPAIGN UNDATE:

152 Parishioners have pledged: \$131,066. ~ 90%

#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

- Oct. 30/31 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection, our St Vincent de Paul
- Nov. 1 All Saints' Day, Day of Obligation, 9:30AM
- Nov. 2 All Souls' Day, Mass at 9:30AM & 7PM
- Nov. 6/7 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection, St. Leo's Development Fund
- Nov. 20/21 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection, Communication & Catholic Univ. of America (D)

## Staff

### Office Manager ~ 996-8422

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### Parish Bookkeeper / Office Asst.

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### Coordinator of Religious Education ~ 996-7503

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## ST. LEO'S YOUTH MINISTRY SCHEDULE **IN PERSON MEETINGS ARE IN HUNT HALL**

High School – Wednesdays, 7 – 8 p.m.  
Jr. High – Thursdays, Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>, 6:30–7:30 p.m.  
Questions? Call Nancy Gibson at (707) 291-1916.

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

### **EUCCHARIST TO THE SICK:**

If you know of someone that is ill or is not able to attend Mass who would like to receive the Eucharist, please let us know by calling the rectory, 996-8422.

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*Over* **ONE BODY** *all* **ONE SPIRIT** *and* **ONE HOPE** *through* **ONE LORD** *all* **ONE FAITH**  
*and in* **ONE BAPTISM** *all* **ONE GOD AND FATHER OF US ALL.**

*Ephesians 4:4 - 6*

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*I have no doubt I shall . . . begin to be more beforehand with the world,  
and to live in a perfectly new manner, if - if, in short, anything turns up.*

My favorite character in Charles Dickens' *David Copperfield* is Mr. Wilkins Micawber, played in the old film version by W. C. Fields (if anyone remembers him).

Micawber was an enterprising man. He undertook business ventures in coal and corn, which never paid off. Or he would rent a house to take in boarders, only to find himself, his family and boarders evicted because he had fallen behind in the rent. Creditors like the milkman and shoemaker used to post themselves outside his house at seven o'clock in the morning to catch him before he went out, not that they ever could, because at such times he would hide in the shadows of an upstairs room until they left. Actually, his usual way of meeting a debt was to write an I.O.U. and deliver it in such a sincere and solemn manner that the creditor almost felt he had been paid.

Given his inability ever to make ends meet, the economic status of his large family was always precarious and this would deeply depress the man. But he was at heart an optimist, ever expectant - as David Copperfield notes: *I have known him to come home to supper with a flood of tears and a declaration that nothing was now left but a Debtors' Prison; and then go to bed making a calculation of the expense of putting a bay window in the house in case anything should turn up.*

Indeed, that phrase - in case anything turn up - or some variation of it - was Micawber's favorite. For example again, when considering emigrating to Australia, he consoles his wife with his conviction *that under existing circumstances, Australia is the land, the only land, for myself and my family; and that something of an extraordinary nature will turn up on that shore.*

And so what happens in the course of the novel? We meet that villain Uriah Heep who has become administrator of the business of Mr. Wickfield, the future father-in-law of David Copperfield. While feigning humility, Heep slowly takes advantage of Mr. Wickfield's ineptitude until he controls the firm and aspires to marry Wickfield's daughter Agnes. And whom should Heep hire as his clerk but Mr. Micawber, who over time discovers Heep's false accounting and exposes the man, redeeming the happiness of all the major characters in the novel! For all his expectation that something will turn up, who is it that finally turns up but Mr. Micawber himself!

Isn't it about time that *you* turned up? We somehow spend our lives expectantly – trusting that someone, something will appear upon the horizon of space and time and turn the tide of history – some event – which event you fail to see because you yourself were created to be an event like a sunrise – to cast light and warmth – to illuminate your environment out of the very source of your Being. So when are you going to begin to happen?

**Geoff Wood**