

## PASTOR'S NOTES

**It's coming – in two [2] weeks !!!!**

St. Leo's Fall Dinner and Raffle will be held on Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup> from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Our many Fall Dinners and Raffles have happened because of the wonderful support offered by St. Leo parishioners.

Once again we will need your help in three (3) ways:

- 1) **your sale of raffle tickets** that you received in the mail, which will allow us defray the cost of some big facility projects (e.g. - kitchen remodeling, elevator replacement, etc.);
- 2) **your time and talent** in getting things ready and service on the actual day of the Dinner. Please sign up on our sign-up sheets. We are asking our high school students to clean and reset tables, and our middle school students to help with the 'Kids games';
- 3) **your gift of 'goodies':** (a) nice desserts for our dessert table; (b) crafts and home-made items for our Country Store; (c) prize items for the 'Kids games' (e.g.- 2 liter bottles of pop, cakes, small packages of carmel corn, etc.); (d) nice items for the Silent Auction

**On mission – we are missionaries!!**

In your packet of Sunday Offertory envelopes is one marked World Mission Sunday.

95 years ago (October 1927) the first world-wide Mission Sunday collection was taken up by Catholics throughout the whole world. Next Sunday (October 23<sup>rd</sup>) will be this year's Mission Sunday Collection.

The money collected supports almost 1200 dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific islands, and remote regions in Latin America and is distributed by the Church's Society for the Propagation of the Faith. All of this is in keeping with what is known as Christ's '**Great Commission**' as he ascended into heaven and said, "*Go, therefore, teach all nation baptizing them in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.*" [Mt. 28:19]

The needs of these mission dioceses are vast and calls forth the resources of all Catholics to help our brothers and sisters who yearn for the 'Good News' and the gifts of Gospel living. Through the missionary works of priests and religious communities the Gospel is being proclaimed, chapels/ churches and orphanages are being built, dioceses are being formed, seminaries are opening, catechetical resources are being dispersed – often in lands that have long suppressed the Christian faith.

From the time of Christ to this day the Church is on mission to the whole world. That is the very meaning of the word – **catholic**, i.e, to be universal, to take the Gospel to all parts of the world, to share the gift of salvation with all people. All of us are called to be missionaries. **By our support of the Mission Sunday collection we become 'co-missionaries' with those on the front lines of bringing Christ to the nations.** Your envelopes for this collection are found in your packet of Sunday envelopes. Thank you for your support.



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## TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME October 16, 2022

### Weekend Mass Schedule for St. Leo's and St. Thomas

1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays: 8:30 am St. Thomas, 10:30 am St. Leo's

2nd & 4th Sundays: 8:30 am St. Leo's, 10:30 am St. Thomas

Every Saturday: 5:00 pm at St. Leo's

### Mass Intentions for the week of Oct 16:

Mon - Oct 17 – 9:00 am – +**Janice Miller** by Bob Miller

Tues - Oct 18 – 9:00 am – St. Thomas – +**Souls in purgatory**

*St. Leo's — NO MASS*

Wed – Oct 19 – 9:00 pm – +**Fr. Richard LaCorte**

Thurs – Oct 20 – 9:00 am - +**Marie Hong Tran** by Lisa Tran

Fri – Oct 21 – 9:00 am - **Special intention** by Jackie Anderson

Sat - Oct 22 - 5:00 pm - +**Estelle Bolgrean** by Mike Bolgrean

Sun - Oct 23 – St. Leo's - 8:30 am - For the people of our parishes

St. Thomas - 10:30 am - **Marvin & Minnie Ries**

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**St. Thomas Directors:** Larry Zaun & Gary Milbrandt

### Sacrament of Reconciliation at St. Leo's

4:00 - 4:45 pm Saturday

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at St. Thomas

8:00 - 8:15 am

before all 8:30 am Masses

~ Anytime by appointment

~ Communal Services during  
Advent and Lent

**New Members:** If you are new to the area, we would love to have you as a registered member. To register as a new member of the parish, please visit with Fr. Ermer after Mass.

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Please join in praying the Rosary  
25 minutes before the Saturday evening  
and Sunday morning Mass times.

## PARISH EVENTS/MEETINGS

Sun., Oct 16 - 9:00 am - KC Breakfast in the Spirit of Life Center  
 Wed., Oct 19 - **NO** RE classes at St. Leo's or St. Thomas  
 Sun., Oct 23 - Happy 73<sup>rd</sup> Birthday Father Ermer!  
 Thus., Oct 27 - 7:00 pm - Inquiry Class on the Catholic Faith in the big classroom in lower level of church  
**Sun., Oct 30 - 11:00 am - 1:30 pm - St. Leo's Annual Fall Dinner**  
 Mon., Oct 31 - 5:30 pm - All Saints Day/Holy Day Vigil Mass - St. Thomas  
 Tues., Nov 1 - 7:00 pm - All Saints Day/Holy Day Mass - St. Leo's  
 Wed., Nov 2 - 7:00 pm - All Souls Day Service followed by refreshments

### 70<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary Open House

for  
**Marvin and Minnie Ries**

**Saturday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2022**

1:00 to 4:00 pm

Buffalo Community Center  
 Buffalo, ND

Come and share your company, good wishes, memories and stories with Marvin and Minnie as they celebrate their anniversary.

### Upcoming Ministry Schedule

|  | <b>Saturday Oct 22</b><br><b>5:00 pm</b><br><i>St. Leo's</i> | <b>Sunday Oct 23</b><br><b>8:30 am</b><br><i>St. Leo's</i> | <b>Sunday Oct 23</b><br><b>10:30 am</b><br><i>St. Thomas</i> |
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| <b>Lector</b>                                                                      | Tony Roth                                                    | Fred Eldridge                                              | Alecia Killoran                                              |
| <b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>                                                       | Paulette Schmitt                                             | Delores Grommesh                                           |                                                              |
| <b>Altar Servers</b>                                                               | Olivea/Evelyn Roth<br>Joe Kappes<br>Beau Parisien            | Lauren Glennon<br>Claire Glennon<br>Jack Glennon           | Abigail Killoran<br>Emercyn Killoran                         |
| <b>Offertory Collectors</b>                                                        | <i>Volunteers needed</i>                                     | <i>Volunteers needed</i>                                   | Arnie & Barb Buhr<br>Jackie Vavra                            |
| <b>Gift Bearers</b>                                                                | <i>Volunteers needed</i>                                     | <i>Volunteers needed</i>                                   | David Killoran Family                                        |
| <b>Lead Rosary</b>                                                                 | Lucy Wagner                                                  | Sandra Keller                                              |                                                              |

## NEWS AND NOTES

**Prayers and Sympathy:** Our Parish communities extend our deepest sympathies to Joel Bogenreif and his family on the death of his Father, Timothy; to Denise Hager and Darlene Wang on the death of their sister, Debbie Wang, to Donna Siverson on the death of her brother, Craig Hocking and to Jeanne Hersch on the death of her son-in-law, Craig Hocking.

*Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.*  
 —Matthew 5:4

**Medicare Part D** open enrollment runs October 15<sup>th</sup> through Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>. If you or a loved one are 65 and older, it is recommend you review your Part D plan every year. Community of Care is booking appointments at their offices in Casselton (BankNorth Bank) and Arthur (inside the Arthur Mall). Call now to schedule your Part D appointment 347-0032.

**Living in the Presence of God-A Retreat for Young Women:** Friday, October 21<sup>st</sup>, 7:00 pm through Sunday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> 11:00 am at St. Francis Retreat Center, Hankinson, ND. Young women, aged 18-45, are invited to spend time reflecting on the impact of living in the presence of God. The Franciscan Retreat Center in Hankinson provide a prayerful atmosphere to relax and allow God to love you... let someone else do the cooking while you pray & visit! Suggested donation for the retreat is \$175 and includes room, board and retreat materials. For more information and to register, please contact Sr. Mary Ruth Huhn at: [srmaryruth@scretreats.org](mailto:srmaryruth@scretreats.org) or (701) 242-7195.



**Knights of Columbus Breakfast:** Serving pancakes and sausage today, Sunday, October 16<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm in the Spirit of Life Center. Free will offering. Proceeds will benefit Coats for Kids.

**SEARCH Retreat:** Youth and Young Adults... Do you want to grow closer to God? Do you want to meet other like-minded young adults? Do you need a "retreat" from the world around you? Experience God in a personal and REAL way. SEARCH for Christian Maturity has a retreat coming up November 4-6, 2022 at Maryvale Retreat Center in Valley City, ND. Youth and young adults, 16 and older are invited to attend. Details and application at <https://www.fargodiocese.org/search4cm> or call Dori at 952-210-2219. Applications are due no later than Monday, October 17<sup>th</sup>.

**World Mission Sunday:** Each year St. Leo's/St. Thomas, along with the Diocese of Fargo, participate in six national collections. Sunday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> is *World Mission Sunday*. This collection helps fund foreign missionary needs. The envelope for this collection can be found with your regular offertory envelopes. Please consider giving generously.

**It's Fall Dinner time!** Please see the bulletin board in the church entry for information and flyers on all the area church dinners.

### This week's Stewardship moment:

*"...proclaim the word, be persistent whether it is convenient or inconvenient..." ~ 2 Timothy 4:2*

It is not always convenient to be a good steward, especially when all the temptations of our busy and materialistic world get in the way. Now add our own pride and ego into the equation and living a stewardship lifestyle may be downright uncomfortable! Remember, God did not call us to be comfortable. He never said that we would have an easy life. Rather, He called us to be faithful!