

October 14, 2018
28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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OUR GRATITUDE FOR WHAT THE LORD HAS GIVEN US

October 7, 2018

	Adult	Youth	Plate
St. Leo	\$ 1210	\$ 0	\$131
St. Martin	\$ 285	\$ 4.50	\$34

Amount needed to balance 2018-2019 budgets:

St. Leo: \$5,498/month or \$1,271/week

St. Martin: \$3,852/month or \$893/week

****Our Lord has blessed all of us and He instructs us to tithe 10% of our time, 10 % of our talents and 10% of our income. Everyone, no matter age, is called to respond generously to the blessings He gives! Thank you to those who give!**

Mass Intentions

Oct	15	Mon	8:00 am	St. Leo	+Mary Hauptman (Carpenter)
Oct	16	Tues	8:00 am	St. Leo	Heather and Justin Holub (Wheatley)
Oct	17	Wed	8:00 am	St. Martin	+Helen Benes
Oct	18	Thur	8:00 am	St. Leo	Special Intention (Swanda)
Oct	19	Fri	8:00 am	St. Leo	Mary Lois Rawe
Oct	20	Sat	4:00 pm	St. Leo	Liv & Dec members of St. Martin's
Oct	21	Sun	8:30 am	St. Martin	People of the parishes
Oct	21	Sun	11:00 am	St. Leo	+Nick Lempka (Nisley)

Weekend Masses:

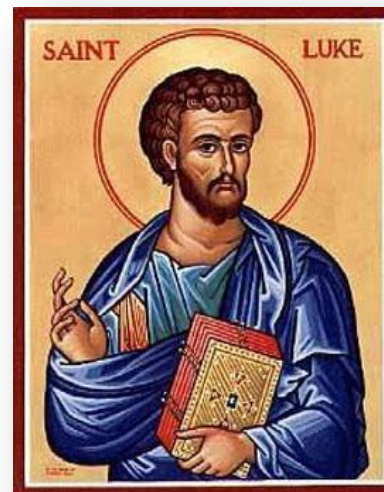
1st, 3rd & 5th (Odd Sundays) **2nd & 4th (Even Sundays)**
Saturday 4 PM at St. Martin Saturday 4 PM at St. Leo
8:30 AM at St Leo Palmyra 8:30 AM St Martin Douglas
11:00 AM at St Leo Palmyra 11:00AM St Leo Palmyra

Confessions:

Saturdays 3:30 PM-3:45 PM
Sundays 8:00 AM-8:15 AM &
10:30 AM-10:45 AM
Any time by appointment

CALENDAR ITEMS

- **Wednesday, October 17th** – Youth from the Palmyra Youth Club will be going door to door in Palmyra from 6:30-8:30pm collecting non perishable foods and personal care items for the Palmyra food pantry. Leave the light on and they'll stop by to collect those donations. Another option is to drop off donations to the Village Office during normal hours.
- **Do you want to be the #1 influence in your teen's sexual behavior?** Spirit 102.7-FM presents *Parenting for Purity with Jason Evert, Mon., Oct. 15 at 7 p.m. at St. Peter Church in Lincoln (4500 Duxhall Dr.)*. This event is perfect for parents, grandparents, educators, school administrators and any adult with young people in their life. Jason Evert will provide you with 10 powerful strategies to safeguard the innocence of children and effectively communicate the benefits and beauty of chastity. Jason has spoken about chastity to more than one million people around the world and is the author of more than a dozen books. He is also the co-founder of the Chastity Project. Tickets are only \$5 and are available at spiritcatholicradio.com
 - All Parents of Confirmation Candidates are strongly encouraged to attend!
 - There is no question our society is greatly struggling with sex issues and your kids are right in the middle of it. Parents can't afford NOT to go to help their children in a messed up world.



Feast of St. Luke, Evangelist
October 18th

- **Mandatory Parents Meeting for all Parents of Confirmation Candidates** – Sunday, October 21 following the 11am Mass in Divine Mercy Hall.
- **St Leo's Altar Society** will have a meeting on October 21st following the 8:30 am Mass in the Divine Mercy Hall.
- **"The Communion of Saints is praying with us!" Seven Sisters Apostolate 2nd Annual Day of Recollection, Saturday, October 27th**. John XXIII Diocesan Center, 3700 Sheridan Blvd, Lincoln. Holy Hour with Exposition and Adoration in the Chapel at 7:30 a.m. followed by Mass, Father Eckrich Celebrating. Presentations in Dawson Hall by Father Matya, Janette Howe and Rhonda Litt on our Patron Saints and more. Lunch on your own, (with Confession available) 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Closing at 3:00 p.m. with Divine Mercy Chaplet, Rosary and other Prayers in the Chapel. Please RSVP to Sevensisterslincoln@gmail.com (free will donation will be taken that day to cover expenses) See Diocese Website for additional information, or text Rhonda at 402.525.6396. Women already in a Seven Sisters Group are invited as are those women who want to learn more about this Apostolate.
- **St. Benedict, Neb City Fall Dinner** – Oct. 21, 4-6pm. Cost: Adults \$10, Children 3-12 years \$5, Children 2 yrs & younger free. **Take out options** order online under the "on-line giving tab at www.stbens.org on memo line note "Ulbrick Take Out" or call 402-321-6819 on October 20th to place your take out order.
- **Palmyra Trunk-or-Treat** – The St. Leo Knights of Columbus Roundtable and St. Leo Altar Society invite all to come to downtown Palmyra (C Street between 5th & 6th Street) on **Saturday, October 27th from 4-6pm** for some fun and treats. This is a great opportunity to have some fun and build community. So dress up in that costume and come on down. We hope to see you there!!
- **Mark your calendars!** St. Leo's turkey dinner will be November 18th. Linda Bennier is the honorable chairwoman. There are two sign-up sheets in the back of St. Leo (one is for work schedules and the other is for donations of food). Please help get the word out! Use your social media, email, etc. to invite people to come.
- **HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION...ALL SAINTS DAY...NOVEMBER 1ST** MASS TIMES WILL BE: October 31st Vigil Mass 5:30pm at St. Martin; November 1st 6pm. Following the 6pm Mass ALL are invited to a Soup Supper (soup, water and table service will be provided) in Divine Mercy Hall. Free will donation accepted.
 - **All Saint's party!!** Following the 6PM Mass we will have a soup supper followed by a parade of saints. Kids will dress as their favorite saint and have us guess who they are. Please bring fruit, vegetables, cheese and crackers or cookies to share. Costumes will be provided for the kids to dress as a saint. Any questions contact Linda Bennier 402-780-5279

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **MASS INTENTIONS NEEDED!** Have a family member, friend, fellow parishioner, or petition that could use some prayers? Consider having a Mass, the supreme prayer given by our Lord, offered. The suggested donation is \$10 per Mass. Checks can be made payable to: St. Leo Stipend Account.

- **LDCCW 9th ANNUAL PRO-LIFE DIAPER DRIVE** – Please bring your donation and place in the back of the church. Donations will be shared with Pregnancy Centers approved by the Bishop’s Pastoral Plan and St. Gianna Women’s Homes. Particularly we are in need of size 4-5T. Make checks payable to LDCCW & send to Kay Wessel 3600 Wittstruck Rd, Martell, NE 68404.
- Especially in flu or cold epidemics (seasons) it is not only permissible but laudable to offer the sign of peace by nodding one’s head, smiling, waving or some other such method rather than shaking hands if one is not well. This should never be understood as a lack of friendship or courtesy, but actually a gift of keeping you healthy and not passing on the possibility of a flu or a cold.
- **Please consider signing up for E-Tithe!** This especially helps you support the Parish even when you are on vacation or gone for the weekend. With this new service parishioners can now contribute to the Church via check, credit or debit card by going to our website and clicking the “Give Now” (or by going to <http://giving.parishsoft.com/stleo> . As always you can still give via cash or check in your envelope anytime. If you currently use “Bill pay” or any other method to tithe I might suggest you use this method as it is quick, easy and is automatically recorded in your giving report.
- Check out on **FORMED**. Formed is a great free Catholic resource that includes programs to grow deeper in our faith, Bible studies, audios, movies and books. If you have not signed up for it yet, go to www.formed.org -- enter the parish code **KN4A9J** -- enter information required -- create a password -- search through and enjoy the vast material.
- **What priority does attending or participating in Mass hold in your heart?** Don’t settle for mediocrity. Please consider making daily Mass a part of your daily/weekly routine. Sometimes the hardest part is just setting it as a routine but I assure you it is life changing!

Note from Father:

You will know how integrated a value, a message, a truth or sincerity is when the freedom is given to choose it or not. We become our own judges and jury with the testimony we give in the choices we freely make. So many worry about standing before the Lord, but it will not be He who convicts us, but we ourselves. So it is within the ability of each of us to make any change necessary to better fit into the likeness of Jesus. Our growth in sanctity or lack of it can be many times observed in others, but the reflection of honesty in our own hearts and conscience will have a stronger voice.

YOUR SUPPORT IS STILL NEEDED! The annual collection for the Bishops Appeal for Vocations has begun. If you have not stopped to make a donation please consider doing so. The individual goals for each parish are as follows: St. Leo: \$1640 and St. Martin: \$1260. Thank you so much for your support and generosity of our priests and seminarians!



- If you have taken your donation card home with you please **DO NOT** send it in to the diocese on your own. Bring them back to the parish and we will send them in as they are mailed to a special processing address. Any cards mailed in to the Chancery are then mailed back to the parish to be processed appropriately which only adds further costs. Thank you kindly!

+++Please consider making daily Mass and making a holy hour part of your life. Making time for the Lord each day is an essential reality and a must in the life of every Christian! The Mass is the pinnacle of all prayers and the source and summit of our faith. Please also remember that we have Adoration on Sunday’s before the 11am Mass. As St. Teresa of Calcutta said, “[Adoration is] The best time you will spend on earth.”

May God continue to greatly bless all of us!! God Love You! ~Fr. Sparling

World Mission Sunday

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Next weekend the Church celebrates World Mission Day, a day organized by the Pontifical Society for the Propagation of the Faith, and set aside for Catholics worldwide to recommit themselves to the church’s missionary activity through prayer and sacrifice.

Although our local church has experienced many trials and challenges in recent times, let us not lose sight of our faith in Christ. Jesus Christ is the Way, the Truth and the Life (John 14:16). It is through Christ and his Church that we find the reassurance that fills life with Joy.

In the Gospel, Jesus proclaimed to the twelve apostles, “Without cost you have received; without cost you are to give” (Mt 10:8). The Church is called to proclaim the free gift of grace and salvation offered to us through Jesus Christ. Many people throughout the world still have not heard the good news of the Gospel. Many still live in poverty, lacking the basic needs of life.

Brothers and Sisters, your prayer witness, generosity and ongoing support for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith make it possible for the Church to imitate the twelve apostles in generosity in serving the needs of Christians throughout the world and to share the good news to those who have not yet heard it.

Asking God to bless and reward your missionary efforts next weekend, I am,

Sincerely yours in Christ,
+James D. Conley
Bishop of Lincoln

***Attached to the bulletin is an envelope for you to use for next week’s second collection for World Mission Sunday. As always please be as generous as you can!

Stewardship is part of every person and parish community life. Simply ——— It is a way of life. We address and put into action the Gospel call to pray about the many gifts given by God. We receive with gratitude and prayerfully share time, talent and treasure for the mission of the parish and beyond. ———

The generous person grows richer; the person who is too sparing grows still poorer. Proverbs 11: 24