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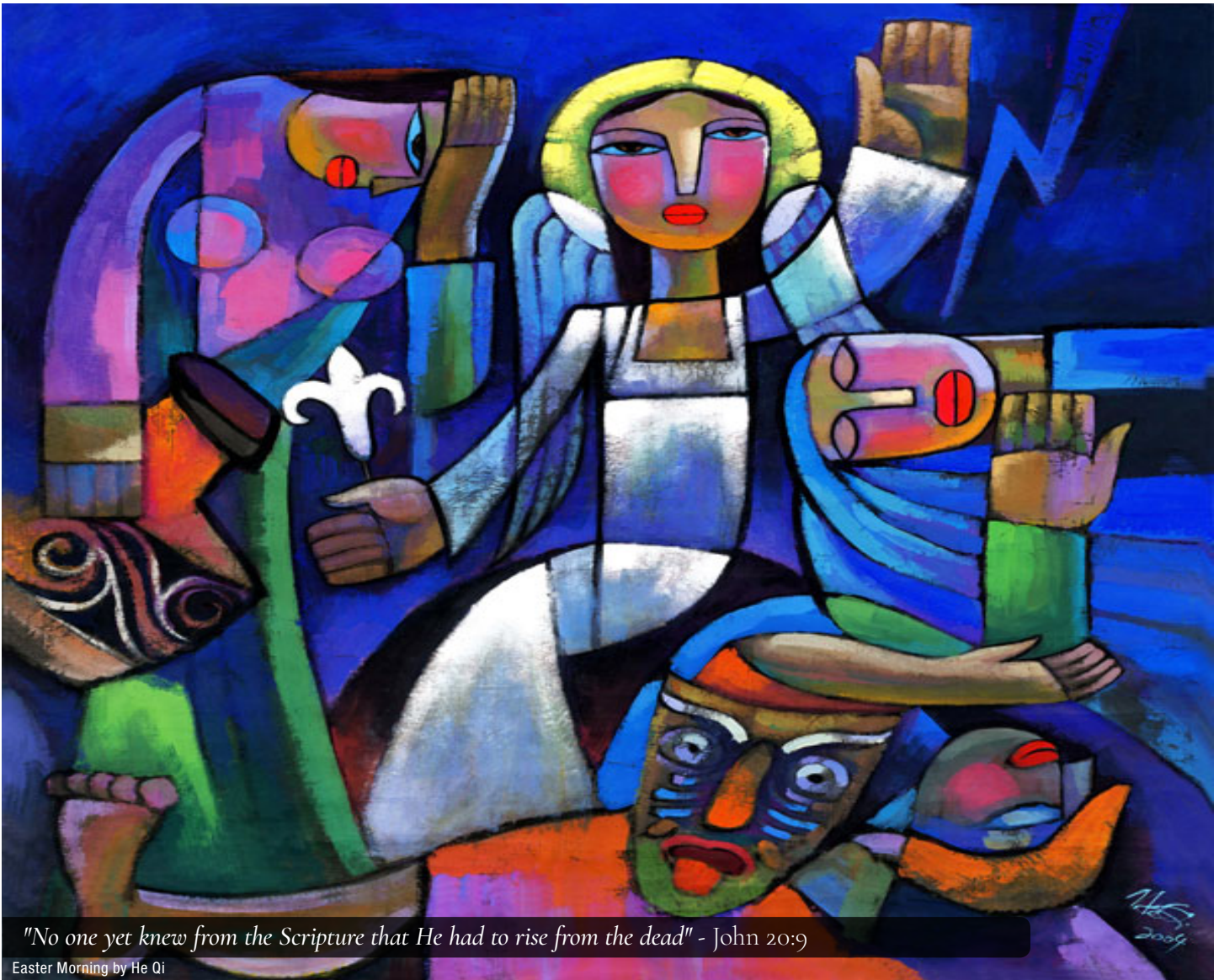
Easter Sunday



ST. LEO CHURCH
A Jesuit Parish



710 South 13th Street ✠ Tacoma, Washington 98405 ✠ (253) 272-5136 ✠ stleoparish.org



"No one yet knew from the Scripture that He had to rise from the dead" - John 20:9

Easter Morning by He Qi

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday vigil - 5:00 PM live-streamed & public (pregistration required)

Sunday - 9:30 AM live-streamed & public (pregistration required)

ESPECIAL SCHEDULE
COVID-19 CRISIS

Para información en Español, por favor llame al teléfono (253) 272-5136

Just a reminder: If you have an item for the bulletin please send it to bulletin@stleoparish.org no later than **Wednesday at noon**

ST. LEO PARISH IS A SAFE & WELCOMING PLACE FOR THE LGBTQA COMMUNITY

Daily Scripture Readings



ST. LEO CHURCH

A Jesuit Parish

...a **Catholic** community centered in the Eucharist, enriched by diversity, committed to Gospel values, and continually seeking to be Christ's servant presence in the world.

5 April 2021 – Monday

Acts 2: 14, 22-33

Matthew 28: 8-15

6 April 2021 – Tuesday

Acts 2: 36-41

John 20: 11-18

7 April 2021 – Wednesday

Acts 3: 1-10

Luke 24: 13-35

8 April 2021 – Thursday

Acts 3: 11-26

Luke 24: 35-48

9 April 2021 – Friday

Acts 4: 1-12

John 21: 1-14

10 April 2021 – Saturday

Acts 4: 13-21

Mark 16: 9-15

11 April 2021 – Sunday

Second Sunday of Easter

Acts 4: 32-35

1 John 5: 1-6

John 20: 19-31

ST. LEO CHURCH COMMUNITY ATTENDING MASS

We ask everyone to register in advance to attend in-person Mass. All members in your family or group must be registered individually. Online registration is available for each Sunday mass. Please make sure to register if you are interested in attending. Please note space is limited for all masses. You are invited to join us in person or via live-stream. Registration will remain open until 48 hours prior to the event for planning purposes as well as current platform limitations.

We are excited to announce that starting on March 27th Saturday 5PM mass is open to the community once again. Registration for these services is now available, and we will continue to be live stream as well.

[TO REGISTER PLEASE CLICK HERE](#)

Sacred Heart Parish

LITURGY SCHEDULE

English: Sunday - 10AM

Spanish: Saturday - 7PM / Sunday - 8AM, 12PM* & 5PM

**Live-streamed via Facebook and SLP website
(pre-registration required for all masses)*

We
Pray
for:

Tim Coogan, Bob East, Richard Clark, Jeff Rutter, Josie Stortini, Ted Walker, Ginny Kennedy, Alexander Oliver, Donn McLaughlin, Steve Dillard, S.J., Ana Maria Garcia, Dave McCormick, Josephine Duyungan, Eben Gorbaty, Pat Tison, Melody Christilaw.

Apr. 12: Pam Amann, Kat Curry, Molly McHugh, Blaine Smith, Jeane Tackett, Troy Tackett, Laureen Vanderpool

Apr. 13: Mark Boitano, Amy Elligsen, Glen Knowlton, Sam Lindstrom, Gary Mayne, Peter Nazzal, Derrick Peacock, Maya Rodriguez, Mary Schaff, Cecilia Tatlonghari, Jude Wadland

Apr. 14: Melissa Curtis, Christie Flynn, Peter Henriot, Kaliana Higgins, Chiara Montante

Apr. 15: Phillip Grulich, Martin Horn, Samara Kula, Kathryn Larvie, Cormac Moore

Apr. 16: Joseph Carusello, Joseph Cates-Carney, Jennifer Colin-Barrera, Michael Curry, Andrea Handeland

Apr. 17: Josie Home, Nora Leider, Ruben Vega

Apr. 18: George Brewer, James Drouhard, Grace Franich, Mark Prusinowski, George Rodkey, Raymond Welch

*Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and put a new and right spirit within me.*

—Psalm 51.10

Beloved,
amid the clutter within me
I hollow out a clearing
where you might create
a clear heart,
transparent to your grace,
a new spirit,
breathing your life,
your love, your light.
What I have made and managed,
even what I have worked so hard on,
I sweep aside.
Breathe me into me.
In stillness I clear the space.
Create in me a clear heart, O God,
and put a new and faithful spirit within me.

Steve Garnass-Holmes



Parish Leadership Response to the CDF Statement Concerning the Blessing of Same-Sex Unions



The priests, staff, and Pastoral Council of St. Leo Parish stand with our friends in the **LGBTQA** community. We are deeply affected by and feel your pain and disappointment caused by the statement concerning the blessings of same-sex unions put out by the CDF last week. You must, once again, be feeling pushed aside by the church, the very church to which you contribute so much.

Every single week, the cover of St. Leo's bulletin proclaims the following: St. Leo Parish is a safe and welcoming place for the **LGBTQA** community. This is also found on the parish website. This statement is made because we truly believe that you are treasured members of St. Leo Parish. Our community would be diminished without your presence. We hear your voices rising up, letting us know that we need to take steps to make sure that your needs and perspectives are honored by our community, even when that may not always be the case in society or by certain elements in the Church. We are one body in Christ. As a community, we reject any suggestion that your loving unions are sinful.

Know that you will always be respected and included members of our community. Your many gifts contribute to the richness of our parish. It has been, and will continue to be, our honor to walk with you in times of joy, such as in baptizing your children, and in times of sorrow, when experiencing deep losses. We will continue to celebrate your love, and to tread together on the path of deepening our faith. Our St. Leo community sees the love and beauty of God in each and every one of you.

There will be an opportunity to join the **LGBTQA** ministry in prayer and faith sharing to help us process the CDF statement. To join in the conversation, please join us on Wednesday, April 7th at 6PM. The link and more details will be posted in the bulletin.

Fr. Matthew Holland, SJ

Fr. Elias Puentes, SJ

Fr. Kevin Ballard, SJ

St. Leo staff members

Pastoral Council members



LGBTQA prayer & faith sharing

Please join the **LGBTQA** ministry for a prayer and faith sharing opportunity to help us process the CDF statement published recently.

To participate in the conversation please join us on **Wednesday, April 7th at 6pm:** <https://zoom.us/j/95717753942?pwd=NC9XSUZ1K3FiYUk1WTlmdjNlNW80UT09>.



Virtual Weekend Experience

For: All married couples who want to make their good marriage great!

When: May 14 - 16, 2021

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(Select Seattle area weeked)

For Questions, please contact: James and Bridget Sloane
at 206-713-8324

Live Your Best Life in Love

Prayer shawls knit by parishioners are given to those in our parish who are ill, whether emotionally, spiritually or physically.

If you are in need of a prayer shawl please call Kathy Hitchcock 253-564-3785.

VIRTUAL OFFERINGS OPEN TO ALL

Palm Sunday through Easter Sunday: Daily Audio Reflections on website
Tuesday, March 30, at 6:30 p.m.: Called to Community & Conversation
Holy Thursday, April 1, at 6:30 p.m.: Holy Thursday Communal Prayer
Good Friday, April 2, at 6:30 p.m.: Livestreamed Taizé Prayer

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A Holy Week Retreat Experience



Join our new Catholic Relief Services Chapter

**CRS Chapters
Intro Session
4/5 @6:30pm**

Our parish has recently started a CRS Chapter. Join new CRS chapter members from across the west coast for a live & interactive virtual introductory session which will explain how ordinary people of faith can play a leading role in bringing about transformational change for vulnerable communities around the world.



To learn more or to register, contact Rick Samyn
socialministry@stleo.org

This week we pray for our deceased:

*Betty Minor; Francis DeGroot; Phil Prudhomme;
Richard Clark and Eric Romeo.*

Thursday, April 22nd at 6pm

*Mass to honor and pray for our healthcare professionals
who have been giving of their lives to care for others*

As the faith community of St. Leo, we are keenly aware of the service that our parishioners working in healthcare fields have contributed to the comfort and healing of many during this Coronavirus Pandemic. We wish to extend an invitation to those of you who serve as pharmacists, doctors, nurses, counselors, chaplains, hospice care providers and other health care professionals to allow us to pray with you and for you. We're aware that this past year has been particularly difficult for many of you. If you or someone you know works in a healthcare field, please join us. The Mass will be in person and live streamed on our YouTube channel.



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SPRING HEALING MASS

Please join Father Patrick Twohy, S.J. and
Father Matt Holland, S. J.

APRIL 18, 2021/ 1:30PM
ST. LEO CATHOLIC CHURCH
710 SOUTH 13TH STREET
TACOMA, WA 98405



Please wear a mask and practice social distancing.

Dear God,

Jesus found Mary crying at his tomb,
But when he spoke her name
Such joy seized her heart.

Claim our hearts this Easter season!

Help keep us awake to your unfolding plan.
Help us be where you want us to be.
Help us be patient and ready for you.

In a special way, dear Lord, help us to find
And encourage good men who will give their lives
In service to your Holy Church
as Jesuit brothers and priests.

Lead our hearts and efforts in this work.
Inspire us in new and creative ways.

For the empty tomb
Must have terrified your friends.

With no idea where you'd gone,
The future must have seemed
So hopeless and bleak.

But in the morning you returned.
You had not left us alone.

May that sacred Easter light
Bless men in discernment.
May it excite new friends to follow you.
May it fill us all with greater
Faith, hope and love.

Amen.

An April Prayer
for Vocations to
the Society of Jesus

written by Joe Kraemer, SJ

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for the calendar of upcoming events

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Whether you read this before or after Easter, your Rice Bowl offering can be:

- 1) brought to church in the form of a check or mailed to the parish – made out to St. Leo with Rice Bowl in the memo line. (Donations go to CRS and to local grants programs -see below.)
- 2) **OR** be made online at www.crsricebowl.org. There is an option there to include our parish name. CRS will return 25% of each donation to the archdiocese for its grants program out of which many local programs receive funding, including Food Connection's Backpack Program, Break Bags, and Summer Meals, the L'Honey Pollinator Garden, and the Catholic Worker Guadalupe House Garden. The other 75% of our donations support CRS overseas programming.

Thank you for supporting CRS Rice Bowl!

ANAM CARA

Please mark your calendar and join our **next meeting, 7:00 PM, April 6**. We will be discussing Chapters 8-12, of our book *Following Christ in a Consumer Society* by John F. Kavanaugh, S.J. This will be a Zoom meeting.

Jerry Schumacher will manage the Zoom call and he will send the Zoom link prior to the meeting. Dean Saucedo and I will lead the discussion and I will share discussion notes prior to the meeting.

Contact: Mike Hoag - 206.295.4651 - mhoag8@live.com

Descendants of Jesuit Slaveholding and Jesuits of the United States Announce Historic Partnership

The descendants of the slaves from Georgetown is a Reconciliation Project. Some of the goals of this project are to: Engage, promote, and support programs and activities that highlight trust, accelerate racial healing and reconciliation and advance racial justice and equality in America. The Foundation looks to Invest in the education of Descendants of Jesuit slaveholding, and provide support to impoverished, elderly, and infirm Descendants.

Learn more about this effort in the links provided below:

[Descendants Truth & Reconciliation Foundation](#)

[Slavery, History, Memory and Reconciliation](#)



SOCIAL JUSTICE UPDATE

Important Notice!!! Full viewing of many items related to social justice will be found at: www.stleoparish.org. While hovering your cursor over the word Justice you will see the following tabs: Emergency Services; L'Honey; Immigration Crisis Response; Voter's Corner and Housing and Homelessness Vol Corps. News and updates on these ministries are to be posted under these tabs. Also, I will have Social Justice Updates/reflections posted on the website main page **SOCIAL JUSTICE UPDATE** (left side of the page). I will be doing my best to keep information current on these tabs and documents.



SPRING PLANT GIVEAWAY COMING SOON!!! (VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AFTER SUNDAY MASS) - As part of the Bee Healthy Gardening Program, there will be a plant giveaway every weekend after Sunday Mass starting on Sunday, April 18th. This plant giveaway will run for 10 Sundays. Plants will be coming from Larch Farm and Garden as well as Mother Earth Farms.

Also, one of our parishioners, Ian Habeck is willing to construct manageable sized raised beds of cedar if you need a workable garden space. Let Rick know: 253 229-4114 or larchelhoneybeekeeping@gmail.com.

We simply need volunteers to promote the give-away of these plants to our gardening parishioners! There is no need to keep track of who gets what and no financial transactions as these plants are free to all gardeners!!!

We just need parishioner volunteers to be present and help give the plants away. I would like to have 2 volunteers per Sunday to just stay after mass about 30 minutes to help with the distribution. After the distribution the remaining plants just need to be put away in a designated shady spot!!!!

Can you help? Please contact Rick Samyn at: larchelhoneybeekeeping@gmail.com or call/text: 253 229-41134 NOTICE: Still time to plan your garden. Maybe we can help? Contact Rick as well!!!

Environmental Justice: April Unit Meetings: Environmental Justice in the Neighborhoods – April Virtual Meetings - The League of Women Voters of Tacoma-Pierce County will offer zoom meetings open to the public on the topic of Environmental Justice in the Neighborhoods. Three identical meetings are presented for the convenience of the community.

For More information see the flyer on this website – under the Justice Tab/Social Justice Update Page. Or go to <http://tacomapiercelwv.org/calendar.html>.

St. Leo Emergency Services March 2021 Budget Report - As of April 1, our balance for Emergency Services is \$7,437.00. Monthly income for E-Services in March was \$3,559.50 with total direct client service outlay at 2,972.69. Full report can be found on our website under the tab – Justice/Social Justice Update.

To continue reading and for more information please visit stleoparish.org ⇨ **Justice** ⇨ [Social Justice Update](#)



BEE HEALTHY INITIATIVE OF ST. LEO / SACRED HEART

Purpose(s): 1 - Promote integration of parish families through our commonly held values of love for our Families and God's Creation.
2 - To create an initiative that can be held in common between our united parishes in support of the *Universal Apostolic Preferences of the Society of Jesus*: To accompany the youth in the creation of a hope-filled future/To collaborate in the care for our Common Home. (In the Spirit of the Papal Encyclical Laudato Si)

Definition: The Bee Healthy Initiative is a family focused promotion of family gardening to support the health/education of children and the promotion of creating healthy habitats for pollinators. This initiative is a gardening promotional effort for young and old to get in the dirt and make a difference in helping our planet and kids that are hungry!!!! Are you interested in starting a garden at home or at school or expanding existing ones? This initiative is for you! We will provide resources for your gardening efforts if you plant to promote healthy habitat for pollinators and veggies that can be shared with the Food Connection Summer meals program.

This is how it works: We will provide up to \$150.00 in resources to expand or create your garden space at your home, school, or community gardening space.

All requests for seeds, and other resources to be submitted to Rick Samyn at larchelhoneybeekeeping@gmail.com. On seed orders note item numbers and or item description from Territorial Seed Co. – www.territorialseed.com (877) 943-2959 and leave Rick a message at: larchelhoneybeekeeping@gmail.com.

For other needs/soil tests please leave detailed message as well.

Plant distribution for this program and for St. Leo and Sacred Heart Parishes will be after Sunday liturgies between April 18th through June 20th.

With this resource you are pledging to grow pollinator friendly plants and vegetables that would be suitable for use in the Summer Meals Program for the Food Connection. The veggies for the Summer Meals program would be surplus of your vegetable production.

Funds Can Be Used For: Seeds - Plants, Compost - Soil Testing For Safety As Appropriate - Small Amount Of Hand Garden Tools.

To learn more or to get started, please contact Rick Samyn at: larchelhoneybeekeeping@gmail.com.

PASTORAL COUNCIL

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"We acknowledge with gratitude and humility that St. Leo parish is on the unceded territory of the Puyallup Tribe which our indigenous sisters and brothers have recognized as sacred and have cared for throughout the generations."

Parish Staff (253) 272-5136 for any staff person

Pastor: Fr. Matt Holland, S.J. [108]

Marriage Preparation
☞ at least 6 months prior to wedding

Parochial Vicar: Fr. Kevin Ballard, S.J. [117]

Pastoral ministries

Business & Facilities: Pat Keely [109]

Finances, Human Resources & Safety

Social Ministry: Rick Samyn [102]

E-Services, L'Honey, Ecumenical, Eco-Justice

Youth Ministry & RCIC: Kristin Elligsen [106]

Youth group, Confirmation, 1st Eucharist
Sacraments for Children (ages 7 - 16)
ALL children faith formation programs

Office Coordinator: Courtney Wright [107]

Parish Registration & Updates, IT

Bichsel Hall Coordinator: Nancy Maggart [111]

Reservations [bixcoordinator@stleoparish.org]

Custodian: Johnnie Mariano [105]

Maintenance [jmariano@stleoparish.org]

Deacon: Michael Riggio

Bulletin Items to: bulletin@stleoparish.org

Parochial Vicar: Fr. Elías Puentes, S.J. [114]

Baptism for Children through 6 years old
Pastoral ministries

Pastoral Associate: Luis Blanco-Döring [103]

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick
To arrange for a Priest, Funeral Arrangement
RCIA (Baptism, 1st Eucharist, Confirmation - for Adults)
Sharing Groups & Faith Formation for Adults

Food Connection Director: Lisa Gallegos [104]

St. Leo Food Bank, Children's programs
Summer meals

Baptisms: Adriana Julian [120]

Marriage Coordinator: Maria Kadile Konop

[weddingcoordinator@stleoparish.org]

Sacramental Records

Mary Lou Morgan [mlmorgan@stleoparish.org]

Homebound Ministry

Rosanne Trunk [253-208-0410]

Prayer Line

Mary Ann Seiwerath [maseiwerath@gmail.com]

Annulments

Kathy Hitchcock [253-564-3785]

Reporting Clergy Sexual Abuse

Society of Jesus

If you or anyone you know has felt victimized by a Jesuit at any time, please contact Mary Pat Panighetti, advocacy coordinator for Jesuits West, at 408-893-8398 or mppanighetti@jesuits.org, and appropriate law enforcement and child-protective agencies.

La Provincia anima a cualquier persona que se haya sentido victimizada por un jesuita comunicarse con Mary Pat Panighetti, Coordinadora de Apoyo para la Provincia Jesuita del Oeste, al 408-893-8398 o mppanighetti@jesuits.org, y también con las autoridades apropiadas y agencias de protección infantil.

Archdiocese of Seattle

Anyone who has knowledge of sexual abuse or misconduct by a member of the clergy, an employee or volunteer of the Archdiocese of Seattle is urged to call the archdiocesan hotline at 1-800-446-7762. The Archdiocese of Seattle has a longstanding commitment to transparency, accountability and assistance to persons sexually abused by clergy or by anyone working on behalf of the Church.

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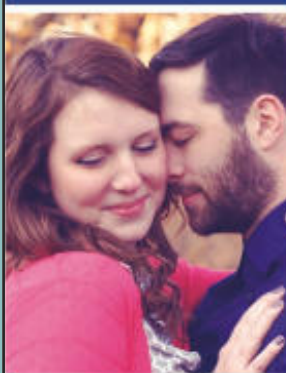
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