

September 29, 2024

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



ST LEO CHURCH



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LITURGY  
**SCHEDULE**

Saturday Vigil - 5:00 PM ✠ Sunday - 10:00 AM ✠ (Kateri Circle Mass) 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday - 1:30 PM ✠  
Tuesday, Thursday & Friday - 12:10 PM ✠ Sacrament of Reconciliation - Saturdays 4 to 4:30PM

to add someone to our prayer list, please contact [pastoralministries@stleoparish.org](mailto:pastoralministries@stleoparish.org)

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](mailto:bulletin@stleoparish.org) no later than **Wednesday at noon**

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

## Daily Scripture Readings

### **30 September - Monday**

**St. Jerome, Priest**

1st Reading: Job 1: 6-22

Gospel: Luke 9: 46-50

### **1 October - Tuesday**

**St. Thérèse of Lisieux**

1st Reading: Job 3: 1-3, 11-17,  
20-23

Gospel: Luke 9: 51-56

### **2 October - Wednesday**

**The Guardian Angels**

1st Reading: Job 9: 1-12, 14-16

Gospel: Matthew 18: 1-5, 10

### **3 October - Thursday**

1st Reading: Job 19: 21-27

Gospel: Luke 10: 1-12

### **4 October - Friday**

**St. Francis of Assisi**

1st Reading: Job 38: 1, 12-21; 40:  
3-5

Gospel: Luke 10: 13-16

### **5 October - Saturday**

1st Reading: Job 42: 1-3, 5-6,  
12-17

Gospel: Luke 10: 17-24

### **6 October - Sunday**

**Twenty-Seventh Sunday  
in Ordinary Time**

1st Reading: Genesis 2: 18-24

2nd Reading: Hebrews 2: 9-11

Gospel: Mark 10: 2-16

# ST. LEO CHURCH

...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.



## KEEP INFORMED

Check all our SLP media channels

### Website

Main communication channel

[stleoparish.org](http://stleoparish.org)

### Facebook

Several posts every week with season reflections and more

<https://www.facebook.com/StLeoParishTacoma>

### eNewsFlash

Weekly newsletter with upcoming events information

*Sign-up from our website,  
scroll down to the bottom of any page*



ST. CHARLES  
BORROMEO  
CATHOLIC PARISH

### LITURGY SCHEDULE

**Saturday - 5 PM**

**Sunday - 8 AM, 10 AM, 12 PM**

**Monday - Friday - 9 AM**

"God's great freedom in giving himself to us represents a challenge and an exhortation to modify our behaviours and our relationships. It is the invitation which Jesus addresses to us today. He calls us not to think according to the categories of 'friend/enemy', 'us/them', 'those who are in/those who are out', 'mine/yours', but rather to go beyond, to open our heart in order to be able to recognize God's presence and action, even in unusual and unpredictable environments that are not part of our circle. It is a matter of being more attentive to the authenticity of the good, the beautiful and the true that is done, rather than to the name and the origin of the one who does it. And — as the remaining part of the Gospel suggests to us today — instead of judging others, we must examine ourselves and 'sever', without compromise, all that can scandalize those persons who are weakest in faith." ~ Pope Francis 2018

We  
pray  
for



**Sick:** Larry Frazier, Marie John, Elaine Briden, Hermine Soler, Lucy James, Shelby Riley, Kimberly Allen.

**Deceased:** Cindy Cornwell, Juanita Potter, Mary Joyce Swenson, Barabra McGee, William Clark, Jr, Bob Chiado, Fay Brewer.

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.*



If your loved one is facing surgery or has a chronic health condition, they can receive the sacramental Anointing of the Sick after any mass. Just notify the priest of this need either before or after mass.

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

<b>OCTOBER 5</b>	<b>TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — VIGIL MASS — 5:00 PM</b>
<b>OCTOBER 6</b>	<b>TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — MASS - 10:00 AM — LIVE STREAMED</b>
<b>OCTOBER 12</b>	<b>TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — VIGIL MASS — 5:00 PM</b>
<b>OCTOBER 13</b>	<b>TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — MASS - 10:00 AM — LIVE STREAMED</b>
<b>OCTOBER 19</b>	<b>TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — VIGIL MASS — 5:00 PM</b>
<b>OCTOBER 20</b>	<b>TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — MASS - 10:00 AM — LIVE STREAMED</b>
<b>OCTOBER 26</b>	<b>THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — VIGIL MASS — 5:00 PM</b>
<b>OCTOBER 27</b>	<b>THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — MASS - 10:00 AM — LIVE STREAMED</b>

## CALLING ALL PRAYER WARRIORS

The Pastoral Care Commission would like to “revive” the St. Leo Prayer-Line. If you were a pray-er on the Prayer-Line or would like to join the Prayer-Line, now is the time.

Prayer-Line is a confidential way of asking for prayers for others, yourself, or anything else that may be troubling you. When we pray we are demonstrating a belief in a power higher than our own.

If you feel called to this ministry, please contact Mary Ann Seiwerath 253-241-0290 or [maseiwerath@gmail.com](mailto:maseiwerath@gmail.com)



## The Transitus of St. Francis

All are invited to join the Franciscan Sisters and Secular Franciscans for the traditional service remembering the "transition" of St. Francis into eternal life.

Thursday, October 3  
7:00 – 8:00 pm  
St. Leo Parish – The Bix



ST. LEO

## BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

On the Feast of St. Francis  
October 4th Friday  
after the 12:10 pm mass  
Poetry Plaza next to Bix Hall



THANK YOU FOR MAKING SURE  
YOUR PETS ARE ON A LEASH OR  
IN AN APPROPRIATE HOLDER.



St. Leo Parish is looking for volunteers to help with our weekly collection count. We need both primary counters and also backups that can cover vacations. If you are interested in this volunteer position please contact Shanon at the parish office 253-272-5136 Ext. 109.



Our online St. Leo/St. Charles Book Club's next read will be Carys Davies' *Clear*.

All new adult parishioners wishing to join the group (love to have you!) are asked to contact Fr. Marc via email at [frmarc@stcharlesb.org](mailto:frmarc@stcharlesb.org)

You can purchase the short novel through your favorite bookstore. The online ZOOM discussions will be held every other Sunday at 7PM, beginning October 13th with a "meet and greet" and an introduction to the plot, historical context and main conflicts and characters of the novel. You do not need to have any of the book read for this first gathering

### Mental Health and Wellness

St. Charles Borromeo Parish has a Mental Health and Wellness Ministry Team that they would like to share with St. Leo Parish. They have provided some psychological, emotional, and spiritual support for people through workshops and retreats.

There will be a Mental Health First Aid Training Workshop offered at St. Charles Borromeo Parish on Saturday, November 16<sup>th</sup>, 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM. There is a \$30 cost for the workshop; scholarships are available. The workshop is provided by the Pierce County Health Department. The workshop will provide skills to help people in need and to learn other resources available to them.

If interested in attending the workshop, please sign the paper at the back of the Hospitality area. Lois East, a member of the team, will be at the back of the Hospitality area after the 10 AM Masses on September 29<sup>th</sup> and October 6<sup>th</sup>.



**JOIN US FOR A COMMUNITY  
IGNATIAN EVENING**

**OCT 8 • 6:30 - 8 P.M. • ORELL HALL, ACE**

You're invited to join us for prayer, reflection and community! Bellarmine's Ignatian Evening Series is designed to foster growth in relationship with Jesus through Ignatian Spirituality, within the context of prayer and community.

Each Ignatian Evening will include a brief presentation on a topic of Ignatian Spirituality by a member of our Bellarmine community, will offer time for personal prayer and reflection, and conclude with a small group, spiritual conversation.

Join us as we kick off our series with "St. Ignatius the Pilgrim," presented by our Bellarmine Campus Minister, Mr. Aires Patulot. Come, learn the significance of pilgrimage in St. Ignatius's life and in our lives today.

**FR. MICHAEL**

*Installation  
Potluck*

**JOIN BISHOP SCHUSTER FOR THE INSTALLATION MASS  
OF OUR PASTOR FR. MICHAEL. COME CELEBRATE WITH  
US AFTER THE 10:00 AM MASS IN FEIST HALL.**

**October 20  
10:00 AM Mass**

**PLEASE BRING YOUR FAVORITE SIDE DISH OR  
DESSERT TO SHARE AND DROP OFF IN THE  
PARISH CENTER BEFORE THE 10:00 AM MASS**

**L'ArcheFest**  
OCTOBER 5, 2024

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**Saturday, October 5, 2024**  
6:30pm - 9:00pm  
William Bichsel Hall, St. Leo Parish  
**\$75/person**  
(includes Bavarian food, drinks, polka music, cake walk and more!)

Proceeds benefit L'Arche Farm & Gardens



**Mass in honor of  
St. Kateri Tekakwitha**  
CELEBRATING THE 12TH ANNIVERSARY OF CANONIZATION  
October 26 | 11am | St. James Cathedral

**Kateri Circle Mass at St. Leo**  
**4th Sunday each month**  
**at 1:30 PM**

### Election Prayer

God of peace, these times demand  
a change of heart:  
to be, think, and act differently.

Pour out your Spirit on your people as we  
prepare to vote in 2024 in unprecedented  
numbers across the globe.

May we strive to make peace a reality  
by becoming agents of reconciliation,  
transforming and transcending polarization,  
misinformation, and division  
during this election year.

Help us to recognize the reality  
of our interconnection and interdependence  
and to make decisions for the common good.

Amen.



## CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP

If you are caring for a loved one, feel isolated and “burned out” perhaps you would enjoy the opportunity to share your experience with others. Please join the Pastoral Care Commission.

**WHEN - Oct. 30TH**

**TIME - 1:00-3:00PM**

**WHERE - WILLIAM BICHSEL SOCIAL HALL**

Guest speaker Matt Santelli is a Community Outreach and Education Specialist for Pierce County and will speak on “Caring for the Caregiver” followed by sharing and group conversation.

Please RSVP to Laurie Dooley 253-232-3793

Colleen Mulligan 253-282-9033



## Are you interested in an online community that ventures through the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius?

Explore the teachings and experience the graces of the Spiritual Exercises in an intimate online book group that meets monthly for discussion and prayer from October to May. SEEL is offering this opportunity at no cost. All that is needed is the book, [The Ignatian Adventure](#) by Fr. Kevin O'Brien.

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**For more information about the Thursday night and the Monday morning options beginning in late October, please email**

**[info@seelpugetsound.org](mailto:info@seelpugetsound.org)**

# St. Leo Social Justice Page

## **The L'Honey Project/Youth Garden: Update on Bee Health & Future Steps**

In the era of human induced climate change and the disruption of inter-species relationships, the wellbeing of all of God's creatures must be a priority for us humans. My shift in beekeeping practices try to reflect this property. It is bee health that is to be the "product" of beekeeping: honey and wax harvesting is secondary.

This past August, we caged 16 of the 32 queens in their perspective colonies (beehives) for 24 days. This caused the colonies with caged queens to become broodless. The Varroa Mites which are very damaging to the honeybees become vulnerable to oxalic acid treatment during periods of brood less time. Over the last two weeks we have been testing the hives for Varroa Mites and our results show that mite counts are lower in colonies that had their queens caged. So, we are on "track" regarding our hive treatment protocol but still need to make more adjustments. Once the queens were released, we treated the hives. However, I treated the colonies in the middle of the day when many of the bees were out foraging. Those bees did not get the effect of the Oxalic Acid treatment, thus blunting the overall mite treatment for the entire colony. This was an oversight on my part. My post-cage treatments should have been applied during the pre-dawn time of the day when all the bees are still in the hive.

So, this summer was a learning curve for me. As for now, we will continue to monitor and treat for Varroa Mite and feed colonies that need some assistance. I hope my efforts will bring about fewer colony losses this winter and bring about healthier bees in the spring. I will continue to improve my interventions for the sake of God's humble hard-working honeybees.

To God be all the glory. Lord, may I grow in my love and care for all your Creation.

## **Feast of St. Francis & the Blessing of Animals!**

The Feast of St. Francis - Transitus Services will be **Thursday, Oct 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7PM in Bix Hall.** Also, directly following the 12:10 Mass on Friday October 4<sup>th</sup>, there will be the annual Blessing of Animals at the Bix Hall Poetry Plaza.

## **Ministry Fair – St. Leo Church 2024**

PLEASE pick up a Ministry Booklet at the back of the church or reach out to a Staff Person for a copy.

This is the season for all of us to recommit our time-talent and treasure to the work of the parish and to be Gospel Good News for our community and our planet that is so needed! It is that active commitment of all of us that makes parish life possible. Our commitments to the work of the Gospel at St. Leo's expresses our faith and models good leadership and life roles to our youth as well. Over the next few weeks, please prayerfully consider your commitment to parish life and the future of our parish family. **On the weekend of October 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> we will have our traditional Ministry Fair displays and tables up for you to learn more about ministry opportunities at St. Leo's.**

THANK YOU

**HAPPY FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS OCT 4<sup>th</sup>**



*Pray the Rosary*



**JOIN US**

Please contact  
 Emily Ignacio  
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**Do You Have Extra Rosaries or Bibles?**

If you have extra rosaries at home that you're not praying with or a Bible you're not using, consider donating them! We are looking for good-condition rosaries and Bibles to gift to other parishioners and community members who may need them. Your donations can help others grow in their faith.

Please drop off your extra rosaries and Bibles at the church rectory. Thank you for your generosity and support!



Join us for the Annual  
 Ministry Fair

October 12-13

2024-2025 Ministry booklets  
 are available in the Hospitality Area.



**LOW-GLUTEN HOST FOR COMMUNION**

Please note that due to supply availability and approved sources, our gluten-free option has changed to a low-gluten host for Communion. This option is approved by our diocese and sourced through the Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has approved them for use in all dioceses. The ingredients and their amounts are listed below.

Ingredients: Wheat starch (wheat flour from which most of the gluten protein has been removed) and water. The average gluten content per wafer is tested at 70 ppm, which equals 70 micrograms per 0.2 g of product. Each wafer weighs approximately 0.2 g.

If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to Adriana Julian at [pastoralministries@stleoparish.org](mailto:pastoralministries@stleoparish.org).

# PARISH STEWARDSHIP OF TALENT.



“Just so, your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father.”

Matthew 5:16

YOUR TALENT  
IS GOD’S GIFT  
TO YOU. HOW  
WILL YOU USE  
IT FOR HIM?

**Everything we have is a gift from God** and we’re called to share these gifts with others. The challenge is to understand our role — and to respond generously to this call from God.

Sharing our talents is one way we can live a life of stewardship. God entrusted us with our individual talents to help build up his kingdom. Today we are called to be a partner in this mission by sharing through service and ministry. What talent could you bring to our parish community?

**If you haven’t already decided on your parish stewardship commitment, please prayerfully consider God’s gifts to you** and make your pledge. Please return your parish stewardship commitment form today in the collection basket, to the parish office or through the mail.

## Pastoral Council

Sr. Pat Michalek, Chair	Allison Scanlin	Tom Trunk	Emily Noelle Sanchez Ignacio
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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."

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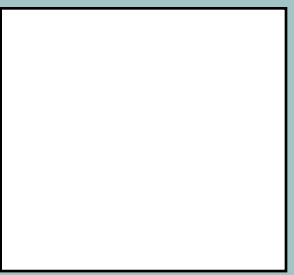
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