

# ST. LEO THE GREAT CATHOLIC CHURCH

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# In every age, O Lord you have been our REFUGE

Psalm 90

SEPTEMBER 7, 2025

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### LITURGY SCHEDULE



#### St. Leo

- Saturday Vigil 5pm
- Sunday 10am
- 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday Kateri Circle Mass 1:30pm
- Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 12:10pm
- Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays 4-4:30pm



#### St. Charles

- Saturday Vigil 5pm
- Sunday 8am, 10am (livestreamed), 12:30pm
- · Daily Mass: Monday through Friday 9am
- Eucharistic Adoration: Fridays 9:30am-4pm
- · Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays 3-4pm

## Reminders

If you would like to add someone to our prayer list, please contact <u>pastoralministries@stleoparish.org</u>

St. Leo Parish is a welcoming place for the LGBTQA community

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 scbbulletin@stcharlesb.org **no** later than Wednesday at noon.

## Stay Informed

Check all our SLP media channels!

#### Website

Main communication channel: Website stleoparish .org

#### Facebook

Several posts every week with season reflections and more <a href="https://www.facebook.com/StLeoParish">https://www.facebook.com/StLeoParish</a>
<a href="mailto:Tacoma">Tacoma</a>

#### **eNewsFlash**

Weekly newsletter with upcoming events & information

Sign up on our website or scroll down to the bottom of any page

## St. Leo

...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.



September 7, 2025
12:00 mass turns into 12:30 mass
at St. Charles Borromeo

"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."



## A Message from Father Michael

Thank you for your commitment to caring for the people on the margins. I am truly impressed by all the work our parish family does to follow the Gospel mandate to care for the least among us. A small sample of those ministries includes:

- Food Connection feeding 275 people a day
- St. Vincent DePaul offering \$10K per month to families in need
- Clothing Boutique providing clothes and laundry services to over three dozen people a day
- · Respect Life and Spiritual Adoption ministries proclaiming the dignity of every human life
- Mercy 253 providing care to the homeless and mothers in need through Next Chapter

This is just a partial list and it doesn't include the support we offer to Catholic Community Services and the Archdiocesan Housing Authority. Thank you for this important witness you offer.

#### A commitment to our ministries

With the Partners in the Gospel process underway, it's natural to be concerned about the future of these ministries, along with others. However, as your Pastor, I am happy to encourage you that, while we probably aren't going to add new ministries until we are much further in the Partners in the Gospel process, we remain committed to supporting our current ministries. Catholic Social Teaching tells us that it is very important to honor the good work that the people of our parish have done in response to the needs they observe in our community.

I also want to emphasize that our parish family will support each principle of Catholic Social Teaching. Our Respect Life ministries and our service to the poor are part of a comprehensive whole of our response to the Gospel. I think it's important that each remain part of our mission as a parish.

#### Solidarity flows from relationship

As we form our new parish family, there will be opportunities for our ministries to work together. I am excited to see this happen. At the same time, it is important to me that collaboration flow from relationship and it takes time to form those relationships. Furthermore, it is important that those relationships can form without the pressure of the need to combine ministries. If you appreciate one of our parish ministries, be assured that we aren't going to force changes to these ministries. We want you to keep doing the important work you are doing with confidence.

#### Collaborating with the Archdiocese and following best practices

While each of our ministries continues its important work, we need to make sure that we are stewarding the ministry well, following best practices and working with the universal Church through the Archdiocese. Our staff will work with each of the leaders of our parish ministries and ensure that the ministries are following best practices so that the good work you support is accountable and sustainable.

Additionally, we will collaborate with the amazing support offered by the Archdiocese of Seattle which helps our ministries to be effective. This includes the Washington State Catholic Conference which guides and coordinates our social justice advocacy in our Archdiocese.

With these resources and your commitment to the Gospel, I am excited about the great work we will do together in the years to come.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

September 7 23rd Sunday in ordinary time

Vigil Mass 5pm, Mass 10am

Sundaes with the Chosen 11am

September 9, 11 & 12 Daily Mass 12:10pm

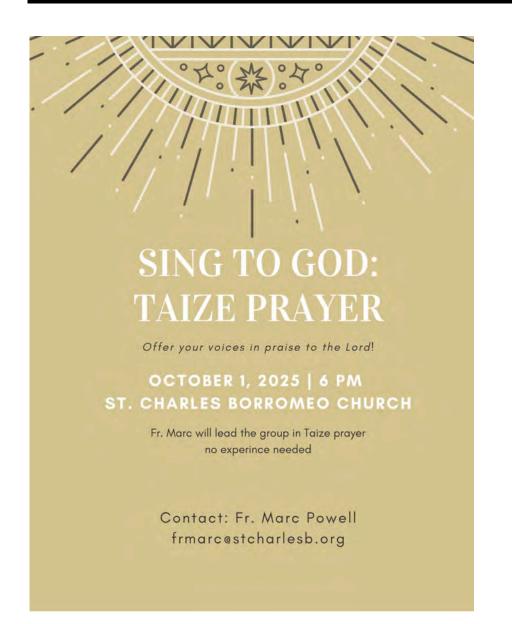
September 11 Prayer Group 1pm

Social Services Meeting 5pm

September 12 Lectio Divina 1pm

September 13 Confessions 4pm

Vigil Mass 5pm



Taize Prayer is a contemplative practice featuring short, simple and repetitive chants, silence, and meditation with proclaimed Scripture readings within a calm candle-lit atmosphere.

It is named for the Christian ecumenical community that developed it in Taize, France in 1940.





The sick:

Mara Eaton Patty Coogan



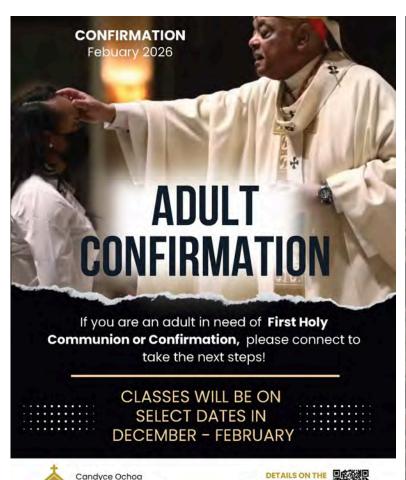
The deceased:

Cindy Skarvold Preston Umipeg

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

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REGISTRATION FORM



# YOUTH FAITH FORMATION

Opportunities for Youth in grades Pre-K through 12

# ST. LEO/ ST. CHARLES PARISH FAMILY

Families are encouraged to select the program and the parish site that best meets their needs.

# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PRE-K TO 6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE

Our Religious Education programs are designed to teach the pillars of the Catholic Faith and encourage our youth on their faith journey.

## SACRAMENTAL PREP

2<sup>ND</sup> GRADE & UP

Preparation for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist begins in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade for those children baptized in the Catholic Church.

### CONFIRMATION PREP 7<sup>TH</sup> TO 12<sup>TH</sup> GRADE

Preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation takes place beginning in 7th grade for those children who have received the Sacrament of the Eucharist. Youth may select the preparation program that best fits their schedule and needs.

# YOUTH GROUP GRADES 6-8

We will be teaming up with the St. Patrick/Holy Cross/St. John Vianney Parish Family for a regional Youth Group.

## at St. Patrick

Middle school students are invited to join the St. Patrick Parish Family Youth Group that meets Thursday evenings at St. Patrick. Each week will include food and fun.

#### at St. Leo

Classes take place on select Sundays following 10am Mass. Classes are offered in both English and Spanish.

#### at St. Charles

Classes take place on select Sundays following 10am Mass. Classes are offered in English and have an at-home component available in both English and Spanish.

#### at St. Leo

Classes take place on select Sundays following 10am Mass. Classes are offered in Spanish only.

#### at St. Charles

Classes take place on select Sundays following 10am Mass. Classes are offered in English and have an at-home component available in both English and Spanish. Students enrolled in a Catholic School need only to complete the at-home preparation.

#### at St. Leo

Classes take place on select Sundays following 10am Mass in Spanish only. Additionally, Youth Masses will be held once per month at St. Charles 12:30pm Mass with an activity following Mass.

#### at St. Charles

Classes take place on select Tuesday evenings from 6:30-8pm.
Additionally, Youth Masses will be held once per month at St. Charles
12:30pm Mass with an activity following Mass.

#### at St. Patrick

Classes take place on select Sundays from 10:15-Noon. Classes are in English only.

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### St. Leo/St Charles Church Social Services/Justice – Parish Ministries

Jubilee Year Immigration Pilgrimage of Hope: Don't Forget!!!
On Saturday, October 4th, join Catholics from across Western Washington in a special Mass service and a pilgrimage to the ICE Processing Center in Tacoma to show solidarity and express hope and compassion for detainees and all immigrants. In the spirit of the Jubilee year of hope, Catholics throughout Western Washington are called to be pilgrims of hope. As part of Catholic social teaching, we express this hope by praying for, being in solidarity with, and showing compassion for immigrants.

We will be gathering at 9:30 am at St. Leo Church for opening remarks and instructions for the pilgrimage. The group then processes down to the Northwest Detention Center at 10:00 am. An outdoor mass will be celebrated outside of the detention center at 11:15am with the conclusion of the event at12:15PM.

Van service will be provided for those who need transportation to and from the detention center.

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS! If you are interested in volunteering for the event or would like more information, please contact Rick TEXT 253 229-4114.

Also, if you plan to attend this event please register through the link below: Register Here: https://archseattle.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/5558/responses/new

Get the word out!

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### **Middle School Youth Group**

St. Patrick, St. Leo, and St. Charles are joining forces for a Middle School Youth Group. Want to help guide our youth in faith and fellowship? Come to the Youth Group Leader Meeting on August 31st, 4:45 to 6:30 PM at the St. Patrick Parish Center.

\* Parents of youth in grades 6–8: Please attend a meeting on September 14th, 4:45 to 6:30 PM at the St. Patrick Parish Center to learn more about what Youth Group is, dinner will be provided.



September 7, 2025 12:00 mass turns into 12:30 mass at St. Charles Borromeo





09/11

THUR 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

09/14 AFTER 9:00 AM MASS

09/18

09/20 SAT 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

09/25 THUR 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

#### PICKBALL Thursday

COMPETITIVE OR JUST WANT TO HAVE FUN Jefferson Park Courts - 801 N Mason Ave | Tacoma

#### COFFEE & DONUTS Service

SERVING OUR SAINT PATS PARISH FAMILY Saint Patrick (Church Hall) - 1123 N J St I Tacoma

#### STUDY Discussions

TOPIC: FORGIVENESS W/ ST. JOSEPHINE BAKHITA Saint Patrick (Church Basement) - 1123 N J St | Tacoma

#### SERVICE Saturday

LITTER CLEANUP AT POINT DEFIANCE
Point Defiance Boathouse - 5912 N Waterfront Dr I

#### PUB NIGHT Social

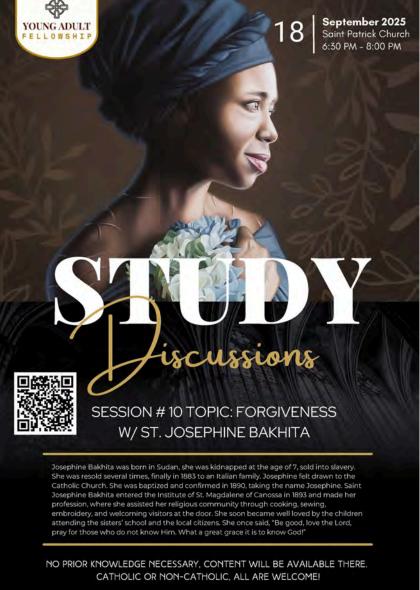
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w/ Mass Consumption Details in Events Calendar

YoungAdultFellowship@saintpats.org



Church teachings, Spirituality. Saints. All the above, where the Holy Spirit leads and conversation flows...

#### St. Leo Property Updates, September 2025

Our construction project replacing the failed retaining wall at South 13<sup>th</sup> and G Streets and fencing of the campus is well underway. A new retaining wall designed by structural and Geotechnical engineers has been completed.

- Expect one-lane and some full closures of the 14<sup>th</sup> street entrance to the campus Monday 9/8, Tuesday 9/9, and Wednesday 9/10 for gate installation work. Please enter and exit at the 13<sup>th</sup> Street driveway during this time.
- Monday September 8, Bollards at the 13<sup>th</sup> Street driveway new gate location will be installed. Additionally, bollards will be installed adjacent to the Food Connection outdoor waiting area to protect Food Connection families awaiting entry to pick up food. Bollards will also be installed near the church's main entrance to protect parishioners entering and exiting the church.
- The twenty parking spaces on the East perimeter of the parking lot will be closed and unavailable during working hours, Monday 9/8 through Friday 9/12 to allow for fencing construction (in line with the top of the G Street retaining wall, refrigeration trailer to the south border fence).
- The parking area between the former St. Leo School (Tahoma Center) and the Church remains closed for storage of fencing materials prior to their installation. The closure is expected to continue until early October. Please note that pedestrian access to the church from the Yakima Avenue steps into this area will be closed during this period also. Neighborhood Clinic access will be enabled only during clinic hours of operation.
- Parking lot lighting repairs and gate electrical work will begin Wednesday 9/17.
   Fence installation is continuing and is expected to be mostly complete by early October; however, a few fencing components will not arrive until October extending completion to mid-November.
- As you may recall upgrading the fencing and closing campus nighttime access
  was recommended by law enforcement and security consultants as a necessary
  step to address thefts, property destruction, vandalism, and other crimes costing
  tens of thousands of dollars per year. The cost of improving the fencing around
  the campus is being shared with Catholic Community Services.

We will provide further updates as construction proceeds.

# MEET YOUR ST. CHARLES & ST. LEO TEAM



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# FR. MICHAEL RADERMACHER Pastor

## PARISH LEADERSHIP



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## PASTORAL MINISTRIES



CANDYCE OCHOA

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- Young Adults Ministry
- SCB Liturgy



**ABBY DIAZ**Pastoral Assistant

 Hispanic Ministies: Faith Formation, and Sacraments



MARIANNE MANNING
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- Weddings & Funerals
- SLG Liturgy

## **OUTREACH**



DAWN WHITMAN

Director of Food

Connection

- Oversee FC programs
- Staffing
- Volunteer engagement



**KELLY MCDONALD**Development Manager

- Community engagements
- Fund raising events



**SHAWN WALTON** *FC Manager* 

- Children's Feeding Program
- Assists in operations



RICK SAMYN
Pastoral Assistant

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• SLG Office Administrator

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• Music Ministry

- SCB Office Administrator
- SCB Outreach Liason
- Social media and website manager
- Administrative Support & Parish registrations

## FINANCIAL SERVICES



**JUDITH LAMPTEY** SLG Bookkeeper

• SLG Food Connection Bookkeeper



**MOLLY CAREY** SCB Bookkeeper

• SCB Accounts Receivable



**JOCELYN BASQUETTE** SCB Bookkeeper

• SCB Accounts Payable



**MARY DEROUIN** SCB Bookkeeper

• Accounting & HR Supervisor for SCB Parish and School

## FACILITIES & HOSPITALITY



**JOHNNIE MARIANO** SLG Custodian

• SLG Campus Custodian



JIM BRECHT SLG Custodian

• SLG Campus Custodian



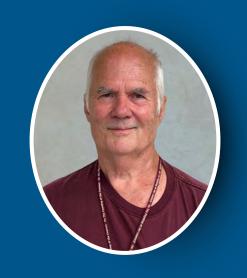
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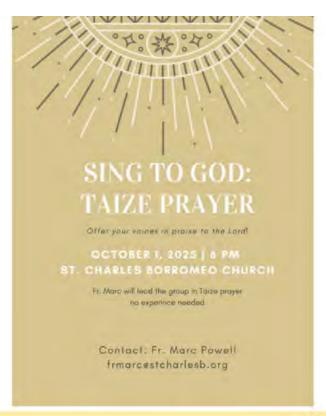
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