

Saint Leo the Great Catholic Church

Very Reverend Justin L. Ward, S.T.L, Administrator

July 18, 2021 The Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

Mass Intentions

Sunday, July 18 9AM **St. Leo**
†Scott Waggoner
St. Francis
12PM James Parris

Lector Schedule

9:00AM
July 18 Martinique Waters
July 25 Jan McDonald
August 1 Denise Duke

Catholic Charismatic Renewal of Birmingham 20th Annual Conference on July 30 and 31

The 20th Annual CCROB Conference will be held in the Family Life Center at Our Lady of Sorrows Church, beginning at 5:30 p.m. on July 30 and at 8:30 a.m. on July 31. The conference theme is **"I can do ALL things through Christ who strengthens me."** The speakers will be: **Father Paul Asih, Father Gray Bean, Father Frankline Fomukong, Jeff Anderson, Olga Coburn and Jackie Smoke.**

The registration fee for individuals is \$25 and \$65 for a family of 3 or more. Register online at www.catholiccharismaticrenewal.org or mail registration to: CCROB, 1206 David Drive, Pelham, AL 35124. For further information contact Ray Makofsky at 205-999-8947. You can also register at the conference beginning at 4:30 p.m. on July 30 and again on July 31 at 8:00 a.m. Everyone is welcome!

CELEBRATE

THE YEAR OF THE PARISH & EUCHARIST

Behold, I Make All Things New

AUGUST 13-14, 2021

ON THE GROUNDS OF THE
SHRINE OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
HANCEVILLE, ALABAMA

Friday | 6-10pm

- Eucharistic adoration
- Eucharistic procession on the grounds

Saturday | 9am-3:30pm

- Celebration of the Mass with Bishop Steven J. Raica
- Morning and afternoon speakers with English and Spanish language tracks

Featured Speakers

Dr. Scott Hahn
Dr. John Bergsma
Msgr. Eugene Morris
Mother Adela Golindo
Fr. Pedro Núñez

Free Admission & Parking | Food Trucks | Vendor Area
Diocese of Birmingham in Alabama

Last Week's Offertory

7/11/21

St. Leo \$1,297.00

St. Francis \$1,746.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Daily Mass

Starting Wednesday, July 28, Fr George will be offering 5:00 PM daily Mass on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday.

Hispanic Bible Study on Wednesdays

We will be offering a Hispanic Bible study on Wednesdays at 4 pm until Wednesday, July 28th.

New Lectors Needed!!

Since the Mass schedule has changed, a new lector schedule will need to be composed. Please email the office at office@stleo.info if you would like to be a lector at 9 am Holy Mass.

YA Movie Night and Discussion

Mary Hays is hosting a movie and discussion of *The Chosen*. *The Chosen* is a TV series that follows the ministry of Jesus Christ and the calling of His disciples. If you are a high school graduate and are interested in joining the Young Adult Group, please contact Mary at DRE@stleo.info.

What is a Prophet?

Prophet is a word that tends to make one think about one who can tell the future. The truth is that the word means "teacher." The holy men of God down through the centuries taught that if the people did not reform, there would be punishment. When they did not reform and punishment came, the people saw these teachers (prophets) as men who knew the future. In God's relationship with the human race there is nothing as important as a PROPHET, one who teaches on behalf of God. The greatest prophet of all time is Jesus. HE TAUGHT ON BEHALF OF GOD. Yes, He spoke with a human voice, but it was God Himself who spoke. When Jesus started his public life, he had to make a decision ... the heavy hard words of the Old Testament prophets, or teaching the mercy of God. Jesus sends his apostles out teaching about imitating Jesus. We can't imitate Jesus completely, but we share in the work of imitating Jesus. When we baptize in the liturgy of the sacrament of Baptism, it states that we share in the priesthood of Jesus. We share in His prophetic (teaching role) and we share in His kingdom. With Christ, we offer Jesus and ourselves after the consecration at Mass to the Father. With Christ we look forward to the glory of our resurrected bodies and with Christ we are "teachers" of the faith. It starts with parents teaching their children. The Church Catechists are teachers of the way of God. Here is the hard part...In some way we are all short of the way we are to imitate Christ; but life and the journey of faith is a constant effort. Sometimes we don't have to "talk about" our faith, just live it by: Being kind to others. Forgiving when it is hard. Smile, a sign we accept people. Greet a stranger. Make time for daily prayer. There is an old saying: The things you do, speak so loudly that I can't hear a word you are saying. The Baptismal ceremony says that we all share in the priesthood of Jesus. His kingdom, and His "teaching role" (Prophetic role).

With prayer and blessings, Father Muller
(Article Written for Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church)