St Leo Church
A Jesuit Parish

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Pastor: Fr. Steve Lantry, S.J. (106)
Parochial Vicar: Fr. Matthew Kunkel, S.J. (114)
Deacon: Michael Riggio
Business and Facilities: Jeffery Bemis (109)
Faith Formation: Dotti Krist-Sterbick  (110)
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Catechesis of the Good Shepherd: Trinka Hamel (104)
Youth Formation: James Harper  (111)
Social Ministry: Rick Samyn (102)
Pastoral Care: Stacy Cates-Carney (103)
Food Connection Director: Kevin Glackin-Coley (383-5048)
Music Director: Anna De Foe (112)
Liturgy Assistant: Julie Manley (115)
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Maintenance: Kevin McKim and Dan Blachly (105)

PARISH STAFF (& phone extension)

Call Theresa McDermott-Erskine  (ext.107)
Parish Registration: new members, updates.

Call Dotti Krist-Sterbick (ext 110)
Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)
NVC and Faith Sharing Groups
Adult Formation
Infant Baptism
Children’s Catechumenate

Call Trinka Hamel (ext. 104)
Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (age 3 to grade 5) Oct-May
1st Reconciliation:(children 7+) Family preparation in fall.
1st Eucharist:(children 7+) Family preparation winter/Spring.

Call James Harper (ext. 111)
Youth Ministry (Jr. High grade 6-8. Sr High grades 9-12)
Groups meet Oct. - May.

Sacramental Records  Maria Luisa Kirchmer (vm 311)

Call Theresa McDermott-Erskine  (ext.107)
Parish Registration: new members, updates.

Call Stacy Cates-Carney (ext. 103)
Funeral Arrangements
Pastoral Care Visits
Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick: to arrange for a priest

Health Care Ministries: Parish Nurses:
Kathy Hitchcock, 564-3785, Eileen Weeg, 253-820-4141
(including blood pressure checks, prayer shawls)

Call Fr. Matthew Kunkel, S.J. (ext. 114)
Marriage Preparation (contact at least 6 months prior to wedding)

Annuulments  Kathy Hitchcock 564-3785

Prayer Line: Teresita Perez 759-3579

Por más información en español, por favor llame a
Adrianna, 253-778-0980 o
Florian, 253-241-5563

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Call for INFORMATION (272-5136 for any staff person)
Daily Scripture Readings

Sunday September 11
Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14
1 Timothy 1:12-17
Luke 15:1-32

Monday September 12
1 Corinthians 11:17-26, 33
Luke 7:1-10

Tuesday September 13
St. John Chrysostom
1 Corinthians 12:12-14, 27-31a
Luke 7:11-12

Wednesday September 14
The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Numbers 21:4b-9
Philippians 2:6-11
John 3:13-17

Thursday September 15
Our Lady of Sorrows
1 Corinthians 15:1-11
1 John 19:25-27

Friday September 16
SS. Cornelius, P. and Cyprian, B.
1 Corinthians 15:12-20
Luke 8:1-3

Saturday September 17
St. Robert Bellarmine
1 Corinthians 15:35-37, 42-49
Luke 8:4-15

Sunday September 18
Amos 8:4-7
1 Timothy 2:1-8

St. LEO CHURCH – SEPTEMBER 11, 2016
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.

ANAM CARA*

*Anam Cara is a Celtic term meaning Soul Friend*

Father Jim Harbaugh will facilitate the men’s Anam Cara group discussion on Wednesday September 14th at 7 P.M. in the Rectory. The discussion will cover the Chapters 7, 8 and 9 of Ronald Rolheiser’s book, Sacred Fire: A Vision for a Deeper Human and Christian Maturity. All men are invited and it is not necessary to have read this book to attend the meetings.

SILENT PRAYER VIGIL: The Dominican and Franciscan Sisters and their Associates invite you to participate in their monthly Prayer Vigil to create awareness about the scourge of Human Trafficking. Join them on Friday, September 16 from 12:00 to 12:30 pm and on subsequent Third Fridays for a silent vigil at 2211 6th Avenue, Tacoma (next to Tuell-McKee Funeral Services). This one half hour is well spent in raising awareness about the cruel sexual and domestic exploitation of adults and children. Side-street parking is encouraged.

Dino Annest, Donn McLaughlin, Cindy Russell, Robin McIlvaine
Patricia Killen, Joe Schlotfeldt, Archbishop Sartain, Tom Karlin, Helen Brinkman, Ann Schlotfeldt Spratt, Bev Kammerraad, Christina Fyffe, Ginger Haug, Francisco Canessa, Erica McAlister, Jim DeFoe, Corazon Sanchez-Ignacio, Mary Ann Toohey, Rob Olson, Becky Blake, Jennifer O’Loughlin Juan Perez, Terry Caffarel, Lynda McCormick, Pat Rife, Jo Ross
Kessie Sumida, Tom Jordan, Susan Kerrick, Deanna Orse, Pat Tison, Joe Samyn, Clarence Snodgrass, Bernice Fox, Josie Stortini, Katie Rutter, Hermine Soler, Brendan Gallagher, Sr Pat Walsh, Robert Young, Dick Matthews, Sue Ford, Helen Hoppa.

>>& BIRTHDAYS COMING UP! &<

Sep 17 Gus Parker, Ileana West.
Sep 18 Lucretia Berg, Alana Hentges, Donn McLaughlin, Linda Oliver, Nell Shonnard.
Sep 19 Niall Bihun, Gail Brandt, Daniel Guenther, Julia Hegyes, Matthew Hegyes, Evan Johnson, Kelley Orr, Kris Quinn, Dale Santkuyl, Jeff Spencer, Bill Turner.
Sep 20 Mallory Dudley, Lainey Parker, Jimmy Tolland.
Sep 21 Isabelle Centeno, Sarah Harburg-Petrich, Benjamin Kogut, Maria Kossan-Johnson, Christina Morgan, Sarah Ronald.
Sep 22 Anna Maria Garcia, Sophie Gould, Linda Griffith, Brian Hines, Najla Neumann, Adam Osness.
Sep 23 Emily Boitano, Angelo Ceccarelli, Julie Davidson-Gómez, Linda Garcia, Susan Montes-Aguirre, Renée Proctor-Brown, Tess Reeber, Rich Stevens.
Welcome new Pastoral Care Assistant, Stacy Cates-Carney!

As I take on the role and responsibilities of Pastoral Care Assistant, I am grateful to be circling back around to serving as part of the St. Leo staff. In August 1986 I arrived in Tacoma as a Jesuit Volunteer to serve at Nativity House and became part of the St. Leo community. From 1988 to 1991 I was part of the St. Leo staff as pastoral assistant for family ministry and faith formation.

Over the past 30 years St. Leo has been a place and a people that have been woven into the fabric of my life and that of my family. Joe and I were married here in 1989 and both our children, Corin and Maya, were baptized here. I spent ten years as a spiritual director and retreat minister with the Spiritual Exercises in Everyday (SEEL) and in recent history I served as Community Leader at L’Arche Tahoma Hope.

In addition to serving in a part-time capacity as Pastoral Care Assistant I continue to support the mission of L’Arche on a local and international level, minister as a spiritual director and retreat facilitator, tend to my garden and walk the parks and neighborhoods of Tacoma.

I have slowly learned how to walk with others, listen to myself and others more deeply, and share mutual relationships. I look forward to walking more closely with members of the St. Leo community as we attend to the spiritual, emotional and physical needs of the Body of Christ.

Stacy

Ministry reflection

My Arts and Environment Journey
Stephanie Ostmann

When my husband and I first began attending St. Leo’s about 15 years ago we were drawn, in addition to Father John Fuchs’ wisdom, to the quiet beauty of the worship space. The exposed beams, the windows and floors which had been salvaged from the previous church building, the spare simplicity of the space reflected the nature of this parish, which focused its energy on nurturing community and on social justice, not on splendor. It also reflected the commitment of individuals (principally Carol Colleran and Paula Foreman) who worked to make this space prayerful through flowers, seasonal colors, and symbols using natural materials.

So when there was a call for new members for the Arts and Environment team we jumped in. It was an opportunity for us, who had both been raised as Lutherans, to learn more about Catholic liturgy and to contribute to the environment we found so meaningful. We were welcomed. No one worried about the fact that we were ignorant of Catholic tradition. We learned. In the following years we were fortunate to work with parish staff, the liturgy prep and custodial teams, the new members who came to join us on the A&E team, the parishioners who helped in specific ways like making candles for All Souls’, offering flowers from their gardens, donating Christmas trees, caring for and setting up the Nativity figures, stringing lights on the big tree in the sanctuary. We became a part of the parish.

It is this bouquet of talents and commitment I recall when I think of my time on A&E. I hope that some of you will join us. We want your new ideas and energy. And there are wonderful rewards in this work. Come visit our table during the Ministry Fair September 17 & 18 and September 24 & 25. Or contact me at 253-565-7680 or at ostmann@wamail.net.
The power of music and spoken word to reach far and wide has fueled countless important movements in recent decades. Now is the time to turn up the music to turn down the hateful rhetoric that has become a hallmark of the gun debate.

In 2007, Congress designated September 25 as the National Day of Remembrance for Murder Victims. The Concert Across America to End Gun Violence is a national effort to remember victims of gun violence and to raise awareness of this issue. Church and community groups, celebrities, activists, musicians and other artists nationwide are scheduling concerts on September 25th.

Please plan on attending our St. Leo concert scheduled for Sunday, September 25th at 7 p.m. in the church.

For more information, contact Anna De Foe at amdefoe@stleoparish.org or call 253-276-5136 ext. 112.

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**THE WEEKLY COLLECTION REPORT**

*as of August 28, 2016*

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Though it is still summer, we are in back-to-school mode; we are resuming routines and adding new or different ones to our daily life. This report is meant to be one such routine, intended on a weekly basis, to keep you informed regarding the parish "financial Health". The information presented above tells you what is needed (budgeted) to run the parish and what has been received (actual) in the weekly collections. The difference is the measure fiscal year to date where the parish stands with regard to weekly donations. Keeping you in the know is a beginning toward our goal of sound "financial health", a step along the way, and as we contemplate it may we see it as an opportunity for God's grace to be one with us. Thank you for all you do! If you have questions do not hesitate to contact Jeff at jbemis@stleoparish.org or 253-272-5136 x109.
Earth’s extraordinary temple offers ripe invitations for discovery and metaphor in our human journey. Nature poetry, sacred texts, exploration of seasonal rituals and contemplative exercises will be conducted outside on the Priory’s sacred grounds. This setting will provide an experiential opportunity for an enhanced and appreciative connection with our miraculous planet.

Register by prior Friday ~ Minimum: 5  Maximum: 12 ~ Bring a sack lunch.

Please contact the Center if you would like to include a retreat night with your program for an additional fee.

Melissa Layer, MA, serves as a psychospiritual therapist and interfaith spiritual director. She draws upon her hospice experience and work with chronic illness to explore life’s challenging thresholds as possible invitations for enriched meaning-making.

PROGRAM REGISTRATION

EARTH PRAISE: CELEBRATING NATURE’S GIFTS  9/17/2016  $55 + $5 materials

Please enclose 1/2 of the registration fee as a non-refundable deposit to confirm your enrollment. Any donation made above program costs will be used for scholarships. Non-refundable deposit enclosed: $ _______  Full payment enclosed: $ _______

Programs not meeting minimum enrollment will be cancelled and deposits refunded. Please call to discuss payment options or scholarships. Please make checks payable to: The Priory Spirituality Center