# SAINT LEONARD PARISH

### June 13, 2021 ~ Eleventh Sunday of Ordinary Time



## Mass Schedule

### Saint Leonard Church

Saturday: 5:00PM

Confession 4:15 - 5:00PM and upon request

Sunday 9:00 AM

10:30 AM (Italian)

12:00 Noon

Monday - Friday 12:05PM

### Saint Stephen Church

Saturday: 4:00PM Sunday 11:00 AM Thursday and Friday 7:30 AM

#### Sacred Heart Church

is temporarily closed

#### Saint John School

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Monday - Friday 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM

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## Mass and Special Services

Monday 11:30 AM Rosary

12:05 PM Mass 12: 45PM Divine Mercy

Chaplet

Tuesday 11:30 AM Rosary

12:05 PM Mass

12:45 PM Saint Anthony Novena

Wednesday 11:30 AM Rosary

12:05 PM Mass

12:45 PM Litany of Saint Joseph Ist Wednesday of every month Queen of Peace Prayer Group 6:30 PM Rosary, 7PM Mass

Thursday 11:30 AM Rosary

12:05 PM Mass

6:30 PM Rosary - 7:00 PM Mass Pure In Heart, Young Adults

Rosary and 7:00 PM Mass

Friday 11:30 AM Rosary

12:05 PM Mass 3:00PM - 3:30PM

Chaplet of Divine Mercy/

Benediction

### SAINT LEONARD CHURCH

Mass Intentions June 12 - June 19

June 12 – Saturday 5:00pm Anna and Andrew Russo; Sarah and Pasquale Fabiano and Family; Lena and Joseph Troisi; Louise Silvestro; Danny Souza; Joseph and Josephine Gaeta; Fred and Mary Fuccillo; Benny Fuccillo; Jean-Ann Simonelli (Tenth Anniversary).

June 13- Sunday 9:00am Deceased Members of the DePasquale Family; Deceased Members of the Varano Family: Frank and Lillian Solimine; Enrico Ricci; Members of the DeMarco Family; Carmine DeLuca III; Carmine Sr. and Lucy DeLuca 10:30am. Felice and Ursala Barone 12:00pm. Arthur Capodilupo; Benjamin and Mildred Itrato: Jerry Savino: Liberuccia Savino; ; Maria Gentile; John Savino; Mary Molinari; Louis J. Molinari Jr; Healing for Catherine Capizzi For our generous supporters: we pray for all those who have asked us to pray for them and for those who have no one to pray for them.

June 14 - Monday
12:05pm. Saint Peregrine
June 15 - Tuesday
12:05pm Saint Anthony
June 16- Wednesday
12:05pm Flora Sasso
June 17 - Thursday
12:05pm Sacred Heart of Jesus
June 18 - Friday
12:05pm. DiGangi Family

June 19 – Saturday 11:00am. First Holy Communion 5:00pm Frances DiGiorgio Indiciani; Father Kenneth Garofolo

### SAINT STEPHEN CHURCH Mass Intentions June 12- June 19

June 12 - Saturday

4:00 pm. –Charles Marino; Bridget McDonnel

June 13 - Sunday

11:00 am. –Intentions of Saint James Society

June 17 – Thursday

7:30 am - Intentions of Saint James Society

June 18 – Friday

7:30 am - Intentions of Saint James Society

June 19 - Saturday

4:00 pm. – Alfred Verlezza

Message from Cardinal Sean O'Malley

Brothers and Sisters,

"Without the Lord's day, we cannot live!" His Holiness, Pope Benedict, in his homily at the Cathedral of Saint Stephen in Vienna on September 9, 2007, quoted the Abitinian Martyrs, who during the persecution of Emperor



Diocletian were arrested for celebrating Sunday Mass. The martyrs responded to the magistrate: "Sine dominico non possumus!" — without the Lord's day, we cannot live! The Pope went on to say: "For these Christians, the Sunday Eucharist was not a commandment, but an inner necessity. Without him who sustains our lives, life itself is empty. To do without or to betray this focus would deprive life of its very foundation, would take away its inner dignity and beauty."

Aware that the opportunity to participate in Sunday Mass is increasingly available and increasingly safe for our Catholic people, we are joining dioceses in the Boston Province (Boston, Fall River, Springfield, Manchester, and Portland) in lifting the dispensation of the Sunday and Holy Day Mass obligation, effective the weekend of June 19 and 20, 2021.

We are mindful of the Lord's statement: "Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them." (Mt 18:20). While we certainly

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can pray alone, there is both strength and blessedness in communal prayer.

We do also note that attendance at Mass is our way of following the Third Commandment of the Decalogue:

"Remember the sabbath day – keep it holy. For six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea and all that is in them; but on the seventh day he rested. That is why the LORD has blessed the sabbath day and made it holy." (Ex. 20:8,11)

We call to mind the many times we see Jesus observing the sabbath by going to the synagogue and teaching there (Mt 13:54, Mk 1:21-28, Lk 4:16-30, Jn 6:22-59). It is a desire of every Christian to conform his or her life to the life of Jesus, and Jesus went to the synagogue on the sabbath.

Most significantly, receiving the Eucharist is the center of every Catholic life. The Lord commands us to take and eat, and to do it in memory of Him. (Mt 26:26-30, Mk 14:22-26, Lk 22:14-20, 1 Cor 11:23-26, CCC 1324). The Eucharist is food for our difficult journey through life, filling us with joy and strengthening us to embrace our suffering. It transforms us from the inside out and creates a unity among us that is a strong witness to the whole world.

Therefore, it is with great confidence and trust in the Lord that we reinstate this Sunday Mass obligation. It has been a long, difficult year. People have experienced great pain and suffering throughout this pandemic. Loss of life has been immense. People continue to recover from the long-term effects of the coronavirus.

The heroes among us — our nurses, doctors, first responders and all medical professionals — were a source of enormous comfort. Priests brought the Sacrament of the Sick to COVID patients. Now we are

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able to join together, remembering the lives changed and the sacrifices made. Let us gather together again in joy, as one people united around the Eucharist. In this year of Saint Joseph, who was always a faithful observer of the sabbath, we chose Father's Day as an appropriate day to encourage all of our people, and especially our families, to return to the Sunday celebration of the Eucharist.

This obligation does not apply to those who are ill; those who have been recently exposed to COVID or any other communicable illness; those who are confined to their homes or to hospitals or other facilities due to illness, infirmity, frailty, or age; and those who are not yet able to be vaccinated, due to age or any health consideration. Parishioners should consult their local pastor if they have questions about the obligation.

To all of those who have not been able to be with us during this last year, we look forward to welcoming you back to the celebration of the Mass.

Thank you, and God bless you.

Cardinal Seán

"On Wednesday, June 23rd at 7:30pm, St. Leonard's Cantor, Sarah Labrie, will be conducting a chamber choral concert in partial fulfillment of her Masters of Music in Choral Conducting degree from Messiah University. The concert will feature one hour of chamber choral music from the Renaissance to today, sung by 25 professional Boston area singers and accompanied by our very own Juan Mesa on organ.

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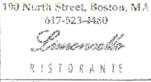
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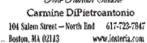
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