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WEEKLY BULLETIN

APRIL 03, 2022 - FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT



*“Even now, says the Lord,
return to me with your whole heart;
for I am gracious and merciful.”*

Jn 8:1-11

SAINT LEONARD OF PORT MAURICE PARISH

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Mass Schedule

Saturday	5:00 PM
Sunday	9:00 AM
	10:30 AM (Italian)
	12:00 Noon
Mon-Fri	12:05 PM
	8:15 AM

Confessions

Saturdays 4:15-5 PM
and upon request

SAINT STEPHEN CHURCH

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Mass Schedule

Saturday	4:00 PM
Sunday	11:00 AM
Thurs-Fri	7:30 AM

Pastoral Staff

Pastor: Rev. Michael Della Penna, OFM

Deacon: Brother Charles Gingerich, OFM

Italian Ministry: Rev. Federico Cinocca

Sacristan: Charles Falla, OFS

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Mon - Thurs	1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Fri - Sat	1:00 pm - 7:30 pm
Sunday	10:00 am - 6:00 pm

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

SAINT LEONARD CHURCH

7:55 AM Liturgy of the Hours will be celebrated every weekday followed by 8:15 AM mass

Schedule of Devotions

Mon - Fri	7:55 AM Liturgy of the Hours 8:15 AM Mass 11:30 AM Rosary 12:05 Mass
Monday	12:30 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet
Tuesday	12:30 PM St Anthony Novena
Wednesday	12:30 PM Litany of St Joseph 1st Wed of every month Queen of Peace Prayer Group 6:30 PM Rosary, 7PM Mass
Thursday	Pure in Heart Young Adults 6:30 PM Rosary, 7PM Mass
Friday	12:30-3:30 PM Adoration 3:00 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet

ST. STEPHENS CHURCH

Mass Intentions April 3 - April 9

April 2 - Saturday

4:00pm - Frances Lanza

April 3 - Sunday

11:00am - Benefactors of the Society of St. James

April 7 - Thursday

7:30am - Benefactors of the Society of St. James

April 8 - Friday

7:30am - Benefactors of the Society of St. James

April 9 - Saturday

4:00pm - Mary Mooney

SAINT LEONARD CHURCH

Mass Intentions April 3 - April 9

April 2 - Saturday

5:00pm - For the intercession of St. Raphael the Archangel

April 3 - Sunday

9:00am - Deceased members of the DePasquale Family & Varano Family; Gerardo Antonio Fabrizio.

10:30am - San Rocco; Pasquale Pezzano

12:00pm - Luigi & Angela Cogliani; Michael Chmura; Richard Muse; Alice Fucci; Adelina & Aldolfo Cillo; Marie DiMauro; Albert Annunziata

April 4 - Monday

12:05pm - Clementine & Francesco Federico

April 5 - Tuesday

12:05pm - Intentions of Joseph V. Federico

April 6 - Wednesday

12:05pm - Intentions of Anna Keane

April 7 - Thursday

12:05pm - Angelo Polcari

April 8 - Friday

12:05pm - Joseph P. Sablone

April 9 - Saturday

5:00pm - Angie & Nicholas DiBisceglia & Grandson John; Anna & Stephen Lynch; Deceased members of the Tavilla Family



The Sanctuary Lamp will burn the week of April 3 - April 9 at Saint Leonard Church for Rita Bamonte

The Bread and Wine will be offered the week of April 3 - April 9 at Saint Leonard's Church for Walter Luongo



LENT, HOLY WEEK, & EASTER 2022

7:55 AM Liturgy of the Hours will be celebrated every weekday (See Page 7)

8:15 AM mass will be celebrated every weekday during lent

Next Friday April 8 we will have a School of prayer in which there will a family prayer talk

SCHEDULE

PALM SUNDAY

APRIL 10 2022

5:00 pm – Vigil Mass (Saturday - April 09)

9:00 am – Morning Mass

10:30 am – Italian Mass

12 Noon – Mass of the Day

HOLY THURSDAY

APRIL 14 2022

8:00 pm – Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper & Transfer of the Blessed Sacrament

9:30 pm (*approximate*)-12 Midnight – Holy Hour(s) w/ the Blessed Sacrament

GOOD FRIDAY

APRIL 15 2022

12 Noon – Stations of the Cross

3:00 pm – Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ

7:00 pm – Stations of the Cross

EASTER VIGIL

APRIL 16 2022

8:00 pm – Vigil Mass of the Lord's Resurrection

EASTER SUNDAY

APRIL 17 2022

9:00 am – Morning Mass

10:30 am – Italian Mass

12 Noon – Mass of the Day

FRIDAY'S DURING LENT

- 6:30 pm – Stations of the Cross
- School of prayer in which there will be a Jesuit, Franciscan, Neo Catechumenate, a family prayer talk 7:00pm - More information to follow

STATIONS OF THE CROSS



ALL FRIDAYS OF LENT
AT 6:30PM



MEDITATIONS ON FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

FR. RICK MARTIGNETTI MESSAGE

*"They went away one by one,
beginning with the elders."*

John 8:1-11



Christ and the Adulteress c.1620

Valentin de Boulogne

To know we are sinners is a sure sign of wisdom. Maybe that's why the elders were quicker to walk away than the younger people who hovered around the poor women caught in adultery, clutching their stones and trying to determine if they were righteous enough to cast the first one and begin her execution. The truly wise person knows that we have all been there. We are all sinners in need of God's mercy. As the writer of Psalm 130 ponders, *"If you kept a record of our sins, oh Lord, who could survive? But with you there is found forgiveness."* When this realization settles in, that we are in fact sinners who have been treated mercifully by God again and again, all that's left is for us to go forward and forgive others, from the heart. Then we will be acting with wisdom, mercy, and grace.

-Fr. Rick Martignetti, OFM

COMING TO YOUR SENSES

"Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." Again he bent down and wrote on the ground. And in response, they went away one by one, beginning with the elders."

John 8:7-9



The Return of the Prodigal Son c.1619

Giovanni Francesco Barbieri

This passage comes from the story of the woman caught in adultery when she is dragged before Jesus to see if He would support her stoning. His response is perfect and, in the end, she is left alone to encounter the tender mercy of Jesus.

But there is a line in this passage that is easily overlooked. It is the line that states, "...beginning with the elders." This reveals an interesting dynamic within human communities. Generally speaking, those who are younger tend to lack the wisdom and experience that comes with age. Though the young may find it hard to admit, those who have lived a long life have a unique and broad picture of life. This enables them to be far more prudent in their decisions and judgments, especially when it comes to the more intense situations in life.

In this story, the woman is brought before Jesus with a harsh judgment. Emotions are high and these emotions clearly cloud the rational thinking of those who are ready to stone her. Jesus cuts through this irrationality by a profound statement. “Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her.” Perhaps, at first, those who were younger or more emotional did not allow the words of Jesus to sink in. They probably stood there with stones in hand waiting to start throwing. But then the elders began to walk away. This is age and wisdom at work. They were less controlled by the emotion of the situation and were immediately aware of the wisdom of the words spoken by our Lord. As a result, the others followed.



The Woman Taken in Adultery c.1644
Rembrandt

Reflect, today, upon the wisdom that comes with age. If you are older, reflect upon your responsibility to help guide the younger generation with clarity, firmness and love. If you are younger, do not neglect to rely upon the wisdom of the older generation. Though age is not a perfect guarantee of wisdom, it may be a far more significant factor than you realize. Be open to your elders, show them respect, and learn from the experiences they have had in life.



Christ and the Adulteress c.1683 Aert de Gelder

Prayer for the young: Lord, give me a true respect for my elders. I thank you for their wisdom stemming from the many experiences they have had in life. May I be open to their counsel and be guided by their gentle hand.

Prayer for the elder: Lord, I thank You for my life and for the many experiences I have had. I thank You for teaching me through my hardships and struggles, and I thank You for the joys and loves that I have encountered in life. Continue to pour forth Your wisdom upon me so that I may help guide Your children. May I always seek to set a good example and lead them according to Your Heart. Jesus, I trust in You.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fr. Michael Della Penna needs volunteers to help in our Parish Office, Ushers for masses, Coordinator of all our volunteers, setting up for masses and funerals. If you're interested in a volunteer opportunity here at St. Leonard Church, please contact our Parish Office



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St Leonard Church will be closed for cleaning on Mondays 9:00 AM - 11:00AM & Thursdays 9:00 AM - 11:00AM

All masses are transmitted on our Facebook page
"St Leonard's Parish, North End, Boston"



Attention New Parishioners

Please register with St. Leonard Parish:

By completing the New Parishioner Forms located on the Book case at the entrance of the church. Please place the form in the black box

By completing the form online at:

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By coming to the Parish Office

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ST LEONARD PARISH MARCH OFFERTORY

Week 1: \$ 2,218

Week 2: \$ 1,922

Week 3: \$ 2,085

Week 4: \$ 2,693

February Monthly Budget: \$ 7,764



EVENTS & HAPPENINGS



All are welcome to join us to pray the morning prayer of the "Liturgy of the Hours" with us at 7:55 am

The Liturgy of the Hours is the prayer of the whole People of God. In it, Christ himself "continues his priestly work through his Church." His members participate according to their own place in the Church and the circumstances of their lives. The laity, too, are encouraged to recite the divine office either with the priests, among themselves, or individually.



As Of March 21st, we have raised \$10,235 toward our Parish goal of \$59,269. We thank the 24 families who have contributed thus far.

We invite you to prayerfully consider making a generous gift to this year's appeal. For the parish to get full credit from your generosity, please turn in a completed pledge with your Catholic Appeal donation.

Please take a pledge from the pew, fill it out and return it in the collection box or mail it to the Parish Office, 320 Hanover Street, Boston, MA 02113.

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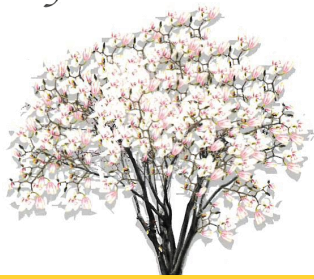


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SPECIAL THANKS TO NP LANDSCAPING

13-TUESDAY SAINT ANTHONY'S NOVENA.

Join the parish family of Saint
Leonard's on the solemn
commemoration of Blessed
Anthony of Padua through the
13-Tuesday Novena.
The novena will take place Every
Tuesday following the 12:05 pm
Mass for 13 weeks leading up to
Saint Anthony's Feast Day
celebrated on Monday, June
13th, 2022.



Palm Sunday Procession
April 10 at 3:00pm



Please join us alongside the
parishioners of St Mary's in
Waltham on April 10, 2022
at 3:00pm at St Joseph Hall,
31 Prince St for a Palm
Sunday procession to Holy
Cross Cathedral (Apr 2
miles) with Fr. Michael
Nolan and Fr Michael Della
Penna beginning around
3:30pm



EVENING WITH MARY

Tuesdays & Saturday In person or via Zoom call, join us at St Leonard's Church from 5:00-7:15 PM in celebrating the Eucharist, reciting the rosary and at 6:40 PM a virtual meeting with Ivan, the visionary from Medjugorje. The evening concludes with a benediction after ten minutes of silent adoration before the Blessed Sacrament. Because the prayer service will be live streamed internationally, arrive before 5:00PM.



Meeting ID: 792 438 9838

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**St Leonard's
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On Friday April 8, 2022
07.00 PM- 08.00 PM

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The speaker will be sharing the
Beauty and spirituality of the liturgy
of the hours

PURE IN HEART



Each Thursday, the pure in heart young adult group meets at Saint Leonard Church beginning with the rosary at 6:30pm followed by Mass at 7:00pm. All young adults 20s & 30s are welcomed.

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