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Celebrating 150 Years

WEEKLY BULLETIN JUNE 25, 2023

TWELFTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

“Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather, be afraid of the one who can destroy both soul and body in Gehenna.”

MT 10:28



SAINT LEONARD OF PORT MAURICE PARISH

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P: 617-523-2110

Mass Schedule

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

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



Headphones for hearing impaired are available
upon request.

Gluten Free Host are also available upon request

Confessions

Saturdays 4:15 - 4:45 PM - and upon request

SAINT LEONARD CHURCH SCHEDULE OF DEVOTIONS

Mon - Fri	11:30 AM Rosary 12:05 PM 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	12:30-3:00 PM Adoration (First Fridays from 12:30pm until 3:00pm) 3:00 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet

**There will be 8:15 Mass during
the month of July.**

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

Pastoral Staff

Pastor: Rev. Michael Della Penna, OFM

Deacon: Brother Charles Gingerich, OFM

Student Priest in Residence: Rev. Federico
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Guest Priest: Rev. Alexander O'Kere

Rev. Robert Caprio, OFM

Rev. Francis Walter, OFM

Rev. Nick Albin, SJ

St Stephen Rector: Rev. David Costello

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Mon - Thu 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

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Fri - Sat 1:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Sunday 10:00 am - 6:00 pm

SAINT STEPHEN CHURCH

401 Hanover St, Boston, MA 02109

P: 617-742-4715

Mass Schedule

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



SAINT LEONARD CHURCH

Mass Intentions June 24 - June 30

JUNE 24 - SATURDAY

5:00 pm - Emilio Scapicchio; Maria DeSouga Deprie; Louis Pallotta; Dolores Sticco- Malone

JUNE 25 - SUNDAY

9:00 am - Deceased members of the DePasquale Family and Varano Family; Piazza Family; Ersilia Torra Torra; Dolores Pezzano; Dolores Russo; Louis Pallotta

10:30 am - St. Jude; Domenico & Sestilia Federico; Anna Sirignano e Gruppo di Padre Pio; Nostra Signora Del Sacro Cuore; Cavate Sulmona; Luigi Cataldo

12:00 pm - Maria DeSouga Deprie; Josephine and Louise Trodella; Mary Molinari

JUNE 26 - MONDAY

12:05 pm - Leonard Lamkin

June 27 - TUESDAY

12:05 pm - Healing of Miriam Vincent

June 28 - WEDNESDAY

12:05 pm - Mark Kutch

June 29 - THURSDAY

12:05 pm - Healing of Charlie Falla

June 30 - FRIDAY

12:05 pm - For the homeless people around the world



All intentions and holy cards found near the Saints will be offered up once a month at the Sunday mass

Are you in need of Prayers?

Each day the friars of St. Christopher Friary pray for the intentions entrusted to them. If you would like your intention included in our prayers, please call the friary prayer request line: 617-742-4190 ext. 100. We are happy to keep you in our prayers.



Gospel Reflection

Today's reading is part of the instructions Jesus gives to his disciples after he has commissioned them to proclaim the approaching Kingdom of heaven (10:1-42). As we already know, Matthew addressed a predominantly Jewish-Christian community, for whom Jesus embodied the fulfillment of the Old Testament. His Gospel is divided into five long discourses that remind us of the Pentateuch, the five books of Moses. In Matthew's Gospel, Jesus is the new Moses, the new Lawgiver, and the new Teacher. At the time this Gospel was written (c.85), the early Christian communities were suffering persecution and some were losing their faith in the face of opposition. In this brief text, the phrase, "Do not fear," appears 3 times. With these words, Jesus encouraged the disciples and attacked the fears that could make them abandon their mission. Jesus assured them that their persecutors could destroy the body but never the soul. The coming of the Reign of God was inevitable and fear must not prevent the disciples from proclaiming it.

Today's reading offers three significant messages:

- Fear cannot prevent us from proclaiming the gospel and its demands.
- Jesus promises that we will never be alone in our efforts to do what is right.
- The final judgment before God will be based on the disciples' faithfulness to Jesus during the controversies that are part of their mission.



EVENTS

June Events

- **June 25th: Sunday, Stations of the Cross**
Social 1-2pm; Adoration 2-3pm; Stations at 3pm.
Hosted by Saint Anthony
- **June 27th: Tuesday, Bridging the Gulf of Paria**
After his Thesis Presentation at Berklee College of Music, Luke Walker will be presenting his concert "Bridging the Gulf of Paria" At Sacred Heart Church at 8:00pm

**Every First Friday Adoration is Hosted from
12:30pm to 3:00pm**

SUNDAY - June 25th

THIS SUNDAY

Fourth Sunday Stations of the Cross

Please join us on Sunday, **June 25th**

- 1:00pm:** Social
- 2:00pm:** Adoration
- 3:00pm:** Stations of the Cross

We hope to see you then!



In a bow to a late 1890's St. Leonard's Church tradition, and in honor of St. Leonard's devotion to the Stations of the Cross, each month, on the 4th Sunday, we are offering a Social in the Church Hall after the noon Mass from 1-2pm; Adoration in the Church from 2-3pm and then the Stations at 3pm. Various groups, affiliated with the Parish, have offered to host these monthly Sunday Stations.

TUESDAY - June 27th

THIS TUESDAY

Luke Walker presents

Bridging the Gulf of Paria

**ORIGINAL AND
TRADITIONAL MUSIC
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Tuesday 27th June

Sacred Heart Church,
North End

DOORS OPEN

7:30pm

CONCERT

8pm

Donations Accepted. Portion of proceeds will go to St. Leonard's Parish

SATURDAY & SUNDAY - July 15th & 16th

Coffee and Conversation

Saturday, July 15 and Sunday, July 16
After all the Masses in the Church Hall



Please Join us to learn about the Third Order of Franciscans.

Created by Saint Francis, the Third Order, a lay fraternity that, without withdrawing from the world or taking religious vows, would carry out the principles of Franciscan life: teaching, charity, and social service.

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For more information contact
celebrating150years@sleonard.org



FUTURE EVENTS

WEDNESDAY - August 09

Meet Saint Clare

Three Days of Reflection on Saint Clare of Assisi

7pm each night in the Church
Presented by: Andre Cirino OFM

Wednesday, August 9
Presentation of the Life of Saint Clare and
Prayer in Honor of St. Clare as a Healer

Thursday, August 10
Transitus of Saint Clare

Friday, August 11
Mass for the Feast Day of Saint Clare



SATURDAY - September 16th

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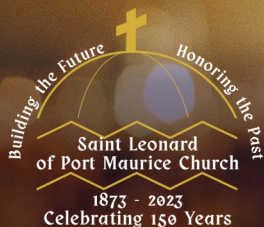
TALENT SHOWCASE

Show us your God given Talents!!

Save the Date:

Saturday, September 16, 7-9pm Church Hall

Can you sing, dance, play an instrument, act, do stand up comedy? We would love to have you join us for this special night.



Register now: sweetnomar5@aol.com or call the Parish Office

SUNDAY - August 27th



ITALIANO A SAN LEONARDO (PILC) JUBILEE CELEBRATION

Please join us to ring in our 50th golden
jubilee anniversary

Sunday August 27, 2023

3:30 PM CONCERT FT. SALVATORE BONAFFINI
& THE THREE SAINTS ORCHESTRA AND
STUDENTS FROM CATANIA
12 North Square - in the upper part or Sacred Heart

5:30 PM CELEBRATION DINNER

9 Moon Street - St John School Hall

Celebratory dinner to immediately follow the concert.

Dinner tickets will be \$50 per person

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE VISIT OUR
WEBSITE SAINTLEONARDCHURCHBOSTON.ORG/



CONGRATULATIONS TO FATHER NICK ALBIN

Congratulations to Father Nick Albin who was ordained on June 10th and celebrated his first Masses at St. Leonard's last weekend. We gifted Father Nick a Missal, a Travel Mass kit and all the spiritual bouquets from the Parish community, including many Masses and Holy Communion; hours of Adoration; lots of rosaries and good deeds and hundreds of prayers including Our Fathers, Hail Mary's and Glory Be's in thanksgiving and honor Father's ordination.



If you would like to keep in touch with Father Nick:

Mailing Address:

Nicholas Albin, SJ
7400 Western Ave.
Omaha, NE 68114

Email: nalbin@jesuits.org

CONGRATULATIONS TO FR. ROBERT CAPRIO OFM, WHO RECENTLY CELEBRATED THE 60TH ANNIVERSARY OF HIS ORDINATION





150TH ANNIVERSARY

The Dinner Dance Committee is seeking photos from Church or School events and/or the North End prior to the 1980's. Please send photos to celebrating150years@sleonard.org

150th Building the Future Fund

Thank you to all the Angels that have contributed to our 150th Building the Future Fund thus far.

We still need to raise \$100,000 to repair the facade of Sacred Heart, and \$100,000 to fix the Roof at the Rectory. Please consider donating to our Angelic Choir:

- \$150 Sesquicentennial Club
- \$500 Angels
- \$1,500 Archangels
- \$5,000 Principalities
- \$15,000 Powers
- \$30,000 Virtues
- \$50,000 Dominions
- \$75,000 Thrones
- \$100,000 Cherubim
- \$150,000+ Seraphim

Donations can be made with a check to St. Leonard's 150th and sent to the Parish office at 320 Hanover Street, Boston MA 02113; or by donating online at www.saintleonardchurchboston.org.

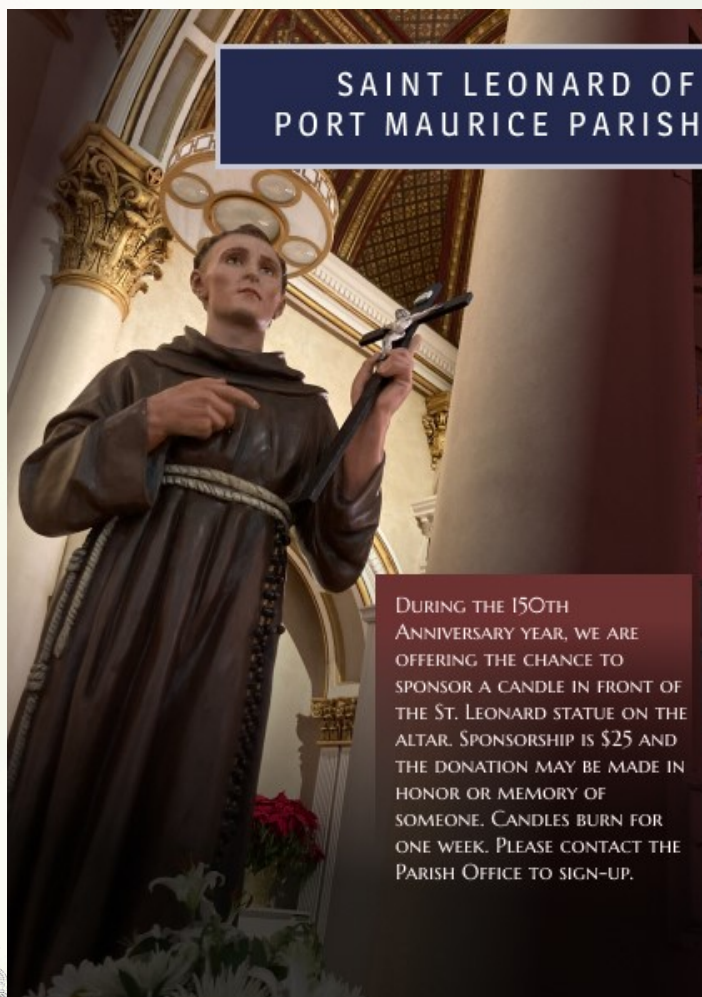
Thank you so much!

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The Stations of the Cross are the centerpiece of our 150th celebration and we will be offering, as an insert each week in the bulletin, the Station of the month along with meditations for your prayer and reflection.

We encourage you to spend some time each day allowing Jesus to speak to you through His Passion. This week, for the month of June, is the Sixth Station:

Veronica Wipes the Face of Jesus.



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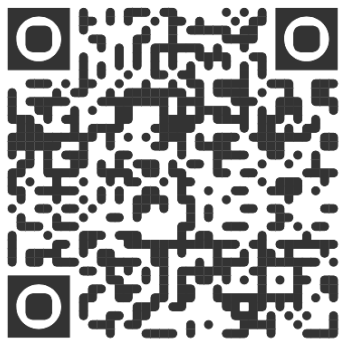
DURING THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY YEAR, WE ARE OFFERING THE CHANCE TO SPONSOR A CANDLE IN FRONT OF THE ST. LEONARD STATUE ON THE ALTAR. SPONSORSHIP IS \$25 AND THE DONATION MAY BE MADE IN HONOR OR MEMORY OF SOMEONE. CANDLES BURN FOR ONE WEEK. PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE TO SIGN-UP.

SACRED HEART CHURCH



Work has begun on reinforcing the façade of Sacred Heart Church. Funds are still needed for the “Building the Future Fund” to pay for repairs to the roof of the Rectory and the façade of Sacred Heart Church.

Donations can be made here:



Thank you so much for your continued support and generosity!

REFLECTION ON HOSTING THE SAN DAMIANO CROSS



My family and I wanted to thank you...the San Damiano Cross... is much more than a beautiful cross that adorned a prominent place in our home. It served as a powerful symbol of the faith that we share with each other and those in our St. Leonard's Parish community. Used in conjunction with the beautiful readings that accompanied the Cross, it was a compelling and daily reminder of all the blessings that have been bestowed upon us and of our obligation to be, in the words of Rev. Pedro Arrupe, S.J.: "people for others." This was a transformative experience for our family, and we would encourage any family or group that is considering availing themselves of this opportunity.

God Bless.

Leo Caruso and Family

The San Damiano Cross has been travelling from home to home within the Parish since January. If you are interested in having the Cross in your home for a week, please contact: celebrating150years@sleonard.org or call the Parish Office.

We have openings for August and would love for you to experience the joy of praying before this beautiful Cross.



MEMORIAL DAY MASS

On Memorial Day the Members of Veteran's of Foreign Wars (VFW) North End Post 144 held its annual memorial Mass at St. Leonard's on Monday, May 29th at Noon. Mass was celebrated by Father Federico.



JUNE 24TH AND 25TH

Donation for World Youth Day

This weekend at some of our masses, there will be some youth visiting us from another parish who are raising money to attend the World Youth Day in Lisbon with Pope Francis this summer. You might remember that there was a similar group who came last summer doing the same to go on pilgrimage to Israel. They will come forward after communion.

Catholic teens and young adults are a sign of hope for our church! Please support them with your prayers and generosity.

You can add your donations to the Basket at the back of the Church.

Thank you for your generosity!

JUNE 25TH

SPECIAL COMMEMORATION IN JUNE: CONFIRMATIONS

One of the many special ways we are celebrating our 150th anniversary is to provide opportunities to commemorate liturgical and sacramental milestones in our community. We are therefore designating several different Masses to focus on celebrating those who received Communion, Baptism, etc. in St. Leonard's and the surrounding churches: Sacred Heart, St. Mary's, or St. Stephen's.

In June, we would like to honor all those who were confirmed in St. Leonard's Parish. Please join us to commemorate receiving this special sacrament in our Church with a special blessing on Sunday, June 25th at the Noon Mass.



FINANCIAL & GIVING

ST LEONARD PARISH JUNE OFFERTORY

Week 1: \$ 4,341

Week 2: \$ 3,312

Week 3: \$ 3,255

June Monthly Budget: \$ 23,551

THE ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL PUTS

Faith into Action
It all starts with **YOU**

As Of May 30th. We have raised \$9,920 toward our Parish goal of \$51.454. We thank the 31 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.

Thank for you contribution!



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Need a meal, or a place to donate clothes?

St. Leonard will be partnering with **Haley House**, a soup kitchen and donation center in South Boston.

Currently, they are most in need of men's clothing. Please check the link haleyhouse.org/goods for list of accepted items.

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PRAYER

O glorious Saint John the Baptist, greatest prophet among those born of woman, although thou wast sanctified in thy mother's womb and didst lead a most innocent life, nevertheless it was thy will to retire into the wilderness, there to devote thyself to the practice of austerity and penance; obtain for us of thy Lord the grace to be wholly detached, at least in our hearts, from earthly goods, and to practice Christian mortification with interior recollection and with the spirit of holy prayer.

Amen