



Church of
SAINT LEONARD
of **PORT MAURICE**

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January 22, 2016

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Celebrant: Fr. Leo Schneider

Lectors: Trudy Monette/Julia Paulsen-Mullin

Eucharistic Ministers: Kathleen Brogan/John Howard/Michael Howard

Music Coordinator: Zara Turner

Order of Mass

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| Gathering | He Looked Beyond My Fault (Tune of Danny Boy) | # 195 LMGM |
| Gloria | | |
| Responsorial Psalm | In the Garden | # 248 LMGM |
| Gospel Acclamation | | # 865 MI |
| Preparation of gifts | In the Breaking of the Bread | # 325 MI |
| Holy, Holy, Holy | | # 867 MI |
| Memorial Acclamation | | # 869 MI |
| Amen | | # 871 MI |
| Lord's Prayer | Sung | |
| Lamb of God | | # 872 MI |
| Communion | Precious Lord Take My Hand | # 685 MI |
| Parting | City of God | # 383 MI |

Mass Schedule, Meetings and Events

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| Regular Sunday Mass | Sundays | 10:00 AM |
| Loaves and Fishes | | Feb. 14 |
| Next Council Meeting | | Feb. 15 6:30 p.m. |

Readings for January 22nd through January 28

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| Sunday | 1/22 | Is 8:23-9:3/ Mt 4:12-23 |
| Monday | 1/23 | Heb 9:15, 24-28/ Mk 3:22-30 |
| Tuesday | 1/24 | Heb 10:1-10/ Mk 3:31-35 |
| Wednesday | 1/25 | Acts 22:3-16/ Mk 16:15-18 |
| Thursday | 1/26 | 2 Tm 1:1-8/ Mk 4:21-25 |
| Friday | 1/27 | Heb 10:32-29/ Mk 4:26-34 |
| Saturday | 1/28 | Heb 11:1-2, 8-19/ Mk 4:35-41 |

Collection: Jan. 15

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| Cash Plate | \$ | 44.00 |
| Envelopes | \$ | 1521.00 |
| Coffee | \$ | 44.00 |
| Total | \$ | 1609.00 |
| Weekly Need | \$ | 2,000.00 |
| Loan balance | \$ | 61,288.85 |
| Assessment | \$ | 2,000.00 |
| raised to date | | |

See us online at www.stleonardmn.org or Facebook
 Council Chair: Ed Howard edfhoward@gmail.com, 612-532-9159

Mission Statement

The Church of Saint Leonard of Port Maurice believes that,
 with our worship and fellowship experience and faith as our base, we can achieve social justice
 through education and outreach that guides us on our Christian journey in the community.

Keep in your prayers parish members who are ill: Josephine Candalisa, Anne Schaak, Mary Ann Nash, Gladys Turner, Irene Donohue. **Mantener en sus oraciones estos miembros de la parroquia que están enfermos**

Heubner baptisms: Jed and Brooke Heubner and their sons will join us next Sunday for the baptism of the boys, Eli Jeffrey and Thomas Walter. Please plan to join us for a potluck after Mass.

King Field Empty Bowls: This year's "Empty Bowls" event will be held on Feb. 9 from 4-8 p.m. at King Park. The event that brings the community together to share a meal of soup and bread donated by local restaurants out of handmade bowls donated by local artists. All profits are given to Nicollet Square. For a suggested donation of \$20, community members eat dinner and take the bowl home as a reminder of our many neighbors who are in need of food and shelter. This event drew over 850 people last year, and raised almost \$10,000 for Nicollet Square. The facility at 3700 Nicollet Av. S. is home to 42 formerly homeless youth. For more information, contact: Sarah Linnes-Robinson, KFNA executive director, at sarah@kingfield.org or 612-823-5980

Counseling openings: Catholic Charities in Saint Paul (1276 University Avenue W.) has counseling openings for anyone interested in working on changes for the New Year: individual, marriage, family therapy and men's groups, and bilingual counseling in Spanish. Call 651 647-3186; please leave a message if necessary.

Grief support series: The South Minneapolis Coalition for Grief Support for winter and spring will be held on Thursdays starting January 26 at St. Joan of Arc, 4537 3rd Avenue S. Sessions begin with registration and refreshments at 6:15 p.m., a speaker at 6:30 and facilitated small groups from 7-8 p.m. Topics include: Jan. 26, What is Grief? Feb. 2 – Grief & Guilt; Feb. 9 – How Relationships Change During Grief; Feb. 16 – Living Exhilarated After Loss; Feb. 23 – Self Care During Grief; March 2 – Valleys of Sorrow to Rivers of Joy; March 9 – Good Grief; March 16 – Giving Thanks Can Be Healing; March 23 – What Grief Taught Me; and March 30 – Service of Remembrance. Individuals may join the group at any time. For further information, contact the coordinator, Norine Larson at 952-925-2437.

Parishioners in Need: St Leonard's has a ministry that sends get well or sympathy cards in the name of the St. Leonard community to people who are experiencing health issues, loss or other difficulties in their lives. Please send the names of people in need of prayers and support to Maryellen: slpm3949@msn.org or leave a message on the parish phone: **612-825-5811**. Also, Father Leo has requested that you let him know anytime a parishioner is hospitalized.

Another marriage weekend: Give each other and your family a Valentine gift that will keep giving for generations to come! Sign up for the February 18-19 Marriage Encounter. Register at www.marriages.org. Weekends are held at Mt Olivet Conference and Retreat Center in Farmington. Visit www.marriages.org for additional dates and information or call 651-454-3238.

Memory Loss Support: Family and friends who have a loved one experiencing Alzheimer's or a related dementia are welcome to attend either of two regularly scheduled memory loss caregivers support groups. One group meets on the first Thursday of the month at 10 a.m. at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 4100 Lyndale Av. S. The contact for this group is Pam Gerber at pgerber@bethlehem-church.org or 612-312-3366. The other group meets on the first Thursday at 7 p.m. at Mayflower UCC, 106 E. Diamond Lake Rd. The contact for this group is Mayflower at 612-824-0761 and Mary Margaret Lehmann and Mary Lenard are co-facilitators.

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - A Reflection by Fr. Leo

Peter, Andrew, James and John are called by the Lord to join him in his ministry as apostles. The radical response of the disciples always takes me by surprise. These men, though leaving as brothers, leave “life” as they knew it behind. I always feel bad for the dads who not only lose the presence of two sons, but workers as well.

Even today there are some men and women who hear and respond to the call of the gospel in radical ways. Here I think of the monastic orders of women and men who leave all to live quietly in God, not just for themselves, but for us. What is radical is their balance between being and doing, which, because of their solitude, becomes continual prayer. They live a life weighted more heavily on the Mary side of being than on the Martha side of doing.

Though we may not be called to monastic life, I do believe we are all called to a radical response to Christ in the gospel. I’m not advocating becoming super pious and speaking of Jesus, Mary and Joseph in every sentence. I’m thinking of a mindfulness that keeps the mystery of Christ before us at all times. An openness if you will, to seeing God in all things. This “mindfulness” is developed over time by taking some time in silence and solitude to be with the Word and allow God to speak to our inner soul as we turn off the endless chatter of our minds and hearts simulated by a distracting world.

Meditating with the scriptures or a book of short meditations for the day opens the door for those wordless moments of contemplation that takes place in us between the worlds. This is it, and it’s not complicated. What is amazing is how these brief moments begin to open our eyes to the presence of God through the day, to the point where all things can speak of the grandeur of God.

Bulletin bloopers:

- Eight new choir robes are currently needed due to the addition of several new members and the deterioration of several old ones.
- The church will host an evening of fine dining, super entertainment and gracious hospitality.
- Potluck supper Sunday at 5 p.m. Prayer and medication to follow.
- The Self Esteem Support Group will meet Thursday at 7 p.m. Please use the back door.
- Don’t let worry kill you off; let the church help.
- For those of you who have children and don’t know it, we have a nursery downstairs.

Birthdays: None listed this week in parish directory. To add your birthday, e-mail the parish at slpm3949@msn.com

Bulletin: The January editor is Steve Brandt. Send notices by noon on Wednesday to: slpm3949@msn.com

St. Leonard of Port Maurice is a Black National Parish, and we welcome you wherever you are on your journey! We are a diverse parish with big hearts and great action for the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Please come and join us in the great work of this faith community!

San Leonardo de Port Maurice es una parroquia Nacional Negro, y le damos la bienvenida a usted dondequiera que estés en tu viaje! Somos una parroquia diversa con grandes corazones y gran acción para el Evangelio de Jesucristo. Por favor, Venga y únase a nosotros en la gran obra de esta comunidad de fe

Faithful members of Saint Leonard's:

On behalf of the Finance Committee, I would like to provide you a brief update of our parish's status:

- We have decided not to use Vanco to process credit card and check contributions made with their system. Its ongoing fees did not outweigh the benefits.
- Instead, we urge you to sign up with your bank or credit union to make regular contributions on a basis that works best for you. That method is free of fees. Moreover, automatic payments remove the need to bring funds to church each week. Best of all, these scheduled donations give us a better revenue projection for budgeting purposes. Fr. Leo has noticed that automatic donations from parishioners at Holy Name significantly boosted the church's annual contributions.
- The City of Minneapolis has assessed us for street repairs. The amount is \$26,029.36. The assessment is payable over 5 years. We ask you to carefully consider a gift to reduce this assessment with a one-time gift or annual donation. To date we have received \$2,000 in donations to pay this assessment.

From the bottom of our hearts, we all thank you for your efforts to make St. Leonard's the incredible parish it is. May God Bless you richly for your generous spirits and labors of love.

Happy 2017! May the year grace you with faith, hope, love and lots of big-fat-grin-moments.

Father Leo and the Finance Committee

P.S. Please feel free to contact Kathleen Brogan, Merle Davis, Mike Howard, Tom Powers or Kathleen Varner if you have any financial questions.