



Mass Intentions
Intenciones de Misa

Sunday, September 19, 2021

- 8:00 am:** Sophie Munoz +
- 10:00 am:** Angelina & Ruben Cintora
Josephine Cellini +
Carlos Galindo +
Anthony C. Adduci +
- 1:30 pm:** Por el eterno descanso de Refugio Jimenez +
Gumerinda Saucedo +

Thursday, September 23, 2021

- 5:15 pm:** St. Leonard Parish
- 7:00 pm:** Parroquia de San Leonardo

Saturday, September 25, 2021

- 4:00 pm:** Sofia Catellano, Presentation 3 years old
Phillip Sakowski +, 2nd Anniversary of Death
Michael J. Spagnolo +
Anniversary of Mary & Lupe Perez

Sunday, September 26, 2021

- 8:00 am:** Sophie Munoz +
- 10:00 am:** Christine Nicole
- 1:30 pm:** Bacilio Tenorio Alvarado + 2 años de Fallecimiento



Wedding Banns

II October 9, 2021

Steve Olavarria & Alma Chavez

Please pray for them as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Marriage

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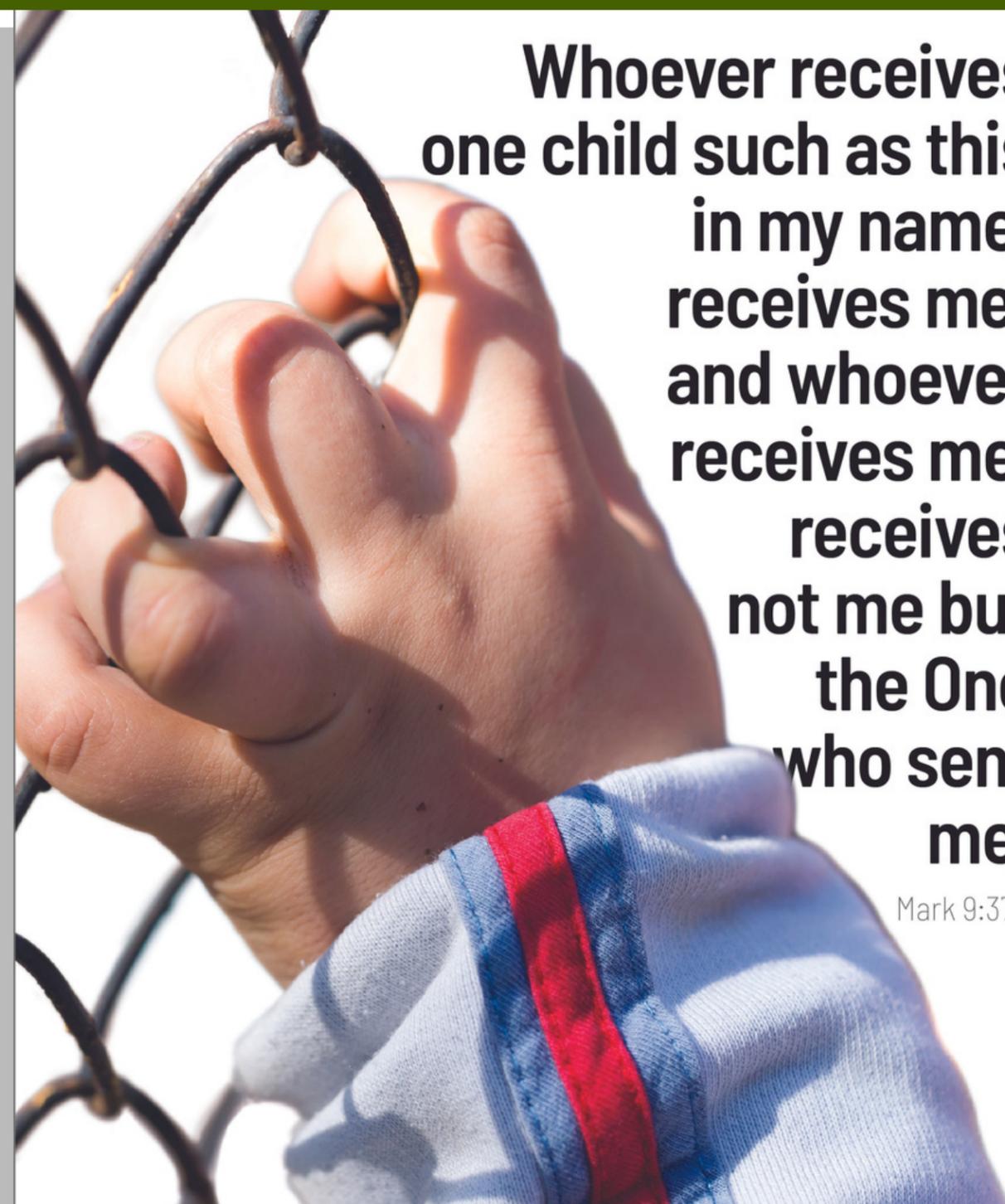
ST. LEONARD
CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL

**3318 Clarence Ave.
Berwyn, IL 60402
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Weekend Masses
Saturday 4:00 pm, Sunday 8:00 am, 10:00 am English 1:30 pm & 7:00 pm en Español

Weekday Masses
Monday-Friday 5:15pm *Thursday/Jueves 7pm Spanish Mass/Misa en Español

Confessions/Confesiones
Fridays/Viernes 6:00pm-8:00pm
Saturdays/Sábados 8:30am-10:00am or by appointment / o por cita



**Whoever receives
one child such as this
in my name,
receives me;
and whoever
receives me,
receives
not me but
the One
who sent
me.**

Mark 9:37

Twenty-fifth
Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 19, 2021



NATIONAL MIGRATION WEEK 2021



Toward an Ever Wider "We"

Wednesday, September 22nd, 2021, 7pm

(Doors open at 6:30pm)

St. Leonard Catholic Church School Hall
3322 S Clarence Ave, Berwyn, IL 60402



Come join us for a night of reflection on current immigration issues

Featuring the informative and moving documentary

"Oh Mercy"

(Feel free to share wrapped, store-bought snacks from your country of origin or background)

(Face masks required)

For more information:

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SEMANA NACIONAL DE LA INMIGRACION 2021



Hacia un "Nosotros" más amplio

Miércoles, Septiembre 22, 2021, 7pm

(Puertas abren a las 6:30pm)

Auditorio de la Iglesia Católica San Leonardo
3322 S Clarence Ave, Berwyn, IL 60402



"Todos juntos podemos decir una oración para los migrantes y refugiados que viven en las situaciones más graves y difíciles."
Papa Francisco

Ven a acompañarnos para una noche de reflexión en los problemas de inmigración actuales

Presentaremos el documental tan movedor e informativo

"Oh Mercy" ("Oh Piedad")

(Siéntase libre de compartir bocadillos de tienda y envueltos de su país de origen)

(Favor de usar cubre bocas)

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Council 4200

Intellectual Disabilities Drive

Help the Knights help our most vulnerable

Big Tootsie Rolls



Tootsie Roll Banks Available!



Share our Go Fund Me to make a difference for those with Intellectual Disabilities.

<https://gofund.me/b35e77bf>



Classes will be on
Mondays at the Parish
Rectory at 7:00pm

Spread the word!!! St. Leonard offers a class targeted to our high school students to help them catch up and complete their Sacraments.

SCAN ME



If you have questions please contact our Rectory Office at 708-484-0015



Renew My Church Q&A Breakfast

Renueva Mi Iglesia Junta de Preguntas y Respuestas

*** TODAY / HOY ***

Sunday, September 19th

After the 10:00am Mass (English)
School Hall

Domingo 19 de septiembre

Después de la Misa de 1:30 pm (Español)
School Hall




Teen Adoration Night

September 24, 2021
7pm-8pm
Movie night to follow!

Take some time to find the peace that only God can offer! Confessions will also be offered.

Adult Faith Education
Christian Foundations Program
A year long journey to explore Catholicism

REGISTER NOW

For:

- + The Curious
- + The Seekers
- + One whose faith is weak
- + One whose faith is strong
- + Those interested in becoming Catholic
- + Those who need to complete their sacraments

- Classes will be Wednesdays from 6:30pm-8pm

- Classes will begin on Wednesday, September 29th



SCAN ME



FAMILY FAITH FORMATION RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

FAMILIAS FORMÁNDOSE EN LA FE

First Day of Class for FFF:
September 28th (Tuesday's Class) and
October 2nd (Saturday's Class)

You are still in time to register!

For more information call Magaly at our Parish Office Monday-Friday from 11:15am-7:30pm.

Para obtener más información, llame a Magaly en nuestra Oficina Parroquial de lunes a viernes de 11:15 a.m. a 7:30 p.m.

September 19, 2021

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

We take time this weekend to recognize, celebrate and support the thirty-three seminarians who are preparing for lives of service to the Archdiocese of Chicago. The Church needs pastoral, compassionate and well-trained priests now more than ever, especially in light of the last year that saw not only the global pandemic we've endured, but also so much social unrest and suffering. Our young priests will face these issues and more as they walk with us through the most important moments of our lives, lending their wisdom and support. It is our responsibility to train them well.

At Masses throughout the Archdiocese this weekend, we are asking for both your encouragement and prayers for our seminarians as well as your financial support to help defray our Archdiocesan cost of their educational expenses, which includes tuition and fees, room and board and health insurance.

Your generosity to this annual Seminarian Education second collection funds the formation of our seminarians at both the University of Saint Mary of the Lake/Mundelein Seminary and at Saint John Vianney College Seminary in Saint Paul, Minnesota. Your contributions to this collection will make a significant impact on the formation of Chicago seminarians as they prepare for ordination and service as parish priests. They will be the shepherds leading you toward a deeper relationship with Christ by celebrating the sacraments and teaching the Catholic faith.

A remittance envelope will be placed at the back of the church during the weekend of September 19-20. You are also invited to send your donation to your parish, noting that it is for "Seminarian Education," or make a gift online at www.archchicago.org/seminarianfund.

Another way to support vocations in the archdiocese is by encouraging young men to consider discerning the priesthood. Many current priests credit their vocation to personal invitations and conversations with loved ones and friends who recognized the potential in them.

On behalf of current and future archdiocesan seminarians, thank you.

May God continue to bless you abundantly. Please know that I keep you in my daily prayers and intentions, and I ask for yours in return.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Blase Cardinal Cupich
Archbishop of Chicago

Pastor's Letter

My dear St. Leonard Family,

As we've been taking the time to explore the RMC scenarios over the last couple weeks, I hope that you will go back and view the Town Hall Meeting livestream on YouTube from 8/30 (Search "St. Leonard Renew My Church" on YouTube). It is still the most thorough presentation of this information that I can provide you at this time. I also hope you'll take the time to attend our Q&A Breakfast TODAY after the 10:00am Mass in the school hall.

A good question to begin with right now: where are we at in this process? The discernment teams are on their 6th meeting. The team is comprised of 20 members from all four parishes in our grouping. The task of the team is to evaluate the scenarios based on the data that we have received and to offer our best feedback to the Cardinal and his committee. From the team's thinking, new scenarios may arise or others may be taken out of consideration (i.e. - the team is unanimous in the judgment that any of the scenarios that would result in three parishes for the area seemed unsustainable in the long term). The team is not asked to make a decision or even to be unanimous in its recommendation of an ideal scenario. The ultimate decision is in the hands of Cardinal Cupich. Over the next three weeks, we will be concluding our feedback stage and writing a feedback report based on everything we have seen and heard. The report is an essential tool for the Cardinal and his committee in making a final decision. If you have not yet submitted a comments form to me and would like to express anything, please do so in the next few days.

At the conclusion of our work, we will be presenting the final report to the RMC Commission and some of the top officials for the Archdiocese of Chicago. They will evaluate any of the recommendations we have made for consistency with the guiding principals of Renew My Church to make sure that the basic benchmarks are being met. That meeting is tentatively scheduled for October 18, so your prayers are greatly appreciated. From there, the conversation continues between the RMC Commission, the Vicariate team (our auxiliary bishop and his staff), the presbyteral council, and the Cardinal. Depending on the results of that conversation, a decision could be announced as early as mid-November, or else sometime in mid-January. No changes to our parish structures would be made until July 1, 2022.

There are plenty of unknowns that can still leave us anxious in this process, perhaps the greatest of which is "How will this work?" But let me remind you of the "knowns" that we can depend on, because they are far more important!

- Known #1: Jesus will not abandon His Church! No matter how much uncertainty you may feel, this is an invitation to trust God.
- Known #2: the challenges are real, but the grace of the Spirit is also real, and He will provide us with what we need in order to rise to the moment.
- Known #3: the St. Leonard family as strong as it is because of the people who are here, and we do not abandon our family in difficult moments! Our family will help us through whatever bumps there are in transitions.
- Known #4: the harvest is abundant but the laborers are few. The world desperately needs God now more than ever, and God put us here at this time for this purpose! We cannot shy away from God's call!



Let us continue to pray for one another!

F. Bobley



Please join keynote speaker Coach Lou Holtz at this fun, one-of-a-kind event

Wednesday, October 27

United Club at Soldier Field

benefiting the moms and babies of our community served by Women's Care Center.



1,893 babies

have been born to our Chicago area WCC moms since our founding in 2018.

Your support of this event helps young women from our community choose life for their babies, have healthier pregnancies, and become more self-sufficient parents.



For more information, please visit:

supportwomenscarecenter.org/youre-invited-to-something-special

Questions? Contact Charlie Williams by phone at (574) 387-1332 or email Charlie@supportwcc.org

Carta del Pastor

Mi querida familia de San Leonardo,

Como hemos estado tomando las últimas semanas para compartir sobre los escenarios de Renueva Mi Iglesia, espero que hayas visto el video de nuestra junta del pueblo del 30 de Agosto (Busca “San Leonardo Renueva Mi Iglesia” en YouTube). Todavía es la presentación más completa que he dado hasta la fecha. También espero que nos acompañes en la Junta de Preguntas y Respuestas HOY después de la misa de 1:30 p.m. en el salón de la escuela.

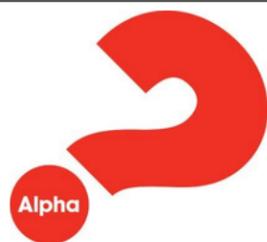
Una pregunta importante para contestar ahora: ¿dónde estamos en este proceso? Los equipos del discernimiento están en su sexta junta. El equipo se forma de 20 miembros de las cuatro parroquias de la agrupación. Su tarea es evaluar los escenarios con los datos que hemos recibido y ofrecerles su feedback al Cardenal y su comité. Desde su conversación, puedan surgir nuevos escenarios o también puedan remover algunos escenarios que no se parecen prácticos (i.e. - el equipo es unánime en su juicio de que cualquier escenario que resulte en tres parroquias para la agrupación no es algo sostenible a largo plazo). El equipo no es responsable para tomar la decisión ni tampoco tiene que ser unánime en su recomendación de un escenario. La decisión final está en las manos del Cardenal Cupich. Durante las próximas tres semanas, estamos concluyendo nuestra conversación y escribiendo un reporte que toma en cuenta todo lo que hemos visto y considerado. Ese reporte es una herramienta esencial para el Cardenal y su comité tomar su decisión. Si todavía no me has dado una forma de tus comentarios y tienes algo que decir, favor de enviármela en los próximos días.

Al concluir nuestro trabajo, tenemos que presentar el reporte final a la Comisión RMC y a los oficiales de la Arquidiócesis de Chicago. Ellos evaluarán nuestras recomendaciones para asegurar que conformen con las prioridades de Renueva Mi Iglesia. Esa junta está programada para el 18 de Octubre, y agradezco tus oraciones. Desde ahí, la conversación continúa entre la Comisión RMC, el equipo del vicariato (nuestro obispo auxiliar y su personal), el concilio presbiterio, y el Cardenal. Depende de los resultados de su conversación, puedan anunciar una decisión tan temprano como Noviembre, o si no en Enero. No habrá cambios a nuestra estructura hasta el 1 de Julio, 2022.

Hay muchas incertidumbres que nos pueden hacer sentir ansiosos en este proceso, el más grande siendo ¿y cómo va a funcionar todo esto? Pero permíteme recordarte de las “certezas” de las cuales podemos depender, ¡porque son mucho más importantes!

- Certeza #1: ¡Jesús nunca abandonará a su Iglesia! No importa cuánta incertidumbre que sientas, todo esto es una invitación a confiar en Dios.
- Certeza #2: los retos son reales, pero también la gracia del Espíritu Santo es real, y él nos proveerá exactamente lo que necesitamos para ascender al momento.
- Certeza #3: la familia de San Leonardo es tan fuerte precisamente por las personas y las familias que tenemos, y nunca abandonamos a nuestra familia en los momentos difíciles. Nuestra familia nos ayudará a superar cualquier dificultad que tenemos en la transición.
- Certeza #4: La cosecha es abundante pero pocos somos los trabajadores. El mundo necesita a Dios ahora más que nunca, y Dios nos tiene aquí en este momento precisamente para este propósito. ¡No podemos huirnos del llamado de Dios!

Oremos los unos para los otros.



What is Alpha??

Alpha is an exciting opportunity to recharge your faith batteries! Meetings consist of simple fellowship, a video presentation on the basics of Christianity, and a time for small group faith conversations. Anyone from any background and any level of faith is more than welcome to join.

Alpha started in 1977 in England, designed as a “place” of hospitality, and a safe environment for people to voice their questions and express their points of view whatever those might be.

Alpha has spread across the globe. A few years ago, the Archdiocese of Chicago recommended Alpha to reenergize parishes and to exercise our mission to share the Good News of Jesus.

We are hosting Alpha here at St. Leonard starting on **Thursday, September 30th**, at 7:00 pm in the rectory basement. The program runs for 11 weeks.

Please consider joining us for this opportunity to share and grow in your faith and relationship with Jesus!

For more information contact Julie at jcastillo@stleonard.org or 708-484-0015 (parish office).

Scan this QR Code to register for these gatherings!



COVID-19 Remembrance Project

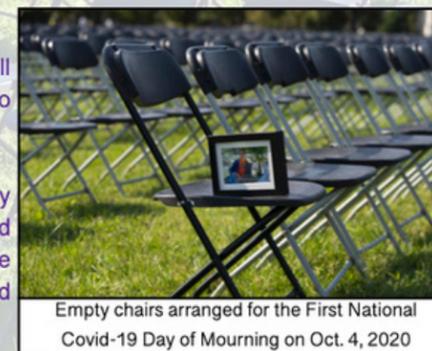
An initiative of St. Leonard Catholic Church and School

One of the most emotionally devastating consequences of the Covid-19 Pandemic, especially in its earliest stages, was the inability of family members to gather for a proper funeral honoring their loved ones. It is a sadness that continues to haunt those who had to say farewell to a family member so unceremoniously. St. Leonard would like to offer an opportunity to bring some healing to that pain!

Una de las consecuencias más pesadas de la pandemia Covid-19, especialmente en sus primeras etapas, era la inhabilidad de los familiares reunirse para un funeral adecuado para sus seres queridos. Es una tristeza enorme que sigue lastimando a los que tuvieron que despedirse de su familiar sin ceremonia. San Leonardo quiere ofrecerle la oportunidad para sanar ese dolor.

During our weekend Masses in October, we will be offering **free Mass intentions** for those who died due to Covid-19.

To participate, simply fill out the form by scanning the QR code, choose your date(s) and Mass time(s), invite your family to attend the Mass. Your loved one's name will be mentioned in our prayers for Covid Victims.



Durante las misas dominicales en Octubre, ofreceremos las intenciones de Misa sin costo para aquellas personas que se murieron a causa del Covid-19

Para participar, simplemente llene la forma escaneando el código QR, elija su fecha y hora de misa, e invite a su familia para asistir a la Misa. El nombre de su difunto será mencionado en nuestras peticiones por las víctimas del Covid.

Requesting a Mass to be said for a loved one is a powerful way of asking God to receive their soul into His merciful love. We hope that it can bring a small ray of hope to those who have lived with an empty chair at the table due to Covid-19.



Pedir una misa a nombre de su familiar difunto es una manera muy poderosa para pedirle a Dios que reciba su alma en su amor misericordioso. Nosotros esperamos que esto pueda traer un pequeño rayo de esperanza a todos aquellos que han vivido con una silla vacía en su mesa debido al Covid.