

St. Leonard Catholic Church

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Welcome to Our Parish!

¡Bienvenidos a Nuestra Parroquia!

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 8, 2023

PARISH STAFF

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OFFICE HOURS | HORARIO DE OFICINA

Monday: 9 a.m.– 12 p.m.

Tuesday - Thursday: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m .

Friday: 9 a.m. -12 NOON

CLOSED DAILY FOR LUNCH FROM 1 - 2 p.m.

Lunes: 9 a.m.– 12 p.m.

Martes- Jueves: 9 a.m.- 5 p.m.

Viernes: 9 a.m.-12 p.m.



Our mission of St. Leonard is to spread the message of Our Lord Jesus Christ. To hear the Good News from the Gospel and therefore invite the Community to be part of the Holy Church

Nuestra misión en San Leonardo es difundir el mensaje de Nuestro Señor Jesucristo. Escuchar la Buena Nueva del Evangelio y por lo tanto invitar a la Comunidad a ser parte de la Santa Iglesia.

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[closed for Lunch 1:00pm-2:00pm]

MASS SCHEDULE
Horario de Misas

Saturday | Sabado

5:30pm

Sunday | Domingo

8:30am [Spanish]

11:00am

7:00pm [Spanish]

Martes & Jueves

8:30am [Spanish]

Wednesday & Friday

8:30am

ADORATION
Adoración

Martes & Miercoles

9:00am-11:00am

Holy Hour | Hora Santa

Thursday | Jueves

5:00pm-6:00pm

Confession | Confesiones

Thursday | Jueves

5:00pm

Divine Mercy

Divina Misericordia

1st & 3rd Friday | Viernes

7:00pm (Chapel | Capilla)

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PARISH MINISTRIES
Ministerios Parroquiales

ACTS

Deacon Rusty Gamez

Altar Servers

Herman Sanchez

Altar Society

Rachel Sosa

Bereavement

Mary Mora

Sylvia Garcia

Divine Mercy

Elvia & George Orta

Deacon Rusty Gamez

Eucharistic Ministers

Mela Sepulveda

Guadalupe Society

Rosemary Soriano

Knights of Columbus

Edward Mata

Ladies Auxiliary

Maria Lopez

Lectors

Tony Ybarra

**Marriage Preparation/
Quinceaneras**

Judi Gamez

Martha's Ministry

Micaela Rubio

Matachines

Maria & Alexis Luna-Chavez

Ministry of the Sick

Deacon Rusty Gamez

Music Ministry

Maria & Andy Chavez

Sacristans

Andrea Castillo

Elvia Moreno

Ushers

Janie Gonzalez

Mass Intentions

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Saturday 5:30 p.m.

†Francisca Navarro

†Elias & †Elisa Campos

Sunday 8:30 a.m.

† Pedro Zuñiga

†Maria de Jesus Villalobos

†Severiano Mata

†Salvador Avina Ramos

Fausto Escamilla - Por Salud

11:00 a.m.

†Clara G. Ortiz

†Gumesindo Gonzales, Jr.

†Eddie Ramirez

†Gabriel Gonzales

†Debbie Gonzales

Azrael Rey Espinoza

7:00 p.m.

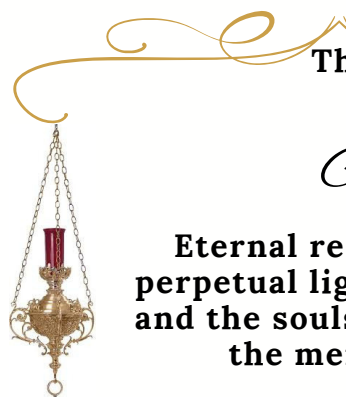
†Hector Garza

Tuesday 8:30 a.m.

†Luisa P. Garza

Thursday 8:30 a.m.

†John A. Longoria, Jr.



**This week's Sanctuary Lamp
is for the eternal rest of**

Gilbert Perusquia

**Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let
perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls
and the souls of all the faithful departed, through
the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen**



Pray For...

Moyses Aguirre, Bertha & Gabriel Canales, Devyn Casias, Mary Cruz, Rosalie Croom, William "Buster" Doyle, Baby Azrael Espinoza, Amelia Flores, Alice B. Gamez, David Garcia, Earnest M. Garcia, Letty Orozco Gonzalez, Dave Guevara, Margarita Guillen, Jose and Rosa Huerta, David Leal, Pat Longoria, Roxanne Longoria, Michael Lopez, Criselia Machuca, Gloria Perusquia, Lisa Rubio, Esther Saenz, Irma Castro, & Sienna Valadez, Zayne Allen Pierce, Frank Rodriguez, Lauren Valdez, Ruby Madrigal Villarreal, Stephanie Zamago & family

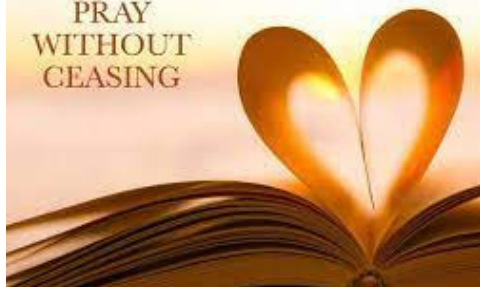
*Lord, look upon me with eyes of mercy, may your healing
hands rest upon me, may your life-giving powers flow into
every cell of my body and into the depths of my soul,
cleansing, purifying, restoring me to wholeness and
strength for service in your Kingdom.*

Amen.

For special blessings
such as wedding
anniversary or birthday
blessings please notify
the parish office in
advance.

Para bendiciones especiales
tales como aniversario de
bodas o bendiciones de
cumpleaños, por favor
notifique a la oficina parroquial
con anticipación.

PRAY
WITHOUT
CEASING



Stewardship Prayer

Almighty God, we thank you for all the gifts You have given us: our lives, our loved ones, all that we have and all that we are. Most of all, we thank You for Jesus, your Son and our Redeemer, who came among us to show us the way to eternal life. Jesus was the perfect steward of your gifts, showing that complete trust in You is necessary, and that giving of self is a most important part of following Him. May the offerings of our time, our talents, and our material resources be made in the same spirit of sacrifice that Jesus taught us by His life and death for us. Amen.

Oración de Mayordomía

Dios todopoderoso, te damos gracias por todos los dones que nos has dado: nuestras vidas, nuestros seres queridos, todo lo que tenemos y todo lo que somos. Sobre todo, te damos gracias por Jesús, tu Hijo y nuestro Redentor, que vino entre nosotros para mostrarnos el camino a la vida eterna. Jesús fue el administrador perfecto de tus dones, demostrando que es necesaria una confianza total en ti, y que darse a sí mismo es una parte muy importante de seguirlo. Que las ofrendas de nuestro tiempo, nuestros talentos y nuestros recursos materiales se hagan con el mismo espíritu de sacrificio que Jesús nos enseñó con su vida y muerte por nosotros. Amén.

Parish offering for Sep. 25 – Oct. 1, 2023

Masses	Attendance	Total Offering
Saturday	99	\$2,383.00
Sunday		
8:30 a.m.	219	\$1,727.00
11:00 a.m.	231	\$1,497.00
7:00 p.m.	256	\$1,414.00
Total	805	\$7,021.00
	Coins	\$17.03
Online	19	\$1,160.00
Grand Total		\$8,198.03

*Thank
You!*

To all the donors that helped the parish the week of October 1, 2023

May the Lord bless you abundantly!

A todo los donantes que ayudaron a la parroquia la semana de 1 de octubre de 2023.

¡Que el Señor los bendiga abundantemente!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Gas Line Repair

COMPLETED



Our sincere thanks to **Sergio Soto** for his essential role in ensuring the successful completion of the gas line repairs. Both the Church and the Parish Center now have gas service. We appreciate everyone's patience.

INVITACION

¡Únete a la Cruzada del Rosario en una Plaza Publica

Estados Unidos se encuentra en una encrucijada histórica. Dios está más ofendido que nunca porque la gente ignora el pedido maternal de Nuestra Señora de "dejar de ofender a Dios". Como resultado, Estados Unidos está sufriendo un colapso social. Es urgente que prestemos atención al pedido de Nuestra Señora y dejemos de pecar si esperamos disfrutar de las bendiciones de Dios y evitar Su ira. Él nos escuchará, si oramos por intercesión de Su Santísima Madre. Es por eso que estamos haciendo la Cruzada del Rosario en una Plaza Pública.



Qué: **El Santo Rosario**

Dónde: **Placita de San Leonardo**

Cuándo: **Sabado, 14 de Octubre, 12:00pm**

Para más información, contacta a:
Veronica Zamora (210) 719-4960

For tickets, please contact Deacon Rusty Gamez, any ACTS member or Parish Office



Thank you for your support

St. Leonard ACTS Ministry Build a Burger Fundraiser

October 21st, 2023

11am - 2pm

\$10.00

Burger with all the trimmings chips & soda



INVITATION TO SERVE AS



Prayerfully consider becoming a Eucharistic Minister. You will assist in the distribution of the Holy Eucharist, which is the source and summit of our faith. It is a great honor and a wonderful way to serve our parish family.

For more details please call the parish office.



OCTOBER 2023



Defending the dignity of all human life

Senior Farmers' Market

St. Leonard Catholic Church

Wednesday, October 18, 2023

9 - 11 am

8510 S. Zazamora St.

San Antonio, TX 78224

One free bag of produce per person while supplies last

A licensed insurance agent will be on-site with more information.



Thank YOU! to all those who came out for the Blessing of the Pets



Question of the Week

What specific thing can I do this week to produce fruit for the kingdom of God?

¿Qué cosa específica puedo hacer esta semana a fin de producir frutos para el Reino de Dios?

Damaris Ybarra, LPC-Associate, is offering FREE counseling services for individuals, couples, groups in both English & Spanish from 4:30-7:30pm. Please contact the parish office to schedule an appointment.

Church Rummage Sale

Parish Parking Lot | \$15 per space
Saturdays | Sabados | 8 a.m. - 2p.m.

October 14 November 18

ST. MARY MAGDALEN CATHOLIC CHURCH SAN ANTONIO, TX

INVITACION AL MINI RETIRO: UN SERVIDOR AL ESTILO DE JESÚS



Fecha: Sábado 21 de Octubre
Lugar: Jubilee Hall
Costo: \$20 incluye Desayuno y Comida
Hora: 8am (misa) a 5pm
tendremos hora Santa

PREDICADORES:

Fr. Artemio Ortiz, Fr Will Combs, Mario & Irene Mata, Monica Treviño, Gerardo Fernandez, Irma Juarez.

MAYOR INFORMES:

IRENE MATA (210) 609-9238 / IRMA JUAREZ (704) 241- 8025
OFICINA (210) 735 - 5269

FAVOR DE REGISTRARSE DESPUES DE CADA MISA Y A LAS 7:30AM EL MISMO DIA HABRA LIMITADAS BECAS DISPONIBLES

WEEK AT A- GLANCE

Sunday, October 8

Faith Formation Classes
Taking Jesus to the Street

Monday, October 9

No Meetings Scheduled

Tuesday, October 10

Faith Formation Classes

Wednesday, October 11

Faith Formation Classes

Thursday, October 12

Talleres de Oracion y Vida
6pm in Hall Rm #1

Friday, October 13

No Meetings Scheduled

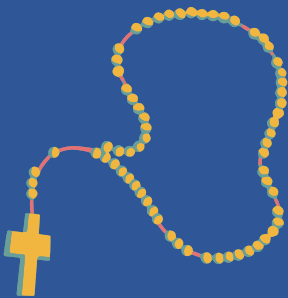
Saturday, October 14

Rummage Sale
Guadalupeana Mtg 10am



October is a great month to experience EWTN programs!

There are many inspirational programs and a variety of ways you can pray the Rosary with EWTN!



Find more details and program times, go to:
ewtn.com/tv/schedule.



Bulletin Announcements

Have an announcement request for the bulletin?

Send in the announcement a week in advance to be published in the bulletin!



FAITH FORMATION



Let the children
come to me.

MATTHEW 19:14

PRAYING THE ROSARY FOR
THE MISSIONARIES IN
5 CONTINENTS

United in Faith we pray for the whole world



Dejen que los niños
vengan a mí.

MATEO 19:14

REZANDO EL ROSARIO POR
LOS MISIONEROS EN
5 CONTINENTES

Unidos en la fe rezamos por todo el mundo



don't forget to pray the Rosary



at home with your family

ATTENTION: We are in need of english
confirmation catechist and Assistants.
Please call Sr. Blanca for more information
210-924-6000



**VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED**

*ATENCION: Estamos necesitando catequistas
para Confirmación de jóvenes (grupo inglés),
también asistentes. Favor de comunicarse con
la Hermana Blanca 210-924-6000*

Growing in Faith

Feeling a little empty? Spend time with Jesus

Come spend time with Jesus every Tuesday and Wednesday 9:00am to 11:00am and on Thursday evening from 5:00pm to 6:00pm. Come experience the joy of being in GOD's presence during Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament.



*¿Te sientes un poco vacío? Pasa tiempo con Jesús
Ven a pasar tiempo con Jesús todos los martes y miércoles de 9:00 a. m. a 11:00 a. m. y los jueves por la tarde de 5:00 p. m. a 6:00 p. m. Ven a experimentar la alegría de estar en la presencia de DIOS durante la Adoración ante el Santísimo Sacramento.*

OCTOBER IS THE MONTH OF THE ROSARY:

Consider having a member of the Altar Society pray the Holy Rosary with you and your family at your house. As we give honor to Mother Mary in our home, let us ask Her to intercede for our needs and those of our families. Or perhaps you would like to "TAKE MARY TO



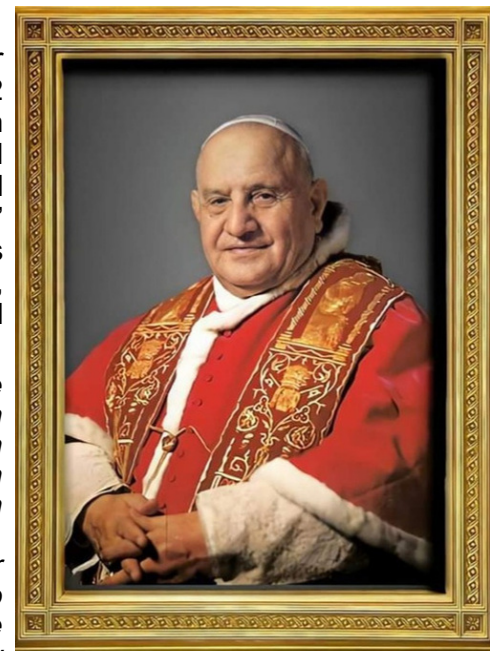
YOUR HOME". This is a devotional program that will run from October 2nd thru October 27th. A member of the Altar Society will come to your home with Mother Mary's statue and pray the Rosary. Mother Mary would then stay at your home for one (1) week. Visits are available Monday thru Friday and will last about thirty minutes. All families who would like to have these devotions in their homes, please schedule the date and time with Rachel Sosa 210 332-3848 in English and Elva Martinez 210 922-2509 in Spanish.

Also please join us as we pray the Rosary before each Mass on weekend Masses and after Mass on weekdays.

SAINT OF THE WEEK ~ October 11

Pope St. John XXIII was born Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli at Sotto il Monte, Italy on 25 November 1881. Angelo was the fourth child of 14, born to pious parents. He entered the minor seminary in 1892 at the age of 11, became a Secular Franciscan in 1896 and in 1901 he entered the Pontifical Roman Seminary. He served as a military chaplain during the First World War. He was created cardinal and Patriarch of Venice in 1953 and was a much loved pastor, dedicating himself completely to the well being of his flock. Elected Pope on the death of Pope Pius XII, he was an example of a 'pastoral' Pope, a good shepherd who cared deeply for his sheep. His greatest act as Pope however was undoubtedly the inspiration to convoke the Second Vatican Council, which he opened on October 11, 1962. Pope John's spirit of humble simplicity, profound goodness, and deep life of prayer radiated in all that he did, and inspired people to affectionately call him "Good Pope John."

Papa San Juan XXIII nació Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli en Sotto il Monte, Italia, el 25 de noviembre de 1881. Angelo fue el cuarto hijo de 14, nacido de padres piadosos. Ingresó en el seminario menor en 1892 a la edad de 11 años, se convirtió en franciscano seglar en 1896 y en 1901 ingresó en el Seminario Pontificio Romano. Se desempeñó como capellán militar durante la Primera Guerra Mundial. Fue creado cardenal y patriarca de Venecia en 1953 y fue un pastor muy querido, dedicándose por completo al bienestar de su rebaño. Elegido Papa tras la muerte de Pío XII, fue un ejemplo de Papa "pastoral", un buen pastor que se preocupaba profundamente por sus ovejas. Sin embargo, su mayor acto como Papa fue sin duda la inspiración para convocar el Concilio Vaticano Segundo, que inauguró el 11 de octubre de 1962. El espíritu de humilde sencillez, profunda bondad y profunda vida de oración del Papa Juan irradiaba en todo lo que hacía e inspiraba que la gente lo llamara cariñosamente "Buen Papa Juan".



**Pope St. John XXIII
Pray for us**

Gospel

Reflection

Today's Gospel follows directly after last Sunday's Gospel in which Jesus was questioned by Jewish religious leaders about the source of his teaching authority. After refusing to answer their questions, Jesus tells the parable of the two sons and then criticizes the priests and elders for their lack of belief in John the Baptist.

In today's Gospel, Jesus once again speaks to the priests and elders with a parable. In this parable, the landowner leases his vineyard to tenants and sends his servants to collect the portion of the harvest that the tenants owe to him. Several times the servants are sent to collect payment, and each time they are beaten and killed by the tenants. Finally, the landowner sends his son to collect his rent. The tenants, believing that they will inherit the vineyard if the landowner dies without an heir, plot together and kill the landowner's son.

After telling the parable, Jesus questions the chief priests and elders about what the landowner will do to the wicked tenants. They all agree that the landowner will kill the wicked tenants and give the land to new tenants who will pay the rent.

In telling the parable, Jesus is clearly drawing upon Isaiah 5:1-7, which is today's first reading and one that the priests and elders would have known well. Jesus doesn't, therefore, have to explain the symbolism of the parable; the Pharisees would have understood that the vineyard represented Israel, the landowner represented God, the servants represented the prophets, and the bad tenants represented the religious leaders. Yet Jesus nonetheless explains the meaning of the parable for his audience: the Kingdom of God will be taken from the unbelieving and given to the faithful. The chief priests and elders have condemned themselves with their answer to Jesus' question.

Today's Gospel has a parallel in Mark 12:1-12. There are some notable differences, however. In Matthew's version, the religious leaders condemn themselves; in Mark's Gospel, Jesus answers his own question. Matthew names the religious leaders as Pharisees and chief priests. Clearly this Gospel shows the tension that was mounting between Jesus and the Jewish religious leaders who thought that his message was dangerous. Matthew's Gospel was written about 70 years after Jesus' death and reflects the conflicts and tensions found in the Christian community for whom Matthew was writing. Many biblical scholars believe that the tension between Matthew's community and their Jewish neighbors can also be heard in today's reading.

This Gospel reminds us of the importance of listening to God's word. God speaks to us in many ways—through Scripture, through our Church tradition, in our Church's teaching, and through modern-day prophets. Are we attentive and receptive to God's word to us through these messengers?

El evangelio de hoy sigue directamente al evangelio del domingo pasado, en el que líderes religiosos judíos interrogaron a Jesús sobre la fuente de su autoridad docente. Después de negarse a responder a sus preguntas, Jesús cuenta la parábola de los dos hijos y luego critica a los sacerdotes y a los ancianos por su falta de fe en Juan el Bautista.

En el evangelio de hoy, Jesús vuelve a hablar a los sacerdotes y a los ancianos con una parábola. En esta parábola, el propietario alquila su viña a unos arrendatarios y envía a sus sirvientes a cobrar la parte de la cosecha que los arrendatarios le deben. Varias veces los sirvientes son enviados a cobrar el pago, y cada vez son golpeados y asesinados por los inquilinos. Finalmente, el terrateniente envía a su hijo a cobrar el alquiler. Los arrendatarios, creyendo que heredarán la viña si el terrateniente muere sin heredero, conspiran juntos y matan al hijo del terrateniente.

Después de contar la parábola, Jesús pregunta a los principales sacerdotes y a los ancianos sobre lo que el terrateniente les hará a los malvados inquilinos. Todos están de acuerdo en que el terrateniente matará a los malvados inquilinos y entregará la tierra a nuevos inquilinos que pagarán el alquiler.

Al contar la parábola, Jesús claramente se basa en Isaías 5:1-7, que es la primera lectura de hoy y que los sacerdotes y ancianos habrían conocido bien. Por tanto, Jesús no tiene que explicar el simbolismo de la parábola; los fariseos habrían entendido que la viña representaba a Israel, el terrateniente representaba a Dios, los siervos representaban a los profetas y los malos labradores representaban a los líderes religiosos. Sin embargo, Jesús explica el significado de la parábola a su audiencia: el Reino de Dios será quitado a los incrédulos y entregado a los fieles. Los principales sacerdotes y los ancianos se condenaron a sí mismos con su respuesta a la pregunta de Jesús.

El evangelio de hoy tiene un paralelo en Marcos 12:1-12. Sin embargo, existen algunas diferencias notables. En la versión de Mateo, los líderes religiosos se condenan a sí mismos; En el evangelio de Marcos, Jesús responde a su propia pregunta. Mateo nombra a los líderes religiosos como fariseos y principales sacerdotes. Claramente este evangelio muestra la tensión que estaba aumentando entre Jesús y los líderes religiosos judíos que pensaban que su mensaje era peligroso. El Evangelio de Mateo fue escrito unos 70 años después de la muerte de Jesús y refleja los conflictos y tensiones que se encuentran en la comunidad cristiana para quien Mateo escribía. Muchos eruditos bíblicos creen que la tensión entre la comunidad de Mateo y sus vecinos judíos también se puede escuchar en la lectura de hoy.

Este Evangelio nos recuerda la importancia de escuchar la palabra de Dios. Dios nos habla de muchas maneras: a través de las Escrituras, a través de la tradición de nuestra Iglesia, en las enseñanzas de nuestra Iglesia y a través de los profetas de hoy en día. ¿Estamos atentos y receptivos a la palabra que Dios nos dirige a través de estos mensajeros?

Readings for the week

Sunday: Is 5:1-7/Phil 4:6-9/Mt 21:33-43 (139) Pss III

Monday: Jon 1:1-2:2, 11/Lk 10:25-37 (461)

Tuesday: Jon 3:1-10/Lk 10:38-42 (462)

Wednesday: Jon 4:1-11/Lk 11:1-4 (463)

Thursday: Mal 3:13-20b/Lk 11:5-13 (464)

Friday: Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2/Lk 11:15-26 (465)

Saturday: Jl 4:12-21/Lk 11:27-28 (466)