

St. Leo's Bulletin 12.25.16

Weekly Collection

Yearly Budget	\$623,749.63
YTD	235,003.91
December Goal	\$51,000.00
MTD Collected	\$30,831.07
<i>Collections: December 19 2016</i>	
Adult	10,699.00
Children	0.00
Loose	825.00
Total	11,905.00
Rest. Loan	\$721,123.79

St. Leo's Staff

Pastor: Fr. Justin Waltz
 PV: Fr. Doug Krebs
 PIR: Fr. Jady Nelson
 Finance Mngr: Brian Rodgers
 Business Mngr: Sarah Perry
 DRE: Carmela Seright
 Maintenance: George Bohl
 Custodian: Jack Gelting
 House Keeper: Julie Petras
 Choir: William Schilling

Capital Campaign Cards

Our Capital Campaign cards are being mailed out, there is a chance you may not receive yours until the New Year— they are being mailed out in alphabetical order. Thank you for your continued patronage to St. Leo's.

Stewardship Thought

For Unto us is born this day a Savior! In response to so great a love, only the gift of my whole self will do. You have given us Yourself, dear Lord; in love and thanksgiving, I commit myself afresh to you.

— Christian stewardship trains us to become aware that God is the ultimate giver of the gifts we have. Our gift to God should be "from the top" not what may be left over.

Vocation Views

December 25, 2016 Christmas

Rejoice! A child is born to us. This Prince of Peace is the great light. Go and share your joy with others. (Isaiah 9:1-6)

Word of Life

December 25th The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)

For all Christians: May the light of Jesus' birth enflame our hearts to welcome and protect the gift of each person's life;

We pray to the Lord:

Knights of Columbus of OLG

The Our Lady of Grace Knights of Columbus Council #4894, assisted by Parish Youth, is hosting a breakfast on Sunday, January 1, from 8:30 am to 12:00 noon in the OLG dining room. Menu will be sausage, French toast, eggs, pancakes, fruit, coffee and juice. Free will offering. Proceeds for Dakota Hope Clinic.

Mass Intentions

Mon 12.26	8:00AM 8:30AM	No Communion Service No Adoration
Tues 12.27	8:00AM	No Mass
Wed 12.28	8:00AM	No Mass
Thur 12.29	8:00AM	No Mass
Fri 12.30	8:00AM	No Mass
Sat. 12.31	4:00PM	+Nanette Krueger
Sun. 1.01	8:00AM 9:30AM 11:00AM	Private Intentions Private Intentions Private Intentions
Solemnity of Mary		

IN MARRIAGE, communication is more than just talking.

Improving a marriage takes time and a conscious effort to learn about your spouse. Growing closer in a marriage does not happen automatically. Retrouvaille is a marriage program dedicated to helping couples grow closer and develop a stronger bond. You give your heart and soul to everything you do, between your work and your family. Are you giving your heart and soul to your marriage? Sometimes the distance between a husband and a wife can seem so wide that it cannot be repaired. Retrouvaille is a marriage program designed to bring couples closer together. For information about the upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend on January 13-16, 2017, please contact Tara Brooke @ 701-204-7209 or visit our website: **HelpOur-Marriage.com**

Bishop Ryan

2017 Lot-O-Dough Calendars: Remember to purchase your Lot-O-Dough Calendar. Drawings begin in January. Calendars for \$25 are available this week in the parish offices and the business office at Bishop Ryan, Tuesday thru Thursday. Drawings take place from January thru June.

Use Scrip gift cards for all your purchases of gas, groceries, household items, dining out, building & remodeling, car care, furniture and gifts. Scrip is available this week in the parish offices and business office at Bishop Ryan, Tuesday thru Thursday.

Current Preschool Openings: The Bishop Ryan Little Lions Preschool Program has openings in our five-day half-day Kindergarten Readiness classes. These classes meet every BRCS school day 8am-11am or 12pm-3pm and continue through the end of the 2016-17 school year. To register for these classes, students must have turned four by July 31st, 2016. If you'd like more information or to register, please contact Jaimie Brunner at (701) 838-3355.

Parish Office Christmas Break

The Parish Office will be closed from Wednesday the 21st until Wednesday the 28th. We will reopen on Thursday, the 29th.

No Mass

There will be no Masses, Adoration, or Communion Services the week after Christmas.

CCD

CCD, RCIA, and Confirmation will resume on Wednesday January 4th.

End of year donations

Thank you to all who have so generously given to support our parish throughout the year. As the calendar year draws to a close, we encourage each of our parish households to give generously and take advantage of the 2016 tax benefits. Please note that since Christmas falls on a weekend this year, there is an additional envelope in your monthly offertory packets to help our parish meet our budgeted goals for our Holy Day collections. If you make your offertory donations through our automatic banking option (ACH), we encourage you to use the colored envelopes from your packets for the additional collections.

SEARCH for Christian Maturity–Jan 20-22

Jan. 20-22; Mar. 3-5; Apr. 21-23, 2017

A Bismarck Diocese-sponsored weekend retreat for high school or college age, at least 15 years old, at the Badlands Ministries Camp near Medora, ND. Youth and peer oriented, guided by adult mentors. Cost, \$75. (Scholarship available.) The Spiritual director is Fr. Keith Streifel, kstreifel@bismarckdiocese.com,

Knights Corner

- Interested in becoming a member of the Knights Of Columbus? Call Doug Presley at 701-240-7302
- There will be no Fellowship Sunday, December 25th or Sunday, January 1st
- Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from Knights Of Columbus