



St. Leonhard's

St. Mary's

Holy Cross

MAY 2025



PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR MAY

For our deceased Holy Father, Pope Francis - who as the successor of St Peter pastured your flock. Lord, grant him the fulfilment of his paschal journey through an eternal life with you.

For the Church – Lord, send out your Holy Spirit upon the cardinals in Rome that they may choose a shepherd after Your own heart, one who will lead your flock with wisdom, holiness and love.

MAY 2025

Saturday, 03.05.	17.00	St. Leonhard's	Mass (<i>substitute</i>)
Sunday, 04.05.	09.30 17.00	Holy Cross St. Mary's	Mass (<i>Br. Anthony</i>) Mass (<i>Fr. Varghese</i>)
Tuesday, 06.05.	18.00	St. Leonhard's	NO MASS
Saturday, 10.05.	17.00	St. Leonhard's	Mass (<i>Fr. Gaby</i>)
Sunday, 11.05.	09.30 17.00	Holy Cross St. Mary's	Mass + Family Mas Mass
Tuesday, 13.05.	18.00	St. Leonhard's	NO MASS
Saturday, 17.05.	17.00	St. Leonhard's	Mass
Sunday, 18.05.	09.30 17.00	Holy Cross St. Mary's	Mass + Children's Liturgy of the Word Mass
Tuesday, 20.05.	18.00	St. Leonhard's	Mass
Saturday, 24.05.	17.00	St. Leonhard's	Mass
Sunday, 25.05	09.30 17.00	Holy Cross St. Mary's	Mass Mass
Tuesday, 27.05.	18.00	St. Leonhard's	Mass
Saturday, 31.05	17.00	St. Leonhard's	Mass

JUNE 2025

Sunday, 01.06.	09.30 17.00	Holy Cross St. Mary's	Mass Mass
Tuesday, 03.06.	18.00	St. Leonhard's	Mass
Saturday, 07.05.	17.00	St. Leonhard's	NO MASS at St. Leonhard's
*** <u>Instead</u> ***	18:00	Frankfurt Dom Cathedral	International Pentecost Mass
Sunday, 08.06	09.30 17.00	Holy Cross St. Mary's	Mass Mass

*** All Masses celebrated by Father Christian Enke, unless otherwise specified ***

Total Parish Collections for March 2025 = 3,422 Euros

OFFICE CLOSED – The Parish Office will be CLOSED on **Tuesday, May 13th**. We appreciate your understanding.

REGULAR CONFESSION TIMES – Father Christian will be available to hear individual confessions each weekend 30 minutes before Mass, at all 3 church locations. No prior appointments necessary. *Please note that this does not necessarily apply on the weekends where there are substitute priests.*



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

The following children from our parish will receive their First Holy Communion on Saturday, May 24th at Holy Cross Church. May the Lord bless them and keep them in His love, as they continue to grow in their faith.

Michael Arnold

Eloise Hay-Campbell

Liam Bhatti

Andrew Illenberger

Stella Deo

Mathis Lerond

Wyatt Deo

Luisa Frazao-Gomes Pires

Ella Drinovac

Joseph Pisacreta

Jonathan Felix

Reagan Willoughby

Sherah Felix

St.
Leonhards

FOOD DONATIONS – Each Saturday at Mass we collect non-perishable, non-refrigerated food for the Mother Teresa Sisters (things like marmalade, fruit teas (rather than black tea), sugar, margarine, dried meats, e.g. salami). Simply place your items in the basket in the back of church.

! **NEW SATURDAY MASS TIME** - Please be advised that, **starting May 3rd**, the weekly Saturday evening Vigil Mass at St. Leonhard's will be moved from 18:00 (6 p.m.) to the **new time of 17:00** (5 p.m.) This change is being made to allow for more time after Mass before the church closes at 19:00 (7 p.m.), ensuring a more relaxed and prayerful Mass for everyone. Additionally, this adjustment restores the original 17:00 Mass time that was in place many years ago, before the church renovations. We appreciate your understanding and look forward to celebrating Mass with you at the new time. *PS - the Tuesday evening Mass time of 18:00 remains the same. Only the Saturday Mass changes.*

Holy
Cross

FAMILY MASS – May 11th

The Sunday Mass at Holy Cross on May 11th will be for both “young” and “old” alike, with certain elements geared especially towards children incorporated into the regular Sunday Mass.



CHILDRENS LITURGY OF THE WORD - Sunday, May 18th

Children’s Liturgy of the Word is an age-appropriate Liturgy of the Word offered for children ages 4 and above, that will be held during the 9:30 Mass. No pre-registration is required.

FOOD DONATIONS - We collect food for the Missionary Sisters of Charity each Sunday. We need non-perishable food items, e.g. pasta, sauce, soups, cereals, etc. Especially important: marmalade, fruit teas, sugar, margarine, dried meats, e.g. salami (non-refrigerated), 10-slice packs of individually wrapped yellow cheese (non-refrigerated). **Please do not bring outdated food items.** Thank you.

COFFEE SOCIAL AFTER MASS – You are most welcome to join us for some refreshments each Sunday morning after Mass in Holy Cross in the Parish Hall.

St.
Mary’s

FOOD DONATIONS - You can bring your food donations for the Hattersheim-Hofheim Tafel each Sunday to Mass. The Tafel is in need of items such as

sugar, flour, cooking oil, non-refrigerated milk and canned goods.

Mass Responses can be found under Nr. 79 in the
“Laudate” Song Book (pages 200-211)

May 3 / 4 - 3rd Sunday of Easter

FIRST READING – Acts 5: 28-32, 40b-41

In those days: The high priest questioned the apostles, saying, “We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man’s blood on us.” But Peter and the apostles answered, “We must obey God rather than human beings. The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God

exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.” Then the council ordered the Apostles not to speak in the name of Jesus, and let them go. As they left the council, they rejoiced that they were considered worthy to suffer dishonor for the sake of the name.

R: I will extol you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

SECOND READING – Revelation 5: 11-14

I, John, looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, singing with full voice: “Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!” Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, singing, “To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!” And the four living creatures said, “Amen!” And the elders fell down and worshipped.

GOSPEL – John 21: 1-19

Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, “I am going fishing.” They said to him, “We will go with you.” They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, “Children, you have no fish, have you?” They answered him, “No.” He said to them, “Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some.” So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, “It is the Lord!” When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about ninety meters off.

When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught. So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."

May 10 / 11 - 4th Sunday of Easter

FIRST READING – Acts 13:14. 43-52

Paul and Barnabas went on from Perga and came to Antioch in Pisidia. And on the sabbath day they went into the synagogue and sat down. When the meeting of the synagogue broke up, many Jews and devout converts to Judaism followed Paul and Barnabas, who spoke to them and urged them to continue in the grace of God. The next sabbath almost the whole city gathered to hear the word of the Lord. But when the Jewish officials saw the crowds, they were filled with jealousy; and blaspheming, they contradicted what was spoken by

Paul. Then both Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly, saying, "It was necessary that the word of God should be spoken first to you. Since you reject it and judge yourselves to be unworthy of eternal life, we are now turning to the Gentiles. For so the Lord has commanded us, saying, 'I have set you to be a light for the Gentiles, so that you may bring salvation to the ends of the earth.'"

When the Gentiles heard this, they were glad and praised the word of the Lord; and as many as had been destined for eternal life became believers. Thus the word of the Lord spread throughout the region. But the officials incited the devout women of high standing and the leading men of the city, and stirred up persecution against Paul and Barnabas, and drove them out of their region. So they shook the dust off their feet in protest against them, and went to Iconium. And the disciples were filled with joy and with the Holy Spirit.

R: We are his people: the sheep of his pasture.

SECOND READING – Revelation 7:9, 14b-17

After this I, John, looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. And one of the elders said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

GOSPEL: John 10, 27-30

Jesus said: "My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

May 17 / 18 - 5th Sunday of Easter

FIRST READING – Acts 14: 21b-27

Paul and Barnabas returned to Lystra, then on to Iconium and Antioch. There they strengthened the souls of the disciples and encouraged them to continue in the faith, saying, “It is through many persecutions that we must enter the kingdom of God.” And after they had appointed elders for them in each church, with prayer and fasting they entrusted them to the Lord in whom they had come to believe. Then they passed through Pisidia and came to Pamphylia. When they had spoken the word in Perga, they went down to Attalia. From there they sailed back to Antioch, where they had been commended to the grace of God for the work that they had completed. When they arrived, they called the church together and related all that God had done with them, and how he had opened a door of faith for the Gentiles.

R: I will bless your name forever, my king and my God.

SECOND READING – Revelation 21: 1-5a

Then I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes, Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.” ,, And the one who was seated on the throne said, “See, I am making all things new.”

GOSPEL – John 13: 1, 31-33a, 34-35

Before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. During the supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, “Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. I give you a new

commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

May 24 / 25 - 6th Sunday of Easter

FIRST READING – Acts 15: 1-2, 22-29

Certain individuals came down from Judea and were teaching the brothers, “Unless you are circumcised according to the custom of Moses, you cannot be saved.” And after Paul and Barnabas had no small dissension and debate with them, Paul and Barnabas and some of the others were appointed to go up to Jerusalem to discuss this question with the apostles and the elders. ... Then the apostles and the elders, with the consent of the whole church, decided to choose men from among their members and to send them to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas. They sent Judas called Barsabbas, and Silas, leaders among the brothers, with the following letter:

“The brothers, both the apostles and the elders, to the believers of Gentile origin in Antioch and Syria and Cilicia, greetings. Since we have heard that certain persons who have gone out from us, though with no instructions from us, have said things to disturb you and have unsettled your minds, we have decided unanimously to choose representatives and send them to you, along with our beloved Barnabas and Paul, who have risked their lives for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ. We have therefore sent Judas and Silas, who themselves will tell you the same things by word of mouth. For it has seemed good to the Holy Spirit and to us to impose on you no further burden than these essentials: that you abstain from what has been sacrificed to idols and from blood and from what is strangled and from fornication. If you keep yourselves from these, you will do well. Farewell.”

R: Let the peoples praise you, O God: let all the peoples praise you.

SECOND READING – Revelation 21: 10-14, 22-23

In the spirit the Angel carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from

God. It has the glory of God and a radiance like a very rare jewel, like jasper, clear as crystal. It has a great, high wall with twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and on the gates are inscribed the names of the twelve tribes of the children of Israel; on the east three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. And the wall of the city has twelve foundations, and on them are the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb. I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb.

GOSPEL – John 14: 23-29

Jesus said to his disciples, “Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me. I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, ‘I am going away, and I am coming to you.’ If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe.”



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(for the public) 14.00-16.00

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10.00-12:00

Baptisms arranged with one month notice,
weddings with at least six months notice.



St. Leonhard's

Church location:

*Am Leonhardstor 25
60311 Frankfurt am Main*

**Mass time: Saturdays 5:00 pm
Tuesdays 6:00 pm**



Holy Cross

Church location:

*Kettelerallee 45
60385 Frankfurt am Main*

Mass time: Sundays 9:30 am



St. Mary's

Church location:

*Wachenheimer Str. 58
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Mass time: Sundays 5.00 pm