

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 3, 2015

"I am the true vine, and My Father is the vine grower..." "I am the vine you are the branches."

John 15: 1-8

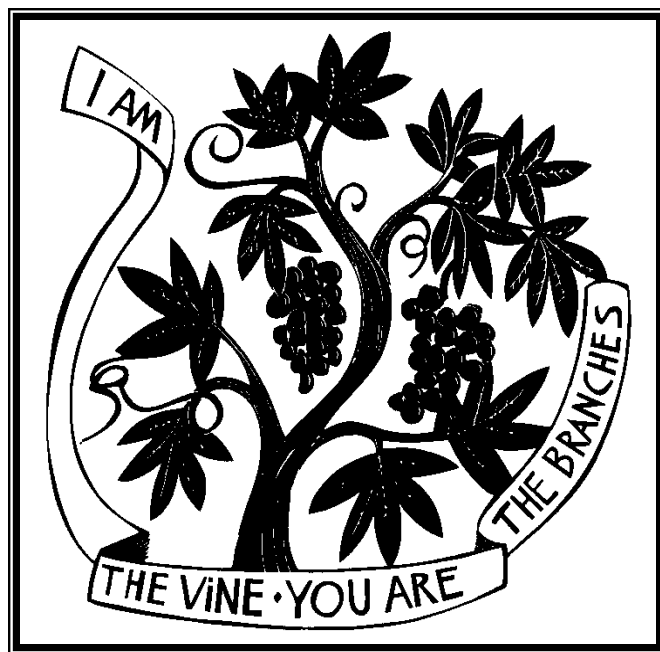
'Circular' Spirituality

Sometime, as prayer, do this:

Take a compass and draw a perfect circle. The center of the circle - the place where you pricked the paper to insert the compass point - is the same distance from any point on the circumference. Perfect. Imagine that the circle you drew is the world and everyone in it, and that God is the center. Mark a point somewhere on the circle and write the name of someone dear to you. At a third point on the circle, write the name of someone you're not that fond of. Now draw lines from each of these points to that center point - the point that is God. As each line moves closer to God, you will see that each line moves closer to the others - until, in God, they meet.

A monk of the sixth century, Dorotheos of Gaza, suggested the metaphor of the circle to understand our relationship to God in and of others. As we move toward God, Father Dorotheos preached, we move closer to one another.

Jesus' image of the vine and branches reminds us that because we are one in Christ, we are one in one another - as a family and as a church. We are connected to one another, we belong to one another, we are branches of the same vine planted by God the vine grower - we are all points on the same circle, making our way to God. In Christ, we are sustained in God's grace throughout time and space; despite our different races and creeds, our nationalities and cultures, we are branches that draw life from the same root. The Risen Jesus asks us to pray Father Dorotheos' "circle" to realize Christ's vision of a community that cherishes in unity in God's compassion and our common identity as His sons and daughters.



BAPTISMS

Our Parish Community welcomes:

Christopher Berry Johnson,
son of Matthew & Anne Johnson
Isla Lacy Pecko,
daughter of Nicholas & Paula Pecko



Sisters of St. Joseph Prayer Line:

216-252-0548

Daily Readings

To listen to Daily Readings, go to:
www.usscb.org, click on "Bible" then "Today's Readings", look in the left column for "Audio."

Pray for the Deceased

Ilona Brogan,
sister of Steve Dezsi



May her soul and the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, May 4 - Easter Weekday

5:15 PM Lew & Marie Mossbrugger

Tuesday, May 5 - Easter Weekday

8:00 AM Mary Nixon

Wednesday, May 6 - Easter Weekday

5:15 PM Mary Wendell

Thursday, May 7 - Easter Weekday

8:00 AM Marge Neroni

Friday, May 8 - Easter Weekday

5:15 PM Kevin O'Keefe

Saturday, May 9 - Easter Weekday

8:00 AM Mother's Day Spiritual Bouquet

4:00 PM Maura Day

Sunday, May 10 - Sixth Sunday of Easter

9:00 AM Kathleen Hansinger (Living)

11:00 AM For the People of the Parish



III Brendan Grady & Carolyn Gareau

Mass Intentions - 2015

The Mass Intention Book for 2015 is open. You might like to remember the birthday or anniversary of your living loved ones, as well as the deceased. Mass stipends are \$10 each. Please stop by the Rectory office, or call the office at 226-5116 Monday thru Friday.

Pot of Gold Winners

(\$25) Ryan Duffy, Leslie Kasten,
Cis Speer, Jon Sminchak,
Ginny Duffy, Ann Prudhoe



Finance Corner:

Collection for weekend of April 26th - \$ 7,882.11

Monthly Collection - \$ 240.00

Online Giving: Monthly - \$ 320 – Weekly - \$ 268

Easter Collection - \$ 110.00

Catholic Relief - \$ 20.00

Peter's Pence - \$ 5.00

Children's Collection - \$ 15.00

Thank you for your continued support and generosity for the parish.

Liturgical Ministers

Lector Schedule

Saturday, May 9:

4:00 pm J. Wagner

Sunday, May 10:

9:00 am M. Smith

11:00 am M. Miranda

Eucharistic Minister Schedule

Saturday, May 9:

4:00 pm Deacon Danny, P. Geib, A. Johnston

Sunday, May 10:

9:00 am M. Kotansky, B. Andrews, L. Andrews,
C. Kelly, C. White, K. Elder, B. Poling

11:00 am R. Brown, B. Popernack, C. Hyland

Server Schedule

Saturday, May 9:

4:00 pm J. Staviscak, J. Staviscak, R. Duffy

Sunday, May 10:

9:00 am F. Smith, C. Andrews, M. Andrews

11:00 am J. Cook, P. Triesel, M. Hoefsmitt

Pre-Baptismal Class

For those preparing to have a child baptized in the near future, one requirement is that the parents attend a Pre-Baptismal Class.



The next Pre-Baptismal Class will be held at Saint James Church on **Sunday, May 3, 2015, at 1:00 pm in the Parish Office.**

Saint Clement & Saint James Family PSR **Where Families Journey in Faith Together**

The first/third group meets on 5/4 for Prayer Exploration 8.

Scripture Treats



Scripture Treats is a Bible Study Group. Join us for lively discussions and good spiritual food. We meet every Thursday from 10:45 am until 12 noon in the Rectory. Everyone is welcome!

Bulletin Advertisers

Check out the back of the bulletin. Our advertisers pay for the cost of the weekly bulletin. Please support them and let them know you're a member of our parish and appreciate their advertisement in our bulletin!

Illuminating the Mass

Come and join us as we learn more about the most important aspect of our Catholic faith, the Mass. Father Workman will be hosting four sessions in the month of May at Saint Clement Church to expand your understanding of the Mass.



- **Wednesday, May 6th - 7 pm**
The inspirational role of environment and decorum in the Mass.
- **Wednesday, May 13 - 7 pm**
The power of music in conveying the Paschal mystery of our Eucharistic celebration.
- **Wednesday, May 20 - 7pm**
The role of Holy Scripture in the movement of our liturgical celebration.
- **Wednesday, May 27 - 7 pm**
A reflective time to renew our experience and knowledge as we celebrate Eucharist together.

Please plan to attend as many sessions as you can to enrich your appreciation of the Mass.

Scripture Readings for the Week

Monday: Acts 14: 5-18; Jn: 14: 21-26
Tuesday: Acts 14: 19-28; Jn 14: 27-31
Wednesday: Acts 15: 1-6; Jn 15: 1-8
Thursday: Acts 15: 7-21; Jn 15: 9-11
Friday: Acts 15: 22-31; Jn 15: 12-17
Saturday: Acts 16: 1-10; Jn 15: 18-21
Sunday: Acts 10: 25-26, 34-35, 44-48;
1 Jn 4: 7-10; Jn 15: 9-17



Coffee & Donuts

Please join us after the 9 am & 11 am Masses for coffee, donuts and fellowship in the church hall this Sunday.

PLEASE NOTE: Coffee & donuts will be cancelled on Mother's Day.

Paper Retriever Bin

Recycle your newspapers, catalogs, magazines, office and school papers and bagged shredded paper. The green and yellow bins are located in the back parking lot. The proceeds benefit our parish.

Special Mother's Day Remembrance

Give your Mother a spiritual bouquet this Mother's Day! On the weekend of May 2nd & 3rd, special gold embossed Mother's Day cards will be available for an offering of one dollar (\$1). The cards will be available both at the Church and at the Rectory office during the week. Mothers (living and deceased) will share in the spiritual benefits of two Masses offered in the month of May.



Saint Vincent de Paul - Thank You!

Thanks to the generosity of our parishioners, the collection last weekend provided **\$1,506** for the Saint Vincent de Paul Society! These funds will be used to help those in need in our parish and surrounding community. We greatly appreciate your support.

ACADEMIC ACCOLADES

Congratulations to the following Saint Joseph High School students who have achieved a GPA of 3.3 or higher for the 1st semester:

Mary Cait Dolan, Julia McDermott, Natalia Mephram, Emily Morabeto, Erin Mullen, Maeve Mullen, Renee Senft, Frances Smith

Lakewood Catholic Academy News....

Time to Enroll for Preschool 2015-2016

Lakewood Catholic Academy Preschool Program has limited spaces remaining for the 2015-2016 school year. Children who will be 3 and 4 are eligible to attend as well as 5 year olds who may not yet be ready for kindergarten. Financial aid is available for qualifying families. Call LCA Admissions Office at (216) 521-0559, ext. 3028, for availability and further information.

Time to Enroll for Kindergarten 2015-2016

Lakewood Catholic Academy has available spots remaining for kindergarten for the 2015-2016 school year. Children must be 5 years old by September 30, and participate in a readiness assessment to be eligible for admission. Financial aid is available for qualifying families. For details, please call the Admissions Office at (216) 521-0559, ext. 3028. School tours by appointment for both preschool and kindergarten.



The Pot of Gold Raffle

The Pot of Gold raffle is a great way to support your parish and the chances of winning are daily.

Each \$10.00 ticket will give you 324 chances to win.

Beginning July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 a ticket will be drawn for \$25.00 each day (Sundays not included).

Tickets are always on sale at the rectory.

Drawings begin July 1st, 2015

Daily Chances to WIN!

A \$100.00 drawing will take place on the first Sunday of each month.

TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

Catechetical Collection - May 9th & 10th

Each year in the Diocese of Cleveland a special collection is taken up in all parishes to support the Catechetical Ministries of the Office of Catechetical Formation & Education. Funding from this collection supports Newman Campus Ministry, Adult Faith Formation, Media Literacy, Parish Catechetical Leadership Training and Catechist Certification. This year the collection will be held on the weekend of May 9th & 10th. A contribution to the Catechetical Ministries is an investment in the faith formation and religious education of every person of every age in the Diocese. Please consider giving a gift to this very special collection.

Jesuit Retreat House Upcoming Retreat

Mary, the Model of Discipleship

May 21 - 9 am-3 pm

Join Fr. Timothy Kalista for a one day retreat on the role of Mary as a model of discipleship. The last recorded words in the Gospels we have of Mary is: "Do whatever He tells you to do!" And, as Christians, we are reminded to be like Christ. This day will provide us some of the "tools" we can use to help be stronger disciples of the Lord. Brief reflections, Mass, Adoration, Rosary and lunch will be offered as part of our day. Cost is \$35. To register, please contact the Jesuit Retreat House at 440-884-9300, or visit:

www.jrh-cleveland.org

Pot of Gold Raffle Update....

Thank you for your continued support of this raffle. We are well on our way with people picking up their tickets to sell. Returns are beginning to come in and we appreciate all your efforts! Please pick up your tickets after all Masses, or at the Rectory during the week. Our prize money given out during the year is just over \$ 9,000. All tickets go back in the drum for more chances to win. If we all participate, even buying just one ticket, we will make a difference!

Please check out our website:

www.stclementlakewood.com

It has more content, more photos, more pages, Google Calendar, and enhanced navigation!

Online Giving

Online Giving is an electronic tool for contributions so you can give via the internet and maintain your giving, even if you cannot be here at Mass. Visit our website to sign-up and to begin contributing automatically to our parish.

Visit: www.osvonlinegiving.com/1735 to get started, or click the icon located on Saint Clement Parish's main website www.stclementlakewood.com. Any questions? Call Alyssa Nadin at 226-5116.

St. Luke 50+ Club Historic & Ethnic Tour **Friday, July 10, 2015**

This unique, behind-the-scenes tour of Cleveland will take us to many ethnic and historical places that will surprise you. We'll start by seeing where Moses Cleaveland landed in 1796. We'll stop at German and Lebanese shops to sample their wares and see a special market in Chinatown. We'll stop at the Westside Market and afterwards enjoy lunch at Sokolowski's University Inn. We'll see University Circle and well-known Little Italy. We'll travel by a bakery where all the bakers worked for Hough Bakery. Our 50 + Club trip price is \$65. The trip includes deluxe motor coach, lunch, taxes and a tour guide from JKL Tours. Final payment deadline is June 10th (unless the bus sells out beforehand). We'll depart from St. Luke's parking lot at 8:30 am and arrive back about 5 pm. Please call Dorothy D'Amico at 216-221-9697 for more information. Please make checks payable to St. Luke Church.