Seventeenth Sunday of the Year July 26, 2015

"There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish; but what good are these for so many?" John 6: 1-15

The Church on the Grass

More than five thousand had come to hear Jesus. The sick certainly had come, hoping that what they heard about this wonder-worker was true. Maybe He'll see my pleurisy, my shattered limb, my disfigurement and heal me. The crowd must have included exhausted mothers with their babies in tow. There must have been unemployed workers and struggling farmers there, too, whose lives had become a fog of hopelessness. Among those who had come to hear Jesus must have been more than one soul dealing quietly and alone - with a shattered relationship, a serious illness, a lost son or daughter. The depressed, the homeless, the disabled, also found a patch of grass to sit on that afternoon. In the back, on the edges of the crowd, were those who were embarrassed to be there or who did not want to be noticed: tax collectors, prostitutes, thieves, alcoholics, addicts, abusers. Also looking on from the shadows, trying to be as inconspicuous as possible, were Jesus' harshest critics: Pharisees, scribes, and priests. The happy and troubled, the doubting and the curious, the believer and skeptic, the grateful and the broken - all found a place on the grass. Jesus welcomed every one of them. And He fed them. He fed them all.

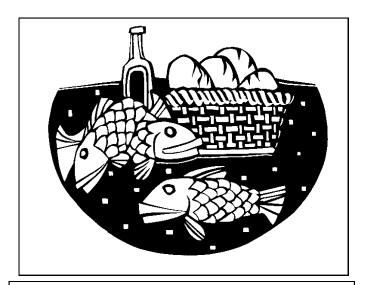
The scene on that grassy plain mirrors the gathering at this table today. In the miracle of the loaves and fish, Jesus transforms a crowd of all ages, talents, abilities and backgrounds into a community of That vision of being a Eucharistic generosity. community is recreated each time we gather here. That is the challenge of the Gospel and the mandate of the Eucharist that is foreshadowed in this miracle story - to take up the hard work of reconciliation and compassion begun by God, the God who dwells here in our own village; to humbly and lovingly bring the peace of God's dwelling place into our own homes; to become the body and blood of Jesus that we receive at His table where all, saints and sinners, are welcomed. Eucharist is possible only when self defers to community, only when serving others is exalted over being served, only when differences dissolve and the common and shared are honored above all else. In the Eucharist of Christ, the humble Servant-Redeemer, we seek to become what we receive - one bread, one cup, one body and one family.

Sisters of St. Joseph Prayer Line:

216-252-0548

Moving?

Please notify the Rectory office of any change of address so that we can update our records. You can call the office at 216-226-5116 or email us at: stclementlakewood@cox.net.



Attend Mass on Vacation...

If you have a computer, you can go to masstimes.org to find the Mass times almost anywhere in the world.

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 Clement Church on **Sunday**, **August 2**, **2015**, at 1:00 pm in the Church.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, July 27 - Weekday

5:15 PM Ralph & Susan Hesland

Tuesday, July 28 - Weekday 8:00 AM Special Intention

Wednesday, July 29 - Saint Martha

5:15 PM Walter & Virginia Frederick

Thursday, July 30 - Saint Peter Chrysologus

8:00 AM Alice Lyons

Friday, July 31 - Saint Ignatius of Loyola

5:15 PM Charles Wasserbauer

<u> Saturday, August 1 - Saint Alphonsus Liguori</u>

8:00 AM Special Intention 4:00 PM Stephen Wendell

Sunday, August 2 - 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM Julianne Moore

11:00 AM For the People of the Parish

Mass Intention Book 2016 Open

The Mass Intention Book for 2016 is now open. Please note there are still dates available for Mass intentions this year. 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 to schedule Masses.

Scripture Readings for the Week

Monday: Ex 32: 15-24, 30-34; Mt 13: 31-35

Tuesday: Ex 33: 7-11; 34: 5-9, 28; Mt 13: 36-43

Wednesday: Ex 34: 29-35; Jn 11: 19-27

Thursday: Ex 40: 16-21, 34-38; Mt 13: 47-53

Friday: Lv 23: 1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34-37;

Mt 13: 54-58

Saturday: Lv 25: 1, 8-17; Mt 14: 1-12

Sunday: Ex 16: 2-4, 12-15; Eph 4: 17, 20-24;

Jn 6: 24-35

Pot of Gold Winners

(\$25) Dick Dutro, Jim Mossbruger, Mike Skantzos, Janet Nolan, Frank Stasko, Eva Frost



Liturgical Ministers

Lector Schedule

Saturday, August 1:

4:00 pm B. Caja Sunday, August 2:

9:00 am M. Smith 11:00 am J. Cudnik

Eucharistic Minister Schedule

Saturday, August 1:

4:00 pm R. Merritt, J. Dippong, L. Dippong,

R.M. Janesz, T. Janesz, M.K. Kolenz,

P. Buckhold

Sunday, August 2:

9:00 am M. Kotansky, C. White, B. Poling

11:00 am R. Brown, S. Lanzer, J. Lanzer

Server Schedule

Saturday, August 1:

4:00 pm L. Kolenz, S. Mahoney, M. Mahoney

Sunday, August 2:

9:00 am F. Smith, E. Martin, A. Martin

11:00 am I. Cudnik, M. Dineen, P. Triesel

Congratulations...

to Patrick Hyland, S.J., as he takes his 1st vows of poverty, chastity and obedience in loving service to Our Lord Jesus Christ, on August 8th, 2015, in the Jesuit Order, in St. Paul, Minnesota.

BAPTISMS

Our Parish Community welcomes:

Abbie Mikayla Pavelko daughter of Rigel & Jennifer Ariza



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. No registration. Everyone is welcome!

Finance Corner:

Collection for weekend of July 19 - \$ 6,579.00

Monthly Collection - \$ 2,053.00

Children's Collection - \$ 3.00

Online giving - Monthly \$220.00 - Weekly \$338.00

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

Welcome Fr. John Nedumcheril!

Fr. John Nedumcheril will be visiting us next weekend to ask for your support for the work of the missionaries of the Diocese of Pathanamthitta, India. The Catholic Diocese of Pathanamthitta was erected by His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI bifurcating Archdiocese Trivandrum on pastoral and administrative grounds in March 2010. The Catholic faithful in this diocese is 45,000. They have given special attention to the well being and care of the marginalized of society. Homes run by the diocese for the mentally challenged and a home the physically challenged help downtrodden from the area by giving them hope and showing them mercy. Through the Malankara Social Service Society, the diocese tries to help many people who are economically, socially and educationally down. At the present time, there are 106 priests for 100 parishes and mission stations in the diocese. They have 62 seminarians and their formation to priesthood is of prime importance. They have to be supported financially from the diocese during the course of their study because many of the candidates belong to low income families. It would be a great help to the diocese if you are able to provide financial assistance to the seminarians in their journey to priesthood. They have churches to be built, rectories to be constructed, and new missions to be started. The needs are huge and resources are very little.

Fr. Nedumcheril will speak at all Masses next weekend, August 1st & 2nd. The second collection will be taken up on behalf of his missionary work. We welcome Fr. Nedumcheril and thank you for whatever you can do to help in the support of the mission of Pathanamthitta.

St. Augustine Hunger Center Collection

The St. Augustine Hunger Center collection will not be taken up next weekend due to the missionary visit of Fr. Nedumcheril from India.

Please note the St. Augustine Hunger Center collection will be taken up the weekend of **August 8th & 9th**. We appreciate your generosity on behalf of this caring ministry.

Daily Prayer Online

Make a sacred space in your day! Visit: www.sacredspace.ie/.

Saint Vincent de Paul Thank You!



A most heartfelt thank you from the Saint Clement Conference of the Saint Vincent de Paul Society for the generous

donations at last Sunday's Mass collection. Parishioners and friends gave \$873.85 for the Back-to-School Project. More donations are always appreciated.

Pot of Gold

Thank you to all who have participated in The Pot of Gold Fund Raiser so far this year! Our goal was to defray the cost of having air conditioning put into the office areas of the Rectory, and to also have air conditioning in the suites of Fr. Workman and Fr. Deo in the Rectory. While we are still not quite at our goal, our net profits are just shy of \$8,500. As we continue toward reaching our goal of \$10,000, there is still time to buy tickets. Every ticket sold makes a difference. Thank you again for your support of our parish. This is the last week to purchase tickets after Mass; however, tickets are always available at the Rectory office.

6th Annual LCA Golf Outing



The 6th Annual Lakewood Catholic Academy Golf Outing is set for Saturday, September 19th, once again at the Bob-O-Link Golf Course in beautiful Avon, Ohio. The event

begins at 9 am with a shotgun start. Participants will enjoy a fun-filled day of golf, food, prizes and a Chinese auction. The price of just \$100 per golfer includes 18 holes of golf with a cart, lunch, dinner, and a commemorative PING Ranger pullover. Additionally, there are numerous levels of sponsorships available, ranging from a hole sponsorship to a "Double Eagle" level. All registrations for the outing take place online. For more information, call Nick Peura at 216-406-7796, or email him at npeura@indelco.com.

Coffee & Donuts



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



LCA Football Program - Summer Camp

The LCA football staff is conducting its annual summer football camp for boys going into grades 4-8 this fall. The camp will be held at Lakewood Park for three evenings - Tuesday, July 28th through Thursday, July 30th, from 6 pm - 7:45 pm. The cost is \$35 per camper. All campers will be provided a shirt. Also, if any boy, grades 4-8 has an interest in participating in tackle football this fall and is an active participant in the PSR program, the LCA football team would love to have him join the team. LCA has two teams - a Jr. Varsity, grades 4-6, and a Varsity team, grades 7 & 8, and play in the West Side CYO League. The season runs from summer practice in early August until the end of Games are conducted on Sunday afternoons. For those interested in signing up to play, the LCA coaches will be having an informational meeting for parents after the camp session ends on Tuesday, July 28th. The meeting should last about 20 minutes. If you have any questions, you can reach out to:

Brendan Grady, Varsity Head Coach, at: brendan.grady@aecom.com; Kevin Lenhard, Asst. Varsity Coach at: kjlenhard@yahoo.com, or at 216-288-3070; Jim Sowinski, Head Jr. Varsity Coach at: jcsowinski@equityeng.com.

The Highlight of Summer!!



Don't miss out on **Sunday**, **August 9th**, as we come together for **The FEST** from 12 noon until 10 pm. Come hear great music along with great activities and displays. Check out Marc's

Mom's Relaxation Station with over 150,000 give away items for busy moms. Dads can spend time in the Troy-Bilt Dad's Den to learn about being a man of faith. It's the perfect family day. There is plenty of parking and affordable food thanks to Executive Caterers and Marc's. Come and get a brat off the worlds largest grill while watching your kids learn lessons of faith and family. For all the details, visit: www.theFEST.us.

Natural Family Planning...

involves no drugs or devices. There are zero health worries and it is immediately reversible when you want to try to conceive a baby. No doctor visits needed, no prescriptions to fill, no unwanted side effects. To learn more, visit:

<u>www.live-the-love.org</u>, or contact Bill and Jessica Davidson <u>davidsonnfp@gmail.com</u>, or call 301-841-7505 for more information.