

Twenty-Second Sunday of the Year

August 30, 2015

"Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come from within are what defiles."

Mark 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23

To Accept or Refuse

Many years ago, a great warrior abandoned his life of war and destruction and became a monk, happily living a quiet life serving his brothers and the poor and sick of the villages around the monastery. One day, an arrogant warrior rode through the village. He terrorized the villagers with his threats and demands. He soon made his way to the monastery where he recognized the monk from their adventures years before. The reckless warrior did everything he could to provoke his old adversary into a fight. The boor threw rocks, shouted insults, smashing parts of the poor monastery. But the monk would not respond. By dusk, the warrior finally grew tired of the game. He defiantly spat on the monastery door and rode off. Some of the villagers who had been brutalized by the warrior asked the monk why he did not confront the intruder. "If someone offers you a gift and you do not accept it, to whom does the gift belong?" the old monk asked. "He who offered it," they replied. "The same is true for anger, envy and ridicule," the monk explained. "When they are not accepted, they forever belong to the one who holds on to them."

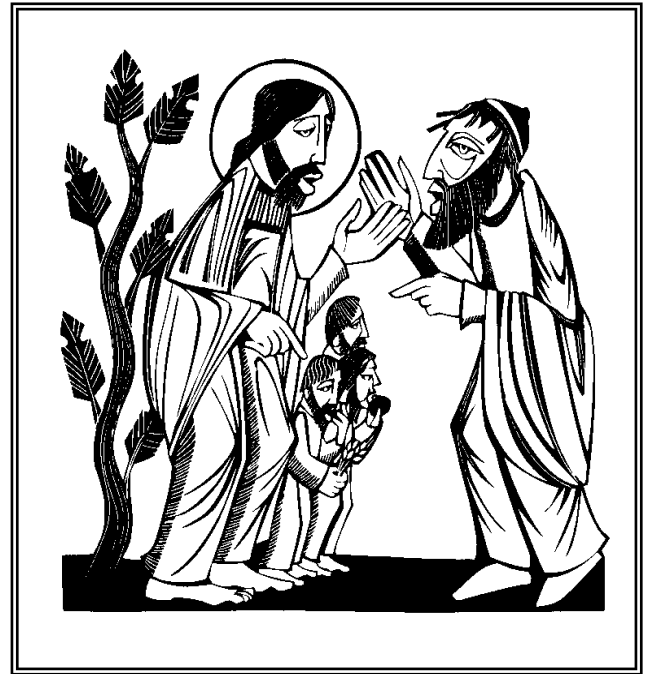
In the hurts, indignities and injustices perpetrated against us, what is often worse than the act itself is what the act does to us as persons. We respond with suspicion, cynicism, self-absorption, anger, and vengeance. One of the most difficult challenges of being a disciple of Jesus is not to let those things "outside" of us diminish what we are "inside" ourselves, not to let such anger or vengeance displace the things of God in the sacred place of our hearts but to let God's presence transform the evil that we have encountered into compassion and forgiveness.

Scripture Readings for the Week

Monday: 1 Thes 4: 13-18; Lk 4: 16-30
Tuesday: 1 Thes 5: 1-6, 9-11; Lk 4: 31-37
Wednesday: Col 1: 1-8; Lk 4: 38-44
Thursday: Col 1: 9-14; Lk 5: 1-11
Friday: Col 1: 15:20; Lk 5: 33-39
Saturday: Col 1: 21-23; Lk 6: 1-5
Sunday: Is 35: 4-7; Jas 2: 1-5; Mk 7: 31-37

Sisters of St. Joseph Prayer Line:

216-252-0548



Pray for the Deceased

Edwin Bianco



May his soul and the soul of the faithful departed rest in peace.

Coffee & Donuts



Don't miss an opportunity to get to know your parish family - join us in the hall after the 9 am & 11 am Sunday Masses for coffee and donuts.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, August 31 - Weekday

5:15 PM William Prusak

Tuesday, September 1 - Weekday

8:00 AM David & Thomas Jackson

Wednesday, September 2 - Weekday

5:15 PM Special Intention

Thursday, September 3 - Saint Gregory

8:00 AM John & Angeline Caja

Friday, September 4 - Weekday

5:15 PM Rick Delia

Saturday, September 5 - Blessed Teresa of Calcutta

8:00 AM Carl & May Meyer

4:00 PM Erna Spolny

Sunday, Sept. 6 - 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM For the People of the Parish

11:00 AM Virginia Tahsin

Parish Picnic Thank You!

Many thanks to all who came to our parish picnic, brought a side dish to share, set up tables of food, cleaned up the crumbs, painted a child's face, sold raffle tickets, grilled hot dogs, scooped ice cream, sang a song, visited with friends, took a walk in the park and just had fun!

Guessing game winners were Geri Bryan, Madonna Dezsi, Mike, Beth Bryan, Ann Staib and Dorothy Abel. Our bike raffle winner was Marie Kerg.

Special thanks to our donors, Marie and George; Colleen and Dave; and helpers (too many to list); to the Knights of Columbus for the ice cream social; to our musicians, Mark and Jack; our grillers, Carol and Warren; to our face painter, Marie; our Deacon Danny; and our pastor, Fr. Workman. See you all next year!!

BAPTISMS

Our Parish Community welcomes:

Murphy Mae Oslin
daughter of Raymond Oslin & Amanda Prenatt



Scripture Treats - Join Us!

Scripture Treats is a Bible Study Group that meets every Thursday from 10:45 am until 12 noon in the Rectory. Join us for lively discussions and good spiritual food! No registration is required. Everyone is welcome!

Liturgical Ministers

Lector Schedule

Saturday, September 5:

4:00 pm B. Caja

Sunday, September 6:

9:00 am M. Smith

11:00 am K. Reilly

Eucharistic Minister Schedule

Saturday, September 5:

4:00 pm Deacon Danny, D. Senft, M.K. Kolenz

Sunday, September 6:

9:00 am Deacon Danny, B. Andrews, L. Andrews

11:00 am J. Walsh, N. Gatica, K. Hayton

Server Schedule

Saturday, September 5:

4:00 pm M. Dineen, F. Senft, L. Kolenz

Sunday, September 6:

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

11:00 am J. Cook, J. Reilly, P. Triesel

Altar Server Training

Deacon Danny will be conducting an Altar Service Training after each Mass the weekend of **September 19th & 20th**. If you are interested in becoming a server, or know someone who is interested, please plan to attend one of the training sessions. Watch for more information in the coming weeks.

Daily Prayer Online

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

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS



The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a process for people who wish to inquire about the Catholic Faith and may be interested in joining the Catholic Church. **Our first**

meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 16th. If interested, or for more information regarding the journey of faith, please call the Rectory Office at 216-226-5116, or email: stclementlakewood@cox.net.

Pot of Gold Winners

(\$25) Jackie Finefrock, Marie Kerg,
Mike Griffen, Stan Dus,
Peggy Kerr, Karen Corrigan





Please Note!!!

During the next week or two, patch work will be done on both church parking lots. Barriers will be put up and parking will be limited. The front and side doors of the church will be open during the weekday Masses. The Rectory will be open and entry to the office will be through the front porch. Your cooperation during this time is appreciated.

RCIA Adapted for Children Journey of Faith for Children and Teens

Journey of Faith is a program that meets the unique catechetical needs of children and teens who are interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith. Young people who are seeking to learn more about Baptism or complete Christian Initiation are invited to attend. The program meets during the school year and is open to students and their parents. Sacraments are celebrated according to each family's needs.

For more information about the Journey of Faith program, please call Colleen Houk at 216-226-5116.

Communion Ministry at Fairview Hospital

It is of utmost importance that we, Catholics, receive Holy Communion as often times as possible, and more so, when we are sick or ill - trusting and hoping that as we come face-to-face with our physical mortality, in His REAL and FULL presence, Jesus will restore us to health, or in case we die, will lead us to eternal life.

This is to highlight the need for, and appeal for your help, to become a **Volunteer Eucharistic Minister at Fairview Hospital**, to comfort, to encourage and support our sick sisters and brothers by bringing them Jesus in the Holy Eucharist.

If you are already a Eucharistic Minister and are willing to help, please call Fr. Deogratias at 216-476-4929 to learn more about this grace-filled, compassionate ministry.

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.

Clambake

Clams steamed separately.

Saturday, September 26, 2015

St. Clement Parish Grounds **5:00 – 9:00p.m.**

Tickets will be on sale after each Mass in the gathering area OR you may call the rectory for tickets.

Volunteers needed, call: (216) 226-5116

Tickets

\$25

per dinner

A Message from LCA:

As we reopen our doors to begin another school year, the students, faculty and staff at Lakewood Catholic Academy remember that it is because of you that we are here. We are truly blessed to have your support and we thank you for all that you do for us. Please continue to keep us in your prayers as we begin another year in our academic and faith journey.



Grief & Healing

Are you grieving the loss of a family member, a friend, or a loved one? Holy Family Hospice invites you to join their Grief and Healing Support Group. This is an 8-week bereavement support group where members will meet others who have suffered loss, explore their individual grief process, and gain knowledge and insight of useful grief-coping skills to help them heal. There are two groups - Tuesdays from September 8th to October 27th from 6 pm - 7:30 pm; or on Thursdays from September 10th to October 29th from 2 pm - 3:30 pm, at the Holy Family Home in Parma. **Registration is required by September 1st.** Contact Erin Hout, Bereavement Counselor, at 440-545-7032, or ehout@hollyfamilyhome.com.



Catholic Family Day

Plan to join the Cleveland Indians for Mass and a ballgame on Sunday, September 20th, for Catholic Family Day at Progressive Field. The Catholic Mass will be at 10:15 am with Fr. Bob Stec as the presider. The Indians will play the Chicago White Sox at 1:10 pm. To order discount tickets starting at \$16, go to: <http://tinyurl.com/ov4s37x> and enter the passcode "baseball." Call Jackie Plys at 216-420-4162 with any questions.

Finance Corner:

Collection for weekend of August 23 - \$ 7,741.25
 Children's Collection - \$ 34.00
 Online giving - Monthly \$ 255.00 - Weekly \$ 388.00
 Thank you for your continued support and generosity to the parish.

Saint Clement

CATHOLIC CHURCH

Lakewood, Ohio

September 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 11:00 am Kiwanis Meeting	2	3 10:45 am Scripture Treats	4 7:00 pm Gratitude Group	5 3:00 pm Confessions
6 10:00 am Coffee & Donuts 12:00 pm Coffee & Donuts	7 LABOR DAY 9:00 am Mass	8 11:00 am Kiwanis Meeting 7:30 pm Knights of Columbus	9	10 10:45 am Scripture Treats 5:30 pm Children's Choir 7:30 pm Adult Choir	11 7:00 pm Gratitude Group	12 3:00 pm Confessions
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27 10:00 am Coffee & Donuts 12:00 pm Coffee & Donuts 7:00pm 1st Reconciliation Mtg Parents & Students @ St. James Hall	28 7:00 pm Family PSR	29 11:00 am Kiwanis Meeting 9:30 am "Gospel of Romans" @ St. James 7:00 pm "Gospel of Romans" @ St. Luke's 7:00 pm Mary's Birthday Celebration (Church & Hall)	30			