

Twenty-Third Sunday of the Year

September 6, 2015

Jesus put his finger into the man's ears and, spitting, touched his tongue; he then looked up to heaven and groaned, and said to him, "Ephphatha" - that is, "Be opened." Mark 7: 31-37

The spirit of "Ephphatha" is to recognize the possibilities for bringing God's peace and forgiveness into our lives and the lives of those we love. "Ephphatha" is to understand and be grateful for who we are and what we have received. "Ephphatha" is to hear the voice of God in the midst of the noise and distractions that surround us, to see out God's presence when we are overwhelmed by anger, jealousy and disappointment. May "Ephphatha" become our prayer - that we may be "open" to the presence of God in times of both joy and sorrow, enabling us to bring the compassion and mercy of God's presence into our own lives and every life we touch.

Scripture Readings for the Week

Monday: Col 1:24 - 2: 3; Lk 6: 6-11
Tuesday: Mi 5: 1-4; Mt 1: 1-16, 18-23
Wednesday: Col 3: 1-11; Lk 6: 20-26
Thursday: Col 3: 12-17; Lk 6: 27-38
Friday: 1 Tm 1: 1-2, 12-14; Lk 6: 39-42
Saturday: 1 Tm 1: 15-17; Lk 6: 43-49
Sunday: Is 50: 5-9; Jas 2:14-18; Mk 8: 27-35



Labor Day Mass

On Labor Day, Monday - September 7th, Mass will be at 9:00 am. Please note the Rectory office will be closed on Monday in observance of Labor Day.

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.

Sisters of St. Joseph Prayer Line:

216-252-0548

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.

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.

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!

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, September 7 - Labor Day

9:00 AM Mary Wendell

Tues., September 8 - Nativity of Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 AM Dorothy Ann Hoffman

Wednesday, September 9 - St. Peter Claver

5:15 PM Andrew & Anna Kall

Thursday, September 10 - Weekday

8:00 AM Millie Dutro

Friday, September 11 - Weekday

5:15 PM Marge Pollock

Saturday, September 12 - Most Holy Name of Mary

8:00 AM Patrick & Catherine Livingston

4:00 PM Deacon Robert P. Ulman

Sunday, September 13 - 24th Sunday of the Year

9:00 AM John & Anna McGinness

11:00 AM For the People of the Parish



A New Directory

We need you to make our directory complete! To celebrate our church family, we welcome you to be a part of our upcoming new directory. We are partnering with Lifetouch for this important project. Lifetouch is providing the directory at no cost to the church. Every family photographed receives a complimentary directory and an 8 x 10 portrait. Photograph sessions will be scheduled October 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th and the 17th. Sign-up sheets will be available next weekend. You can also sign-up online at our church website. **Watch for further details regarding photo session times and online scheduling.** We look forward to seeing you in our directory!

Finance Corner:

Collection for weekend of August 30 - \$ 6,954.25
Monthly Collection - \$ 541.00
Assumption Collection - \$ 150.00
Faith & Values Collection - \$ 22.00
Children's Collection - \$ 2.00
Online giving - Monthly \$ 130.00 - Weekly \$ 273.00

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

Liturgical Ministers

Lector Schedule

Saturday, September 12:

4:00 pm J. Wagner

Sunday, September 13:

9:00 am S. Donahoe

11:00 am J. Cudnik

Eucharistic Minister Schedule

Saturday, September 12:

4:00 pm R. DeBlase, R. Merritt, B. Conaway

Sunday, September 13:

9:00 am M. Kotansky, J. Lutterbaugh, T. Rehl,
P. Wagner, B. Radvansky, J. McMaster,
B. Poling

11:00 am D. Stark, S. Lanzer, J. Lanzer

Server Schedule

Saturday, September 12:

4:00 pm P. Mullen, J. Staviscak, J. Staviscak

Sunday, September 13:

9:00 am C. Donahoe, K. Donahoe, B. Donahoe

11:00 am I. Cudnik, R. Duffy, M. Hoefsmit

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 at 7pm.** 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.



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!

Daily Prayer Online

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Visit www.sacredspace.ie/.

Pot of Gold Winners

(\$25) Joseph Jambrozy, Judith Salcedo,
Nadine Eames, Debbie Mangan,
Thomas Smith, III, Marge Cabot



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.

Tickets
\$25
per dinner

Volunteers needed, call: (216)226-5116

BAPTISMS

Our Parish Community welcomes:

Charlotte Sofie Dziak
daughter of Mark & Dorothee Dziak



EWTN Global Catholic Television Network



We will be bringing you information about EWTN and their programming every few weeks in our church bulletin. Hope you find the information useful. If you have Cox as your cable provider, EWTN is on channel 44. EWTN has daily Mass live at 8am every day, Sunday through Saturday. They also broadcast an encore presentation of the daily Mass every day at noon. Next time: Schedule of coverage for Pope Francis' visit to the United States.

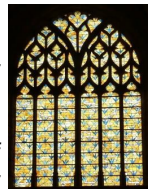
Confirmation

Students from the parishes of Saint Clement and Saint James prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation together. Confirmation preparation for students in 8th grade through 11th grade, begins on **Sunday, September 20th with a parent meeting at Saint James Parish Hall at 7:00pm.** Candidates meet regularly for instruction. Study includes an in-depth look at Baptism, the Gifts of the Spirit, choosing a sponsor, being witnesses to the Gospel and exploring holy people as role models. A service component is also part of Confirmation preparation.

Students will celebrate Confirmation in February 2016.

CATHOLICISM Video Series Concludes with Episode 8, 9, and 10

"Journey around the world and deep into the Catholic Faith" with acclaimed author, speaker and theologian, Bishop Robert Barron to more than 50 locations throughout 15 countries! Be illuminated by the spiritual and artistic treasures of our global culture, as you learn more about our Catholic faith.



The acclaimed video series **CATHOLICISM**, begun last fall, concludes with the final 3 episodes at St. James Parish Andrews Hall. Don't miss your chance to see this moving series. **You need not have attended previous episodes – each one stands alone.** Come all 3 weeks, or just to those you can. Videos will be repeated twice per week so you can choose whichever days work best for your schedule:

Sundays, 3:00-4:30 pm on Oct. 4, 11, and 18

Tuesdays, 7:00-8:30 pm. on Oct. 6, 13, and 20

First Week: Episode 8 – The story of the Church is told in the examples of those men and women who dedicated their lives to knowing and serving Jesus Christ. The Catholic Faith is made visible in real human lives. Bishop Barron considers some of the Church's greatest heroes, and demonstrates how their extraordinary examples display both the passion and creative potential of the Catholic Church. Highlighting Katharine Drexel, Therese of Lisieux, Edith Stein, and Mother Teresa of Calcutta, he tells the story of the Church as a vast company of witnesses who are called by Christ to be a Communion of Saints.

No registration, no cost. All area parishes are warmly invited. Bring a friend! Questions? Call St. James Parish Office at (216) 712-6755.

Psst...pass the word! We Need You!!

We are looking for a few good VOLUNTEERS to work one-on-one reading with a child for approximately 40-80 minutes a week. Hours can be scheduled before or after school, and all materials are provided. Please consider sharing a bit of your time to assist a struggling reader. Contact Mrs. Bassett or Mrs. Snyder, the Roosevelt Elementary Title 1 Staff, at 216-529-4224. Your time in helping a child read goes a long way toward ensuring success in school.

Please check out our website:

www.stclementlakewood.com

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

SAVE THE DATE!!

Annual Older Adult Retreat - October 8th

The 12th Annual Adult Retreat, sponsored by the four parishes in our cluster, will take place on Thursday, October 8th. This year, the retreat will be held at Transfiguration Church Hall, 12608 Madison Ave., from 9am - 2pm. Our speaker will be Brother Bob Marva, OFM, Cap. The day will include the Liturgy of Eucharist with a hot catered lunch following. Cost is \$10. **Registration is due no later than October 4th.** Registration forms are at all church doors and at the Rectory office.

Jesuit Retreat House Program

Jesuit Retreat House, 5629 State Rd., Parma, OH.

Experiencing Jesus in Scripture

Encountering Christ in Our Lives

September 15 - 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

During this retreat, you will meet Jesus in Scripture through Gospel Contemplation, encounter Christ in our ordinary lives as we pray the Ignatian Examen, and walk onward with Christ as pilgrims. Our journey forward is one of learning to love as God loves. Time will be given to prayer, input, lunch, periods of contemplative silence, and sharing. Facilitated by Janet Lehane. Cost is \$35. To register, contact the Jesuit Retreat House at 440-884-9300, or visit: www.jrh-cleveland.org.

Movie & Conversation about Pope Francis

The Francis Effect

September 15 - 6:30pm - 8:30pm

This evening will feature a movie, *The Francis Effect*. It takes an in-depth look at how the Church is changing under the leadership and vision of Pope Francis. Exclusive interview with prominent Catholics and non-Catholics reveal that Pope Francis is having a profound effect on the world as well. Further sharing of insights and reflections by those in attendance. Popcorn and refreshments included! Cost is \$10. Call the JRH to register, or visit: www.jrh-cleveland.org.

CatholicJobs.com...

is a website that features free job listings for Catholic organizations, as well as free job searches and career tools for anyone seeking employment.

Online Giving

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.



From September 23rd through November 1st, you are invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life - 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside Preterm at 12000 Shaker Blvd., Cleveland, or Planned Parenthood at 25350 Rockside Rd., Bedford Hts. Please help spread the word about this important community outreach. If you'd like more information, and especially if you'd like to volunteer to help, please contact John Noall at 216-245-9744 or clevelandpraysforlife@gmail.com.

ACADEMIC ACCOLADES

Congratulations! to the following Saint Joseph High School student who has earned academic honors for the 2nd semester of the 2014-2015 school year:

Honors: Erin Mullen



YOU ARE INVITED: "LET'S PARTY!"

Friday, September 18th

St. James Parish, Andrews Hall
Corner of Granger & Detroit, Lakewood
Doors open 6:30 pm, Lasagna dinner served 7:00 pm
Catered by Brennan's. Mixes and soft beverages provided or enjoy your own.

~ Music by DJ Barbie B ~

~ Basket Raffles ~ 50/50 ~

~ Food, Fun, Friends!

Proceeds to benefit the St. James Restoration Fund.

Sponsored by Friends of St. James, Inc.

TICKETS: \$25

Call Darlene: (216) 521-4061