### <u>Twenty-Fifth Sunday of the Year</u> <u>September 20, 2015</u>

"If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be last and the servant of all..." "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me." Mark 9: 30-37

### God Speaking in a Child's Silence

In a talk given a few years ago at the University of Notre Dame, the activist and poet, Father Daniel Berrigan, talked about his ministry at the time at a New York hospice for the terminally ill. Each week, he told the audience, he would go to spend some time sitting by the bed of a young boy who was totally incapacitated, physically and mentally. The boy could only lie there. He could not speak or communicate with his body or in any other way express himself to those who came into his room. He lay there mute and helpless, by all outward appearances cut off from any possible communication. Berrigan then described how he would go to sit by the boy to "hear" what the boy was saying in his silence and helplessness.

For Father Berrigan, the way this child lies in our world, silent and helpless, is the way God lies in our world. To hear what God is saying, we must learn to hear what this child is saying. God's presence in our world is like that of the boy—it does not overpower anyone or anything. It lies quietly, at the deep moral and spiritual base of things. While we can behold God in strength and swiftness and beauty and brilliance and harmony, God first reveals Himself in the silence and humility and simplicity and peace - in the silence and vulnerability of a child.

(Adapted from *The Holy Longing: The Search for a Christian Spirituality* by Ronald Rolheiser, O.M.I.)

The child represents for the disciple of Jesus the vulnerabilities, fears, and doubts that every one of us experiences in our lives; and the child reminds us of Jesus' call to us as His disciples to take up His work of reaching out to those overwhelmed by such anxiety and despair. In the service we give and respect we afford to others as sons and daughters of God, Jesus says, we welcome into our midst the very presence of God. Our empathy and care for the child and child-like in our midst mirrors the love of God for us despite our own failings and fears. As Father Berrigan learned at the bedside of the young boy, only in putting ourselves in the humble service of the poorest and neediest, of the forgotten and the rejected, can we come to know the love of God in our lives.

### Scripture Readings for the Week

Monday: Eph 4: 1-7; Mt 9: 9-13

Tuesday: Ezr 6: 7-8, 12, 14-20; Lk 8: 19-21

Wednesday: Ezr 9: 5-9; Lk 9: 1-6 Thursday: Hg 1: 1-8; Lk 9: 7-9 Friday: Hg 2: 1-9; Lk 9: 18-22

Saturday: Zec 2: 5-9, 14-15; Lk 9: 43-45

Sunday: Nm 11: 25-29; Jas 5: 1-6;

Mk 9: 38-43, 45, 47-48



#### **Pray for the Deceased**

Rosemary Calkins



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

### <u>Mass Intentions for the Week</u>

Monday, September 21 - Saint Matthew

5:15 PM Louis Kerekes

Tuesday, September 22 - Weekday

8:00 AM Special Intention

Wednesday, September 23 - Saint Pius

5:15 PM Lauren McGuire (Living)

Thursday, September 24 - Weekday

8:00 AM All Souls

Friday, September 25 - Weekday

5:15 PM Mary Lynn Rogers

Saturday, September 26 - Saints Cosmas & Damian

8:00 AM Louise Bauer 4:00 PM Eugene Roso

Sunday, September 27 - 26th Sunday of the Year

9:00 AM For Living & Deceased Members

of the Saint Vincent de Paul Society

11:00 AM Sylvia Trayte

### <u>Pictorial Directory</u>

Sign-up sheets are now available after all weekend

Masses to schedule your picture session. You can also schedule an appointment through the office through Monday Friday, or online www.StClementLakewood.com. 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. family photographed receives complimentary directory and an 8 x 10 portrait. Photograph sessions will be scheduled October 12th, 13th 14th, 15th and the 17th. We need you to make our directory complete!

### **Daily Prayer Online**

Make a sacred space in your day! Visit: <a href="https://www.sacredspace.ie/">www.sacredspace.ie/</a>.

### **Finance Corner:**

Collection for weekend of September 13 - \$ 6,862.10 Children's Collection - \$ 5.00

Online giving - Monthly \$ 572.00 - Weekly \$ 263.00

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

### <u>Liturgical Ministers</u>

### **Lector Schedule**

Saturday, September 26:

4:00 pm P. Tabeling Sunday, September 27:

9:00 am J. Ronan

11:00 am K. Miskimen

### **Eucharistic Minister Schedule**

Saturday, September 26:

4:00 pm Deacon Danny, A. Grunder, S. Grunder Sunday, September 27:

9:00 am K. Elder, B. Cmolik, B. Cmolik 11:00 am D. Stark, S. Lanzer, D. Miller

### Server Schedule

Saturday, September 26:

4:00 pm R. Duffy, P. Mullen, J. Grunder Sunday, September 27:

9:00 am A. Cmolik, M. Cmolik, J. Elder 11:00 am W. Harvey, C. Harvey, B. Harvey

### **Respect Life Party**

All are cordially invited to attend the Annual Birthday

Celebration, which is held to honor Mary, the mother of Jesus. The evening will begin in the church with the Rosary prayed for the cause of life, followed by a birthday party in the church hall with party foods and fellowship. Entertainment will be provided by the Saint Joseph Academy Chorale singing both religious and contemporary songs. This will take place at Saint Clement Church on **Tuesday, September 29th, at 7pm**. All are welcome to this free event. Call 216-226-6663 with any questions.

### **Mass Intention Book 2016**

The Mass Intention Book for 2016 is 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.

### **Pot of Gold Winners**

(\$25) Carol Sabol, George & Marie Birsic, Jackie Grant, Ann Marie Gorman, Mary Miller, Chris Sabolik



# 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

## First Reconciliation and First Communion

Students from Saint Clement Parish and Saint James Parish prepare for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Communion together. Parents of students preparing for First Reconciliation and First Communion are invited to attend an informational meeting on Sunday, September 27, 7:00pm at the Saint James Parish Hall. First Reconciliation will be celebrated in December 2015.

### 40 DAYS FOR LIFE.

Do you want to help save the lives of unborn children? If you are thinking about it, please consider attending the Fall 40 Days for Life Kickoff Rally this Monday, September 21 in the Parish Center of Mary, Queen of Peace Church located at 4427 Pearl Road in Cleveland, 44109 beginning at 7:00 PM. The Keynote Speaker will be Steve Karlen who is the Director of the North American Outreach for the 40 Days for Life, a worldwide grassroots campaign that aims to end abortion through prayer & fasting, peaceful vigil, and community outreach. Food and refreshments will be available at the Rally. All are welcome.

### **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.

### **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.

### 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.

### Please check out our website:

#### www.stclementlakewood.com

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



### Blue Streaks Fun Run/Walk

The 16th Annual Blue Streaks Through River 5K and 1

Mile Fun Run/Walk, a long-standing Magnificat tradition for the whole community, begins at 8:30 am on Sunday, September 27th.

Register at: <u>www.hermescleveland.com</u>. The first 300 registrants will receive race T-shirts.

### **CENTERING SPACE**

14812 Lake Avenue, Lakewood – 216-228-7451

#### Mass on the World

The Vision of Pierre Teilhard de Chardin Saturday, October 10th — 9 am - Noon Mike Reiling, MEd



The Mass on the World is Teilhard de Chardin's most famous mystical writing. It powerfully presents his deep sense of unity of all life in Christ. During our gathering we will reflect, discuss and pray about all creation as Eucharist.

Coffee at 8:45am - program begins promptly at 9am!

Registration required by October 7th

\$20 donation suggested. Those with limited income give what they can.

Register by calling 216-228-7451.

### Catholic Radio Station - 1260 The Rock

Tune in for authentic Catholic teaching and programs. This is a great way to learn more about your faith, what the Church teaches, and for developing your spiritual relationship with Jesus Christ. To learn more, go to: <a href="mailto:am1260The Rock.com">am1260The Rock.com</a>.

#### **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.

### **Online Giving**

Visit our website to sign up and to begin contributing automatically to our parish.

Visit: <a href="www.osvonlinegiving.com/1735">www.osvonlinegiving.com/1735</a> to get started, or click the icon located on Saint Clement Parish's main website:

www.stclementlakewood.com.

### A Night at the Museum 2015

The Museum of Divine Statues in Lakewood is holding its second fund raiser on Saturday, September 26th, from 6pm - 10pm at the museum located in the former St. Hedwig Church. Hosted by Todd Meany, from



Fox 8, with Honorary Chairperson the Most Reverend Roger Gries, OSB. The tickets are \$75 per person and include desserts, appetizers, wine, beer and soft drinks. The regular installations of artwork will be on display and, in addition, the museum will feature new exhibitions of WW I Catholic Trench Art and Ex Voto art made by the faithful for shrines. There will also be a silent auction, raffles, and more. Complimentary valet parking will be available. Charge tickets by phone at 216-228-9950, or order online at:

### museumofdivinestatues.org.

For more information, contact Monica Thomas at 216-952-2123.

### Women's Evening of Reflection St. Luke Adult Faith Formation

Theme: "Forgiveness: How often? Seventy Times Seven?"

Does God truly "forgive and forget?"
What if I cannot "forget?"
How do I forgive myself?

Where? St. James Weigand Center behind the Church

When? Friday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2015

Time: 5:45pm-9:00pm

What? Simple Supper and Presentation Private and Communal Prayer Activity of Remembrance

Note: Space is limited to 40 women on a first-come, first-served basis. Donation of \$15.00 must accompany reservation payable to St. Luke Reflection Evening. Reservations will be confirmed. Reservation with fee can be dropped off in the parish Rectory office.

Print name		
E-mail address:	 	 
Telephone number:		