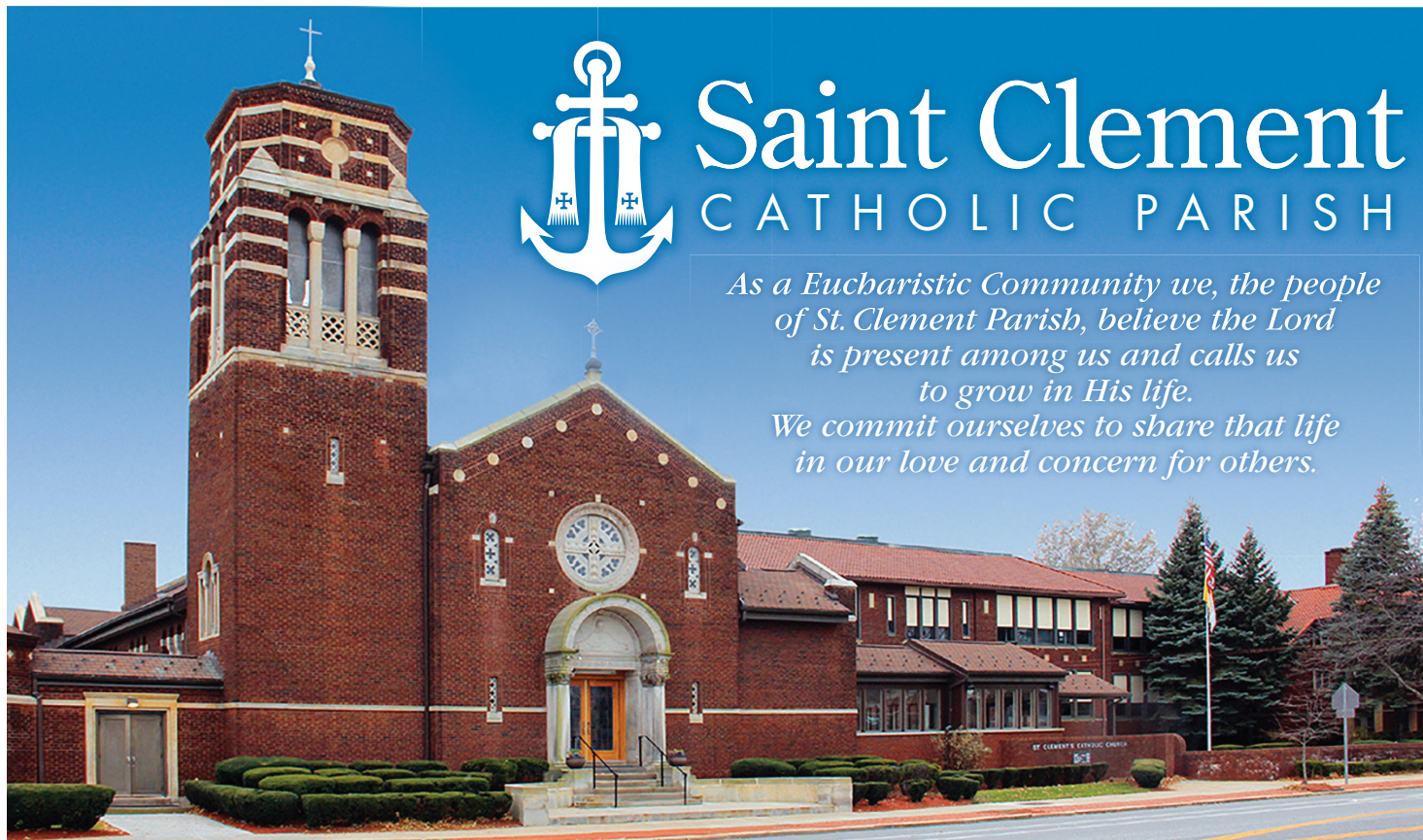




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### Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil	4:00 P.M.
Sunday	9:00 & 11:00 A.M.
Weekday (Mon., Wed. & Fri.)	5:15 P.M.
(Tues., Thurs. & Sat.)	8:00 A.M.
Holy Days	Consult Bulletin

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### Rectory Office Hours

### Sacrament of Penance

*Please call the Rectory to Schedule.*

### Sacrament of Baptism

*Please call the Rectory to register for Baptismal Class.*

### Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

*Please call the Rectory.*

### Sacrament of Marriage

Diocesan Marriage policy requires that couples contact the priest at least six months prior to setting a date for marriage. Time is necessary for instructions and sacramental preparation. Please call the Rectory to schedule an appointment.

### New Parishioners

We welcome you to our community.  
Please call for an appointment to register.  
Anyone over 18 years of age, still living at home,  
should register as a single adult member of our community.

### Parish School of Religion

Required for all children attending public school grades 1-8.  
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### Faith Journey

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### Adoration Chapel

# The Epiphany of the Lord

## January 2, 2022

*"Where is the new born King of the Jews? We saw His star at its rising and have come to do Him homage."*

Matthew 2: 1-12

The Epiphany story takes place in two very different locales: the great city of Jerusalem and the village of Bethlehem. The two cities are about nine miles apart - but light years away in opulence and prestige.

Matthew's story begins in Jerusalem, a city of wealth and power, of ambition and prosperity, of arrogance and pretension. Jerusalem proudly sees itself as the poet-prophet Isaiah's city of light, radiance and glory. These mysterious travelers from a place far away come to Jerusalem looking for the Messiah- King. They meet with King Herod, who is unnerved to learn that a potential rival may exist. Herod, as unstable and cruel a tyrant as has ever lived, consults his professional theologians: *What's all this about camels and gold and frankincense and myrrh?* They tell his majesty that his visitors are using the wrong text and point to another prophecy, from Micah, that says God will raise up a ruler for Israel from Bethlehem. So Herod sends the Magi quietly to Bethlehem while planning his next move.

Bethlehem, nine miles to the south, is the hometown of the great King David. Bethlehem has no pretensions to greatness; it is poor, humble and unimportant. Yet in this most hidden of places the Magi find the Messiah. In Bethlehem of all places is born God's Christ - the anointed one who will usher in a new reign of peace, the Savior who will bring well being to His people not by ambition but by His humble and loving service to them, the Redeemer who will reconcile humanity at the cost of His own life. The reign of the Messiah-King begins in Bethlehem, nine miles and a world away from Jerusalem. To their everlasting credit, the Magi travel nine miles beyond Jerusalem and find a very different way home.



*Matthew's Epiphany story reminds us that we often look for our life's purpose and meaning in the wrong places. We seek fulfillment and satisfaction in the rich, proud Jerusalems we have built, but God calls us to travel those hard, demanding nine miles to the humble, generous, forgiving dwelling place of the Messiah. May we find our way to God by the route discovered by the Eastern travelers this Epiphany, the road of Bethlehem's humility, generosity, and kindness that might one day transform the soulless Jerusalems of our lives.*

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

On behalf of the entire parish staff, I wish abundant blessings upon you and your family in this New Year. May it be a year of good health and spiritual growth.

Peace of Christ,

Fr. Joseph G. Workman

### Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, January 3 - Holy Name of Jesus

5:15 PM † Timothy Carter

Tuesday, January 4 - Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton

8:00 AM † Poor Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday, January 5 - Saint John Neumann

5:15 PM Mother's Day Spiritual Bouquet

Thursday, January 6 - Saint André Bessette

8:00 AM † Gayle Craighead

Friday, January 7 - Saint Raymond of Penafort

5:15 PM † Mary Ann Gallo

Saturday, January 8 - Christmas Weekday

8:00 AM † All Souls

4:00 PM † Patricia Workman

Sunday, January 9 - Baptism of the Lord

9:00 AM † James E. Mack

11:00 AM For the People of the Parish

### Scripture Readings for the Week

Monday: 1 Jn 3:22 – 4:6; Mt 4: 12-17, 23-25

Tuesday: 1 Jn 4: 7-10; Mk 6: 34-44

Wednesday: 1 Jn 4: 11-18; Mk 6: 45-52

Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19 – 5:4; Lk 4: 14-22

Friday: 1 Jn 5: 5-13; Lk 5: 12-16

Saturday: 1 Jn 5: 14-21; Jn 3: 22-30

Sunday: Is 40: 1-5, 9-11; Ti 2: 11-14 – 3:4-7  
Lk 3: 15-16, 21-22

### First Friday Luncheon

An interparish men's group will meet at Saint Clarence Church, 30106 Lorain Rd., North Olmsted, on **Friday, January 7th**, for a First Friday Luncheon, **beginning at 11:15 am with registration**, followed by the luncheon, then an inspirational talk, and concludes with Mass. Cost is \$13. Please call George Perz at 440-937-6606 to make **reservations by Tuesday, January 4th**.

### Record of 2021 Contributions

If you would like a statement of your total contributions to St. Clement Church for 2021, please complete the form and place it in the collection basket or drop it off at the Rectory. Kindly include a self-addressed stamped envelope if you would like your statement mailed, or it will be available in the Rectory office. Please allow a few weeks for your statement to be ready.

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Who give Him welcome shelter  
When lovingly He knocks.

Sr. Mary Jane Masterson - 1940's

The Decorating Committee would like to give a special *thank-you* to all who helped prepare the church for the Christmas season. We want to recognize the individuals that help year after year, the ones that helped for the first time, and give special recognition to the students of Lakewood Catholic Academy! All the help was greatly appreciated and made short work of a very large job! May all of you have a blessed Christmas holiday.

### Sisters of St. Joseph Prayer Line:

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### Finance Corner:

Due to an early publishing deadline, the offertory and online giving for 12/19 and 12/26 weekends will be printed in the 1/9/22 bulletin.

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