

Saint Clement

CATHOLIC PARISH
Lakewood, Ohio



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On the occasion of our
90th Anniversary

1922 – 2012

Dear Friends,

As we celebrate the Feast Day of our Patron Saint, on the occasion of our 90th Anniversary, we gather to reflect and be renewed by the spirit of Saint Clement Parish. For nearly three years I have been inspired by your enthusiasm, welcoming spirit, and generosity, as many other people have. The rich history and energized spirit is evident in our worship and outreach to the broader community. This past week I had the privilege of being at the tomb of Saint Clement in Rome. I prayed specifically for the continued growth of the Parish and its parishioners, and in gratitude for being a part of this community.

Congratulations and may Our Lord bless Saint Clement Parish and you and your family.

Fr. Workman



Mission Statement

As a Eucharistic Community we, the people of Saint Clement Parish, believe the Lord is present among us and calls us to grow in His life. We commit ourselves to share that life in our love and concern for others.



Pastors of Saint Clement Parish

1922	Mgsr. Joseph Schmit	First Pastor
1957	Fr. Leo A. Warth	Second Pastor
1962	Mgsr. Edward J. Seward	Third Pastor
1972	Fr. Joseph A. Sweeney	Fourth Pastor
1986	Fr. Alfred H. Winters	Fifth Pastor
2007	Fr. John A. Ocilka	Administrator
2009	Fr. David A. Novak	Sixth Pastor
2010	Fr. Joseph G. Workman	Seventh Pastor

Present Clergy of Saint Clement Parish

Fr. Joseph G. Workman	Pastor
Fr. Thomas P. Kowatch	Parochial Vicar
Deacon Danny Bryan	Deacon
Fr. Alfred H. Winters	Pastor Emeritus

Staff of Saint Clement Parish

Mr. James Flood	Director of Music
Mr. Matthew Buller	Organist
Mrs. Colleen Houk	PSR Director
Ms. Susan Simmons	Parish Secretary
Mr. Frank Stasko	Maintenanace

Ministries at Saint Clement Church

- AA Gratitude
- Adoration Chapel
- Bereavement Ministry
- Bible Share
- Children's Liturgy of the Word
- Communications
- Community Life Commission
- Eucharistic Ministers
- Family P.S.R.
- Finance Council
- Greeters
- Hospitality
- Lectors
- Liturgy/Spirituality Commission
- Music Ministry
- Parish School (Lakewood Catholic Academy)
- Pastoral Council
- Prayer Shawl Ministry
- RCIA
- Rosary
- Saint Vincent DePaul Society
- Servers
- Social Concerns Commission
- Ushers

About Saint Clement of Rome

Pope Clement I, also known as Saint Clement of Rome, served the early Christian Church during the 1st century AD. According to Tertulian, Pope Clement was consecrated by Saint Peter and was a leading member of the early church in Rome. He is known to have written one epistle to the church in Corinth dated ca. 96 AD, which established the hierarchy of bishops and presbyters as leaders of the Church.

In approximately 100 AD, Saint Clement I was banished to a work camp off the coast of the Crimean Sea (modern Ukraine). When he arrived at the camp, he was so successful in converting the laboring pagans that he was punished by being tied to an anchor and thrown off of a ship into the Crimea. In 869, Saint Cyril brought what he believed to be the relics of Saint Clement to Rome. They are currently housed in the Basilica of Saint Clement in Rome.

Dates of Interest

- April 1922** Saint Clement Parish was established and Msgr. Joseph J. Schmit was appointed as the founding Pastor.
- June 1922** Property was purchased at the corner of Madison and Lincoln Avenues to serve as the location of the new parish.
- December 1922** The first Mass was held in the church basement on Christmas Day.
- April 1923** The first Mass was held in the upper church building on Easter Day.
- May 1923** 57 children received their First Holy Communion.
- September 1923** The new church was blessed.
- November 1924** The new school was blessed; 350 children were in attendance for the first day of school. The Sisters of Saint Joseph staffed the school until 1992.
- April 1925** The organ was dedicated during a concert of sacred music.
- September 1927** Eight new classrooms and a gymnasium were added. The rectory was also enlarged to accommodate two more assistants.
- March 1942** The organ was rebuilt at a cost of \$3,500.