

#### **Mass Schedule**

St. Clement St. James

10:30 A.M.

TBA

8:15 A.M. Mon., Wed., Fri.

Saturday Vigil 4:00 P.M. Sunday 8:30 A.M.

Weekday 5:15 P.M. Tues., Thurs.,

Holy Days Consult Bulletin

## **Phone Directory**

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## 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. For information, call PSR Director Colleen Houk at 216.226.5116 or email: pcl.stclementlakewood@gmail.com.

#### **Parish School**

Lakewood Catholic Academy 14808 Lake Avenue 216-521-0559 www.lakewoodcatholicacademy.com

## **Faith Journey**

R.C.l.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) A process for those interested in the faith. For information, call Deacon Danny Bryan at 216.375.9340.

## **Adoration Chapel**

Wednesday & Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (only).

# 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time September 24, 2023

The parable of the generous vineyard owner: "'Are you envious because I am generous?' Thus the last will be first and the first will be last." Matthew 20: 1-16

The parable of the generous vineyard owner exposes our tendency to evaluate everything through the lens of money. As wage earners, we seek fairness. But notice what's missing in Jesus' story - grace. While we are pursuing fairness, God bestows grace in the form of generosity and understanding and second chances to the point of, in our estimation, pointless extravagance. Discipleship is to trust in the goodness of God despite our judgement of what is "fair" and "just". To trust in the mercy of God enables us to appreciate all that we have received and how much God has blessed us, compelling us to experience the joy of sharing all that we have been given with those who have not realized such blessings in their lives.

## Scripture Readings for the Week

Monday: Ezr 1: 1-6; Lk 8: 16-18

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: Dn 7: 9-10, 13-14; Jn 1: 47-51 Saturday: Zec 2: 5-9, 14-15; Lk 9: 43-45

Sunday: Ez 18: 25-28; Phil 2: 1-11; Mt 21: 28-32

### Sisters of St. Joseph Prayer Line:

216-252-0548

#### **Blessing of Animals**

In the spirit of Saint Francis of Assisi, we celebrate the deep relationships of belonging and healing that we receive from our pets. Blessing of Animals will take place on **Saturday**, **October 7th**, **from 9 am to 10:30 am** at the Centering Space, 14812 Lake Ave., Lakewood, behind LCA. Each pet will receive a certificate of blessing. Please call 216-228-7451 to register ahead of time for details. Donation welcome.

#### Pot-of-Gold

If you haven't picked up your Pot-of-Gold tickets yet, it's not too late!! We will continue to sell tickets through September 30th, after Masses, in the gathering area. Tickets can also be purchased after that date in the Rectory office during business hours.

The first drawing will be held on Monday, October 2nd. One ticket is drawn every day, except Sundays, for a \$25 prize. Each ticket is returned to the drum so you can win again throughout the year. Each ticket has 313 chances of winning! There will be a grand prize drawing for a \$500 prize held on July 31, 2024.

Thank you in advance for participating in this tradition. Your parish family appreciates your support!

## The Rosary

A powerful prayer to increase faith, hope and charity. Please join us as we pray the Rosary in the church Tuesdays and Thursdays at 4:45 pm before the 5:15 pm Mass.

#### POOR CLARES' PRAYER LINE

Do you need prayer today? Are your loved ones, coworkers or neighbors in need of God's loving guidance? Call the Poor Clares' Prayer Line at 216-361-0783.

#### **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults**

Do you know someone who has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic? **INVITE THEM** to join our RCIA Process. The RCIA is open to adults from all faith traditions who are interested in learning more about the Catholic Church.

If you are interested, or know someone who might be interested, please contact Deacon Danny at dlbryan@gmail.com.

#### <u> Mass Intentions for the Week - St. Clement</u>

Tuesday, September 26 - Sts. Cosmas & Damian

5:15 PM † Patricia Hesland

Thursday, September 28 - Saint Wenceslaus

5:15 PM † Larry Hayton

Saturday, September 30 - Saint Jerome

4:00 PM Jim & Ruth Higgins

60th Wedding Anniversary

Sunday, October 1 - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM Jeff Morsfield (Living)

#### Mass Intentions for the Week - St. James

Monday, September 25 - Weekday

8:15 AM For All People

Wednesday, September 27 - Saint Vincent de Paul

8:15 AM † Kenneth & Dorothy Knisely

Fri., September 29 - Sts. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael

8:15 AM Protection of the Unborn

Sunday, October 1 - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:30 AM † Michael Dominic Fallon



#### Society of St. Vincent de Paul Annual Blanket Sunday October 14th & 15th, 2023

The 37th Annual Blanket Sunday appeal kicks off the weekend of October 14th & 15th to help those in need. This collection is sponsored by the Diocesan St. Vincent de Paul Society. Due to sanitary concerns and lack of storage space, we will gratefully accept your financial donation and do the shopping for you, making your money go even further with bulk purchases of blankets and other items needed by the homeless and disadvantaged. So please "blanket" someone for the winter, and give yourself a warm feeling! You may also donate online at: <a href="https://www.svdpcle.org">www.svdpcle.org</a>.

#### Finance Corner:

#### Collection for September 17th:

Weekly Collection - \$ 2,700.00 Monthly Collection - \$ 180.00 Children's Collection - \$ 400.00

St. Vincent de Paul Society - \$ 100.00

#### **Online Giving:**

Monthly - \$ 235.00 — Weekly - \$ 822.00

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

## IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT-PLEASE READ: St Clement Church Basement Closed

As the result of water damage that occurred in the basement (lower level) of our church, the area will be closed off to everyone for a minimum of six (6) weeks. This includes no access to the elevator, rest rooms, large hall and kitchen. We apologize for the inconvenience that this is causing. However, for the safety for our parishioners and others who use our lower level basement this must occur. We will keep everyone apprised of the timeline for reopening the area. Thank you for your understanding and patience.

Scouts BSA Troop 287 of St. James Parish invites all 6th, 7th, and 8th grade boys and their families to meet the scouts and leaders in our troop. We are hosting a Meet the Troop Night 7 pm to 8:30 pm, Wednesday, October 4th, at St. James Parish Center located at 17400 Northwood Avenue in Lakewood. Join us and see the opportunities the

Center located at 17400 Northwood Avenue in Lakewood. Join us and see the opportunities the Scouting program and Troop 287 can provide your son. Talk with the scouts and find out why they chose Troop 287. We look forward to meeting all of

#### **Bus to Ohio March for Life**

Sponsored by St. Bernadette and St. Ladislas Knights of Columbus. **Friday, October 6th**, leave St. Ladislas, Westlake, at 7:45 am and arrive at the State Capitol, Columbus, at 11 am. Return to St. Ladislas at 5:45 pm. Cost \$25 per person, includes a bag lunch. To reserve a place, contact Jack Archer at 216-505-5414, or jsarcher72@gmail.com.

#### **Sunshine Ministry**

Looking for people that could use some "sunshine"! We are sending greeting cards to our homebound parishioners. Birthdays or just a "thinking of you" card to brighten their day. If you know a homebound parishioner that should be added to our list, please call the Rectory office and let us know their name, address and birth date. Thanks in advance for helping us spread some sunshine.

## **Upcoming Events This Week**

| 9/25 | Family PSR                          | 7 pm    |
|------|-------------------------------------|---------|
| 9/26 | Kiwanis                             | 12 pm   |
| 9/27 | Knights of Columbus/Bishop O'Reilly | 7 pm    |
| 9/27 | Catechesis of Good Shepherd         | 6:30 pm |
|      | (for children new to Level I)       |         |
| 9/29 | AA Gratitude Group Meeting          | 7 pm    |

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