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MAY 11, 2025 • FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



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*The Lakewood Parishes now have a consolidated office at St. Luke Parish. Any business related items should be directed to the central office at St. Luke Church.

Parish Devotions

Adoration

Second Tuesday from 7:00pm-8:00pm at St. Luke Daily at St. Clement Parish (Call office for info)

Mass Schedule

Weekday Masses:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday • 8:15am at St. Luke

Thursday • 8:15am at St. Clement

Friday • 8:15am at St. James

First Saturday • 8:15am at St. Luke

Weekend Masses:

Saturday • 4:00pm at St. Clement

Saturday • 4:30pm at St. Luke

Sunday • 8:30am at St. Clement

Sunday • 9:00am at St. Luke

Sunday • 10:30am at St. James

Sunday • 11:00am at St. Luke

Confessions:

Saturday • 3:00-4:00pm at St. Luke

Saturday • 3:00-3:30pm at St. Clement

Rosary

Thursdays at 7:45am at St. Clement Parish • Thursdays at 7:00pm at St. James Parish • Saturdays before 4:30pm Mass at St. Luke Parish

Readings and Intentions for the Week of May 11, 2025

Monday, May 12: Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4/Jn 10:1-10

Mass Intention 8:15am St. Luke: Special Intention of Mary Lou Toler

Tuesday, May 13: Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 10:22-30

Mass Intention 8:15am St. Luke:

Intentions of Alyssa and Zachary, Niece and Nephew of Fr. Kevin

Wednesday, May 14: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/Jn 15:9-17

Mass Intention 8:15am St. Luke: Janice Dutko +

Thursday, May 15: Acts 13:13-25/Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27/Jn 13:16-20

Mass Intention 8:15am St. Clement: Jackie Ronan †

Friday, May 16: Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab/Jn 14:1-6

Mass Intention 8:15am St. James:

Friends and Family of the Simms Family, Living and Deceased

Saturday, May 17: Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 14:7-14

Mass Intention 4:00pm St. Clement: Susan and Patricia Geseand +

Mass Intention 4:30pm St. Luke: Janice Dutko +

Sunday, May 18: Acts 14:21-27/Ps 145:8-13/Rv 21:1-5a/Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

Mass Intention 8:30am St. Clement: Joseph Seiwert †

Mass Intention 9:00am St. Luke: For the People

Mass Intention 10:30am St. James: Linda McLendon +

Mass Intention 11:00am St. Luke:

Living and Deceased Members of the Younglas Family

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May 11, 2025 4th Sunday of Easter John 10:27-30

A few years back, I felt as if I couldn't hear God's voice the way I used to. The words in the Bible seemed like cold ink on a page. Prayer felt like sitting anxiously in a lonely room. I was worried — how could I, a priest, preach or help others if I couldn't hear God's voice? It went on for months.

Then a friend encouraged me to go on a retreat and spend as much time as possible in silence. After a day or two of quiet prayer, I noticed gentle but clear thoughts of repentance in two specific areas of my life. I asked God for the grace to change, and I went to confession. Suddenly, the divine silence that haunted me was filled with a sense of God's closeness and goodness. I realized, gratefully, that God had been speaking to me in the quiet voice of my conscience.

This week we hear Jesus say, "My sheep hear my voice. I know them and they follow me" (John 10:27). Jesus links the hearing of his voice to following him. He speaks to us in our conscience in an intimate, personal way, when we most need to hear him. When you feel deaf to God's voice, perhaps it is time to listen in silence for His voice in your conscience calling you to hear and follow the Good Shepherd of your soul.

- Father John Muir



A Prayer for Mothers on Mother's Day

Loving God,
we thank you today for the gift of mothers.
Thank you for the women who gave us life,
who nurtured us, guided us, and taught us to know
You.

Bless all mothers —

those who are with us and those who have gone home to You. Give them strength when they are weary, patience when days are long, and joy in the love they share with their families.

Pour out Your grace on mothers who are struggling, mothers who are alone, mothers who have lost children, and those who long to be mothers.

Wrap them in Your tender care and remind them of their worth.

May Mary, the Mother of Jesus, be their model and their guide, drawing them always closer to Your heart. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen. Come Pray With Us

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EVENING PRAYER & CONTEMPLATION

Join us Sun, May 18, 6:30-7:30pm at St Luke for a Benediction Prayer Service including Evening Prayer, time of reflection, and Benediction. All are welcome...but we especially invite those who attended the "Intro to Real Prayer" sessions. Hope to see you there...

St. Augustine Academy Class of 1975 Reunion

The class of 1975 from St. Augustine Academy will be celebrating their 50th Year Class Reunion. It will be Saturday, June 14, 2025. We are looking for classmates' contact information. If you are a graduate of the class of 1975 and have not received an e-vite to the event, please contact Patrice Aylward at paylward@aol.com so your contact info can be added and we can send you an invitation.

Join the Avila's Vocation Prayer Group on the 1st Monday, after Mass, to pray for priests and seminarians in formation.

🛂 Summer Concert Series at Centering Space 🛂

Looking for peaceful summer evenings filled with music and community? Join Centering Space (14812 Lake Ave, Lakewood) for their annual Garden Concert Series, offering a delightful mix of folk, blues, acoustic rock, Irish tunes, and more!

Here's this year's lineup:

- June 14 Renovare (Juneteenth Celebration: Strings & Vocal Ensemble)
- 🟂 July 12 Andy McManus Trio (Traditional & Contemporary Irish Music)
- August 9 John Lucic (Americana & Acoustic Rock)
- September 13 Cindy Smith (American Popular Standards Inspired by Nature)

Concerts run from 6:00–8:00 p.m. Admission is free, and donations are gratefully accepted to support the artists and the mission of Centering Space. For more details, visit www.centeringspace.org or call 216-228-7451. Bring a friend, a lawn chair, and your love of music!





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Did You Know?

Complicated financial problems faced St. James as the church was under construction during the darkest days of the Depression. For a time the apse was left unpainted until funds were available to complete the decoration.

Do you know who the mural figures represent? Above the high altar is Our Lord in glory, enthroned in Heaven. Around Him are the figures of the Blessed Virgin, St. Joseph, and four of the Archangels. St. Michael holds his flaming sword with which he slays Satan. St. Gabriel is given the lily of the Annunciation and scepter, and a scroll which reads "God is my Strength" while St. Uriel holds a scroll with the words "God is my Light". In the background are adoring angels.

Below this is the Apostolic Frieze, running around the apse. Each of the apostles is represented along with his familiar symbol. St. Peter with his keys, and at the opposite end, St. James with his cross sword and the shell denoting pilgrimage. Between them are St. Andrew, St. John, St. Philp, St. Bartholomew, St. Thomas (with his poor sagging halo!), St. James Minor, St. Matthew, St. Jude, St. Simon, and St. Matthias. Each is depicted with objects symbolizing his martyrdom or some

important event in his life.

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Overhead is the Arch of the Holy Sacraments. Baptism is shown by the font, Confirmation by the dove, the Holy Eucharist by the chalice and host, Penance by two crossed keys, Anointing of the Sick by the oil stock, Ordination by a chalice and paten resting on a missal, and Matrimony by two clasped hands. Were you able to identify these symbols and what they represent?



Coffee and Donuts



Please join us for coffee and donuts on Sunday after Mass. A special invitation is extended to new parishioners and visitors.

PRAY THE ROSARY

Please join us every Thursday evening at 7:00 pm in the church for the recitation of the Rosary. We will pray for all your intentions.



If you are looking for help with your marriage, Retrouvaille is here to help. Whether you are struggling with communications, feel distant or have significant issues you've been unable to resolve, you'll find hope and tools that make a difference.

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Prayer Ministry Update

Saint Clement Intercessory Prayer Ministry began in August of last year and we are growing! We now have 20 active members who pray for others in our Parish. We are also working in collaboration with the Seven Sister Apostolate and have coverage for Fr. Kevin, Fr. Patrick, and now Fr. Peter Paul. The Seven Sister Apostolate is a group of seven women who pray for the needs of the pastor first being met, then sponsoring our parochial vicar, and now our priest in residence. Each group of seven sisters prays one assigned day of the week per assigned priest for a total of 21 apostolates. The unique thing about this is that it is done in the Adoration Chapel which is access at St. Clement Parish. It is a wonderful place to pray in silence and reverence before the most sacred body of Christ. Working together in tandem with our prayer ministry, the Seven Sister Apostolate and our Adoration Chapel are strengthening the unity of the church between our three cluster parishes. If you would like to be a prayer partner in any of these three ministries, contact Jean Smith (Prayer Ministry Coordinator) at 216-536-8693, or Mark Ronan (Adoration Chapel Coordinator) at 216-218-1951.

Our Lakewood Community





Pray for Our Lakewood Priests and Seminarians in Formation



Fr. Kevin Elbert



Fr. Peter Paul



Br. Kevin Cush



Fr. Patrick Schultz



Mr. Sean Homcy



Mr. Andrew Bendahan

O Holy Spirit, Spirit of wisdom and divine love, impart Your knowledge, understanding, and counsel to youth that they may know the vocation wherein they can best serve God. Give them courage and strength to follow God's holy will. Guide their uncertain steps, strengthen their resolutions, shield their chastity, fashion their minds, conquer their hearts, and lead them to the vineyards where they will labor in God's holy service. Amen.

THINGS FIROUND TOWN

May 15 • Fr. Joe Koopman: Is the Moral Law a Burden? Or Does It Set Us Free? • Presentation • St. Mary in Berea • 7-8pm

May 17 • Keep Lakewood Beautiful's Annual Humus & Plant Sale • At Lakewood Park (Old Stone House) • 9am May 21 • Aladdin's Fundraiser for the Centering Space of Lakewood founded by the Sisters of Charity of St. Augustine. • Any purchase made on this day at the Lakewood Aladdin's will help support the Sister's Centering Space Ministry.

June 11 • North Union Farmer's Market at Madison Park (Every Wednesday from 10am - 1pm, starting 6/11)

July 19 • Lakewood Summer Meltdown

July 26 • Catholic Renewal Ministries Annual Conference • At St. Albert the Great in North Royalton • crmweb.org for more info.



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Gift Discernment Retreat

Saturday, June 7, 2025

Did you know that you are spiritually gifted?

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Pope Francis encourages us to use our charisms, "Our charisms are not an inheritance, safely guarded and entrusted to a small group for safekeeping; rather they are gifts of the Spirit integrated into the boy of the Church."

What is a charism? How do I know my charisms?

Charisms are to be discovered, discerned and used to build the Kingdom.

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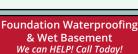
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