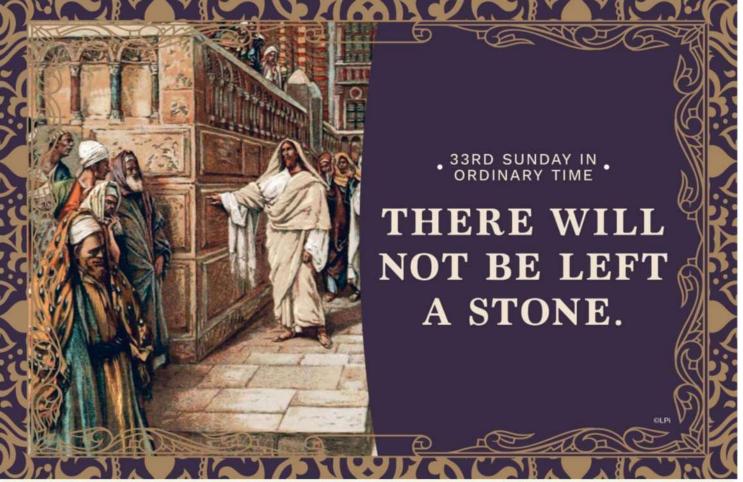
# LAKEWOOD CATHOLIC PARISHES

St. Clement • St. James • St. Luke November 16, 2025



# Parish Contact Information

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#### St. Clement Church

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#### St. James Church

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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 November 16, 2025

### Monday, November 17:

1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63/Ps 119:53, 61,134,150,155,158/Lk 18:35-43

Mass Intention 8:15am St. Luke: Charles Westfall 🕂

Tuesday, November 18: 2 Mc 6:18-31/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 19:1-10

Mass Intention 8:15am St. Luke: Edward J. Davis  $\uppha$ 

Wednesday, November 19: 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31/Ps 17:1, 5-6,8b,15/Lk 19:11-28

Mass Intention 8:15am St. Luke: Frank Dugan 🕂

Thursday, November 20: 1 Mc 2:15-29/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15/Lk 19:41-44

Mass Intention 8:15am St. Clement: Agnes Sopko +

Friday, November 21: 1 Mc 6:1-13/Ps 9:2-3, 4 and 6, 16 and 19/Lk 20:27-40

Mass Intention 8:15am St. James: Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, November 22:

1 Mc 4:36-37,52-59/1 Chr 29:10, 11, 11d-12,/Lk 19:45-48

Mass Intention 4:00pm St. Clement:

Living and Deceased of the Vorell Family

Mass Intention 4:30pm St. Luke:

Living and Deceased of the Bixler and McGorray Families

Sunday, November 23:

2 Sm 5:1-3/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5 (see 1)/Col 1:12-20/Lk 23:35-43

Mass Intention 8:30am St. Clement:

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

Mass Intention 10:30am St. James:

Friends and Family of the Simms Family, Living and Deceased

Mass Intention 11:00am St. Luke: Therese Marotta Manczewski 🕂

November 16, 2025 Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Luke 21:5-19

When I was a kid growing up in New England, I'd occasionally go on a whale watch. Once we went out with calm waters and clear skies. But on the way back in, the sea got rough. I was just a kid, and I remember thinking we should turn left or right toward the shoreline I could see. But the pilot of the boat kept going straight — right into the waves — focused on a small, discouragingly distant lighthouse. Even when it flickered in and out of sight, he stayed the course. He knew where he was going.

That image comes to mind when I hear Jesus' words in today's Gospel regarding false messiahs: "Do not follow them" (Luke 21:8). In times of chaos or uncertainty, there are always voices offering easier routes, promising false safety, claiming to speak for God. But Jesus isn't found in the loudest voice or the nearest shoreline. He is steady, like a lighthouse in the storm.

The tribulation of which Jesus speaks — it's real. It happened to the Temple, it happened to him, it happens in the Church, and it will come to each of us. But the command is not to panic. It's to endure. To keep steering toward him. Faith isn't about having all the answers or dodging every wave. It's about knowing where the lighthouse is — and trusting it enough to keep going, especially when false safety beckons us to stop.

### Parish Staff

Pastor: Fr. Kevin Elbert

Parochial Vicar: Fr. Cameron Popik Parish Deacon: Deacon Tom Bizon

Priest in Residence:

Fr. Peter Paul Ibeagha

#### St. Luke Parish Staff:

Max Hall, PCL/Pastoral Associate Lawrence Wallace, Music Ministry Holly Nixon, Office Manager Tim Conley, Facilities Manager Barb Price, Hospitality Coordinator Annemarie Hutchinson, Secretary

#### St. Clement Parish Staff:

Colleen Houk, Faith Formation Frank Stasko, Maintenance

#### St. James Parish Staff:

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# Diocese of Cleveland Parishioner Survey

The Clergy Personnel Board assists the Bishop of Cleveland by making recommendations to the Bishop for clergy assignments. The Board is interested in feedback from the parishioners of St. Clement Parish, St. James Parish, and St. Luke Parish and invites you to participate by responding to the survey link:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Lakewood2025

Please be assured that you remain in our prayers during this time of transition. This survey will be open until Sunday, December 7, 2025.



# From the Bereavement Ministry

During the month of November, framed photos of loved ones who have passed away can be placed on the table in the vestibule of St. Luke church as a form of remembrance. Please place your name and contact number on the back of each photo. Remember to pick them up by November 30th.

# Pilgrims of Hope 2025: Cathedral Tour & Holy Doors Experience

Join us for a special pilgrimage to St. John the Evangelist Cathedral on Saturday, November 22, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. as part of the Pilgrims of Hope Year 2025. We will carpool from St. Luke's parking lot to the Cathedral for a guided tour and passage through the Jubilee Doors of Grace, designated by Bishop Malesic as a sacred site for obtaining plenary indulgences. This pilgrimage offers a time of spiritual renewal, prayer, and reflection, and an opportunity to experience the beauty and history of our diocesan mother church. Registration required. To participate, please contact the St. Luke Parish Office or parishioner Meaghan Geraghty at mgeraghtylaw@gmail.com.

# Light Up Lakewood with Us

For the first time, the Lakewood Catholic Parishes are uniting to staff a booth at this year's Light Up Lakewood in downtown Lakewood on Dec 6th from 4-8 PM. We plan to share the light and joy of Christ by running a carnival-style game, and handing out candy canes and postcards with advent events and the Christmas Mass schedule. Anyone merry and bright is encouraged to volunteer, including whole families. Help us:

- -share joy through the carnival game and prizes
- -welcome others to upcoming events with candy canes and flyers
- -help set up or clean up the booth

Volunteer shifts are two hours long. If you are interested in this new opportunity to love your neighbors, please contact Ryan Gallagher (rgallagher4334@gmail.com)

# St. Luke Giving Tree - Coming Soon

As we approach the Advent season, keep in mind our annual St. Luke Giving Tree, which will be placed in the church the weekend after Thanksgiving. Each year, this beloved tradition spreads the joy of Christmas to those in need throughout our community. Through your generosity, we support local organizations including St. Augustine Health Center, Zelie's Home (for moms in need), The Centers, O'Neill Nursing and Assisted Living Residents, Community Meal, and many others. Thank you for your continued kindness and compassion — your giving spirit helps bring light and hope to so many during this sacred season.

# From the Social Action Ministry

Thank You! Our Socks+ Drive is over, but thanks to your generosity the Parish collected:

- · 727 pairs of socks
- · 66 underwear/sports bras
  - · 78 hats/scarves/gloves
    - · 6 backpacks
- · 9 misc. (boots/slippers, clothes)

Because of you many of our neighbors will be warm from head to toe this winter. Bless You!

# Parish Offertory Report

<u>September</u> In Pew: \$18,123.00 Faith Direct: \$28,767.00

October

In Pew: \$17,023.00 Faith Direct: \$28,756.00

Thank you all for your continued generosity to our parish and it's mission.





On Saturday, December 6th, St James will be hosting our annual Breakfast with Santa from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon in Andrews Hall. Tickets are \$16 for adults (13 +), \$5 for children (2-12), and children under 2 are free. The price includes a home-cooked hot breakfast, a visit with Santa, stories with Mrs. Claus, our enchanting Christmas wonderland, crafts, unique photo opportunities, and much more. Our famous basket raffle will add to the excitement and fun! Raffle tickets are cash or check only at the event! Tickets will be available November 9th - December 1st at Coffee and Donuts after 10:30 Masses (cash or check) or by contacting Pat Buckhold at StJamesSantaBreakfast@gmail.com, or 375-7746. There are a limited number of tickets, early purchase is appreciated!

# SAVE THE DATES - NOV. 22 (EARLY GIVING) THROUGH DEC. 2, 2025 (GIVING TUESDAY)

December 2nd will be an exciting day to remember, as our parish again participates in #weGiveCatholic on Giving Tuesday! Last year our campaign focused on a project dear to all our hearts – the partial roof replacement and repairs on the north side of our church. Currently, you can see the scaffolding, materials, machinery, and the workers laboring at the top of the church. The project is well underway and due to wrap up in late Fall. YOU and others helped to make this happen out of your generosity to our 2024 #weGiveCatholic campaign. This year, when Early Giving begins on November 22, we will all come together again to help keep this vital work going. Mark your calendar now, and stay tuned for details about the campaign and how your gift can make a lasting impact on St. James. Thank you!



Ring in the Church's new year at our Catholic New Year's Eve Game Night on Saturday, November 29 from 4:30–7:00 PM in the St. James Lower Church (Andrews Hall)! Enjoy games, pizza, & fellowship for all ages. We'll also have an Advent Wreath Blessing — bring your own wreath and candles or pre-order online. RSVP, Get Tickets, & Pre-Order Advent items at: stjameslakewood.com. Questions? Contact Lina Simms: linadorasimms@gmail.com.

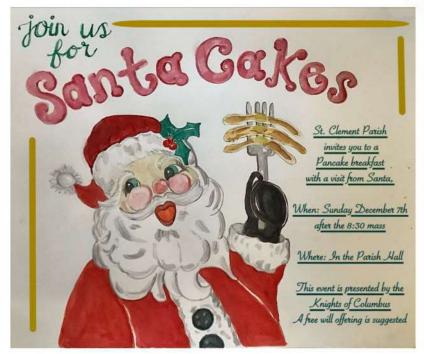
## St. Clement Giving Tree - The tradition continues Prayer Ministry

For many years the St. Clement faith community has supported the good work of the West Side Catholic Center. Each year WSCC serves 800 of their most frequent visitors through the Spirit of Christmas program. Spirit of Christmas recipients receive a bag with a variety of essential items, such as toiletries, sweatshirts, socks and underwear. Some area parishes collect toiletries; other parishes collect socks. This year the coordinator of the program has requested that the St. Clement faith community contribute by collecting underwear, scarves and medium weight gloves for men, women and children.

In addition to Spirit of Christmas gift tags, you will see tags for Giant Eagle gift cards on the Giving Tree. The gift cards are to support the mission of our own St. Vincent de Paul Society, located here at St. Clement parish. A small group of dedicated volunteers faithfully serve our neighbors here in Lakewood. The Giant Eagle gift cards can be used for fresh food, pharmacy needs, and bus passes.

Please choose a tag from the tree, purchase the item, and return the unwrapped item to church by December 7.

Thank you for supporting the St. Clement Giving Tree and for continuing our longtime tradition of serving others!





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### **Adoration Chapel**





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Please join us for coffee and donuts on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month after the 8:30am Mass. A special invitation is extended to new parishioners and visitors.

# "Mom's Recipe"



Share your favorite pot luck dish that your Mom made. If it's a warm dish, bring it in a crock pot and wear an apron just like Mom did.

Any questions, please contact Carol Speer - 216-548-7215

#### We Give Catholic

On Tuesday, December 2, 2025, St. Clement Church asks for your support as we participate in #wegivecatholic, Northeast Ohio's Online Day of Catholic Giving. Note: Early Giving begins November 22nd through December 1st. A few years ago we celebrated our 100 year anniversary which is a very proud milestone for our parish. In 100 years, we have maintained and updated our church and grounds with wonderful additions like air conditioning and an elevator which enhance our parish life. Many years ago, during our capital campaign we established a maintenance fund to support the ongoing needs for our church and grounds. This past year we were able to refurbish the masonry on the front of the rectory saving the beautiful stone arches as well as securing the roof area. We also added new rectory steps. These projects totaled just under \$50,000. For this year's We Give Catholic project, we would like to encourage donations to the existing maintenance funds for future major projects. For more information please visit the St. Clement parish website.

# Our Lakewood Community

# St .Colman Food Pantry at St. Clement and James

The St Colman food pantry is in most need of the following items:

- Peanut Butter: small & Medium sizes
- Pasta sauce
- Canned fruit
- beans: black beans, red beans, etc. (but not green beans: they have plenty of those!)

Cans with pop tops preferred: no expired food, please! Donations can be left in the St. Colman food bin at church at St. Clement or St. James. Thank you for your continued support!

# THINGS FIROUND TOWN

**November 27** • A special note that Thanksgiving Mass will be at 9am at St. Clement Parish.

December 6 • Breakfast with Santa at St. James Church

December 7 • Advent Concert and Reception at St. Luke Church

December 7 • Pancake Breakfast at St. Clement

**December 8 •** Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, a Holy Day of Obligation

December 14 • Breakfast with Santa at St. Luke Church, after Masses
Christmas Mass Schedule for Lakewood

Christmas Eve

4pm at St. Luke

4pm at St. James 6pm at St. Luke

8pm at St. Clement

Christmas Day

8:30pm at St. Clement

10am at St. Luke

10:30am at St. James



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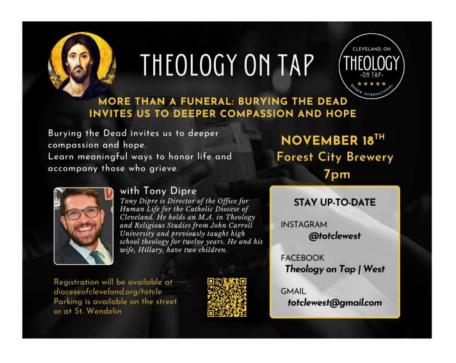


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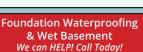
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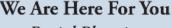


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