

LAKEWOOD CATHOLIC PARISHES

St. Clement • St. James • St. Luke

JANUARY 11, 2026



THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

A voice came from the heavens, saying, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased." - Mt 3:17

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Parish Contact Information

St. Luke Church

1212 Burts Rd, Lakewood, Ohio 44107
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St. Clement Church

2022 Lincoln Ave, Lakewood, Ohio 44107
216-226-5116 • www.stclementlakewood.com

St. James Church

17400 Northwood Ave, Lakewood, Ohio 44107
216-712-6755 • www.stjameslakewood.com

*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)

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

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

Readings and Intentions for the Week of January 11, 2026

Monday, January 12: 1 Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19/Mk 1:14-20

Mass Intention 8:15am St. Luke:

Deceased Members of the Chipman and Dutko Families

Tuesday, January 13: 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sam 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28

Mass Intention 8:15am St. Luke: **Ron Rerko** †

Wednesday, January 14: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2, 5, 7-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39

Mass Intention 8:15am St. Luke: **Deceased Members of the Toner Family**

Thursday, January 15: 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45

Mass Intention 8:15 St. Clement: **Margaret Ann Tar-Smith** †

Friday, January 16: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12

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

Saturday, January 17: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 2:13-17

Mass Intention 4:00pm St. Clement: **Jodie Moroco** †

Mass Intention 4:30pm St. Luke: **For the People**

Sunday, January 18: Is 49:3, 5-6/Ps 40:2, 4, 7-9, 10/1 Cor 1:1-3/Jn 1:29-34

Mass Intention 8:30am St. Clement: **Edward Kusky** †

Mass Intention 9:00am St. Luke: **Special Intention of Don Rerko and Family**

Mass Intention 10:30am St. James: **George Buckhold** †

Mass Intention 11:00am St. Luke: **Rose Mary Curle** †

Parish Staff

Administrator: 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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January 11, 2026

The Baptism of the Lord

Matthew 3:13-17

Apple ran a commercial not long ago called "Behind the Mac – Greatness." It shows artists and creators, such as Kendrick Lamar, Billie Eilish, and Lady Gaga, working behind their MacBooks. The narration says, "There's a certain kind of person who doesn't wait for greatness. They make it." It's a compelling message. There's beauty in using our gifts with passion and purpose. But there lies a hidden weight in that idea: If you are what you make, what happens when you can't anymore? When the project fails, the passion fades, or the spotlight moves on, where is greatness then?

Today's Gospel offers a differing vision of greatness. Jesus steps into the Jordan River. He hasn't preached, healed, or performed a single miracle. Then the heavens open, and the Father speaks: "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." It's not a reward for success. It's not earned. Before he does anything "great," Jesus receives the greatness of his identity from the Father.

And so do you. At your baptism, God said the same thing over you: "You are my beloved." That is your true identity, not constructed or earned but received. When we see ourselves and others this way, everything changes for the better. We discover a greatness that can never be taken away.

This week, reflect on your baptism: look up the date, thank God for it, pray for those baptized with you, or visit the church where it happened. Let your identity be rooted there.

— Father John Muir

Mass Intention Books Now Open

The Mass intention books for St. Clement, St. Luke, and St. James are now open for the 2026 calendar year. Parishioners are invited to schedule intentions for loved ones—whether for the repose of a soul, for the intentions of another, in thanksgiving, or for special needs. Intentions are taken on a first-come, first-served basis. Parishioners may request multiple intentions throughout the year, though we ask for fairness and pastoral balance when scheduling weekend and holy day Masses. The stipend offering for each intention is \$10. To schedule a Mass, please contact the consolidated parish office of the Lakewood Catholic Parishes. Your prayerful participation is a profound gift to those you remember and to the life of our Church.

Parish Office Closed on MLK Day

Please note that the parish office will be closed on January 19th in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

The office will reopen on Tuesday, January 20th.

Mass for the gift of HUMAN LIFE

January 23, 2026
with Bishop Malesic, Celebrant

OPEN TO ALL

Students (including college students) and parish or independent pro-life/social concerns ministries are especially encouraged to attend.



Groups: Please register using the link for reserved seating.
Individuals/Families: No registration needed.

To assist at Mass (concelebrants, altar servers, lectors, EMHCs), please contact Tony Dipre, Office for Human Life.

10:00AM at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist



St. Monica Prayer Ministry at St. Luke Parish

We'd like to pray with you and for you, and your intentions.

To submit a prayer request:

- Visit the Parish Website
- Call the Parish Office
- Scan the QR Code

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SUBMIT YOUR PRAYER
REQUEST.



Most needed food items for the St Colman and Little Blue Pantry food bins at this time:

Pasta sauce : all sizes
Fruit juices: all sizes
Mixed vegetables
Canned fruit
Individually wrapped snacks

Non-perishable food only: pop-tops preferred.

Please leave donations in the designated food bins at your church or at the St Luke rectory. Thank you for caring for those in need!"

Papal Intention

For prayer with the Word of God

Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.

Ministry to the Incarcerated

with St. Mark Parish

"I was in prison and you visited me...Truly I tell you, just as you did it to the one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me." - Matthew 25 Do you have a heart for serving others? The Jail Ministry team at St. Mark serves at the Lorain County Jail and is looking for compassionate, committed volunteers to share God's love with incarcerated individuals through prayer, conversation, and spiritual support. Whether you're gifted in listening, teaching, praying, or simply showing up—even working from home—there's a place for you. No experience necessary, just a willing spirit and a heart for restoration. To learn more, contact Michelle Tibbetts at 216-906-2886 or tibbettslaw@gmail.com

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1. Go to <https://formed.org/signup> or scan this QR code for our website signup screen:
2. At the Create a New Account screen, enter St Clement. Enter your name and email address.
3. Check your email for a link to begin using Formed.



Donuts and Coffee

Donuts and Coffee is back. A special invitation to new parishioners and visitors to come downstairs after Mass on all other Sundays for good conversation and fellowship.



#WeGIVECATHOLIC UPDATE

We are happy to provide an update on our #weGiveCatholic campaign returns. Our final total has reached \$127,125 from 195 generous donors. Starting with an initial goal of \$60,000, we repeatedly raised our target, finally setting it at \$122,000—and surpassed that too! In addition to this total, we will be awarded prize money of \$2,000 from the Catholic Community Foundation for securing 1st place in the number of unique donors within our small parish category, and \$500 for one of our e-newsletters promoting #wGC.

This achievement was made possible through the extraordinary kindness of all our donors and campaign advocates. We extend special appreciation to our anonymous benefactor who provided the extremely motivating \$50k Matching Gift. Many thanks to the Hayden family for their fundraising campaign in memory of our beloved Francine Hayden. Our appreciation to all who prayed for the success of the campaign and worked hard to spread the word. Your support was so important.

As you know, proceeds from the campaign will enable us to continue the vital repairs and partial roof replacement of our landmark church next year. Your gifts have truly made a difference for St. James. Thank you for giving from your heart!

NEW AT ST. JAMES? WELCOME!

We're glad you're joining our parish family! If you haven't registered yet, please scan this QR code to obtain a registration form. We're looking forward to meeting you--please let us know how we can help.



St. Clement Happenings



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.



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St. Clement
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Join us in the St. Clement Church Hall!

Saturday, January 31

Time: 6:00 PM

\$75 per Couple \$40 per Individual

Tickets available after Masses at St. Clement

Or Call Ruth Higgins: (216) 647-5320

Prayer Ministry



Website



Adoration Chapel



Our Lakewood Community

The Catholic Cemeteries Association's next Sunday Grief Support Group will be Sunday January 18th. In-person will meet at 3pm, virtual at 5pm. In a welcoming and supportive setting, find fellowship among others who share their experiences and understand the pain of loss. Meetings are being held on the 3rd Sunday of the month, at no charge to you. Please join us for an hour of listening, healing, and finding comfort with others who understand. For details, call Renee at 216-930-4866 or visit: www.clecem.org/Events

In-Person Locations in our area:

- Holy Cross, Brook Park | 14609 Brookpark Road
- St. Joseph, Avon | 32789 Detroit Road

Virtual – Please register at

<https://clecem.org/Information/Bereavement.aspx>

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THINGS AROUND TOWN

January 11 • Baptism Class for new parents at St. Luke at 12:15pm.
January 13 • First Communion Parent Meeting at St. James parish hall at 6:30pm.
January 19 • Parish Office will be closed in observance of MLK Jr. Day.
January 21 • 8th Grade Confirmation Life Night at St. Luke Church at 6:30pm.
January 23 • Mass for Life at the Cathedral at 10am.
January 31 • St. Clement Wine Tasting, more details to come.



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