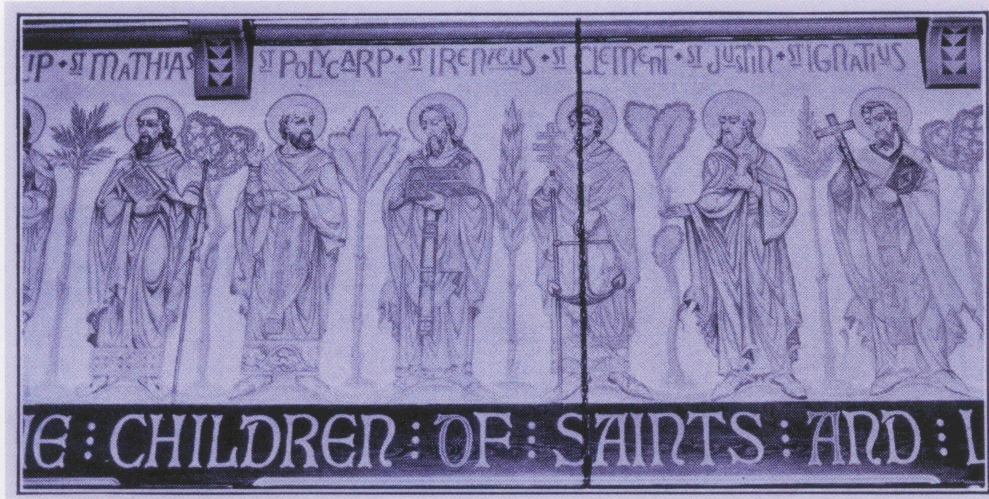


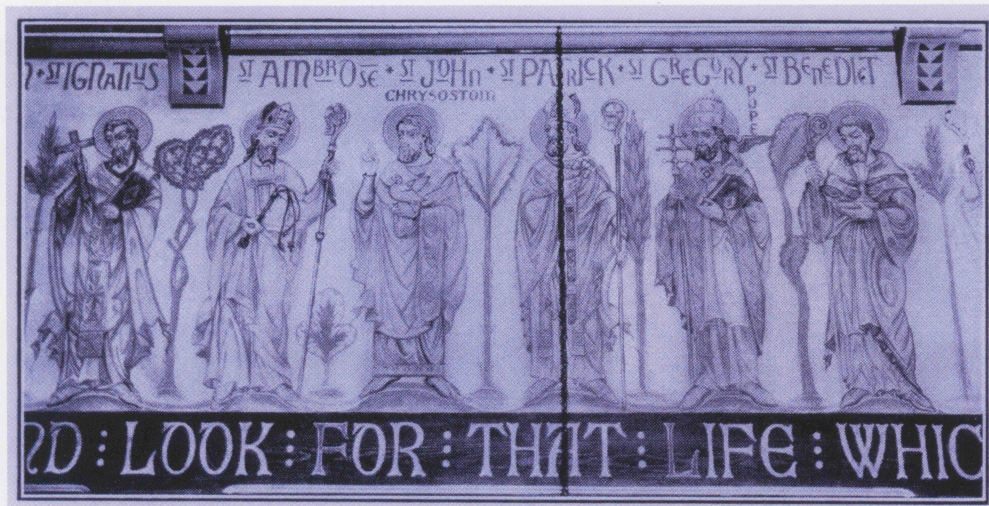
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St. Matthias • St. Polycarp • St. Irenaeus • St. Clement • St. Justin • St. Ignatius



St. Ignatius • St. Ambrose • St. John Chrysostom • St. Patrick • Pope St. Gregory • St. Benedict



1972



2012

Joe & Linda Dipong's Story

We came to St. Clement Church in the summer of 2010 when St. James closed. After more than 30 years, we were forced to find a new parish family. At first we visited other neighboring parishes, some of which our friends had chosen, but we spent most of our time attending Mass at St. Clement. Eventually we wandered downstairs after Mass to the donut sale and social and were welcomed by friendly faces, who invited us to join them. As we shared our story, we felt their genuine concern for our situation. As the weeks and months went by, we agreed that we had found our new home. When we registered, Fr. Workman invited us to become Eucharistic Ministers and asked Joe to serve at funerals. We took instructions and were commissioned as Eucharistic Ministers. It has been an honor and a privilege to give the Body and Blood of Christ to our parish community, especially the homebound.

In addition to our worship, we have enjoyed many social activities such, as potluck suppers as well as religious education programs. We have also gone on a few bus trips, which we have found extremely enjoyable. We continue to meet new friends and establish lasting relationships with our parish family. We celebrated our 50th wedding anniversary in 2018 with Mass and dinner afterward with our family and friends in the church hall.

In 2019, we sold our home in Lakewood and moved to Broadview Hts. We made a commitment to continue at St. Clement. So every week, we make the 50-mile round trip to worship with our friends at St. Clement. We hope to be able to continue to do so for many years to come.

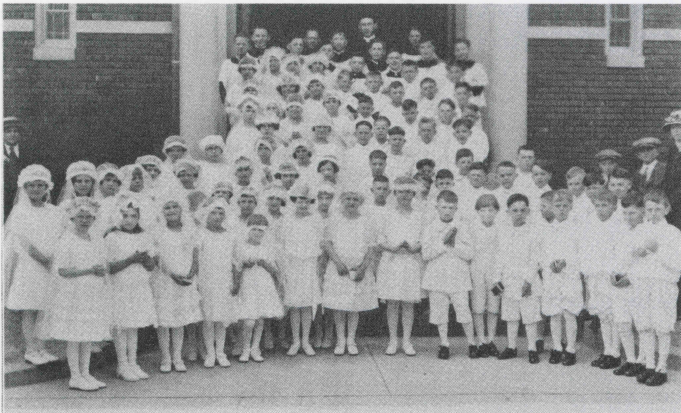
A story from Erica Chew

Today is my third time here. I grew up in the Catholic Church; my Papa was one of the pastoral ministers who started La Sagrada Familia.

I am new to the area, and I'm five months pregnant. I would like to have my baby christened here because everyone is so kind, down-to-earth and welcoming. That is what I would like to bring my child into, a very happy and spiritual place of love.

School

In September 1924, St. Clement School opened its doors to 350 students under the direction of the Sisters of St. Joseph. Our 1927 addition to the school more than doubled its original size, with eight rooms and a gymnasium. In 1947, a convent was built on church premises for 18 Sisters of St. Joseph. In September 1958, an additional six classrooms were constructed, comprising the junior high. After eight decades of providing quality Catholic education to its children, St. Clement School merged with the St. Luke and St. James parish schools in August 2005 to become Lakewood Catholic Academy, serving kindergarten through 8th grade. In 2020, the convent and school buildings were demolished.



1923



1958



1964

Arlene Inks's Memories

I have many wonderful memories of being a member of St. Clement Parish. I have made many lifetime friendships that I cherish to this day.

My husband and I joined St. Clement Parish when we relocated from Pennsylvania over 50 years ago and made our home in Lakewood. We raised our three children, Lynne, Don, and Matt, in the parish and school. The St. Clement Parish family became our family since we moved away from our hometown in Pennsylvania. We experienced and were involved in many activities within the parish and school throughout the years.... These activities included Christ Renews His Parish, the Ladies Guild, bingo, volunteering in the school library and the athletic board, member of the school board (with a short stint as president), volunteering and fundraising for various activities at both the parish and the school. We, as a family, are forever grateful for our parish family, our faith and the lasting friendships that developed as a result of our involvement in the St. Clement community.