LAKEWOOD CATHOLIC PARISHES

NOVEMBER 15, 2026 | 33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM

Baptism is the first sacrament of initiation into the Catholic Church. Parents seeking Baptism for their child are invited to contact the Parish Office to begin the preparation and scheduling process. For more information, please contact the Parish Office at 216-521-0184.

MARRIAGE

Couples wishing to celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage should contact the parish as soon as possible, and at least six months before their desired wedding date. Marriage preparation is required and includes meetings with clergy and parish formation. For more information, please contact the Parish Office at 216-521-0184.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

If you or a loved one is facing serious illness, preparing for surgery, experiencing the effects of aging, or is in danger of death, the Church offers the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick.
For sacramental emergencies outside office hours, please call the parish office and follow the prompts for the emergency line.

FUNERAL & BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

In the event of the death of a loved one, we are here to assist families with funeral planning, liturgical preparation, and pastoral support. Families are encouraged to contact the Parish Office as soon as possible at 216-521-0184.

BECOMING CATHOLIC (OCIA)

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA), known locally as Becoming Catholic, is for adults who are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, preparing for Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist, or completing their sacraments. Classes meet throughout the academic year. Please contact Max at the parish office for more information.

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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Masses:
Mon, Tues, Wed • 8:15am at St. Luke
Thurs • 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

Adoration:
Daily at St. Clement Parish (Call office for info)

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MASS SCHEDULE AND READINGS

WEEK OF NOVMEBER 15TH

Monday, November 16
Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 18:35-43
8:15am | St. Luke | Special Intentions of Tom and Karen McKee

Tuesday, November 17
Rv 3:1-6, 14-22/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5/Lk 19:1-10
8:15am | St. Luke | Charles Westfall ✝

Wednesday, November 18
Rv 4:1-11/Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 19:11-28
8:15am | St. Luke | Edward T. Davis ✝

Thursday, November 19
Rv 5:1-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Lk 19:41-44
8:15am | St. Clement | Agnes Sopko ✝

Friday, November 20
Rv 10:8-11/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131/Lk 19:45-48
8:15am | St. James | Fred Simms ✝

Saturday, November 21
Rv 11:4-12/Ps 144:1, 2, 9-10/Lk 20:27-40
4:00pm | St. Clement | Barbara McMaster ✝
4:30pm | St. Luke | Kenneth Harshman ✝

Sunday, November 22
Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/Ps 23:1-2a, 2b-3, 5, 6/1 Cor 15:20-26, 28/Mt 25:31-46
8:30am | St. Clement | Danielle Maria Porter ✝
9:00am | St. Luke | For the People
10:30am | St. James | Pamela Kelly Wagner
11:00am | St. Luke | Intentions of Roman Dumycz

GOSPEL REFLECTION

November 15, 2026
Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Matthew 25:14-30

A friend once took his young adult son to the casino for his birthday. He handed him $100 and said, “Let’s have a great time.” The son, a graduate student with limited money, quietly pocketed the money and refused to play. “I don’t want to lose it,” he said. But he missed the point: the money was not really his to pocket; it was his father’s invitation to share an experience together.

God sees our gifts a bit like this. In Jesus’ parable, a servant buries his master’s talent and explains: “Master, I knew you were a demanding person…so out of fear I went off and buried your talent in the ground” (Matthew 25:24-25). The master condemns him not for failure but for refusing to risk. The servant’s fear distorts his image of the master and leads to a small, loveless response. No love, no risk. No risk, no relationship.

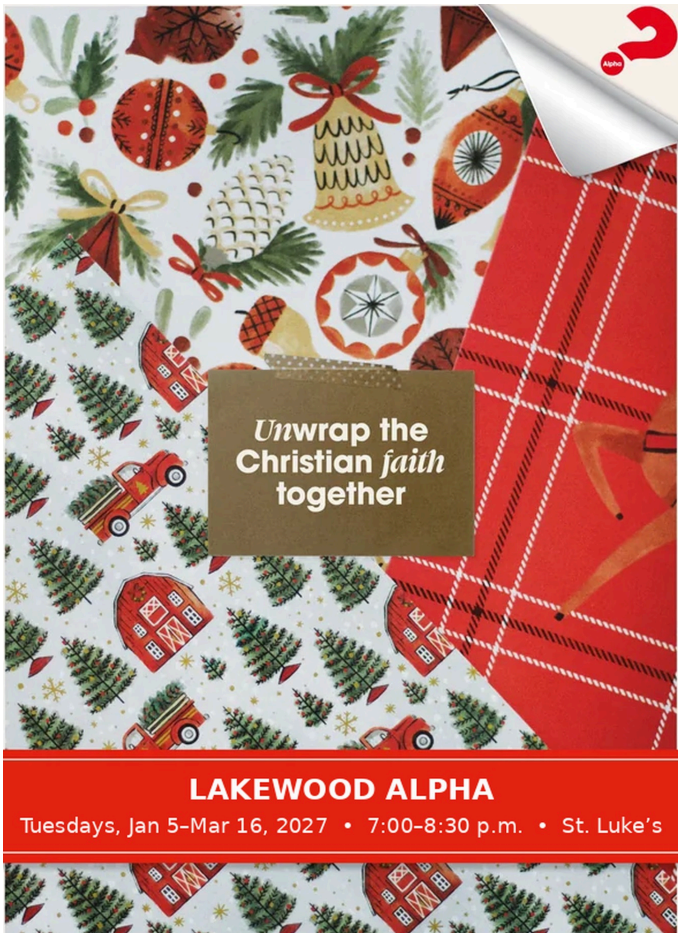
How easily we fall into this trap! We treat God’s gifts as fragile possessions rather than invitations. We play it safe, avoid risk, and tell ourselves we are wise and God is cruel. But Jesus praises those who trust the Master’s goodness enough to act boldly. They are not reckless but confident enough in their Master to risk their gifts for Him.

So, what is my interior story about God right now? Is it marked by generosity, adventure, and trust? Or by fear, caution, and suspicion? That hidden narrative shapes everything. Because love, by its nature, always takes risks with, and for, the beloved.

— Father John Muir

St. Clement Feast Day is Monday November 23d. Join us at 6:30pm for Evening Prayer at St. Clement with Fr. Scott followed by Lite Desserts and Hot Apple Cider

Pope Clement 1, also known as Saint Clement of Rome, served the early Christian Church during . 1st. Century AD. In approximately 100AD, Saint Clement 1 was banished to a work camp off the coast of the Crimean Sea (modern Ukraine). When he arrived at the camp, he was so successful in converting the laboring pagans that he was punished by being tied to an anchor and thrown off of a ship into the Crimean Sea. Relics are currently housed in the Basilica of St Clement in Rome. St Clement is recognized as the patron saint of Mariners, sailors, boatmen and stonecutters.



Alpha

Every Christmas, we celebrate a story of hope, peace, love, and joy. But what if those things weren't meant to be confined to one season? Whether you're a practicing Catholic, returning to the Church, or simply curious about faith, there's a place for you at Alpha. Explore the Christian faith and ask life's big questions in an open, welcoming space. Each session sparks conversation about faith, purpose, and meaning. Come and try it and see what you think! Alpha meets Tuesdays, January 5 – March 16, 2027, from 7 – 8:30p in McBride Hall at St. Luke Catholic Church, 1212 Bunts Road, Lakewood. Hearty snacks and refreshments will be served. Alpha is completely free to attend. Register at stjameslakewood.com/lkwdalpha.





Mission Prayer Challenge and Giving Campaign for Stewardship Minister

Beginning today, our parish will spend nine days praying the Surrender Prayer Challenge, on Hallow, together and supporting Prayer to Purpose: fundraiser. Our goal is $3000 from each of the three parishes in our Lakewood Catholic family by November 23rd to help hire a Stewardship Minister. Join the campaign from our parish page on the Hallow app to pray with us throughout the nine days.

You can support the campaign through the QR code in this bulletin or donating directly to the parish office. No app download or account is required to give. Even if you're not able to give today, please join us in prayer for our parishes. Thank you for helping our parish respond with faith and generosity.

St. Clement Parish

A few years ago, we celebrated our 100-year year anniversary which is a very proud milestone for our parish. Maintaining our parish is an important responsibility with on going expenses. This year we would like to focus on a few maintenance items such as the gathering area roof and the corresponding exterior wall, rectory roof flashing issues and the future replacement of our air conditioners. One of the two units is not currently functioning and we need to consider replacing both units. Other routine projects include the maintenance of the grounds such as our parking lot. For this year's We Give Catholic project, we would like to encourage donations to the existing maintenance funds for future major projects. Check our parish website, http://www.stclementlakewood.com, for the link that will take you directly to our #WeGIVECatholic page. Or you can donate with a regular check by putting in envelope marked "we give catholic". You can include in the offertory basket any weekend before Sunday, November 29. We can enter your donation manually and still receive credit for the promotional prizes awarded by the Catholic Community Foundation for participation etc. The donation portals will be open on Saturday, November 21, so you can donate early.





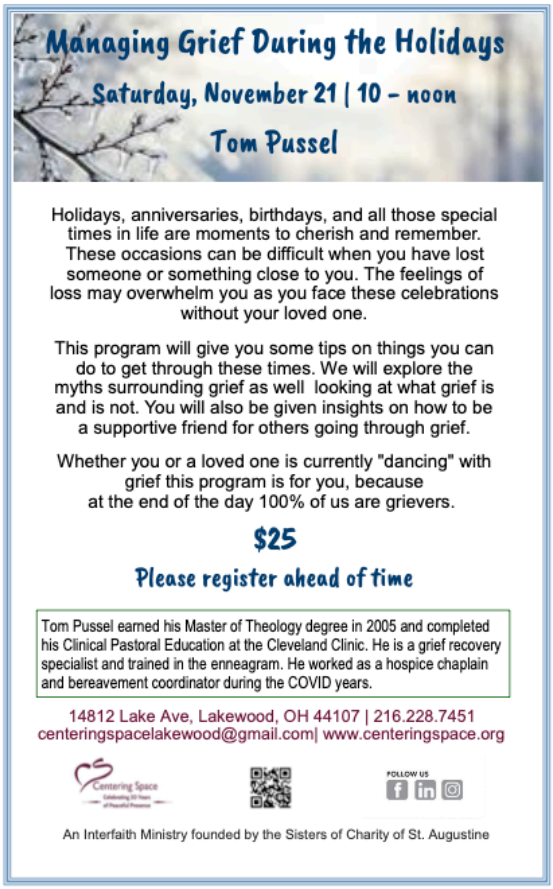
DECEMBER 1st will be an exciting day, as St. James again participates in #weGIVECatholic! (Early Giving starts Nov. 21). Our goal is to raise funds to continue our church roof restoration. Together, we can build on the progress already made. Your gift to this year's campaign will help us take the next steps toward a fully restored and secure roof. Our team is currently assessing costs and other factors to determine the scope of work and the most effective way to proceed.

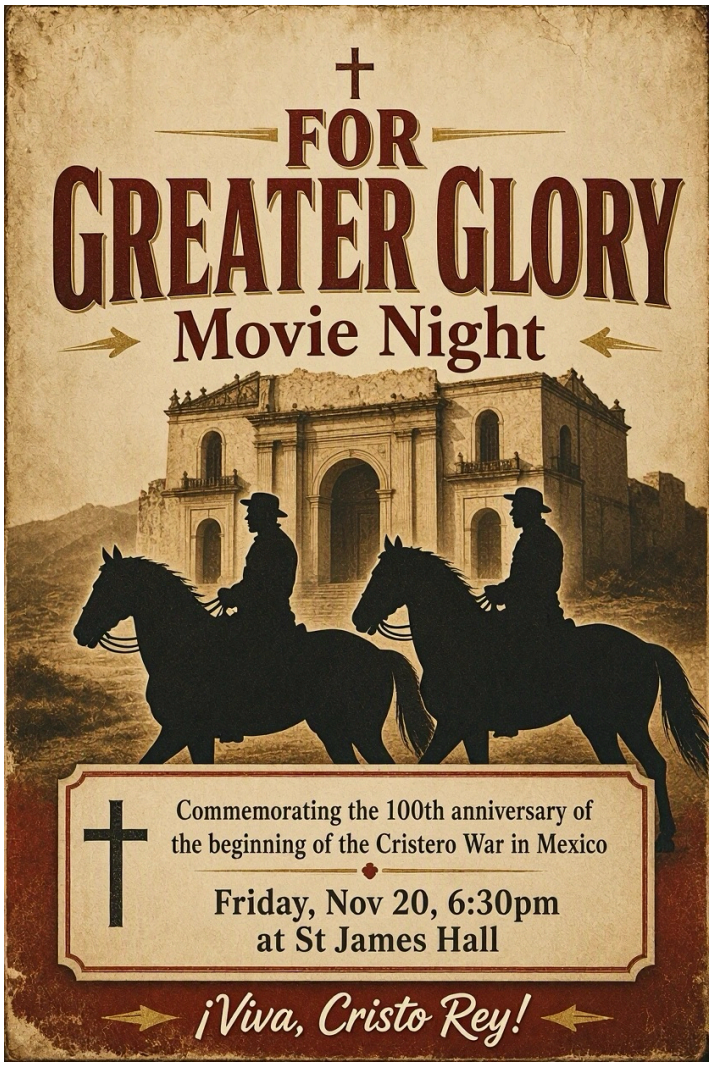
EXCITING NEWS: We have a generous $60,000 Matching Gift from an anonymous donor to double each gift for double the impact! Don't miss this opportunity to make a big difference! Rally your friends and family to be a part of it.

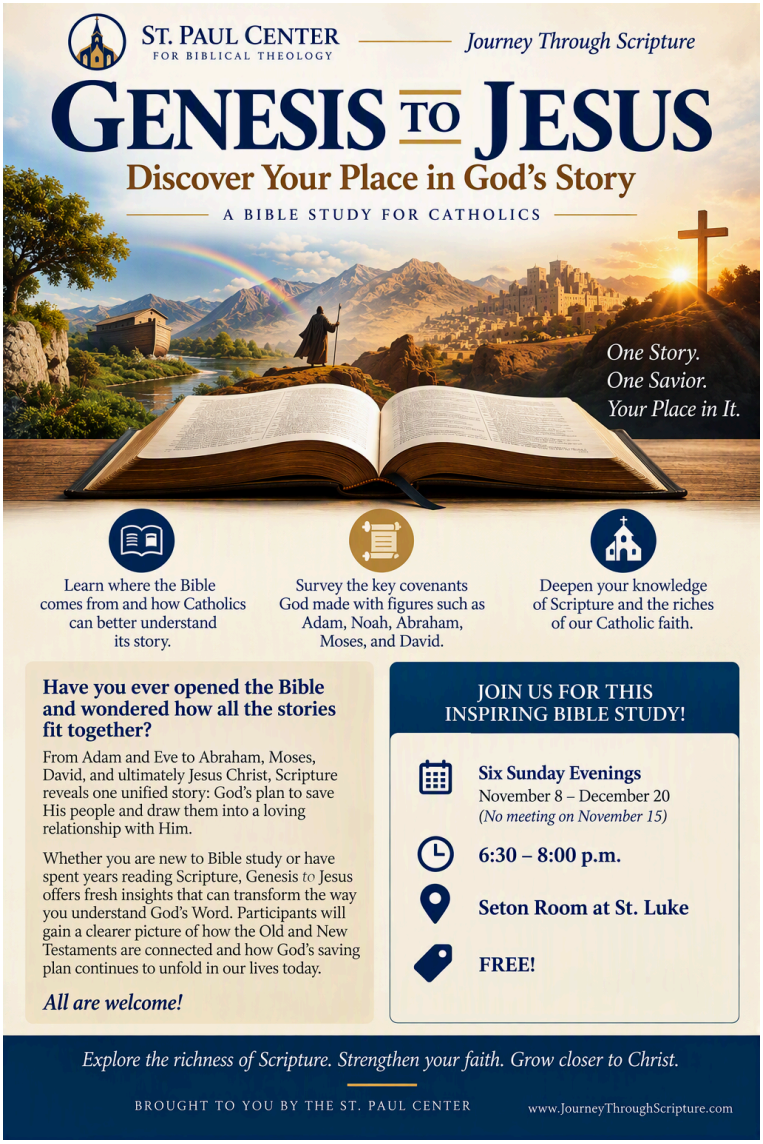
Do you have someone you'd like to celebrate by dedicating your own mini "campaign-within-a-campaign" in their honor, or memory? All it takes are several emails or conversations with your friends and family to tell them why this is important, and to encourage them to donate. Their gifts will appear on your own dedicated section on our live Giving Page as a tribute to your loved one. This has had a huge impact on donations made in the past. Please consider helping in this way; we can set it up for you to make it easy. For more info, contact Mary at 440-315-3301 or emwestmeyer@gmail.com. Thanks.

KICKOFF: Come downstairs after Mass for donuts and a short Campaign Kickoff on Nov 22, the start of Early Giving. Team members will be there to explain the project, take early donations, and hand out some prizes too! Don't miss the fun!

ON GIVING DAY: Cheer St. James on, and watch donations climb live as we compete for prizes! www.wegivecatholic.org









St. James - Breakfast with Santa

On Saturday, December 12th, 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 8th – December 6th at Coffee and Donuts after 10:30 Masses (cash, check, or Venmo) or by contacting Pat Buckhold at StJamesSantaBreakfast@gmail.com, or 216-375-7746. There are a limited number of tickets, early purchase is appreciated!



All PSR students are invited to participate in our Advent and Christmas Art Contest!

Create an original work of art that shows the beauty, hope, and joy of Advent and Christmas. All artwork will be displayed at our parish Christmas Concert and Party, with special prizes awarded to outstanding entries!

CHOOSE A THEME

You may choose one of the following themes to inspire your artwork.

LIGHT IN THE DARKNESS
How does Jesus bring hope into the world?

LOVE COMES DOWN TO EARTH
How does the birth of Jesus reveal God's love for us?

A WORLD MADE NEW
How does the coming of Christ transform our world?

You may illustrate a biblical scene, create something symbolic, or use your imagination to show what the coming of Jesus means to you!

ARTWORK GUIDELINES

- One original entry per student.
- Use one 8½ × 11-inch sheet of paper (portrait or landscape).
- Use crayons, markers, colored pencils, paints, pastels, or flat paper collage.
- No digital or AI-generated art, coloring pages, glitter, or three-dimensional decorations.
- Artwork should be the student's own work (though adults may help brainstorm ideas).
- Include a brief artist's statement (1–3 sentences) explaining how your artwork relates to the theme. Younger children may dictate their statement.

SUBMISSION DETAILS

All artwork must be submitted by
Sunday, December 7th.

- Write your full name, grade, and PSR class/parish on the back of your artwork.
- Attach your artist's statement (or write it on the back).
- Turn in your completed entry to your PSR catechist or teacher. They will collect all submissions and deliver them to the parish office for judging and display.

PRIZES

1st Place $100
2nd Place $50
3rd Place $25

Class Prize

The class with the highest percentage of participation will receive a special celebration!

We can't wait to see your creativity and faith!



Catholic Campaign for Human Development

Please be generous in this week's special collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. In the United States, over 11% of the population lives in poverty. Through this collection, you support programs around the country and right here in your local community that address the root causes of poverty and provide a sustainable future for those struggling across the country. In addition, 25% of the funds we collect remain here in our diocese to fund local antipoverty projects, such as Sisters Haven. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this collection and those working on the margins. More information about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development can be found at www.usccb.org/cchd.

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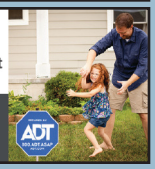



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