

St. James Catholic Parish

Corner of Detroit & Granger Avenue • Lakewood, Ohio

Staff Fr. Kevin P. Elbert, *Pastor*

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Sacrament of Penance St. Clement - 3:00-3:30 p.m. on Saturdays Or By Appointment

Parish School: Lakewood Catholic Academy 14808 Lake Avenue • 216-521-0559 www.lakewoodcatholicacademycom

Saturday Vigil Sunday Weekday <u>St. Clement</u> 4:00 P.M. 8:30 A.M. 8:15 A.M. Thurs. **Sacrament of Marriage:** Diocesan Marriage policy requires that couples contact the priest at least six months prior to setting a date for marriage. Time is necessary for instructions and sacramental preparation. Please call the Parish Office to schedule.

New Parishioners: We welcome you to our community! Please contact the Parish Office to register. Anyone over 18 years of age, still living at home, should register as a single adult member of our community.

Parish School of Religion: Required for all children attending public school grades 1-8. For information, contact Colleen Houk, Director of Faith Formation.

Faith Journey: R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiatiation of Adults) A process for those interested in the faith. Please contact the Parish Office.

Mass Schedule

<u>St. Luke</u> 4:30 P.M. 9:00 & 11:00 A.M. 8:15 A.M. Mon., Tues., Wed. St. James

10:30 A.M. 8:15 A.M. Fri.

Parish Staff & Business Hours

Fr. John Chlebo, Administrator Deacon Danny Bryan, Pastoral Support Mrs. Alyssa Nadin, Office Manager Mrs. Colleen Houk, Director of Faith Formation Mrs. Janet Guetle, Organist Mrs. Andrea Krueger, Secretary Mr. Frank Stasko, Maintenance <u>Office Hours</u> Monday-Wednesday-Friday: 9:00AM - 2:00 PM Phone: 216-712-6755 Fax: 216-712-6757 Email: <u>stjameslakewood@ohiocoxmail.com</u> Colleen Houk: <u>pcl.stjameslakewood@gmail.com</u> Website: <u>www.stjameslakewood.com</u>

For any emergency anointing or if you are a Funeral Director, please call Saint Clement Parish, **216-226-5116.**

Bulletin Deadline

All announcements for submission need to be in by **Monday at Noon** the week of publication.

Scripture Readings for the Week

Monday Is 35:1-10; Lk 5:17-26

- Tuesday Zec 2:14-17; Rv 11:19a; Lk 1:26-38
- Wednesday Is 40:25-31; Mt 11:28-30
- Thursday Is 41:13-20; Mt 11:11-15
- Friday 48:17-19; Mt 11:16-19
- Saturday Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Mt 17:9a, 10-13
- Sunday Is 61:1-2a, 10-11; 1Thes 5:16-24; Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

Offertory Collection – Dec. 3, 2023

Weekly Offering	\$1,275.00	CAP -
Online Weekly Offering	\$940.00	
Monthly Offering	\$1,000.00	OFFERING ENVELOPES
Online Monthly Offering	\$639.00	
Total	\$3,854.00	

Thank you for your generosity to St. James Parish.

Mass Intentions This Week - St. James

Friday, December 15, 2023 - Advent Weekday 8:15 am Harold & Ann Switzer †

Sunday, December 17, 2023 - 3rd Sunday of Advent

10:30 am Deceased Members of the Simms and Gudenas Families †

Mass Intentions This Week - St. Clement

Thursday, December 14 - Saint John of the Cross

8:15 am Megan Stewart †

Saturday, December 16 - Advent Weekday 4:00 pm Richard Wendell †

Sunday, December 17 - 3rd Sunday of Advent 8:30 am Anna Milan †

Wedding Banns

II Sarah Scava & Christian Ball



Community Meal

There will be a Community Meal on:

Wednesday, December 13 at 5:45 pm

The menu includes a Ham Dinner to be served.

Coffee & Donuts

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



Advent Prayer

Dear Lord, please allow me to embrace Advent as a way to prepare for your arrival. May everything I do, every gift I send, every meal I share, remind me to prepare a space in my heart for you. Amen.

We Give Catholic - Results

A heartfelt thank you to all who contributed to our We Give Catholic campaign on Nov. 28th. We are happy to report that we raised \$28,194 through your generosity!

We also were awarded \$1,000 in prize money from the Catholic Community Foundation for achieving 3rd place in number of donors (116) in our small parish category.

We extend our heartfelt appreciation to our generous matching gift sponsor who greatly motivated donations.

Thanks to everyone who prayed for our success, helped spread the word and gave from your heart.

You certainly made a difference for St. James!!

During the Week -Mass Schedule Changes

The weekly Mass schedule has changed:

We will celebrate Mass Monday through Friday at 8:15 am.

Mass will be at:

St. Luke - Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays.

St. Clement - Thursdays

St. James - Fridays

Father Workman Farewell

On Sunday, December 17, Father Workman will return to St. James to celebrate a final Mass with parishioners. After Mass, a farewell reception will be held in his honor in Andrews Hall.

Please join us to thank him for his 11 fruitful years of service as Pastor of St. James and St. Clement Parishes.

A box will be available downstairs if you would like to write Father Workman a note.

We wish him the best in his new assignment and we will continue to keep him in our prayers for a long and faithful ministry.

2024 Mass Intention Book - Reminder

With our recent (during the week) Mass schedule change, we will only be scheduling Mass Intentions for Fridays and Sundays for St. James moving forward. The Parish office is open Monday, Wednesday, and Friday.

Lessons & Carols Concert

Come join us **TODAY**, **December 10**, **2023 at 4:00 pm** in St. James Church to hear the wonders of God's relationship with man as told through scripture and song.

Nine scriptural lessons tell of God's love and steadfast commitment to us from the fall of man in the Garden of Eden through the Good News of the Birth of Christ. Every lesson is accompanied by a song, a carol of response from Man to God.

Soloists from the combined choirs of St. James and St Clement: Jack Curtis, Martha Trusko, Beth Bryan, Betsy Banner, Mary Miller and special vocalists, Inez Samarriba and Musical Director, Janet Guetle, will share much beloved Christmas music. Selections such as Oh Come, Oh Come Emmanuel, Oh Little Town of Bethlehem, Ave Maria, The First Noel, Oh, Come All Ye Faithful, and Hark the Herald Angels, will fill your heart and soul with the feeling of God's love and fellowship as we move into the Christmas Season.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will conclude the service. Please share this afternoon with us. All are welcome! Admission is Free. Freewill offerings are accepted. Light refreshments will be provided after the concert.

GIVING TREE

There is still time to bring an unwrapped gift for the Giving Tree! We will once again be helping families through the Cleveland Catholic Charities Office of Migration & Refugee Services. Your participation will directly impact a refugee's life in the Cleveland area and help them to rebuild their lives. The Giving Tree will run through December 17.

We encourage all parishioners to take an ornament with a needed item on it found in the baskets located by the church entrances. **Return the item by 10:30 am Mass on December 17.**

Place the item near the tree in the church and hang the ornament on the tree. Please do not wrap items. Thank you for your generosity!

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