

# LAKEWOOD CATHOLIC PARISHES

St. Clement • St. James • St. Luke

JULY 21, 2024 • SIXTEENTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME



## Parish Contact Information

### **St. Luke Church**

1212 Bunts Rd, Lakewood, Ohio 44107  
216-521-0184 • [www.stlukelakewood.org](http://www.stlukelakewood.org)

### **St. Clement Church**

2022 Lincoln Ave, Lakewood, Ohio 44107  
216-226-5116 • [www.stclementlakewood.com](http://www.stclementlakewood.com)

### **St. James Church**

17400 Northwood Ave, Lakewood, Ohio 44107  
216-712-6755 • [www.stjameslakewood.com](http://www.stjameslakewood.com)

## Parish Devotions

### **Adoration:**

Fridays from 7:00pm-8:00pm at St. Luke Parish

### **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 July 21, 2024

**Monday, July 22:** Sgs: 3: 1-4/Ps 63:2-9/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Mass Intention 8:15am St. Luke: **Deceased of Dumycz & Jablonski Families †**

**Tuesday, July 23:** Mi 7: 14-15, 18-20/Ps 85: 2-8/Mt 12: 46-50

Mass Intention 8:15am St. Luke: **Special Intention of Roman Dumycz**

**Wednesday, July 24:** Jer 1: 1,4-10/Ps 71: 1-6,15,17/Mt 13: 1-9

Mass Intention 8:15am St. Luke: **Special Intention**

**Thursday, July 25:** 2 Cor 4: 7-15/Ps 126: 1-6/Mt 20: 20-28

Mass Intention 8:15am St. Clement: **Patricia & Vernon Stremlow †**

**Friday, July 26:** Jer 3: 14-17/Jer 31: 10-13/Mt 13: 18-23

Mass Intention 8:15am St. James: **In reparation to the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary**

**Saturday, July 27:** Jer 7: 1-11/Ps 84: 3-6,8,11/Mt 13: 24-30

Mass Intention 4:00pm St. Clement: **Fr. Patrick Schultz**

Mass Intention 4:30pm St. Luke: **Gerald M. Smith †**

**Sunday, July 28:** 2 Kgs 4: 42-44, Ps 145: 10-11,15-18/Eph 4: 1-6/Jn 6:1-15

Mass Intention 8:30am St. Clement: **Patty Miller †**

Mass Intention 9:00am St. Luke: **Special Intention of Dave Corrigan**

Mass Intention 10:30am St. James: **Ralph Jones †**

Mass Intention 11:00am St. Luke: **For the People**

### A Sunday Gospel Reflection

*When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.*

**Mark 6:34**

Both Jesus and the Twelve Apostles had been working very hard. The Twelve had been out on mission to many of the neighboring towns preaching, healing the sick and casting out demons. Upon the completion of their mission, they returned to Jesus and reported all that they had done. Jesus, in turn, invited them to "Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while." But the crowds heard about their departure by boat and quickly went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee so that they would arrive before Jesus and the Twelve. The passage quoted above reveals the internal reaction that Jesus had toward the crowds as He and the Twelve disembarked from the boat. Though they had attempted to go away together to a quiet place for rest, the crowds were intent on being with them. Jesus, of course, was not upset that the crowds had spoiled His attempt to find some quiet time with the Twelve. Instead, His heart was moved with compassion. He could see that the people were hungry for more and were "like sheep without a shepherd." For that reason, Jesus immediately began to feed them with His teachings. A helpful point to ponder in this passage is that the people who gathered were described as a "vast crowd." From the subsequent passage in Mark's Gospel, we learn that when Jesus finished teaching them many things, He performed the miracle of the multiplication of fish and bread and fed 5,000 men, not counting the women and children. Given the fact that the estimated ratio at that time of adult men to women and children was at least 5:1, the crowd could have been as large as 25,000 people. For a spontaneous gathering of people in a remote area by the Sea of Galilee, that is a huge number. This is especially the case, since it is estimated that there were only about 1,500 people living in Capernaum at that time. People had flocked to our Lord from very far away. This vast and spontaneous gathering reveals to us the hunger that Jesus instilled in the hearts of very many people. Some of these people had already heard Jesus speak and had witnessed His miracles. Others were those to whom the Twelve had just preached in the surrounding villages. The Twelve had spoken clearly and convincingly by the power of the Holy Spirit about Jesus, and many people responded, wanting to know more about our Lord. As you ponder the enthusiasm of so many people, try to compare that with your own enthusiasm for Jesus. Are you driven to seek Him out with the same passion and zeal that consumed these first followers? Or do you find that your zeal and enthusiasm are lacking at times? This vast crowd, with their zeal and determination to seek out our Lord, should be a source of inspiration and self-examination for us all. Reflect, today, upon this vast crowd. Try to see yourself joining them. Ponder yourself being so moved by the preaching of the Apostles that you become single-focused in your determination to be fed by Jesus' holy teaching. If it is hard to imagine yourself acting this way, then humbly acknowledge that you may need more zeal for Jesus in your life. Pray that these holy desires become stirred up within you, and do all that you can to foster such zeal. Reflect, today, upon this vast crowd. Try to see yourself joining them. Ponder yourself being so moved by the preaching of the Apostles that you become single-focused in your determination to be fed by Jesus' holy teaching. If it is hard to imagine yourself acting this way, then humbly acknowledge that you may need more zeal for Jesus in your life. Pray that these holy desires become stirred up within you, and do all that you can to foster such zeal.

### Parish Staff

*Pastor:*

Fr. Kevin Elbert

*Parochial Vicar:*

Fr. Patrick Schultz

*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*  
Therese Bendahan, *Secretary*  
Annemarie Hutchinson, *Secretary*

#### St. Clement Parish Staff:

Colleen Houk, *Faith Formation*  
Janet Guetle, *Director of Music*  
Susan Simmons, *Secretary*  
Frank Stasko, *Maintenance*

#### St. James Parish Staff:

Colleen Houk, *Faith Formation*  
Janet Guetle, *Director of Music*  
Andrea Krueger, *Secretary*  
Frank Stasko, *Maintenance*

# St. Clement Happenings

## Prayer Warriors

It is with great hope that St. Clement is in the process of developing a prayer warrior ministry. The mission of this prayer ministry is to create opportunities for prayer intentions, support other church ministries and to deepen our relationship with Christ. Prayer Warriors use intercessory prayer in a working partnership with God. Jesus taught it, lived it, and died on the cross for this grace. It was encouraged in the New Testament as a necessary part of a Christian's journey faith. Our prayers on behalf of others are offered in humility, trust and confidentiality. We pray for others but it is God himself and the power of his love in Christ that brings healing. Yet, in the mystery of God's grace there is a healing power released through the request of one who prays for others. That call for intercession goes to and through God, is multiplied by the love of God in Jesus Christ, and ultimately flows into the life of the person or persons who are the subject of intercession. If you are interested in becoming a prayer warrior, please call Jean Smith at 216-536-8693 or email to [jmshope56@gmail.com](mailto:jmshope56@gmail.com)

## Hot Dogs & Ice Cream Social

Please bring your family, friends and neighbors to St. Clement for a hot dog and ice cream social. Hot dogs will be provided by the Knights of Columbus and our ice cream social by our parish. Fr. Kevin, Fr. Patrick, and Fr. Peter Paul will be there, Let's get together for a fun evening. Join us on Tuesday, July 23 from 6pm-8pm



## Pot of Gold Winners

Richard Caja  
David Starck • John McMaster  
Dominic Hehr • Rich Caja  
Jacques Dufour



*Join us for a communal rosary each Thursday at 7:45am before the 8:15am Mass.*

**DONUT SUNDAY**  
Each week at St. James after 10:30am Sunday Mass!!!  
1st Sunday of the Month at St. Luke after 9am Sunday Mass!!!  
1st and 3rd Sunday of the Month at St. Clement after 8:30am Sunday Mass!!!  
Enjoy Friends and Fellowship.

# St. James Happenings

## The Feast of Saint James!

Sunday, July 21 | After Mass  
In the Courtyard

Games, Prizes, & Fun for All!



## Feast of St. James - Today!!!

Don't miss our traditional Feast of St. James Celebration after Mass today! The Knights of Columbus will be grilling their famous hot dogs in the courtyard. Beverages and desserts will be served as well. There will be games, prizes, and fun activities for all. Hope to see you there.

## No Coffee and Donuts Today

There will be no coffee and donuts today due to the St. James Feast Today.

## New Bulletin Deadline

All announcements for submission for the bulletin for St. James need to be in by Friday at 1:00 pm the week before publication. Any questions, please call the parish office.



## Wedding Banns

Bann I:  
Matthew Fedor  
and Amber Gates

## Pray the Rosary

Please join us here at St. James on Thursdays at 7:00 pm in the courtyard by the statue of Mary, to say the Rosary dedicated to our Blessed Mother and to pray for our intentions and those of the parish. Bring a lawn chair weather permitting. If there is bad weather, the Rosary will be said in the church...

# St. Luke Happenings

## Have you ever thought about being a PSR Teacher? We could use your help!

We have an exciting opportunity at our parish: we're looking for PSR catechists for the upcoming year! No teaching experience necessary—just a passion for sharing and learning. Being a PSR teacher is not only a fulfilling commitment but also a source of great joy. Many of our dedicated teachers find they learn as much from their students as they teach. Interested? Contact Max Hall at [mhall@stlukelakewood.org](mailto:mhall@stlukelakewood.org) or call 440-941-3125 to get involved!

## Praying for Priests and Seminarians - Avila's

A deacon once said this in a homily: "Without priests, there is no Mass. Without Mass, there is no Eucharist." I think this saying of his highlights the importance of how much we need to support our priests and seminarians, most especially in prayer. Priests do so much to help build up the Kingdom: from celebrating Mass daily, bringing the sacraments to those who are homebound or in hospitals, spending time with the students, preparing couples for marriage, grieving with families to those who have lost loved ones, preparing new parents for the joys of baptism, to even occasionally changing a light bulb, and much more. The Avila's, here at St. Luke, are one group which seeks to pray for those priests and seminarians in our diocese, and especially those from our parish. So remember to keep our priests and seminarians in prayer, for "Without priests, there is no Mass. Without Mass there is no Eucharist." If you'd like to be a part of this ministry you can contact the parish office.

## Gifts from the Holy Land • August 10 & 11

The carving of the Olive Wood Tree has been inherited since the time of our Lord, Jesus Christ. More than 80% of the Christian community income comes from tourism and the olive wood trade. Due to the ongoing difficult circumstances and the tremendous decrease in tourism the Christian community has suffered many hardships that led many Christian Families to leave their homes in search of work and safety. Our mission is to support and strengthen the presence of Christianity in the Holy Land by selling their beautiful olive wood artifacts here in the United States. We are happy to announce that we will be visiting your parish on August 10th & 11th /2024. We encourage you to look over their beautiful hand carved items. We value your support. We will be accepting cash credit cards & checks. May God bless you & keep you safe. The Holy Land Shepherds, [www.theholylanndshop.com](http://www.theholylanndshop.com).

*Join the Avila's Vocation Prayer Group on the 1st Monday, after Mass, to pray for priests and seminarians in formation*

## St. Luke El Salvador Ministry

This ministry is open to all from any parish who wish to participate. You can participate through:

- Local prayer and support activities here in Lakewood.
- Joining a scheduled mission trip in February or April 2025
- Learning the powerful connections between Cleveland and El Salvador, including the martyrdom of former St. Luke Parishioner Jean Donovan and others pictured in the stained-glass shrine in St. Luke Church
- Providing financial and education-related donations for benefit of Salvadorans in the town of Chiltiupan, near La Libertad

Learn more at <https://stlukelakewood.org/el-salvador-ministry/>

## This Week - Family Ministry Get Together

The St. Luke Family Ministry welcomes young families to a get-together at Clifton Beach for fun and sun. Space is somewhat limited so please RSVP to Matt Devitt at [mdevitt1287@gmail.com](mailto:mdevitt1287@gmail.com).

**Time:** 5pm-7:30pm on July 25th.

**Location:** Clifton Beach: 17884 Lake Rd

**Food/Drink:** Pizza will be provided, but feel free to BYOB and/or bring a side dish.

**Weather:** Rain or Shine. The outdoor area is covered and an indoor space is available.

**Parking:** There should be enough parking for everyone to park at the beach, but some families may need to park at the top of the hill and walk down.

**Arrival:** *When arriving, follow the drive down the hill toward the guard house. At the guardhouse, just let them know your last name and that you are here for the St. Luke Family Ministry event.*

# PSR and Sacramental Preparation 2024-2025

We are happy to offer several faith formation options for the Lakewood Catholic community. Families with children in public school, or non-Catholic schools are invited to consider one of the following faith formation options. Parish School of Religion programs follow the school year calendar, beginning in late August / early September and meeting through early May.

**Parish School of Religion:** Families will have three options to choose from:

**Option 1 – Family PSR** - Parish School of Religion: Families with children in grades 1 – 8 will complete the Pflaum Gospel Weekly lessons at home with their children and have quarterly in-person check-ins. The check-ins will take place at Saint Clement Church. In addition, families enrolled in Family PSR will gather with other PSR families several times throughout the year for fellowship and formation activities. Families who choose this option are asked to attend a parent meeting on Monday, September 9 at Saint Clement Church Hall, 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm.

**Option 2 – Catechesis of the Good Shepherd:** Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is a Montessori inspired approach to the religious formation of children, rooted in Sacred Scripture, Liturgy and respect for the child's rich relationship with God. The children gather in a specially prepared space called an Atrium. A typical session includes prayer, a presentation on scripture or liturgy, and time for the children to work with the prepared materials and quietly ponder the mysteries presented. The Level I Atrium is prepared for children ages 3 – 6 year old (K). The Level II Atrium is prepared for children ages 6 – 9, 1st grade – 3rd grade. Level 1 and Level 2 meet on Wednesday evenings 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm at the Saint James Parish Center. Here is link to a short video further explaining the beauty of Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hfg9RfBk-fY> In addition, families enrolled in Catechesis of the Good Shepherd will gather with other PSR families several times throughout the year for fellowship and formation activities. A Parent Meeting for parents new to CGS will be held Wednesday, August 28 at Saint James Parish Center, 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm. Students new to CGS begin September 4, returning students begin September 25.

**Option 3 – Classroom PSR Model for students in grades 1- 8,** students meet in classrooms with catechists. Students study the Sophia Institute program *Spirit of Truth*. This option takes place at the Saint Luke school building, Mondays 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm. In addition, families enrolled in the Classroom Model will gather with other PSR families several times throughout the year for fellowship and formation activities. Classroom PSR begins Monday, September 16 at Saint Luke School Building. 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm.

## **Sacramental Preparation: First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion, Confirmation**

Preparation for the Sacrament of First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation is in addition to PSR attendance and Catholic school. Students from all three parishes will prepare together for the Sacraments.

Preparation for Reconciliation and First Communion traditionally begins when students are in their 2nd grade year.

Preparation for Confirmation traditionally begins in the 7th grade and continues through the 8th grade year.

*A Parent Meeting for parents of children preparing for First Reconciliation will be held on Thursday, September 19 at Saint Luke at 6:30 pm.*

**VIRTUS** – *Empowering God's Children To ensure the safest possible environment for children and youth, we will offer the Diocese of Cleveland VIRTUS Empowering God's Children for all children in Religious Education programs. More details to follow.*

## **Registration Information to Follow Soon**

### **Colleen Houk, Parish Catechetical Leader**

Serving the faith communities of Saint Clement and Saint James Parish

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### **Max Hall, Parish Catechetical Leader / Pastoral Associate**

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# Our Lakewood Community



## LAKWOOD CLUSTER

## PARISH PICNIC

ALL ARE WELCOME

INFLATABLE OBSTACLE COURSE • PARTY MUSIC  
FOOD • COMMUNITY • CORNHOLE AND BADMINTON  
RAFFLE • 50/50

SUNDAY, AUGUST 25, 12:30 - 3:30 PM

HELD ON THE GROUNDS OF LAKWOOD CATHOLIC ACADEMY  
14808 LAKE AVE, LAKWOOD, OHIO 44107

HOT DOGS, BURGERS, AND DRINKS WILL BE PROVIDED BUT PLEASE BRING YOUR  
FAVORITE SIDE DISH TO SHARE.

### THINGS AROUND TOWN

Sundays at 7pm • Summer Concerts in Lakewood Park.  
(Thru August 11th)

August 2 • Performance of King Lear by the Cleveland  
Shakespeare Festival (7pm) in Lakewood Park  
Bandstand

August 3 • Lakewood Arts Festival (10am-6pm) in  
Downtown Lakewood

August 15-18 • Feast of the Assumption Festival in Little  
Italy

At St. James Parish

light **FOR** love

light a candle for someone you love & sit with God  
fourth wednesday of the month | 7-8p | stjameslakewood.com

## Becoming Catholic (FORMERLY KNOWN AS RCIA)

Are you want to become Catholic? Do you know someone who is interested in becoming Catholic? Are you curious to learn more about the faith?

Led by Fr. Patrick Schultz, Becoming Catholic is a journey that will help one to come to a greater understanding of the faith, while also allowing you a more meaningful encounter with Our Lord.

Sessions will begin in mid-September. Contact Max Hall, [mhall@stlukelakewood.org](mailto:mhall@stlukelakewood.org); or Fr. Patrick Schultz, [frpatrick@stlukelakewood.org](mailto:frpatrick@stlukelakewood.org), for more information.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

## CATECHISTS NEEDED FOR TRADITIONAL PSR

HELP US TO PROVIDE OUR STUDENTS  
MEANINGFUL ENCOUNTERS WITH  
CHRIST.

CONTACT MAX HALL AT  
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(CALL/TEXT)

### Catholic Moms Group

Every mom needs her tribe. Join a fun and friendly group of Catholic women, supporting each other in the joys and challenges of motherhood. We offer a weekly play group, monthly book club, and social, spiritual, and service oriented get together for moms, kids and families. Our vision is to cultivate growth and community for Catholic Moms. Intrigued? Contact Lina Simms at [linadorasimms@gmail.com](mailto:linadorasimms@gmail.com)



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