

On the Sunday before Thanksgiving, we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King, the Anointed One of God, who comes to reveal the truth of God's love for all of us. In the figure of the Gospel Jesus, we realize the truth. We are loved by God to a degree we cannot fathom. We are loved by God who refuses to give up or reject or destroy his beloved creation - a creation that has hardly lived up to its promise. We are loved by a God who humbles himself to become one of us in order that we might become something of him, to realize that we have been created in his image, created by his very breath blown into our hearts. In the love of this God we have much to be grateful for, in the complexities and challenges of our lives we realize that the truth of God's love is the one constant reality. May we find fulfillment and purpose, consolation and grace in our gratefulness, in our mindfulness of the truth of the God of blessing and compassion.



Holiday Mass Schedule

Please note the **Mass on Thanksgiving Day will be at 9:00 AM**, and the **Mass on Friday, November 27th will be at 8:00 AM**.

Scripture Readings for the Week

Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8- 20; Lk 21: 1-4
 Tuesday: Dn 2: 31-45; Lk 21:5-11
 Wednesday: Dn 5: 1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28;
 Lk 21: 12-19
 Thursday: Dn 6: 12-28; Lk 21: 20-28
 Friday: Dn 7: 2-14; Lk 21: 29-33
 Saturday: Dn 7: 15-27; Lk 21: 34-36
 Sunday: Jer 33: 14-16; 1 Thes 3: 12 - 4: 2
 Lk 21: 25-28, 34-36

Note from Fr. Lou Papas

On behalf of Food for the Poor and those we serve in Central America and the Caribbean, I want to thank you for the warm welcome you extended to me last weekend and for the generous response you have been making to the mission appeal.

It was an honor to celebrate Eucharist with you. Please keep us in your prayers, as we will surely keep you in ours.

Peace!
 Fr. Lou Papas
 Food for the Poor

St. Vincent de Paul Society

A special collection will be taken up at Mass on Thanksgiving Day by our St. Vincent de Paul Society for families in need. Please give generously.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, Nov. 23 - St. Clement I, Pope & Martyr
 5:15 PM Ted & Bertha Crane (Debbie Westerfield)
Tuesday, Nov 24 - St. Andrew Dung-Lac & Companions
 8:00 AM George & Louise Birsic (George Birsic)
Wednesday, Nov. 25 - St. Catherine of Alexandria
 5:15 PM
Thursday, November 26 - Thanksgiving Day
 9:00 AM (Please note time)
Friday, Nov. 27 - Weekday
 8:00 AM (Please note time)
Saturday, Nov. 28 - Weekday
 8:00 AM Marie Thompson (Bob Connor)
 5:15 PM Lottie Miller (Maryanne Cullom)

Pray for the Deceased

Donald Inks (former parishioner)

Coffee and Donuts - Cancelled

There will be no coffee and donuts this Sunday because of the Potluck Dinner. Coffee and donuts will resume next Sunday.

Annual Parish Eucharistic Devotions

Celebrate Christ in the Eucharist

Solemn Opening after the 11:00 AM Mass

Adore Christ in the Eucharist

Special time in adoration and personal prayer from 12:00 - 3:00 PM

Praise Christ in the Eucharist

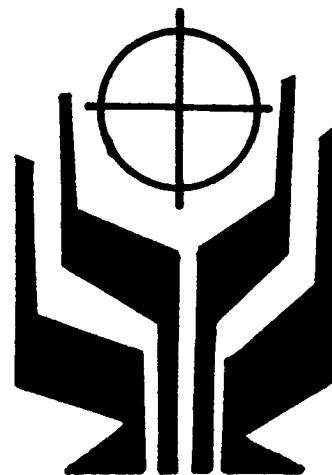
At the Solemn Closing Prayer Service at 3:00 PM

Join the Community of Christ

At the Potluck Dinner at 4:00 PM in the Hall

Thanksgiving Benefit Raffle

Grand Prize Drawing will take place after the dinner



The Feast of St. Clement

This Monday, we celebrate the Patronal feast of our Parish: St. Clement. A wonderful opportunity for me to reflect on my new ministry with you and how the example of St. Clement speaks to our lives today.

St. Clement was by most accounts the fourth Pope and he held that office from 92 until 99 AD. Even when he was exiled by order of the Emperor Trajan, he converted many to Christ. This was seen as criminal in the eyes of the Emperor who had him hurled into the sea with an anchor tied to him. During his ministry as Bishop of Rome he, like Sts. Peter & Paul who he knew and learned from, began to write letters to other groups of Christians. We have his letter to the Christians in Corinth. This makes him one of the earliest of the group of people known as the 'Fathers of the Church.'

What this tells me about Clement is that he had courage to speak about Christ to others even when it placed him in danger. He was willing to place his entire life in the service of Christ and his people. Courage to speak about Christ and spending our lives in loving service remain as challenges for all us in our crazy world today. Let us keep his feast by bringing the Good News of Jesus Christ to the people we live and work with. Let your choices and decisions be inspired by his love of Christ.

Rev. David A. Novak

Finance Corner:

Collection for weekend of November 15 - \$6,406.50
Monthly \$1385.00
Envelopes used 209

Weekly budget to meet November 2009 expenses -
\$9,096.00

Thank you for your continued support and generosity for the parish.

What's Happening this Week in the Parish

Monday, November 23: Family PSR 7 PM - Hall
Tuesday, November 24: Finance Council Mtg - Hall
Wednesday, November 25: Rectory closes at Noon
Thursday, November 26: **Thanksgiving Day**
9:00 AM Mass
Friday, November 27: **Mass 8:00 AM**
(Rectory Office Closed)
AA Gratitude Group - 7 PM - Hall

» *Thank You* »

We would like to thank the Setta Family and Setta Trophy located at 4168 Rocky River Dr., for their donation of the new signs on the Rectory and South Church Entrance. We appreciate your generosity!

Farewell Party for Fr. John Ocilka

Come join the party! To show appreciation for Fr. John's service to St. Clement, we are planning a farewell party to be held in the church hall on Sunday, December 6th following the 11:00 AM Mass. We are seeking volunteers to assist in this venture. If you are interested in donating your "time, talent or treasure," please call George Pindroh at 941-5304, or Len Elder at 221-4115.

St. Clement School Reunion

The graduating classes of '68, '69 and '70 from St. Clement Elementary School are planning a reunion to be held in St. Clement Church hall sometime in late July or early August 2010. Those interested in helping with planning or just wanting to attend, please contact Tom Fahey at tomfahey@ameritech.net.

Pot of Gold Winners

(\$25) Frank Stasko, Ellen Schneider,
Harry McLaughlin, Karen Krava,
Rita McMaster, James Bir

