

# 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## October 18, 2009

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to Jesus and asked, "Grant that in your glory we may sit one at your right and the other at your left." Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Can you drink the cup that I drink or be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" "You know that those who are recognized as rulers over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones make their authority over them felt. But it shall not be so among you. Rather, whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all." Mark 10: 35-45



### Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, October 19 - North American Martyrs

5:15 PM Sam Bellomo

Tuesday, October 20 - St. Paul of the Cross

8:00 AM

Wednesday, October 21 - Weekday

5:15 PM Edgar VanHuffel

Thursday, October 22 - Weekday

8:00 AM

Friday, October 23 - St. John of Capistrano

5:15 PM Fortunata Cayetano

Saturday, October 24 - St. Anthony Claret

8:00 AM

5:15 PM J.J. and Mary Anne Kelley

Unexpected changes in the schedule may cause Masses to be cancelled and Mass intentions to be moved to the first available date open. We apologize for any inconvenience.

### Wedding Banns

II Daniel Clark & Laura Cicero

### Recently Baptized

William R. Kessler, III, Luke R. Pavey,  
Rina M. Vainisi, Samuel P. Bownas



### Liturgy Committee

The Liturgy Committee's next meeting will be held Wednesday, October 28th at 7:00 PM. If you are interested in being a member of this committee, please contact Dick at 221-1926.

### Hearing God's Word is Risky Business

Listening to the Scriptures can be a risky activity. Here we are, sitting in church, just trying to slow down a little bit and collect some good thoughts to help us through the week. Then we hear something like "whoever wishes to be great among you must be your servant" and we start to think there is another way to live. We imagine a world where we really act on our belief that each one of us is treasured by God. Before we know it, we feel uncomfortable about our search to make it to the top, to be the most important, to be well-liked. We even ache about the troubles we have in our own lives. Church has become disturbing. Our ears and our hearts have been opened to hear the challenges, and we struggle to respond.

This reading highlights our responsibility to help spread the message found in those uncomfortable words from the Scriptures. We don't have to be experts in evangelization - we are called to work with our brothers and sisters to build up the kingdom of God here in this place. We can go back to these Scriptures to tap into the strength that is waiting for us as we "confidently approach the throne of grace to receive mercy and to find grace for timely help."

*Marilyn Sweet {Living with Christ}*

### Scripture Readings for the Week

Monday: Rom 4: 20-25; Lk 12: 13-21

Tuesday: Rom 5: 12,15,17-21; Lk 12: 35-38

Wednesday: Rom 6: 12-18; Lk 12: 39-48

Thursday: Rom 6: 19-23; Lk 12: 49-53

Friday: Rom 7: 18-25; Lk 12: 54-59

Saturday: Rom 8: 1-11; Lk 13: 1-9

Sunday: Jer 31: 7-9; Heb 5: 1-6

Mk 10: 46-52

### Pray for the Deceased

Sheila G. McGuire, mother of  
Merida Martin, Mick McGuire & Sheila Suarez

### 40 Days For Life

A nationwide campaign to end abortion through fasting, prayer and witness is now in full swing in our area and across the country. Please visit [www.40DAYSFORLIFE.com](http://www.40DAYSFORLIFE.com) to get daily updates and devotional meditations and to discover the exciting things that are happening as a result of this effort. You can go to the website to find details and sign-up information.

## Parish School of Religion News

This summer we hosted several Family PSR Program Open Houses. With the generous support of the St. Clement Parish Council and parents who are in the Family Program, we met and welcomed families who expressed interest in our Parish Religious Education Program. Since that time, we have welcomed 65 additional people to our program. Welcome!

Our year of religious instruction is off to a good start. We opened the year with a prayer service led by Fr. John, and a fun icebreaker. Who would have thought we could have so much fun with a ball of yarn, and get to know each other at the same time!

To welcome our newest members, we offered a behind-the-scenes tour of our church and grounds. The students and families visited the choir loft, Adoration Chapel, the St. Vincent de Paul food pantry, the grounds, the church and even a nook-and-crammies tour of the sacristy. *Thank you to the generous support of our parishioners who led these tours!*

We were pleased to work with the Respect Life group to offer a Children's Eucharistic Holy Hour recently, led by Fr. John. It was beautiful to see children in the sanctuary learning about Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. *Thank you to our photographer who captures so many great shots!*

Did you know our confirmation class is made up of parishioners from Lakewood Catholic Academy, Lakewood City Schools and other area schools? We have started our preparation and look forward to celebrating the sacrament in February 2010 here at St. Clement. This weekend we celebrate the 11:00 AM Mass with confirmation students taking an active role as altar servers, greeters, ushers and lector. Please recognize these students and encourage them as they prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Pictures of these events and more will be on the parish website soon, so please take a peek at how much fun faith building can be!

*Colleen Houk*

## Priesthood Sunday

Catholics across the country will be celebrating *Priesthood Sunday* on October 25th. It is a day set aside to celebrate the importance of the gift of the priesthood in the life of the Church. It is a time for us to reflect on the ministry that our priests share with us when we gather at the Table of the Lord - when we call in our times of need. Consider sharing a personal note or card of thanks. Together we pray that many of our young people will be inspired by the ministry and witness of our priests. May their hearts be open to hearing and responding to God's call in their lives.

## Coffee and Donuts

Join the parish family for coffee, donuts, and conversation after all Sunday Masses.

## Finance Corner:

Collection for weekend of October 11 - \$5,135.90

Envelopes used - 185

Weekly budget to meet October 2009 expenses -

\$9,096.00

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

## Please Note!

Please note that the **Mass on Saturday, October 31st will be moved to 4:15 PM.** There is concern that the children will be trick-or-treating that evening beginning at 6 PM and cars will be exiting the parking lot at that time.

## Thank You....

to Jackie Ronan and Dorothy Abel who painted the railings to the Adoration Chapel, railings at the front doors of the church, and railings at the entrance to the church from the parking lot. We appreciate your hardwork and dedication to the church.

## Pot of Gold Winners

(\$25) Jeanne Reinhard, John Dutro, David Daggs, Karen Hruska, Fred Nickels III, Dylan Setta



## St. Vincent de Paul Thank You!

The Blanket Sunday collection for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul netted \$674.00. These funds will be used to buy blankets, bedding, towels, washcloths and bathing supplies for the needy of the Diocese. Many thanks for the generosity and support of the parishioners from the St. Clement Conference of the Society.

## Lakewood High School Fall Concert

On Wednesday, October 21st, the LHS Symphonic Mixed Choir, under the direction of Dr. Lisa Hanson, will perform excerpts from Handel's "Messiah". This top performing choir includes parishioners Frank Blackman, Mary Beth Donohue and Steven Grauel. The performance is at 7:30 PM in the Civic Auditorium. Tickets are \$3 for adults, \$2 for seniors, and \$1 for students. Enjoy the stellar choral music and support this group as they prepare for a Spring trip to perform in Williamsburg, Virginia.

## Safety Forces Memorial Mass

The Annual Memorial Mass sponsored by the Greater Cleveland Police, Fire & EMS Holy Name Society, will be held on Tuesday, October 27th, at Our Lady of Angels Church, 3644 Rocky River Dr., at 8 PM with The Most Reverend A. Edward Pevec as the Celebrant and Homilist. There will be a public reception in Linus Hall immediately following the Mass.