

Saint Vincent de Paul

CATHOLIC CHURCH

13400 LORAIN AVENUE ♦ CLEVELAND OHIO 44111-3432

Phone Directory

Parish Office and Rectory 216.252.2626
Fax 216.252.6993
Email..... church@svdpcleveland.org
Pastor.....jpfeifer@svdpcleveland.org
Website.....www.svdpcleveland.org

Parish Staff

Rev. John M. Pfeifer, Pastor
Rev. Clyde K. Foster, Senior Parochial Vicar
Deacon Kenneth Hill
Mr. Gerry Mass, Mr. Caleb Tate - Music Ministry
Mrs. Irene Smith, Administrative Assistant
Ms. Virginia Hueter, Director of P.S.R.

Liturgy Schedule

Saturday 5:00 pm Vigil
Sunday: 9:00 am
Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 8:30 am
Holy Day Vigil: 7:00 pm
Holy Day: 8:30 am, and 7:00 pm
Confessions: Saturday 3:30 - 4:30 pm or
any time by appointment

Baptisms are Sundays at 1:00 pm. Prior scheduling and Parent Preparation Class are required.

Novena to the Sacred Heart is prayed every Friday after the 8:30 am Mass.

Rosary is prayed at 8:05 am Monday-Wednesday-Friday.

Eucharistic Adoration is held on Saturdays, 3:30 - 4:30 pm.

Chaplet of Divine Mercy and Benediction is on the First Sunday of the month at 3:00 pm.

Marriages require a six month preparation period by Diocesan policy. Call one of the parish priests prior to setting a date.

Funerals: Arrangements are to be made at the Parish Office before publication of the death notice.

Ministry to those who are Sick or Shut-In

Our Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion can bring the Eucharist to those parishioners who are ill, recovering from a hospital stay, shut-in, or otherwise unable to attend the Liturgies each Sunday. Please call the Parish Office to be placed on the schedule.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) is the process by which adults are brought into the Catholic Faith through the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. The OCIA meets weekly from September through April. Further information can be obtained by calling the Parish Office.

New Parishioners are always welcome. Please stop by the Parish Office to register at your earliest convenience.



Fourth Sunday of Advent

**MONDAY, December 25, The Nativity of the Lord**

9:00 am (JP) Christmas Day Mass

TUESDAY, December 26, St. Stephen

8:30 am No Mass

WEDNESDAY, December 27, St. John, Apostle

8:30 am No Mass

THURSDAY, December 28, Holy Innocents

8:30 am No Mass

FRIDAY, December 29, Fifth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

8:30 am (JP) Robert & Dorothy Brogan

SATURDAY, December 30, Sixth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

5:00 pm (JP) Giovanni, Margherita Ferrare Family, Living & Deceased

SUNDAY, December 31, The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

9:00 am (JP) Mary Gumeny

CHRISTMAS JOY

The promise of joy is in the air.
We celebrate the time when God's promise of peace begins to be fulfilled. Do we believe that our believing this promise can lighten the darkness and lessen the evil that surrounds us and fill our world? Let God's love fill you, Christ's light shine through you, and the peace of the spirit surround you so clearly that people say of you and me, "Blessed are you who believe that what was spoken to us by the Lord would be fulfilled." Make clear that God is with us.

**IN GRATITUDE**

As every year, the St. Vincent de Paul Parish family of Food Pantry volunteers with the support of suburban parishes, has been very generous in their compassionate giving to the poor. Likewise your generous Christmas envelopes every year help us to maintain our parish and its ministries. Thank you for remembering St. Vincent de Paul Parish this Christmas. God bless you for your generosity and faith.

A CHRISTMAS PRAYER

Loving God, help us remember the birth of Jesus,
That we may share in the song of the angels,
The gladness of the shepherds,
And worship of the wise men.
Close the door of hate
And open the door of love all over the world.
Let kindness come with every gift and good desires with every greeting.
Deliver us from evil by the blessing which Christ brings.
And teach us to be merry with clear hearts.
May the Christmas morning make us happy to be thy children,
And Christmas evening bring us to our beds with grateful thoughts,
Forgiving and forgiven, for Jesus' sake. Amen.
-Robert Louis Stevenson

**2024 RELIGIOUS ART CALENDARS**

Are available at the entrances of the church. The calendars are supplied to us through the generosity of Corrigan-Craciun Funeral Homes.

LIFE IS CHANGED, NOT ENDED**Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them, O Lord**

Jean Samenuk
Calogero Zaffiro

May God grant comfort to their family and friends.

REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR

The sick and recovering in the parish as well as those preparing for surgery.

**HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS**

The Parish Office will be closed from Monday, December 25, 2023 thru January 2, 2024. Regular office hours resume on Wednesday, January 3, 2024.



Dear Parish Family,

This weekend, I extend to you 2 wishes & prayers. First, a blessed 4th Sunday of Advent & secondly, a Merry Christmas!. On behalf of myself & the staff members of both St. Vincent de Paul & St. Patrick Parishes, please know of our heartfelt prayers for a very blessed & Merry Christmas! We welcome in a special way all those who are visiting us for these great celebrations! Those in town to visit family & friends & those who may have moved away & return home to celebrate the great feast of Christmas. Please know how glad we are that you are here & how welcome you are in our community, not just on Christmas, but each and every Sunday! We hope to see you again soon!

The celebration of the Christmas season, with all its great smells, sounds, & traditions helps draw our minds & hearts to the great reality of Emmanuel, God with us! Our God didn't just stay a safe distance away from us up there in the heavens. He came down to earth, incarnate in the flesh, to walk with us & among us. Through Jesus, the baby born in the manger, the mercy, love, & compassion of our God became very real. As we celebrate this great event of the incarnation, may we always strive to be a people who make God's presence known, not just at Christmas, but each & every day!

Finally, as your Pastor, please know how much I treasure the gift that you are to our Parish Communities. Your presence is a present! The gift you are personally and the gifts of your time, talent, and treasure that you offer to help our parishes to be beacons of Emmanuel, God with us! Please be assured of my prayers for you & I kindly ask you to keep me in yours!

I'll be taking a few "catch my breath" days right after Christmas, so there will be an adjusted Mass schedule for a few days, be sure to see the bulletin. We'll be back to the regular schedule on Friday as we prepare to ring in the new year. Once again, a blessed 4th Sunday of Advent & a Merry Christmas to you all!

May the peace & joy of this season be known in your life in a very real way!

Fr. John



POPE'S INTENTION FOR DECEMBER

For persons with disabilities. We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the center of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programs which value their active participation.



ST. AUGUSTINE ACADEMY CLASS REUNION

The class of 1974 will be celebrating their 50th Class Reunion on Saturday, June 15, 2024. If you are a graduate of the class of 1974 (or attended any of the 4 years) and have not received an email about the event, please contact LuAnn Lyons Hinkel at lmh1117@hotmail.com.

INVITING ALL WOMEN TO "WALKING WITH PURPOSE"

WWP is a Catholic women's Bible study that enables women to know Jesus Christ through personal study, small group discussions, & real-life application. Join our **FREE KICK-OFF Jan. 11 at 7:30 pm** (St. James Lower Church, 17514 Detroit Ave., Lakewood). Come discover the "more" that has changed the lives of thousands of Catholic women! For more info, contact: WWPLakewood@gmail.com. Thursdays, Jan. 11-Apr. 25, 7:30-9:00 pm. Registration & Info: StJamesLakewood.com/walking-with-purpose.

BE AN ANGEL THIS SEASON



Reach out to people in need this season, amid the clamor of commercialism. All of us are exposed to the same marketing noise, regardless of our socioeconomic standing. Be a witness to the Good News!



Offertory for December 10, 2023: \$3167.00

Maintenance: \$132.00

Religious Retirement: \$603.00

Initial Offering: \$10.00

SVDP Society: \$364.00

Immaculate Conception: \$816.00

Christmas: \$120.00

\$5212.00 T

Thank you and God bless you for your continuing generosity to St. Vincent de Paul Church and those we serve.





CORRIGAN CRACIUN FUNERAL HOME

14768 Lorain Avenue, Cleveland, OH 44111
20820 Lorain Road, Fairview Park, OH 44126

216-251-7000

- Pre-Arrangement Programs Available
- Serving Western Cleveland for over 60 Years
- Complete Funeral Arrangements

If You Live Alone You Need MDMedAlert!

24 Hour Protection at HOME and AWAY!

- ✓ Ambulance Solutions as Low as **\$19.⁹⁵** a month
- ✓ Police ✓ Fire
- ✓ Friends/Family **FREE Shipping**
FREE Activation
NO Long Term Contracts



CALL NOW! **800.809.3352**



MDMedAlert
Safe-Guarding America's Seniors Nationwide!

GPS Tracking w/Fall Detection
Nationwide, No Land Line Needed
EASY Set-up, NO Contract
24/7 365 Monitoring in the USA



WEST PARK SHELL

COMPLETE AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE

13960 LORAIN AVE.

CORNER OF W140TH AND LORAIN

216-252-5086

WIEMELS-HIROS PLUMBING CO.

SERVING WESTERN CUYAHOGA COUNTY SINCE 1940

Home Repair Specialists

Plumbing • Sewer • Water • Gas

LIC.# 19482
LIC.# 26607

16419 LORAIN AVENUE

216-251-3283

Slife
24 HOUR
EMERGENCY
SERVICE
HEATING & COOLING
SALES - SERVICE - INSTALLATION
Furnaces - Air Conditioners - Boilers
Air Cleaners - Hot Water Heaters
13729 Madison Ave., Lakewood, OH
Phone **216-221-0310**

PIANO LESSONS

with Debbie Zeller

910-736-1932 (If local)

debbiezeller51@gmail.com

CLEVELAND & WEST SUBURBS

ALL AGES - BEGINNER TO INTERMEDIATE

Available for Parties!



Say Good-bye to Clogged Gutters!



\$99
Installation*

Receive a \$100 Visa gift card with
your FREE in-home estimate

*All participants who attend an estimated 90-120 minute in-home product consultation will receive a \$100 Visa gift card. Final value is \$100. Offer sponsored by Englert LeafGuard Inc. Limit one per household. Company processes, sells, and installs seamless gutter protection. This offer is valid for homeowners over 18 years of age. If married or involved with a life partner, both participating persons must attend and complete presentation together. Participants must have a photo ID and be legally able to enter into a contract. The following persons are not eligible for this offer: employees of Englert or affiliated companies or entities, their immediate family members, previous participants in a Company in-home consultation within the past 12 months and all current and former Company customers. Gift may not be extended, transferred, or substituted except that Company may substitute a gift of equal or greater value if it deems necessary. Gift card will be mailed to the participant on their date listed below that within 10 days of receipt of the presentation form. Not valid in conjunction with any other promotion or discount of any kind. Offer not sponsored and is subject to change without notice prior to expiration. Offer not available in the states of CA, IL, IN, PA and WI. Expires 12/31/12.



LeafGuard®
is guaranteed never
to clog or we'll clean
it for FREE*

- Seamless, one-piece system keeps out leaves, pine needles, and debris
- Eliminates the risk of falling off a ladder to clean clogged gutters
- Durable, all-weather tested system not a flimsy attachment

Call today for your FREE estimate and in-home demonstration

CALL NOW 216-367-5748

ENGLERT
LeafGuard®
Get it. And forget it.®



catholicmatch®
Ohio



CatholicMatch.com/myOH



FREE
AD DESIGN
with purchase
of this space

CALL
800-477-4574

**NEVER MISS
OUR BULLETIN!**

SUBSCRIBE



Have our
bulletin
emailed to
you every
week.

VISIT **WWW.PARISHESONLINE.COM**



For All Your Flooring Needs!

Family Owned and Operated Since 1985

3580 West 140th St.

Cleveland, OH 44111

216.640.5000

www.clevelandflooring.com

Protecting **Seniors**
Nationwide



Medical Alert System

\$29.95/Mo. billed quarterly

- One Free Month
- No Long-Term Contract
- Price Guarantee
- Easy Self Installation



Call Today! Toll Free **1.877.801.8608**

SHORT STAFFED?

Place an ad here to find new
local talent for your business.



CALL 800-477-4574

ADT-Monitored Home Security

Get 24-Hour Protection From a Name You Can Trust

- Burglary
- Flood Detection
- Fire Safety
- Carbon Monoxide



Authorized
Provider **SafeStreets**

833-287-3502



SLONE & CO.
Funeral Directors

We Welcome You Into Our Homes & Into Our Hearts

13115 Lorain Ave • Cleveland, OH 44111

216-941-3434

www.slonecares.com

Charles D. Slone—Funeral Director



For ad info. call 1-800-477-4574 • **www.4lpi.com**

14-4004