Church of SAINT CLEMENT

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Matawan, New Jersey 07747

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Parish Ministries

Baptism Preparation
Holly Cahill 566-3616

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Holly Cahill 566-3616

Religious Education
Pat Thein 566-3616

Lector Coordinator
Bruce Quinn 566-1273

Eucharistic Ministers
Hank Montenegro 908-380-6059

Pre-Cana
Tom & Mary Lou Wadolowski 583-9297

Bereavement Ministry
Tom Wadolowski 583-9297

High School Youth Group
Donald Norbut 290-9466

Music Director
William Fiorelli 908-902-7753

Rite of Christian Initiation
Peg Scholer 583-0296

Altar Servers Joe Cahill 290-8130

Ushers — Joe Angello 566-2349

Prison Ministry - Mark Micali 890-7706

Services

Athletic Director
Phyllis Besso 970-4487

Decorating Committee
Jean Fierro 566-4379

Clement House
Frank Mack 536-0005

Safe Environment Coordinator
Pat Thein 566-3616

Organizations

Altar Rosary Society
Lena Hor 583-5538

Holy Name
Michael Burke 290-1251

Knights of Columbus
Carl Duque 778-3451

Senior Citizens
Mary Ann O'Brien 566-0962

Church Office	566-3616	Hours: 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM Monday thru Friday
Church Fax	566-9275	
CCD Office	566-3616	
Reception Center	591-8180	Parish Trustees
www.TheReceptionCenter.com		Joe Angello
		Barbara Warden

Parish Religious Education Program PREP
www.stclementprep.com
St. Clement's Athletic Association www.stclementsports.com

MASS SCHEDULE
Saturday: 5:00 PM
Sunday: 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 AM
Daily Mass
Monday—Friday 8:00 AM

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
Sundays at Noon

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Saturday: 12:30PM to 1:15 PM

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE
Arrangements should be made one year prior. Pre-Cana Conference required.

Mass Intentions

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SATURDAY, AUGUST 27, 2016

5PM WILLIAM GALLO by Connie Guarnieri
JOHN BRODERICK by Joan & Ray Orpen
JUNE WOODS by Susan & Bruce Quinn

SUNDAY, AUGUST 28, 2016

8AM JAMES KENNEDY by Nancy & Andy Cannizzo

9:30AM ANTONIETTA BARONE by Mary Buro
JOSEPH BLISS, JR. by Barbara & Cary Broderick

11AM WILLIAM DAVIS by his wife Pat Davis
REV. WILLIAM MILLER by the Popplewell family
LOUIS ALOSCO by the Colen Family

MONDAY, AUGUST 29, 2016

8AM REV. JOHN M. CONNOR by the St. Clement Community

TUESDAY, AUGUST 30, 2016

8AM MEMBERS OF OUR ARMED FORCES

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31, 2016

8AM LEONILO A. LAUDE by Merle Cristi

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2016

8AM ANTHONY LAURO by Lawrence & Doreen Finnell

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2016

8AM GAIL REDA by Anthony & Evelyn Savarese & family

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2016

5PM JOHN "JACK" BRODERICK by Susan & Bruce Quinn
ITALO MANCINI by Chris & Ava Call
HELEN MARTINELLI by Chris & Ava Call

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2016

8AM LIVING & DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY
LOUIS ALOSCO by the St. Clement Altar Rosary Society

9:30AM PATRICK BARTOLOMEO by Gene, Linda & Jennifer McDonald
LOUIS ALOSCO by the Cahill family

11AM MARY PAGLIONE by Amy & Greg Colin
RONALD THOMPSON by his family
WALTER ALLEN by David & Veronica Vezeris

COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, AUGUST 21st
$8,487.80

COLLECTION FOR ASSUMPTION
$1,112.00

LONG TERM PRAYER REQUESTS

We are asking that you keep in your prayers the following individuals who are dealing with long term health issues: Tom Marra, Carla Izzo, Grace McElroy,Jasmine Chalmers, Ann Walak, Jacqueline Santos, Dolores Panopio, Victor Panopio, Bernard Panopio, Michael Petolino, Harry Stark, Madison Trezza, Emma Hope, Delia & Bridget LaSalle, Janelle & Laurie Vanonin, Carl Hilgers, Mary Ann Smetana, Larry Mignone, Jack Creamer, Patricia Davis, Joanne Colot, Erin Patrick, Betty McCloskey, Chris Spedding, Jack Murphy, Vincent Ruggiero, Mary Beth Alban, Bea Duffy, Nick Minnotulo, Barbara Monaco and Ken Fiorelli.

From the Pastor's Desk

We would like to thank the members of the Knights of Columbus for hosting a blood drive here this month. Twenty-two donors responded to the call. The need for blood donation is constant and so very much appreciated by those in need. ***Father Tom***

BAPTISM

We wish to welcome into the family of God and the St. Clement parish community the following children who were baptized here this weekend;

MAXXIMUS NED ALZAREZ
Child of Corinna & Eric
RYAN MICHAEL LEE
Child of Emily & Michael

BAPTISM CLASS

The next baptism Class will be on Wed., Sept. 14th at 7:30pm in the church. Please call the church office to register. Baptism class is required in order to baptize here at St. Clement.

PARISH PICNIC

Tickets for our Parish Picnic on Sun., Sept. 25th are on sale after all weekend Masses and in the church office during the week. Adults (age 16 +)$12 each, Children (age 6-15) $8.00 each and Children under 5 are free. Food, Music, Rides, Games and more. We will also be asking for some volunteer help on the day of the picnic. Plan to join your Parish family for a day of fun and fellowship!

NEW CHURCH ORGAN

Many wonderful donations have come in to help with the cost of our new organ. This week we received a donation from the St. Clement Senior Citizen Club and from John and Virginia McQuarrie. At a future time a plaque will be made and displayed by the organ with all the in memory/in honor names listed. To date we have received $10,105.00 to offset the $42,000.00 cost of the organ. Donations are still being accepted. Please make a check out to St. Clement and in the memo section indicate the donation is for the church organ.

WEDDING

We wish to congratulate Estella N'Garwate and Harold Dassi who were married here at St. Clement this weekend. May the love of God always be with them in their Sacrament of Matrimony.

WEDDING BANNS

Joanna Halick & Brian Eshleman
Holly Becroft and Ryan McNamara

PARISH POLICIES

Parish Registration*… In order to be recognized as a practicing member of the Parish, it is necessary to be registered and show your presence and support by attendance at Mass, and also through the regular use of Church offertory envelopes.*

If you are new to the area and have any questions regarding Parish Registration, please call the Parish Office (732-566-3616). We are committed to serving the pastoral and spiritual needs of our parish, and we ask your prayers, and your commitment, to help meet this goal.

Weddings*…Please call the Parish Office one year in advance of desired wedding date, BEFORE completing any other arrangements (reception hall, etc.). Weddings are celebrated only for members who have been registered with St. Clement for at least one year.*

The Wedding Liturgy *should be planned with care and interest. On that day you celebrate the beginning of your life together, united to each other and Christ in the Sacrament of Matrimony. This Sacrament is very important and should be given the central focus on this very special day. The following practices are not done at St. Clement: the lighting of the Unity Candle, and the presenting of flowers…this is not part of the Roman Rite. We also ask that flower girls and ring bearers be no younger than 6 yrs.*

Baptisms*…The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on the third and fourth Sundays of each month at Noon. Arrangements must be made in advance.*

Prior to the birth of your first child, attendance at the Baptism Preparation Class is mandatory for parents; sponsors/ godparents also are encouraged to attend. Classes are held in the Church at 7:30 P.M. For more information, call the Parish Office.

Sponsorship*…In order to be a sponsor/godparent for Baptism or Confirmation, a person must have received all Sacraments through Confirmation; be at least 16 years of age; be married in the Catholic Church; attend Mass faithfully…also be a registered, actively participating parishioner for a minimum of six months.*

FINGERPRINTING: Parish volunteers that need to be fingerprinted can obtain the Registration Form on the Religious Ed. Website. Go to www.stclementPREP.com and click on the tab for Downloadable Forms to print this document.

PLEASE LET THE PARISH KNOW IF YOU HAVE A CHANGE OF ADDRESS OR PHONE NO.

BEFORE MASS BEGINS, PLEASE TURN YOUR CELL PHONE OFF.

ST. CLEMENT OFFERS PARISH GIVING, an On-line Electronic Funds Transfer GIVING PROGRAM. VISIT www.ParishGiving.org

NO PARKING ZONE – PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT THE ENTRANCE TO THE CHURCH IS A "NO PARKING ZONE." THIS IS TO ALLOW FIRE TRUCKS TO ENTER IN CASE OF EMERGENCY AND ALSO TO ENABLE OTHER PARISHIONERS TO ENTER THE PARKING LOT. THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION.

The Reception Center at Saint Clement

Specializing in Personalized Catering for All Occasions
Elegant & Affordable Wedding Packages
Exclusively by W. J. Mayer Catering
(732)-591-8180
www.TheReceptionCenter.com
Special Packages for Parish Members
Voted Best Weddings by "KNOT" Magazine

If you would like to bring up the gifts at Mass, please speak to an Usher before Mass begins.

Ushers are needed at Mass. If you can help, please see one of the ushers. Your help is appreciated.

RCIA *…Do you or a loved one wish to deepen your relationship with God? Are you interested in receiving your Baptism, First Communion or Confirmation? Would you like to find out more? Come and see us or give us a call! Peg Scholer 732-583-0296, Cathy Boland (732)290-1338 or Roni Vezeris (732)591-8658.*

The Altar Rosary Society *meets the first Wed. of each month (with the exception of June, July and August) in the Reception Center. 7:30PM Recitation of the Rosary; 8PM meeting. All ladies of the parish are invited. Altar Rosary members attend the First Sunday, 8AM Mass of each month (with the exception of June, July and August).*

The Holy Name Society *meets the first Monday of each month at 7:30 P.M. in the Church's Cry Room. Men of the parish are cordially invited to attend.*

The Knights of Columbus *meet the second and fourth Monday of each month at 8PM in the Reception Center. Men of the parish are cordially invited to attend.*

ST. CLEMENT SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB *meets every Tuesday morning at 10:30 in the Reception Center. Come and make new friends. There are many activities to enjoy. You need not be a member of St. Clement to join. The Seniors sponsor a trip to Atlantic City the third Monday of every month. Call Mary Ann O'Brien at 732-566-0962*

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: *Please continue to check the Web Page for information regarding Religious Education and Sacraments.*

The Upper Room*, Neptune, sponsored by the Diocese of Trenton, offers many programs. For info, go to www.facebook.com/upperroomspiritual center. Then click on Like button on Facebook page.*

Special Intentions

Staff Sgt. Rory Duane, U.S.M.C.
Thomas Labenski, U.S. Navy
CCMS Joseph R. Greene, Jr., US Air Force
CPL Matthew Galvin, U.S. Army
Capt. Nicholas A. Parisi, 10th Mountain, U.S. Army
Tyler Bienkowski, U.S.M.C.

EAGLES UP!

Eagles Up! Is a program that gives homage to our military men & women by supporting the troops by promoting many morale boosting activities and programs. Information on this program is located on our Community Activity Board.

THE PARISH WEBSITE IS ACTIVE AND UPDATED REGULARLY. PLEASE TAKE A LOOK.
www.stclementmatawan.org To include a church activity on our Web Site, email Mr. Quinn at admin@stclementmatawan.org

ELECTRONIC GIVING – PARISH GIVING…..This is the reminder that the contributions for 2015 have been updated and we welcome you to log in to www.parishgiving.org to review and enter contributions for the New Year. PLEASE NOTE: Only recurring contributions (such as Sunday offering, Building Fund, etc.) will be carried forward. All special (including Christmas and the Holy days) and second collections must be re-entered for the new calendar year. Please also note that you can download a report detailing your contributions for the past year by simply entering the dates in the search field on the contribution history tab (ex 01/01/15-12/31/15). Then click on the pdf icon (on the right hand side of the page) to generate the report.

CHAPLET OF THE DIVINE MERCY & THE ROSARY

Plan on joining our Altar rosary, Choir, Holy Name and Knights of Columbus every Wednesday at 7PM in the church for prayer. All are welcome!

MUSIC MINISTRY

Adult Choir rehearsals will resume on Thursday evenings September 8th at 8:00 PM.
Children Choir rehearsals will resume on Thursday evenings September 15th at 7:00 PM.
We are in need of guitarists to play for Sunday Masses. If interested please contact Bill Fiorelli at 908-902-7753.

ST. CLEMENT ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION GOLF OUTING

St. Clement Athletic Association 13th Annual Golf Outing is being held Thursday, October 6, 2016 (PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE) at Glenwood Country Club, Old Bridge Registration form can be found at http:// www.stclementsports.com/home/golf-outing

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP BBQ

The Parish Youth Group will be having its Welcome Back BBQ & Bonfire" on Sat., Sept. 10th from 6-9pm at the House of Hope. The event is free and t-shirts will be given out to the first 25 teens that arrive. There will also be a free raffle for "Wireless Headphones". The BBQ will feature Food, Music & Games. A short program will also be presented entitled "God's Plan for You." All 7th & 8th Graders & High School teens are welcome to join us. For more information please contact Don Norbut 732-290-9466 or Italia Bernhardt 646-942-7660.

CARE GIVING FRIENDS

If you know someone in our Parish or local community that could use our help with shopping, running errands, doctor's visits, or just a new person to visit with, please contact the church office. Volunteers are also still welcome to join this ministry. Please visit our website for more information.

CCD NEWS

2016-2017 Registration has begun. Please check the website at www.stclementprep.com or call the CCD office for more information at 732-566-3616. Also volunteers are needed for our Religious Ed program, beginning in September.

CCD VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNTIES

There are openings for teachers on Monday at 4:30 and 6pm. We are also in need of Hall Monitors for all of the sessions. Please give prayerful consideration to this important ministry. We need YOU! If interested, please contact Pat at 732-566-3616.x2. Thank you!

ALTAR ROSARY

We'll be starting our new year on Sept. 4th on Rosary Sunday at 8AM Mass. All Rosarians should try to attend especially our Officers. Join the Altar Rosary on Wednesday, September 7th at our Reception Center. Recitation of the Rosary is at 7:30PM and the meeting starts at 8PM. The meeting in September will be a "get acquainted Wine & Cheese" reception. This is a great opportunity to come and mingle and find out what Altar Rosary is all about. All women over the age of 18 in and outside our parish are welcome. Call Lena Hor for more information at 732-583-5538

ALTAR ROSARY CRAFT SHOW

Our Altar Rosary will be having their 26th Annual Christmas Craft show on Sat., Dec. 3, 2016 from 9am-4pm in our gym. VENDORS ARE NEEDED!! Please contact Merle Cristi, craft show chairperson, at 732-591-1273 or 908-601-2957 or Renate Michitsch at 908-461-1812 for more information. You may also email at stclementcraftshow@gmail.com

Faith to Move Mountains
Campaign for the Diocese of Trenton

To all of the good people and friends of St. Clement Parish,

As you may have heard, a major campaign is underway at our parish and throughout the Diocese of Trenton. This week I will provide a brief overview of the campaign for you.

Faith to Move Mountains is a **$75 million** Diocesan-wide endowment campaign that will secure the resources needed to enable our Church to flourish for generations to come. Unlike the Annual Catholic Appeal, which addresses the day-to-day operating expenses of the Diocese, this campaign will establish endowments to respond to critical ***long-term*** needs and serve as a ***permanent and self-sustaining source*** of financial stability for the Diocese. Once established, the funds will continue to grow through the reinvestment of interest and earnings. Through this, the endowments will provide support for the following needs in perpetuity:

- **Our Parishes: $30 million**
- **Ordained Ministry: $20 million**
- **Catholic Schools: $15 million**
- **Social Services: $5 million**
- **Catechesis and Evangelization: $5 million**

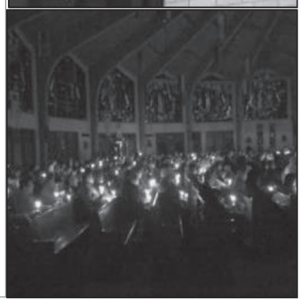
In addition, ***30% of the campaign funds*** that we raise toward our parish goal will be directed back to the parish for our own local needs! These parish projects are outlined below:

- ***St. Clement Church***
  - *A video security system will be installed in the church and the rectory.*
  - *A new handicap parking space will be installed at the front entrance of the church.*
  - *A new handicap bathroom will be installed in the church building, and the existing bathrooms will also receive upgrades.*
  - *All buildings on the church property will be rekeyed.*
  - *Funds will go towards upgrading books, materials, and equipment for CCD classes.*
- ***Structural Repairs***
  - *Certain areas of the parking lot need to be repaired for parishioner safety.*
  - *The kitchen in the rectory is in need of upgrades and repairs.*
  - *The House of Hope is in need of structural repairs and renovations.*
- ***Debt***
  - *All additional funds raised will address the parish debt that was incurred during the repairs to the roof.*

In the coming weeks, I will share further details about the campaign for all of you. It is my hope that our entire community will join together and participate in this extraordinary effort for our Diocese. In the meantime, anyone is welcome to approach me before or after Mass with any questions you may have. Thank you for your continued prayers and support!

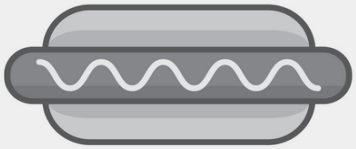
God bless,

Father Thomas



St. Clement Parish Picnic

All are Welcome



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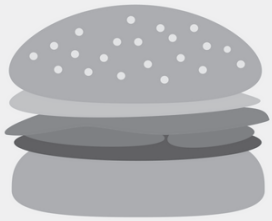
12 noon to 5pm



Food, Music, Games, Rides and Kids Crafts

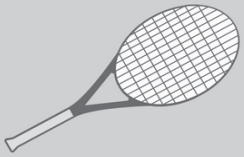
Price:
$12- Adults (16 years and older)
$8 - children (6-15 years old)
Children 5 and under - FREE

Sign up to help volunteer at the picnic. Email admin@stclementmatawan.org

Tickets available after all weekend masses and in the Church office during the week.

Rain Date: Sunday October 2nd

Church of SAINT CLEMENT

Food Catered By Our Reception Center

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