



Church of ST. CLEMENT

Sunday, April 23, 2017

PARISH MINISTRIES

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ORGANIZATIONS

Altar Rosary Society Lena Hor, 583-5538
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REV. THOMAS VALA, PASTOR

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OFFICE HOURS

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www.TheReceptionCenter.com

Parish Trustees Joe Angello & Barbara Warden
Parish Religious Education Program PREP
www.stclementprep.com
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Sacrament of Baptism
Sunday at Noon

Sacrament Reconciliation
Saturday: 12:30PM to 1:15PM

Sacrament of Marriage

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

Mass Intentions

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

SATURDAY, APRIL 22, 2017

5PM HUGH KIRBY by the St. Clement Athletic Association
PHYLLIS IMBROSCIANO by Mrs. John Deleonardo
CARMELLA TOMASELLO DZWIL by Susan & Bruce Quinn

SUNDAY, APRIL 23, 2017

8AM KATIE SADOWSKI by her family
9:30AM GLORIA CORPUS by her family
ARNOLD PUCILLO by Nancy & Andy Cannizzo
11AM RONALD THOMPSON by his family
NICOLINO DIBENEDETTO by the Popplewell family

MONDAY, APRIL 24, 2017

8AM DOROTHY ANSELOWITZ by Jack & Anita Donegan

TUESDAY, APRIL 25, 2017

8AM JACQUELINE DELLI SANTI by Mr. & Mrs. Vincent Amato

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26, 2017

8AM JOE BARONE by his family

THURSDAY, APRIL 27, 2017

8AM WILLIAM MAGRINO by the Johnson family

FRIDAY, APRIL 28, 2017

8AM ANTONIETTA BARONE by the Buro family

SATURDAY, APRIL 29, 2017

5PM CAROL PATRICIA GILBERT by Mr. & Mrs. Grimaldi
DENNIS P. KING by Christine & Thomas King

SUNDAY, APRIL 30, 2017

8AM FRED BARONI by his cousin
9:30AM STEVEN PRAHL by the Gallo family
FRANCESCO ILLIANO by his daughters
11AM JOE & HELEN MARTINELLI by Sue & Dave Ripple
MARY & JOHN MCLOUGHLIN by Bridget & Brendan

COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, APRIL 9, 2017

\$12,865.00

COLLECTION FOR THE HOLY LAND, APRIL 14, 2017

\$1,216.00

COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, APRIL 16TH

\$42,375.04

DIVINE MERCY PRAYER SERVICE

Plan on joining us for Divine Mercy Sunday Prayer Service at 3PM on Sunday, April 23, 2017

UPDATED CONFESSION SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, APRIL 29TH & MAY 6TH

Please note that the usual time of Confession on both of these Saturdays will be changed from 12:30PM to 1:30PM to accommodate our First Holy Communions.

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:

GIANNA MARIE MELI
Child of Ashley & Anthony
JOSEPH ROBERT OHMER
Child of Joanna & Patrick
JACKSON DENNIS PAKLA
Child of Alexander and Kristen
LILLIAN ALYCE WAJDA
Child of Tricia & Andrew


ALTAR SERVER RETIREMENT

Alyssa Chambers, Carolyn Creamer, Robert Landi, Nicole Loehle, Anthony Quattrocci, Julia Saffaye, Julia Stapleton, Carly Stein and John Vail are our Senior Altar Servers who will be retiring at 9:30am Mass on this Sunday, April 23rd. These young men and women have dedicated four years of service to the St. Clement Community. We greatly appreciate their time and dedication to their parish.

"I KNOW THAT FATHER TOM!"

Kids, Father Tom wants to give you the chance to answer a question too! Watch for Father's question in the upcoming bulletins. If you know the answer, fill out the question sheet and drop it in the "Ask Father Tom" box in the church lobby. He'll randomly select a name from among the correct answers and publish the winner's first name and last initial in the bulletin.

ASK FATHER TOM

 Did you ever want to know, "Who was St. Clement?" or "How does the priest decide what color vestment to wear?" Why not "Ask Father Tom!" Drop any questions about the Catechism, the Liturgy, Church traditions, or the Saints in the box and Father will answer at least one in the bulletin each week. The "Ask Father Tom" question box is located in the lobby of the church. Question sheets and pencils are available.

CCD NEWS

2017-2018 Registration has begun. Please check the website at www.stclementprep.com or call the CCD office for more information at 732-566-3616. *We are also in need of teachers for Monday and Tuesday sessions at 4:30pm and 6pm. Please consider joining this ministry!*

MOTHER'S DAY MASS CARDS

Mother's Day Mass cards are available in the foyer of the church. Please fill out the envelope with your intention and your \$10 donation. Envelopes can be deposited into the collection basket or dropped off at the church office. Prayer requests will be offered at all the Masses on Mother's Day weekend.

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.

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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/upperroomspiritualcenter. Then click on Like button on Facebook page.



LONG TERM PRAYER LIST

Please keep in your prayers the following individuals who are dealing with long term health issues: Thomas Flynn, Andrew Smith, Dennis Kryzanowski, Jim Bazydlo, Emily Patricia Westfield, Michael Wiggberg, Antonella Parlati, Ruth Ann Hutula, Scott Gibb, James Martin, Joyce Sweeting, Michael Petolino, Yolanda Ramos, Pat Martelliti, Carla Carlino, Vivian Rocco, Teresita Tiu, Scott Waldman, Salvatore Zingalli, Robert Flynn, Iris Miranda, Kim Jones, Christina Bucco, Grace McKelory, Michael Falcone, Marcella Gatti, Sharon Jones, Mary Brady, Matt Siwinski, Phil Kramer Jr., Mary Turiano, Noemi Robinson, Richard Harcourt, Enza Torres, Elena Santo, Carla Izzo, Grace McElroy, Jasmine Chalmers, Jacqueline Santos, Victor Panopio, Bernard Panopio, Michael Petolino, Delia & Bridget LaSalle, Janelle & Laurie Vanoni, Mary Ann Smetana, Larry Mignone, Jack Creamer, Patricia Davis, Joanne Colot, Chris Spedding, Jack Murphy, Mary Beth Alban, Bea Duffy, Nick Minnotulo, Barbara Monaco

PRAYERS FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Prayers for the dead is one of the greatest acts of charity we can perform. The following is a list of the names of members of St. Clement that have recently departed. Please keep them in your prayers: 03/26/2017 Domenico Amato, 04/05/2017 Albert "Bob" Disario, 04/05/2017 Jordan Phillips, 04/10/2017



Peter DeVita, 04/14/2017 Mrs. Frances McKenna, 04/14/2017 Joseph Chin

YOUTH GROUP CORNER "Learn & Live your Faith"
Open to all 7th thru 12th Grade students – Come & See what We Are All About. Where Faith, Friendship & Service to our Community Strengthen the Christian Lifestyle of our Youth.

MONTH OF MAY SERVICE PROJECT:
St. Clement Youth Group would like to honor our Blessed Mother and all mothers everywhere during the Month of May. A "Mommy Drive" will take place on Saturday, May 20th and Sunday, May 21st for the less fortunate Mom's, that need to care for their babies. We will be collecting baby food, formula, diapers, wipes, bibs, baby soap/shampoos, pacifiers, baby snacks, burp clothes, wash clothes, teething toys etc. Whatever you give is most appreciated. Please bring all your items, before or after each Mass. The collection area will be in the lobby of the church. For more information about the Youth Group and upcoming activities, and gatherings, call Don Norbut at 732-290-9466 or Italia Bernhardt at 732-696-8866.

NEW CHURCH ORGAN



Many wonderful donations have come in to help with the cost of our new organ. We received this week donations in memory of Albert Disario by Frances Lange, Catherine Boynton & Family, Karen Freglette & Family, the Craig Family and Ann & Dan McGee. A plaque has been made and is displayed by the organ with all the in memory/in honor names listed. To date we have received \$23,565.00 to offset the \$42,000.00 cost of the organ. **DO-NATIONS 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.

ALTAR ROSARY

**UPCOMING ALTAR ROSARY EVENTS:
SUNDAY, APRIL 30TH**

ALTAR ROSARY TEA



Ladies of the parish are invited for the Altar Rosary Tea in our gym at 2PM on Sunday, April 30th. Cost is \$10 and includes tea, scones & finger sandwiches. Please contact Fran Triolo 732-566-6790 for more information and tickets. Seats are limited!

SUNDAY, MAY 7TH

MAY CROWNING OF THE BLESSED MOTHER



The May Crowning of the Blessed Mother will take place on Sunday May 7th after 8AM Mass. A Communion Breakfast, sponsored by the Altar Rosary Society, will immediately follow at the Reception Center. We invite all members and friends of St. Clement. Tickets are \$18.00 per person and may be obtained by calling Terry McKenna at 732-566-1427 or Pat Carew at 732-739-3838

St. BENEDICTS—SCRIPTURE SERIES

Father Gary Koch, Pastor of St. Benedict Church in Holmdel, will have a four-week scripture series on the *Acts of the Apostles* starting on Wednesday, May 3rd at 7:30pm in the church. There is no sign-up. All are welcome!

IT'S TIME FOR SPRING CLEANING!

Climb Out of the Darkness 2017-Postpartum Support International

We are collecting gently used and new shoes. Please check your closets for any shoes including flip flops, heels, work boots, sport shoes etc—for men, women & children. A collection bin is located in the lobby of the church. The funds raised from the event will help assist pregnant & new moms with postpartum depression or anxiety disorder. Shoe donations need to be received by Sunday, May 7th. Thank you!

Special Intentions

GySgt. Rory Duane, U.S.M.C.
Thomas Labenski, U.S. Navy
CCMS Joseph R. Greene, Jr., US Air Force
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. Informational flyers are located in the lobby of the church.

THE PARISH WEBSITE IS ACTIVE AND UPDATED REGULARLY.

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 2017 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 01/01/16-12/31/16). Then click on the pdf icon (on the right hand side of the page) to generate the report.

BIBLE STUDY AT ST. CLEMENT

A lively and insightful journey into the Word of God; and it's offered each week right [here](#) at St. Clements! Fr. Bill Halbing has traveled extensively throughout the U.S. and internationally to share his vast and inspiring knowledge of both the Catechism of the Catholic Church and the Holy Bible. Join us in the church each Tuesday evening at 6:30pm for the Catechism and 7:30 to 9:00pm for a Bible study unlike any you've ever experienced. Commuters: arrive when you can for this informal, interactive evening of learning. You'll be glad you did!

CHAPLET OF THE DIVINE MERCY & THE ROSARY

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



MAY CHILDREN'S MASS

For the month of May the monthly children's Mass will be on Sunday, May 14th. At this 9:30AM Mass the homily will be geared towards the Children of our parish. We encourage our families with young children to attend this worship where all can celebrate the Word of God. Please remember that St. Clement Parish is offering its children the opportunity to share in the spirit of giving by bringing to the children's mass non-perishable food items - canned goods or boxed items such as cereal, macaroni, and the like. As the ushers are taking up the collection, the children will be placing their food item in a basket that will be on the altar. These items will then be distributed to local food pantries to be given to those who are in need. This will be a wonderful way for our children to feel as if they have contributed during the mass and to know that their food item will make a difference in the lives of other families.

VINCENT'S LEGACY



St. Clement is teaming up with St. Joseph's St. Vincent de Paul Society for this new venture. Vincent's Legacy will provide gently used home furnishings and household goods for our neighbors in need. They are asking for volunteers from the St. Clement community to work in their warehouse in Wall township for 4 hours, one Saturday per month. They especially need furniture movers and donation processors. If you would like to volunteer, please call St. Joseph's SVDP Help Line at 732-290-1878. In your message please mention Vincent's Legacy and leave your name & phone number. They are also looking for donations of gently used, of good quality, furniture & household goods from a smoke-free & pet free-homes. If you have a donation, please email at furniture@svdptrenton.org.

CALLING ALL GARDNERS!

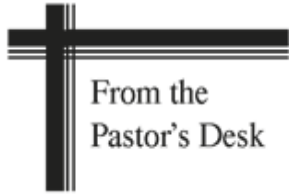


We are looking for assistance with planning our 2017 Victory Garden. Now is the time to start seedlings and planning on what we will plant to benefit the area food pantries this summer. If you have a green thumb or even if you don't, please contact the church office. Thank you!

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. Please visit our website for more information.





I hope your Easter holiday was a joyous one. Our parish's Easter celebration was a glorious one this year. It was wonderful to see many of you attend the Triduum celebration (Holy Thursday through the Easter Vigil). St. Clement's welcomed 3 new members to the Catholic church at the Easter Vigil, and Fr. Gregg sang the Exaltet wonderfully that evening. I must thank the parish's Liturgy Committee for all of its hard work in preparing the Holy Week and Easter weekend Masses. Also, thank you to the Deacons, ushers, Eucharistic ministers, altar servers, lectors, our decorating committee and choir for making the liturgy beautiful and joyous.

The parish was quite busy with other events too these past few weeks. On April 8 we held our 2nd Operation Thank You to support the Yates Home for Military Veterans. The night was a huge success, especially due to the food and gift cards that were donated by our parishioners. Thank you to the members of our Knights of Columbus, who organized the evening's program. Many thanks to the Altar Rosary, Holy Name, our CCD program and Athletic Association for their assistance. A special thank you goes out to some of our local business that supplied the dinner for the evening. Those businesses are: J Vrola, Inc.; Livoti's Old World Market; La Cushina in Marlboro; De Marco's; and Whole Foods in Marlboro. Leone's restaurant in Montclair, NJ provided some of the hot dishes as well.

Palm Sunday's pancake breakfast was a success also. It was great to see many of you stop by to have breakfast with your families. I would like to thank the members of our Holy Name Society for organizing the day. They setup tables and did all of the cooking. Several of St. Clement's Youth Group members also helped out, and I thank them as well.

The parish's Easter Egg hunt on Easter Sunday went very well. Many of our children participated in the fun. I want to thank the Youth Group for all of their hard work. The teens and adult ministers prepared the eggs and also coordinated and organized the Egg Hunt. Also many thanks to the Knights of Columbus for hosting the family picture taking opportunity at the Blessed Mary statue in our prayer garden.

May the joy of the Resurrected Christ continue to fill your hearts throughout the year.

Father Tom