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Holy Name Ron Johnson 290-1371
Knights of Columbus Neil Matthaeys 566-3616
Senior Citizens Mary Ann O’Brien 566-0962

REv. Thomas Vala, Pastor
Rev. Gregg Leo L. Abadilla, Parochial Vicar
Tom Wadolowski, Deacon

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Church Office 566-3616
Admin@stclementmatawan.org
Church Fax 566-9275
CCD Office 566-3616

In case of a pastoral emergency 732-858-5187
Reception Center 591-8180
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Sacrament of Baptism
Sunday at 12:15PM
Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday: 12:30PM to 1:15PM
Sacrament of Marriage
Arrangements should be made one year prior. Pre-Cana Conference required.
Greetings everyone! As we get back to our routines, whether it involve family, work, school, etc., I pray that the light and joy of the Christmas Season continue to bring you some peace. This weekend we celebrate the baptism of our Lord. This is a good time for each of us to reflect on our own baptisms and be inspired to be that shining light for Christ. Like the Magi in last week’s Gospel, may we all continue to seek out the presence of Christ in those individuals we encounter, especially those who need the love of Christ. Psalm 11 says, “For the Lord is just; he loves just deeds; the upright shall see his face.”

Some of you might have noticed that our children’s choir has been provided with new choir-robes. I would like to take this time to thank one of our parishioners, who donated money to purchase these robes for our children. This particular person wishes to remain anonymous. The robes look great and this donation is greatly appreciated by me and the members of the music ministry.

Father Tom

JANUARY MEETING/ EVENTS—YOUTH GROUP

January 11th-12th—Collection of snacks, essentials and Valentine candy/cards for our Armed Forces to send for Valentine’s Day after all Masses.

January 18th—Ice Skating at Old Bridge Ice Rink

January 25th—Food pantry volunteer work at the Matawan Community Center, 7:30am-12PM

COLLECTION FOR CHRISTMAS 2019
$45,714.00

COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2019
$6,888.00

COLLECTION FOR ST. VINCENT de PAUL
$2,036.00

COLLECTION FOR THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY
$3,687.99

COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 5, 2020
$9,849.00

The second offering this weekend is for benefit of our Diocesan Assessment. Offering envelopes are located in all of our pews. Thank you for your generosity.

BLOOD DRIVE
Most Holy Redeemer Parish
133 Amboy Road, Matawan, NJ 07747

New Jersey Blood Services will be conducting a blood drive, Thursday, January 23, 2020, 2:00 – 8:00 p.m. in Desmond Hall. At this time, the blood supply is critically low – PLEASE HELP. Those wishing to donate blood, please call our parish office at 732-566-9334 to set up an appointment.

BAPTISM CLASS

The next Baptism class will be held on Wednesday, January 15th at 7:30pm in the church. Please contact the church office to register.
**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 (except during the season of Lent) at 12:15PM. 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

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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! Pat Thein 732-566-3616, Cathy Boland (732)290-1338 or Roni Veziris (732)591-8658.

**The Altar Rosary Society** meets the first Wed. of each month (with the exception of July and August) in the Reception Center. 7PM Recitation of the Rosary; 7:30PM meeting. All ladies of the parish are invited. Altar Rosary members attend the First Sunday, 8AM Mass of each month (with the exception of 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 10:30am 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.

**Respect Life Chapter** The next meeting of our Respect Life Chapter will be on Thurs., Feb., 20th. in our cry room (the Jan. meeting has been cancelled due to the Novena For Life.). Please join us in our prayers, discussions and refreshments. For more info, please contact Arminda Rubio-Pito at 732-616-2759.
LONG TERM PRAYER LIST
Please keep in your prayers the following individuals who are dealing with long term health issues: Joan Ingugnagio, Joe & Dorene Sefack, Doreen Pisarek, Jim Duffy, Sr., Patrick Hegarty, Nicholas Basdelis, Keith Davis, Maurice Escayg, Irene Holmes, Molly Grozer, Priscilla Magadia, Charlie Meglio, Jr. Joseph Porpora, Mary Hughes, Lorice Giles, George Barreiro, Dominick Difede, John Matthew DeCarlo, Frank Simonetti, Sue Hegarty, Adam Levenstein, Alfred Piotrovsky, Alan Hughes, Alice Boland, Danny Mulhern, John Gilligan, Joan Ingugnagio, Ann McLoughlin, Peggy Wylie, Jack Evans, Judy DeSimone, Josefine Lim, John White, Helen Pickel, Bogumila Pietera, Norma Zarzecki, Debra Basso, John Mocci, Constante Felibrico, Norma Pascaule, Janet Centimole, Marty Mannion, Lucia Perez, Elizabeth Fitzgerald, Ortencia Roldan Montez, Eleanor Martin, Glenn Pearson, Donald DeMartino, Eugene Szalc, Wellington Davis III, Paula Stetter, Michelle Burns, Erin Christie, Maureen Belmonte, Michael Fabozzi, Louise D’Orlando, Glenn Hall, Gary Fishman, Anna DiCamillo, Gary Wistuba, Kathi Sullivan, Erica Wasser, Mary Thomas, John Mangini, Mary Nukk, Tom Cosentino, Toni Davis, Kayleigh Hoercher, Jill Geistwikke, Joey Russo, Mario Fernandez, Dominick Difede, Billy Mocci, Marcie Rothman, Angela DeCarlo, Anthony & Viola Scarpa, Marjorie Simpler, Karen Monaco Leo, Anne DiNapoli, Joseph Labianca, Jerry Nesti, George Moresco, Bill Hegarty, Alfonso Wilson, Thomas Flynn, Andrew Smith, Ruth Ann Hutula, Joyce Sweeting, Yolanda Ramos, Salvatore Zingalli, Iris Miranda, Kim Jones, Christina Bucco, Michael Falcone, Marcella Gatti, Mary Turiano, Richard Harcourt, Enza Torres, Elena Santo, Carla Izzo, Jasmine Chalmers, Jacqueline Santos, Bernard Panopio, Delia & Bridget LaSalle, Janelle & Laurie Vanoni, Jack Creamer, Patricia Davis, 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: 12/14/19 Phyllis Carley, 12/14/19 Raymond LaPorta, 12/15/19 Carol Ann Babriskry, 12/16/19 Christopher Lambros, 12/19/19 Gary J. Hayes, 12/19/19 Joan Bauer, 12/20/19 Jerome R. Chiappisi, 12/30/19 Philomena Morrisey

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY
We are partnering with Our Lady of Fatima/St. Joseph’s St. Vincent De Paul to help with their food pantry. A box is available in the lobby of the church for your donations. The pantry is in need of pasta, canned fruit and pancake syrup. SVDP provides spiritual, food distribution, emergency financial and other services to those in need. If you know of anyone that is in need of help, please have them call the St. Vincent de Paul help line at 732-290-1878.

Special Intentions
Kyle Davis, U.S. Army
GySgt. Rory Duane, U.S.M.C.
Thomas Labenski, U.S. Navy
Mark Zeller, LCDR, U.S. Navy
Daniel Vala, 1st Lt, U.S. Army
J.P. Maloney, CPO., USM
Sean Coughlin, Spc., U.S. Army

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
Contributions for 2018 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 01/01/18-12/31/18). 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 & Knights of Columbus every Wednesday at 7PM in the church for prayer. All are welcome!

BIBLE STUDY AT ST. CLEMENT
Join Fr. Bill Halbing in the church each Tues. at 6:30pm for the Catechism and 7:30 to 9pm for a Bible study unlike any you’ve ever experienced. Commuters: arrive when you can for this informal, interactive evening of learning.

OUR PROMISE TO PROTECT
The Diocese of Trenton is committed to the initiatives outlined in the U.S. Bishop’s Charter for the protection of Children and Young People in regard to the reporting and investigation of sexual abuse allegations involving minors.

If you have been sexually abused as a minor by a member of the clergy or anyone representing the Catholic Church, or if you know of someone who was, you can report that abuse through the diocesan Abuse Hotline: 1-888-296-2965 or via email at abuseline@dioceseoftrenton.org.

The Diocese of Trenton reports any allegations of sexual abuse to the appropriate law enforcement agencies. Anyone with an allegation is also encouraged to provide that information to local law enforcement authorities.
Saturday, January 25 Starting 6:30 PM
CELEBRATE LIFE 2020 SPEAKER, MINI-MARCH, & THE MOVIE UNPLANNED
Rated R – No one Under 17 admitted without a parent
Followed by Refreshments & Fellowship

Our Lady of Fatima Parish
St. Joseph Church
376 Maple Place, Keyport, NJ

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CONTACTS
YOUR KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL
Or
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Cardinal Newman Council 5324
Neil Matthaeys
732-762-6638

St. Benedict Council 11349
Jose Delgado
732-335-9777
Our Club provides the members with spiritual, charitable, and social and educational activities. We meet new friends and strive for the betterment of health, security, and cordial associations.

We meet every Tuesday at THE RECEPTION CENTER at St. Clement Church off of Rt. 79, Matawan, N.J. Doors open at 10:00 a.m. Meeting begins promptly at 10:30 a.m. Executive Board Mtgs.: Every 2nd Tuesday at 9:00 a.m.

Every Tuesday we collect for Eagle’s Up & other Veteran Groups.

You are welcome to visit our Club to see if you would like to join us. We are seeking seniors who are looking for outside activities. You set your own pace. If you are a couple, only one has to be 55 or older.

Yes, we play FUN BINGO! And we have available day trips and overnights/week trips in USA and to other countries.

Come check us out!

Officers for the Year 2020
President: Lena Hor 732 583 5538
Vice-President: Donna DeMartino
Treasurer: Rose Marie Prendergast
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