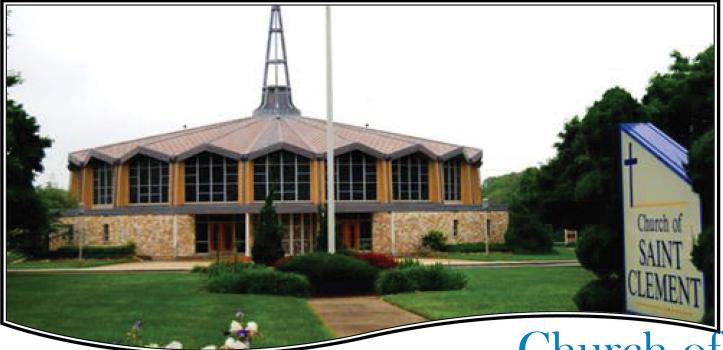
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### Sunday, February 21, 2021

# Church o ST. CLEMENT

#### **PARISH MINISTRIES**

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#### **SERVICES**

Athletic Director Phyllis Besso, 970-4487 Clement House Christine King 583-3911 Safe Environment Coordinator Pat Thein, 566-3616

#### **ORGANIZATIONS**

Altar Rosary Society Marie Canonico 970-8261 Holy Name Ron Johnson 290-1371 Knights of Columbus Michael Hickey 566-3616 Senior Citizens Lena Hor 732-583-5538 REV. THOMAS VALA, PASTOR Tom Wadolowski, Deacon

#### **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday - Friday 9AM-3PM 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 www.TheReceptionCenter.com

Parish Trustees Bruce Quinn & Linda Shirvanian Parish Religious Education Program PREP www.stclementreligioused.org St. Clement Athletic Association www.stclementsports.com

Sacrament of Baptism By appointment only—732-566-3616 Sacrament Reconciliation Saturday: 3:30PM-4:15PM Sacrament of Marriage Arrangements should be made one year prior. Pre-Cana Conference required.

Mass Intentions

#### FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2021

- **MICHAEL TALLON by Joy & Rick Derechailo** 5PM **DENNIS KING by Christine & Thomas King** JOHN WALSH by the Sandy family
- SUNDAY, **FEBRUARY 21, 2021**
- 8AM **THOMAS J. MCCAFFERY by Jack & Anita** Donegan **CARMEN MARTINEZ** by the Kovach family NUALA MCFEELY by Bridget & Brendan
- Martin 9:30AM **PEOPLE OF THE PARISH OF ST CLEMENT**
- **MAUREEN MURPHY by the Hynes family 11AM RICHARD MARCHITTO by the Westfield** family
  - **RON WALSH by Fran & Frank Antonelli**
- MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2021
- NICOLA PAVASANDOLO by Lucille Cilento 8AM
- TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2021
- **MEMBERS OF OUR ARMED FORCES** 8AM
- WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2021
- JOHN ENNY by the Michels family 8AM **THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2021**
- 8AM **PEOPLE OF THE PARISH OF ST CLEMENT**
- FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2021
- 8AM SPECIAL INTENTIONS FOR THE FITZPATRICK FAMILY
- SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2021
- 5PM MARGARET C. BESSO by the Langevin family **JOSEPH TAKACS by his family JOSEPHINE CERRETA by her husband &** family
- SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2021
- 8AM **GEORGE NODARSE** by Karin & Jim Nusbaum
- 9:30AM **PEOPLE OF THE PARISH OF ST CLEMENT**
- **11AM** EDWARD & MARION CRONIN by Susan & **Bruce Ouinn ANTOINETTE BARONE by the Buro family BILL DAVIS by his wife Pat Davis**

#### **COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2021** \$6,370.00 **COLLECTION FOR THE CHURCH IN CENTRAL & EASTERN EUROPE**

\$326.00

The second offering this weekend is for the benefit of the Catholic Missions among the Black and Native Americans

#### WEDDING BANNS

#### Kelly Wilson & Michael Otchy





This weekend we celebrate the First Sunday of Lent. Although Lent is a somber time, without much fanfare, it is a season we can be joyful

about. I pray this Lenten season will bring you closer to our Lord and help you to discover true riches and blessings. The true riches and blessings are those that are found in a relationship with the Lord, not in the things of the world. Lent is a time to experience the joy that comes from this relationship.

God bless, Fr. Tom



#### **REMEMBER YOUR CHURCH**

For those that are able, please remember your church during this most difficult time. It would be greatly appreciated if you could either mail in your weekly contribution or join our online giving program (information on this program is included in this bulletin). Thank you!

#### ST. CLEMENT CCD PROGRAM

Due to the ongoing uncertainties of the pandemic, St. Clement will offer a Home Study Summer Intensive CCD during July. Online Registration will be February 1-28 and all details can be found on the CCD webpage: StClementReligiousEd.org. Registration for Fall classes will take place in April.

#### CATHOLIC ANNUAL APPEAL

**Evangelization - Ministry to Families, Youth and Young** 



Every person belongs to a family. CATHOLIC Families are the foundation of the Catholic parish. In the midst of the family and the parish community,

people encounter Christ and learn to be his disciples. Family and Parish are the primary environments in which evangelization takes place. Together in Mission is a tool to support these evangelization efforts. Your gift promotes individuals and family life. Youth events and service opportunities, young adult gatherings, Marriage prep, Baptismal prep, Ministry to separated and divorced persons are just a few of the services offered.



**BLOOD DRIVE-**SUNDAY MARCH 14, 2021

AVE LIFE) The Knights of Columbus will host a blood drive in conjunction with the

American Red Cross inside the St. Clement Gym from 8:30am-1:30 pm. You can book your appointment now online at www.redcrossblood.org. Just look for St. Clement's Roman Catholic Church and the date.

#### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the cross will take place in the church at 7:30pm on Friday, February 19th, Friday, March 5th and Friday, March 19th.

#### **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.

<u>Weddings</u>...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.

**<u>Baptisms</u>**...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.

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



<u>Specializing in Personalized Catering for All Occasions</u> Elegant & Affordable Wedding Packages Exclusively by W. J. Mayer Catering (732)-591-8180 <u>www.TheReceptionCenter.com</u> 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.

**<u>RCIA</u>** ... 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 Vezeris (732)591-8658.

<u>The Altar Rosary Society</u> 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).

<u>The Holy Name Society</u> 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.

<u>The Knights of Columbus</u> 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. For more information on our Seniors Club, please call Lena Hor at 732-583-5538. The Seniors sponsor <u>a trip to</u> <u>Atlantic City the third Monday of every month. Call Mary Ann O'Brien at 732-566-0962 for more information on these trips.</u>

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

<u>The Upper Room</u>, 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.

<u>Respect Life Chapter</u> The next meeting of our Respect Life Chapter will be announced at a future date. Please join us in our prayers, discussions and refreshments. For more info, please contact Arminda Rubio-Pito at 732-616 -2759 or email at prolife.mom.9@gmail.com



#### LONG TERM PRAYER LIST

FOR THE SICK Please keep in your prayers the following individuals who are dealing with long term health issues: Angie Kicklighter, Marjorie Sim-

pler, Carmine Rapisarda, Karen Barker, Geraldine Gillespie, Marybeth Donegan, Joan McGovern, Gerry Conrad, Michele Langenbach, Parker Boyer, Roberta Griffin, Rose Vala, Toni Spoganetz, Evelyn Vena, Arthur William, Joe Bliss, Rocco Gallager, Frank George Pickel, Dorene Sefack, Doreen Pisarek, Jim Duffy, Sr., Patrick Hegarty, Nicholas Basdelis, Keith Davis, Maurice Escayg, Irene Holmes, Molly Grozer, Charlie Meglio, Jr. Joseph Porpora, Mary Hughes, Lorice Giles, Jeorge Barreiro, Dominick Difede, John Matthew DeCarlo, Frank Simonetti, Sue Hegarty, Adam Levenstein, Alan Hughes, Danny Mulhern, John Gilligan, Ann McLoughlin, Peggy Wylie, Jack Evans, Judy DeSimone, Joseife Lim, John White, Helen Pickel, Bogumila Pietera, Norma Zarzecki, Debra Basso, John Mocci, Constante Felibrico, Norma Pascuale, Janet Centimole, Marty Mannion, Lucia Perez, Elizabeth Fitzgerald, Ortencia Roldan Montez, Eleanor Martin, Donald DeMartino, Wellington Davis III, Paula Stetler, Michelle Burns, Erin Christie, Maureen Belmonte, 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 Geistwilkie, Joey Russo, Mario Fernandez, Dominick Difede, Billy Mocci, Marcie Rothman, Angela DeCarlo, Anthony & Viola Scarpa, Marjorie Simpler, Karen Monaco Leo, Joseph Labianca, Jerry Nesti, Bill Hegarty, Alfonso Wilson, Thomas Flynn, Andrew Smith, Ruth Ann Hutula, Joyce Sweeting, Yolanda Ramos, Salvatore Zingalli, Iris Miranda, Christina Bucco, Michael Falcone, Marcella Gatti, Mary Turiano, Richard Harcourt, Enza Torres, Carla Izzo, Jasmine Chalmers, Jacqueline Santos, Bernard Panopio, Delia & Bridget LaSalle, Janelle & Laurie Vanoni, Patricia Davis, 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: 01/30/21 Danielo LaLima, 01/30/21 Jeanette O'Brien. 02/06/21 Jean Hart



#### 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 OUTSIDE OF THE CHURCH OFFICE. The pantry is in need of paper towels, jelly & coffee. SVdP provides spiritual, food distribution, emergency financial and other services to those in need. Please call their help line at 732-290-1878 if you need assistance. 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., USMC Sean Coughlin, Spc., U.S. Army Michael Chiappone, Private 3rd Class, U.S. Army

THE <u>PARISH WEBSITE</u> IS ACTIVE AND UPDATED REGULARLY. <u>www.stclementmatawan.org</u> To include a church activity on our Web Site, email Mr. Quinn at admin@stclementmatawan.org

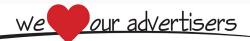
<u>ELECTRONIC GIVING – PARISH GIVING</u> Contributions for 2020 have been updated and we welcome you to log in to <u>www.parishgiving.org</u> to review and enter contributions for the New Year. PLEASE NOTE: Only recurring contributions (such as Sunday offering, Building Fund, etc.) will be carried forward. 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 01/01/20-12/31/20). Then click on the pdf icon (on the right hand side of the page) to generate the report.

#### **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.



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