



# Church of ST. CLEMENT

*Sunday, March 6, 2022*

## PARISH MINISTRIES

**Marriage Preparation** Holly Cahill 566-3616, ext 4  
**Baptism Preparation** Holly Cahill 566-3616, ext. 4  
**Religious Education** Tom Sweeney, 566-3616  
**Lector Coordinator** Cathy Boland 290-1338  
**Eucharistic Ministers** Jim Starace 732-566-3616  
**Music Director** Daniel Bucko 908-902-5736  
**Rite of Christian Initiation** Tom Sweeney 566-3616  
**Altar Servers** Tom Sweeney 732-242-9653  
**Ushers** Ron Johnson 290-1371  
**Liturgy Committee** Carol Capasso 583-6958  
**Liturgical Environment**  
Debby Poppelwell 732-772-9890

## SERVICES

**Athletic Director** Phyllis Besso, 970-4487  
**Clement House** Christine King 583-3911  
**Safe Environment Coordinators**  
Amy Colen 908-267-0161  
Bob Tully 848-468-6554

## 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

### CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

**Monday - Friday** 9AM-3PM,

**Church Office** 566-3616

[Admin@stclementmatawan.org](mailto: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](http://www.TheReceptionCenter.com)

**Parish Trustees** Bruce Quinn & Linda Shirvanian

**Parish Religious Education Program PREP**

[www.stclementreligious.org](http://www.stclementreligious.org)

**St. Clement Athletic Association**

[www.stclementsports.com](http://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, MARCH 5, 2022

5PM REV. LASZLO RAUCH by Susan & Bruce Quinn  
FRED DOYLE by Kathy & Erin  
JAMES MCGUINNESS by Dorothy & Frank Schneider

### SUNDAY, MARCH 6, 2022

8AM LIVING & DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE ALTAR ROSARY PEOPLE OF THE PARISH OF ST. CLEMENT REMEDOIS "ADING" JAKOSALEM POINTING by Richelle & Joe Pickel  
11AM HELEN KOVACS by the Hynes family  
GERARD DELTUFO, JR. by Charles & Theresa Hartigan & family  
INNA DILEO by Patty & Bob Richardson & family

### MONDAY, MARCH 7, 2022

8AM CHARLES ZIRKEL by the Zirkel family

### TUESDAY, MARCH 8, 2022

8AM LILLY NORBUT by Merle Cristi

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9, 2022

8AM TOM COSENTINO by Joe & Holly Cahill

### FRIDAY, MARCH 11, 2022

8AM PETER MCKENTY by his family

### SATURDAY, MARCH 12, 2022

5PM GEORGE FARRELL by his wife & family  
JOSEPHINE NASO by her daughter Mary & family  
LUCILLE MITAROT by Mr. & Mrs. Philip Manzi

### SUNDAY, MARCH 13, 2022

8AM ALFRED PARADISE by his wife Joan & sister-in-law Barbara  
PEOPLE OF THE PARISH OF ST. CLEMENT JAMES & MARGARET CARR, SR. by the Flanagan family  
11AM THOMAS COSENTINO by Patti & Vern Ralph  
MEGHAN TRACEY by Charles & Theresa Hartigan & family  
ROMANO & CELESTINA NACINOVIC by their daughter and family

### COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2022

\$6,328.00

### ONLINE COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 27th

\$1,952.42

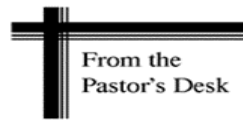
### COLLECTION FOR PARISH CAPITAL PROJECTS

\$1,722.00

### WEDDING BANNES

Anthony Cappiello & Anastasia Millicker

*The Sanctuary light is dedicated this week in loving memory of Juan Santa by his family*



This weekend we celebrate the First Sunday of Lent. Throughout this season the church emphasizes the practice of almsgiving (acts of charity). Consider as inspiration

the church's Works of Mercy, both spiritual and corporal. There are 7 spiritual works, which help our neighbors with their spiritual needs: **counseling the doubtful, instructing the ignorant, admonishing the sinner, comforting the sorrowful, forgiving sinners, bearing wrongs patiently, and praying for the living and the dead.** The 7 Corporal works are acts of charity that help to meet the bodily needs of others: **feeding the hungry, giving drink to the thirsty, welcoming the stranger, clothing the naked, visiting the sick, visiting the prisoner, and burying the dead.** With some pandemic restrictions still being enforced, it may not be practical to visit certain people. So, pray to the Holy Spirit for help to discern what you can do for others in your family, workplace, and community. *Father Tom*

### ALTAR ROSARY NEWS

#### MEETING

The Altar Rosary will be meeting at the Reception Center on Wednesday, March 9th for all members and anyone interested in joining. Rosary will be recited at 7PM and the meeting will begin at 7:30p. It will be a St. Patrick's Day theme so dress accordingly!! Please plan on wearing a mask for the meeting for now. I hope to see you all there!

#### FUNDRAISERS

The Altar Rosary is hosting a Gertrude Hawk Easter Candy Sale. Brochures are available in the lobby of the church. Deadline for orders is this **Sunday, March 6th** and can be dropped in the collection baskets or brought to the church office. Candy will be distributed Palm Sunday weekend.

### THOMAS COSENTINO MEMORIAL

#### BLOOD DRIVE

#### SUNDAY MARCH 13, 2022

The Knights of Columbus blood drive has been completely booked with volunteers to give blood! You can find other area blood drives online at [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org). Thank you for your support!



### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

During the season of Lent, Stations of the Cross will be held in the church at 7:30pm on Friday evenings.



## 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.stclementreligious.org](http://www.stclementreligious.org) 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](http://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! 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 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. For more information on our Seniors Club, please call Lena Hor at 732-583-5538. The Seniors sponsor a trip to Atlantic City the third Monday of every month. Call Mary Ann O'Brien at 732-566-0962 for more information on these trips.

**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](http://www.facebook.com/upperroomspiritualcenter). Then click on Like button on Facebook page.

### **Respect Life Chapter**

Please, join us as we pray the Prolife rosary in the church, every Thursday evening at 7:30pm and every Friday morning at 8:30am. For more info, please contact Arminda Rubio-Pito at 732-616-2759 or email at [prolife.mom.9@gmail.com](mailto:prolife.mom.9@gmail.com)



### LONG TERM PRAYER LIST

Please keep in your prayers the following individuals who are dealing with long term health issues: Gerard M. Conrad, Kate Kikvizge, Noreen Zelenko, Bill Hegarty, Mary Jane El-

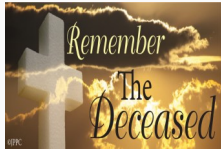
liott, Jess Mulvihill, Robert Rorke, Angela Laboy, Kyle Galante, Pat Gallagher, Kristine O'Hara, Marybeth Donegan, Maureen Collins-Dougherty

### Special Intentions

Kyle Davis, U.S. Army  
Thomas Labenski, U.S. Navy  
Mark Zeller, LCDR, U.S. Navy  
Daniel Vala, CPT, U.S. Army  
J.P. Maloney, CPO., USMC  
Sean Coughlin, Spc., U.S. Army

Michael Chiappone, Private 1st Class, U.S. Army  
Markus A Garcia, Corporal, USMC

**THE PARISH WEBSITE IS ACTIVE AND UPDATED REGULARLY.** [www.stclementmatawan.org](http://www.stclementmatawan.org) To include a church activity on our Web Site, email Mr. Quinn at [admin@stclementmatawan.org](mailto:admin@stclementmatawan.org)



### PRAYERS-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: 02/02/22 Craig Cartmell, 02/14/22 Gerard Robert "Bob" Holton, 02/13/22 William "Bill" Giovanniello, 02/17/22 Stephanie Bartolotta, 2/16/22 Edward P. Welstead

### ELECTRONIC GIVING – PARISH GIVING

Contributions for 2021 have been updated and we welcome you to log in to [www.parishgiving.org](http://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 01/01/21-12/31/21). Then click on the pdf icon (on the right hand side of the page) to generate the report.



SVdP provides spiritual, food distribution, emergency financial and other services to those in need. The pantry currently is in need of boxed milk, apple and orange juice (juice bottles 32 or 64 ounces). Donations may be dropped at

the church office. 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.



### THE ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Father Tom is pleased to announce that St. Clement has received over \$7,335.00 in pledges for the Annual Catholic Appeal. Our goal is \$60,000. Once the goal has been reached 50% of all donations will be returned to St. Clement. Please consider making a gift to the appeal

### ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL—IN ACTION

### EVANGELIZATION

Each parish is unique and offers religious education in ways that meet the needs of over 40,000 students in the local community. Some program structures are very traditional; others are innovative. Many opportunities for the enrichment of faith are found in events and activities in parishes throughout the diocese, such as Bible Study, parish missions, lecture series and online learning. These ministries help with adult faith enrichment by providing support for parish leaders and access to resources. Your gift, in essence, builds up our Catholic faith.

### 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](mailto: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

### CATHOLIC CHARITIES NEWS

Catholic Charities has been asked to relate the following information. Homeowners experiencing financial hardship or an increase in housing related expenses associated with covid-19 may be eligible to receive up to \$35,000 assistance per household. (Includes mortgage delinquency, mortgage default, foreclosure and property tax liens) To obtain information about The Homeowners Assistance Fund click on: <https://njerma.com/> Catholic Charities provides assistance with food, housing, drug addiction, domestic violence, and immigration services. If you know a parishioner needing help, please contact us at <http://www.catholiccharitiesrenton.org> or call 800-360-7711.

### FLOCKNOTES PARISH EMERGENCY CONTACT SYSTEM

St. Clement participates in a Flocknotes program, which is strongly recommended by the Diocese of Trenton. Flocknotes is a program that will allow you to receive general announcements from Father Tom either by e-mail or text message. There is no cost to you to join Flocknotes. Just fill out the form, located in the Church lobby, with either your email address, your cell phone number that receives text messages, or both. Please deposit this paper in the basket labeled Flocknotes in the lobby.