



Church of ST. CLEMENT

Sunday, May 1, 2022

PARISH MINISTRIES

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SERVICES

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ORGANIZATIONS

Altar Rosary Society Marie Canonico 970-8261
Holy Name Ron Johnson 290-1371
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REV. THOMAS VALA, PASTOR

CHURCH 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

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

SATURDAY, APRIL 30, 2022

5PM MARGARET HUPALO by Mary Reilly
BENNY & CHRIS GUARNIERI by their family
LOUISE MAURO by Barbara Drago

SUNDAY, MAY 1, 2022

8AM LIVING & DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE
ALTAR ROSARY
PEOPLE OF THE PARISH OF ST CLEMENT
SAVINA SARAH SAVARESE by the Geraci
family

11AM RONALD THOMPSON by his family
THOMAS COSENTINO by Susan & Dave
Ripple
PETER GERWIEN by David & Veronica
Vezeris

MONDAY, MAY 2, 2022

8AM THOMAS HOSIE by Jessalyn & Tim Cahill

TUESDAY, MAY 3, 2022

8AM JOSEPH MONACO by the Herman family

WEDNESDAY, MAY 4, 2022

8AM RICHARD DUHAIME by the Moser family

FRIDAY, MAY 6, 2022

8AM PETER MCKENTY by his family

SATURDAY, MAY 7, 2022

5PM GRACE HOURIHAN by Susan & Bruce Quinn
JULIAN MAJCHER by his daughter & family
BOB HARVEY by Mary & Jim Corrigan

SUNDAY, MAY 8, 2022

8AM ALL LIVING AND DECEASED MOTHERS OF
ST CLEMENT PARISH
PEOPLE OF THE PARISH OF ST. CLEMENT

11AM EVA BLUMSTEIN by her family
GERALDINE GREEN
EDWARD FLYNN by his daughter Pat Davis

COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, APRIL 24, 2022

\$7,151.00

ONLINE COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, APRIL 24th

\$2,484.00

COLLECTION FOR THE CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS

APPEAL

\$597.00

WEDDING BANNES

Hannah Gattuso/Frank Passalacqua
Samantha Hansen & Michael Blevis



FLOWERS FOR THE BLESSED MOTHER

The two flower arrangements placed at our Blessed Mother statue this weekend are in loving memory and in honor of past and present members of the St. Clement Altar Rosary Society.

The Sanctuary light is dedicated this week in loving memory of John, Anna Mae & Francis Curran by their family



Greetings everyone, I pray your Easter Season is going well and that you are able to enjoy some time outside to appreciate the spring colors that are appearing in the area. Our parish's response to the Annual Catholic Appeal has been strong. So far, St. Clement parish has pledged \$36,350. This is 61% of our goal, which is \$60,000. To all of you who have made pledges, I am grateful for your generosity. Also, our parish's religious education program concluded its school-year last week. I am thankful to those parishioners who volunteered their time to teach this year. The 2nd-grade students will be receiving their First Holy Communion on May 7. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.

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 past week:

ISLA LAURA TODD

Child of Kristen & Samuel

ARIANNA ROSE VAFA

Child of Jennifer & Daryoush

CCD 2022/2023 REGISTRATION

CCD Registration for 2022/2023 will be online. Please see the website: stclementreligious.org for the link and updates.

ALTAR ROSARY

The next Altar Rosary meeting will be on Tuesday, May 3rd at 7PM in the Reception Center. We will recite the rosary and then have our meeting. Our guest speaker will be Father Tom.

MOTHER'S DAY MASS CARDS



This is the last weekend 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



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CARDINAL NEWMAN COUNCIL #5324 & RESPECT FOR LIFE MINISTRY BABY BOTTLE BOMMERANG

Our Knights of Columbus and our Respect for Life Ministry will be hosting a Baby Bottle Boomerang event beginning next weekend May 7/8. Your donations will be sent to Birthrite, which helps support a women's desire not to have an abortion. Parishioners will be asked to take a baby bottle home, fill it with change, cash or check (made out to St. Clement and on the memo line a notation for Baby Bottle Boomerang) and return it to church by Father's Day, Sunday, June 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.

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.

Safe Environment: All parish volunteers working with minors or vulnerable adults in a direct or administrative capacity and all parish employees must follow the policies set forth by the Diocesan Office of Youth and Child Protection. This includes submitting to a criminal background check through fingerprint analysis and attending the required VIRTUS Awareness Training Program. To begin this process, please create an account at virtus.org and contact Amy Colen (908-267-0161). Virtus website registration instructions can be found at dioceseoftrenton.org/policies-forms.

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! Cathy Boland (732)290-1338 or Roni Vezeris (732) 591-8658.

The Altar Rosary Society meets the first Tuesday 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 7PM 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. 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



LONG TERM PRAYER LIST

Please keep in your prayers the following individuals who are dealing with long term health issues: Lisa

Hooker, Art Ubbins, Douglas Dobak, Cleveland Neal, Geraldine Gillespie, Rosemary Ravenna, Francesca & Nicole Allen, Gerard M. Conrad, Kate Kikvigze, Noreen Zelenko, Bill Hegarty, Mary Jane Elliott, Jess Mulvihill, Robert Rorke, Angela Laboy, Pat Gallagher, Kristine O'Hara, Maureen Collins-Dougherty



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: 04/16/22 Mary Beth Donegan, 04/21/22 Henry A. Kohler, 4/22/22 Francesca Sanfratello



SVdP provides spiritual, food distribution, emergency financial and other services to those in need. The pantry currently is in need of laundry detergent.

Donations may be dropped at the church office. **SVdP is in need of more volunteers. You may attend an informational meeting so that you may consider whether this is the ministry for you. Please call their help line at 732-290-1878**



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

FAITH IN ACTION!

For over 40 years, the Sisters of the Good Shepherd have provided low-income Monmouth County children with a safe, enriching summer at Kateri Day Camp. Your donation will have an impact on a child's life. \$80=one day of camp, \$400=one week of camp \$2,800 = full seven weeks of camp. Get some friends together and sponsor a local kid at camp!

Visit www.katericenter.org to donate online or mail your contribution to: Collier Youth Services "Campership Appeal" P.O. Box 300 Wickatunk NJ 07765-0300

SJV SPRING INFORMATION FAIR

Join us Sat, May 14th, 2022 to meet the St. John Vianney H.S. Administration, Faculty, Staff, and Coaches. You will also be able to learn about the various Clubs and Activities that SJV has to offer. Open to any 6th, 7th, & 8th-grade student, as well as anyone looking to transfer into St. John Vianney H.S. Please contact the Enrollment Office at 732-739-0800, x155 or x117, if you have any questions. To register please visit sjvhs.com.

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 To include a church activity on our Web Site, email Mr. Quinn at admin@stclementmatawan.org

ELECTRONIC GIVING – PARISH GIVING

Contributions for 2021 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 01/01/21-12/31/21). Then click on the pdf icon (on the right hand side of the page) to generate the report.



THE ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Father Tom is pleased to announce that St. Clement has received over \$36,350.00 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.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES NEWS

Catholic Charities, Diocese of Trenton and Recycle-America have joined forces to provide a new service. Now, some one will come to your door to collect your clothing and shoes. All items will be donated to those in need in our local community. Pickups in Monmouth County are made on Wednesdays. To schedule a pickup, please call 609-906-0004 or email racworld2015@gmail.com. Please call or email three days prior to pick up day. Thank you.

SANCTUARY LAMP

Parishioners may donate the Sanctuary Lamp that burns in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament in the Church. These intentions will be on a weekly basis. The suggested donation for the Sanctuary Lamp is \$25.00. Please contact the church office with your request in honor or in memory of a loved one.

FLOWERS FOR THE BLESSED MOTHER

If you wish to place flowers at our Blessed Mother statue, in honor or in memory of a loved one, the cost of two arrangements is \$75.00. Please contact the church office.