



Church of ST. CLEMENT

Sunday, January 8, 2023

PARISH MINISTRIES

Marriage Preparation Holly Cahill 566-3616, ext 4
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Ushers Ron Johnson 290-1371
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SERVICES

Athletic Director Phyllis Besso, 970-4487
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Amy Colen 908-267-0161
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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 Schedule: Saturday: 5:00PM | Sunday 8:00, & 11:00AM **Daily Mass:** Mon, Tues, Wed., Fri 8:00AM

Mass Intentions

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

SATURDAY, JANUARY 7, 2023

5PM LILLY NORBUT by her husband & children
DR. EARL B. SIDONS by Rose McDonald
Siniscal
JERRY HOURIHAN by Ellen & Mickey Roberts

SUNDAY, JANUARY 8, 2023

8AM RICHARD GLOWACKI by Kathy & Bob
Flammer
LIVING & DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE
ALTAR ROSARY
FRANK VETTER by Sarah & Craig
11AM THOMAS GALLINARO by the Gabriel family
RUTH VALA by Donna & Michael Kelly
ALBERTA TOTH by Rose & Anna Buono-
Zimmer

MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 2023

8AM RON PANARELLI by Cathy & Al Genkinger

TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2023

8AM MARY KRULEWICZ by Rhonda Bosin

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11, 2023

8AM JOSEPH CAPRIA, JR. by Marie & Fred
Canonico

FRIDAY, JANUARY 13, 2023

8AM LORRIANE HOLMES by her family

SATURDAY, JANUARY 14, 2023

5PM JOHN DONEGAN by Tom & Cathy
Marcinanis Boland
JEREMIAH HOURIHAN II by Elaine & Larry
Magee
SANTA KINZLER by her family

SUNDAY, JANUARY 15, 2023

8AM KIMBERLY PERKINS by Holly & Joe Cahill
RALPH ROSSI by Michael Montalto
KENNETH MEYERS by Lori Geiger
11AM RUTH VALA by Fran Triolo
JOHN STANTZOS by Edward & Francine
Botti & family
SALVATORE PALUMBO by the Hartigan
family
7PM PEOPLE OF THE PARISH OF ST CLEMENT

COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25, 2022

\$7,894.00

CHRISTMAS COLLECTION

\$38,619.00

ONLINE COLLECTION SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25TH

\$2,722.00

COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 1, 2023

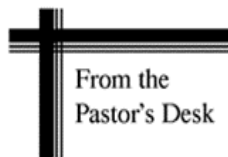
\$7,335.00

ONLINE COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, JAN. 1, 2023

\$2,069.00

COLLECTION FOR THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY

\$1,389.00



From the
Pastor's Desk

Greetings everyone, I hope your New Year's celebration was safe and enjoyable. I want to thank you for your participation at our Christmas and Mary, The Holy Mother of God Masses. This

weekend we celebrate the Epiphany of the Lord, when the 3 wise men from the east sought out the child Jesus. Each man brings a gift to the newborn king. As we begin this new year, may the Lord help us to discern the use of our gifts and talents to spread the Gospel message by taking advantage of those opportunities to do so when they happen. *Father Tom*

ALTAR ROSARY FUNDRAISER

The Altar Rosary will begin running a Gertrude Hawk Easter Candy Sale beginning on January 21st. Brochures will be available beginning next weekend in the church lobby. Orders will be accepted until Sunday, February 26th and can be dropped in the collection baskets or brought to the church office. Candy will be distributed on Palm Sunday from 9am—noon in the gym lobby.

RETROUVAILLE WEEKEND FEB. 3-5, 2023

Stress In Your Marriage?

- Do you feel lost, alone or bored in your marriage?
- Are you frustrated, hurt or angry with your spouse?
- Have you thought about separation or divorce?
- Does talking about it only make it worse?

RETROUVAILLE consists of a weekend experience for married couples (no group discussions) with six follow-up sessions. The upcoming weekend is February 3 – 5, 2023. All inquiries are confidential. For further information, please contact Rich Colasuonno 732-236-0671 or Annette Colasuonno 732-672-0748 or email 3024@helpourmarriage.org.

FLOWERS FOR THE BLESSED MOTHER



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

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.

The Sanctuary light is dedicated this week in loving memory of Luis Bernardo Zapata by his family & friends.

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 12:30PM. 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: Michael McCoy, Christine Porter, Donald Sha-

ra, Richard Christian Sr., Alan Keusch, Jane Slee, Catherine Salerno, Noemia Santos, Camille White Yessen, Vinny Amato, Aaron Van Trease, David Pike, Mrs. Carol, Ann McLoughlin, Annette Davau, Noel Wittenberg, Billy Coward, Joan McGoven, Desmond Kelly, Tom Swords, Joan Pasquale, Sharon Kosick, Maryann Zarillo, Hilda Marotta, Joan McKenna, Helen Pickel, Marjorie Go Simpler, Lisa Hooker, Art Ubbins, Douglas Dobak, Cleveland Neal, Geraldine Gillespie, Rosemary Ravenna, Francesca & Nicole Allen, Gerard M. Conrad, Kate Kikvigze, Noreen Zelenko, Bill Hegarty, 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: 12/09/22 Jo-Ann Campbell, 12/09/22 James Ducharme, 12/12/22 Robert Cassaburi, 12/14/22 Joyce Helene Jablonski, 12/21/22 Angela Mazzeo



SVdP provides spiritual, food distribution, emergency financial and other services to those in need. The pantry currently is in need of laundry detergent, paper towels, toilet paper, & bar soap. 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.



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

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, Spc., 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 2022 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 01/01/22-12/31/22). Then click on the pdf icon (on the right hand side of the page) to generate the report.



VALENTINE COLLECTION FOR THE TROOPS

We will be hosting our annual collection for our Troops beginning next weekend. Below is a list of requested items.

We would also add to this list valentine candy and perhaps a card to thank them for their service and to let them know we are all thinking and praying for them. Donations can be placed in the bins in the church lobby before and after all masses. Items need to be received by Sun, Jan 22nd in order to have enough time to send these items overseas.

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| Beef or chicken jerky | Crunch & Munch |
| Nuts-any kind | Cookies- any kind |
| Life savers | Gum |
| Kettle Corn/popcorn | Licorice |
| Dried fruit snacks | Rice Krispie Treats |
| Sunflower seeds | Protein bars |
| Pumpkin seeds | Trail mix |
| Pre-workout protein powder | |
| Cold, cough, flu relief remedies | Imodium |
| Dayquil, Nyquil—pills only | Lactaid pills |
| Tylenol Cold | Allergy Relief |
| Aspirin, Motrin, Ibuprofen | Zantac, Pepcid |
| Gas X | |
| Suntan lotion (no sprays) | Batteries—AAA,C, D |
| Moisturizer | Socks |
| Gold Bond Powder & Cream | Razors |
| Foot powder | Gatorade-drink packets |
| Bug wipes | Powerade drink packets |
| Chapstick | Q-tips |
| Feminine hygiene products | Fungus cream |

Monetary donations towards shipping accepted. Checks payable to the Church of the Nativity on the memo line: Eagles Up!. Tax receipt given upon request.