



Church of ST. CLEMENT

Sunday, April 16, 2023

PARISH MINISTRIES

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SERVICES

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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.stclementreligious.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

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY

SATURDAY, APRIL 15, 2023

5PM THOMAS & AGNES CAREW by the Carew family
 DORIS MICHELS by Bob & Lynn Altobelli
 WILLIAM J. CLIFTON JR. by his wife & family

SUNDAY, APRIL 16, 2023

8AM EDWARD SISKI by Joan & Vincent Ruta
 SPECIAL INTENTION FOR THE BLESSED SOULS IN PURATORY by the Canales family
 ASHLEE MALINOWSKI by her grandmother
 11AM EDMUND A. OKONEK by the Conrad family
 DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE ST. CLEMENT ADULT CHOIR by Jean & Bill Fiorelli
 MARYBETH DONEGAN by her family

MONDAY, APRIL 17, 2023

8AM THOMAS BRADY by Jim & Mary Anglim

TUESDAY, APRIL 18, 2023

8AM DENIS TROY by Lucille Cilento

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19, 2023

8AM JANET WILLIAMSON by Joanne & John Sullam

FRIDAY, APRIL 21, 2023

8AM RICHARD GLOWACKI by Eileen & Robert Glowacki

SATURDAY, APRIL 22, 2023

5PM DENNIS P. KING by Christine & Thomas King
 HELEN SWEENEY by Holly Cahill
 LORRIANE E. HOLMES by her family

SUNDAY, APRIL 23, 2023

8AM ROBERT GATYAS, SR. by Lucille Cilento
 CONCETTA CANNATARO by Carol Roberts
 FRANK WILLIAM KARLOVICH by Holly & Joe Cahill
 11AM DAYNA & ARNOLD PUCCILLO by her Grandmother and his wife
 JACK DONEGAN by the KOC
 Cardinal John Newman Council #5324
 ANNE PAPALEO by Abby & Steven Feinberg

COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, APRIL 9, 2023

\$7,092.00

ONLINE COLLECTION SUNDAY, APRIL 9TH

\$3,581.00

HOLY LAND COLLECTION

\$793.00

EASTER COLLECTION

To be announced at a later date

COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, APRIL 2, 2023

\$12,320.00

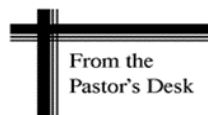
ONLINE COLLECTION SUNDAY, APRIL 2, 2023

\$2,184.00

COLLECTION FOR OUR DIOCESAN ASSESSMENT

\$1,110.00

The Sanctuary light is dedicated this week in loving memory of Edmund A. Okonek by the Conrad family.



From the
Pastor's Desk

Greetings everyone, I want to wish you a blessed Easter season. The season of Easter will conclude on Pentecost Sunday, which is May 28 of this year. I offer a sincere thank you

to all of you who participated in our Holy Week services. The attendance at all the Masses and services was inspiring to me. There was a great deal of activity last week and on Easter Sunday weekend. I am very grateful for those who helped to plan and organize the different liturgies and events. Those who decorated the church and those who served as ushers, Eucharistic ministers, lectors, altar servers, and choir members at Mass showed great dedication to our parish. Also, the Youth Group gave a great performance of the Living Stations on Good Friday evening. Many people attended the evening stations. Ellen Vaccaro, Iniabelle, Paz, Ed Devlin, and Barbara Moser, our Youth Group leaders, worked very hard to coordinate the program. Finally, thank you to the Knights of Columbus and the Youth Group for a wonderful pancake breakfast on Palm Sunday. The breakfast was very well attended; over 200 people came to share in the meal. As we enter the heart of the Easter season, may the light of the Risen Christ continue to shine in our lives. *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 weekend:

LILY MAC GRZYB

Child of Jessica & Eric

THEODORE JAMES MUWALO

Child of Amanda & Tinashe



CCD 2023/2024 REGISTRATION

CCD Registration for 2023/2024 will be online. The link will become available on Monday, May 1, 2023. Please see the website:

www.stclementreligiously.org for

the link and updates.

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.



MOTHER'S DAY MASS CARDS

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

DIVINE MERCY PRAYER SERVICE

St. Clement will celebrate Divine Mercy this Sunday April 16th at a 3PM service

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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.

On Tuesday, April 18th the Phenomenal Zachary Alexander will sing Sinatra with more style! 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.

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

Online Prayers

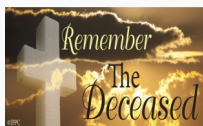
Online prayer requests can be accessed at the following website: www.prayoverus.com.



LONG TERM PRAYER LIST

Please keep in your prayers the following individuals who are dealing with long term health issues: Grace Bloxham, Jennifer Scott Konko,

Tara, Tim & Jackson Silva, Wellington Davis, Patrick Hegarty, Lorenzo Cifelli, Darryl Vanderbilt, Lauren Bishop Dobik, Michael McCoy, Christine Porter, Donald Shara, Richard Christian Sr., Alan Keusch, Jane Slee, Catherine Salerno, Noemia Santos, Camille White Yessen, Vinny Amato, Aaron Van Trease, David Pike, The Burke Family, Mrs. Carol, Ann McLoughlin, Annette Davau, Noel Wittenberg, Billy Coward, Desmond Kelly, 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 Kikvizze, 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:

03/16/23 Gregory Michael Page, 03/21/23 George McLaughlin, 03/24/23 Ann Sapienza, 3/26/23 Damiano Rotolo, 04/11/23 Vincent Miller



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. 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
J.P. Maloney, CPO., USMC
Sean Coughlin, Spc., U.S. Army
Michael Chiappone, Spc., U.S. Army
Markus A Garcia, Corporal, USMC
Anthony Principe, US Navy

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.



THE ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Father Tom is pleased to announce that St. Clement has received \$36,769.42 (61% of goal) in pledges for the Annual Catholic Appeal. Our goal is \$60,000. Once the goal has been reached 50% of all subsequent donations will be returned to St. Clement. Please consider making a gift to the appeal.

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL—IN ACTION

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Evangelization - Ministry to Families, Youth and Young Adults

Every person belongs to a family. 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.



St. Clement Altar Rosary Communion Breakfast

Sunday, May 7th from 9:00A.M.- 11:30A.M.

At The Reception Center

\$25 - adults \$15 - children



We will celebrate 8:00A.M. Mass followed by:
The Crowning of the Blessed Mother in the grotto.

All are welcome to participate.

Please join us for buffet breakfast after the Crowning to celebrate our First Communion Children and welcome them to our parish community.

*Tickets will also be on sale after masses April 16th and April 23rd in the church lobby. You may also purchase tickets online by visiting our website

www.stclementmatawan.org. Deadline for reservations is Sunday, April 23rd. Any questions call Marie @ 732-970-8261



The 2023 St. Clement Communion Class

**Jackson Annett
Carmine Aranzullo
Landen Asrafali
Alexandre Brown
Declan Cannon
Dylan Cannon
Killian Cannon
Christopher Carlson
Alysa Casillas
James Convery
Leilani Conway
Alexandra DeFrancisco
Lia DeGeoso
Christopher DiGiorgio
Isabella Diaz
Avery Dziuban
Sophia Enriquez
Juliana Gambino
Rosario Gambino
Grace Garry
EverLeigh Gonzalez
Joseph Gorgoglione
Andie Gray**

**Nicholas Kotsianas
Julianna Leon
Nina Lindquist
Kinley Lopes
Valentina Mattos
Brian McFadden
Danny McGoldrick
Hailey Melfi
Jonathan Miller
Nathan Montenegro
Enzo Moreira
Milana Moreira
Michael Mulvaney
Sadie Orleman
Landon Pent
Logan Puca
Logan Ridsen-Hagdorn
Luke Ridsen-Hagdorn
Jack Romano
Jacob Rosenblum
Ryan Smith
James Wand
Everly White**