



# Church of ST. CLEMENT

*Sunday, April 9, 2023*

## 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** Jim Starace 732-566-3616  
**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

## EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

### SATURDAY, APRIL 8, 2023

7:45PM INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER

### SUNDAY, APRIL 9, 2023

8AM BERNADINE SANTOS by her family  
PEOPLE OF THE PARISH OF ST CLEMENT  
JOSEPH DELLA BELLA by his wife & family  
9:30AM ELIZABETH VANONI by Maria, Carmela,  
John & William  
11AM PHILOMENA & THOMAS MORRISEY by the  
Gabriel family  
DANNY VANDERBILT by his wife & family  
BRIAN QUINN forever in our hearts

### MONDAY, APRIL 10, 2023

8AM AMANDA BRUNGARD by her grandmother

### TUESDAY, APRIL 11, 2023

8AM ANNA MARINO by Susan & Bruce Quinn

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12, 2023

8AM DOUGLAS MERWIN by Linda & Gene  
McDonald

### THURSDAY, APRIL 13, 2023

8AM PEOPLE OF THE PARISH OF ST CLEMENT

### FRIDAY, APRIL 14, 2023

8AM CHRISTOPHER REESE by his wife & family

### 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 SISKO 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

### COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, APRIL 2, 2023

### ONLINE COLLECTION SUNDAY, APRIL 2, 2023

### EASTER COLLECTION

### COLLECTION FOR OUR DIOCESAN ASSESSMENT

Due to early bulletin submission date, totals for these  
collections will appear in an upcoming bulletin.

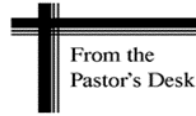
### OLD PALMS

We have placed a basket in the lobby for you to deposit your  
old Palms for us to dispose of.

### CHURCH OFFICE

The church office will be closed on Monday, April 10th.

*The 2023/2024 Paschal Candle was donated in loving  
memory of Lilly Norbut by her husband and family*



From the  
Pastor's Desk

Greetings everyone, on this Easter weekend we rejoice because Christ our Savior has won the victory over death and sin. The Paschal candle is lit at the Easter Vigil, and it will be lit

for Masses that are celebrated during the Easter season. This candle represents the light of the risen Christ shining throughout the world. When looking at the Paschal candle, think about how you are called to reflect that light in your life. I pray the Easter liturgies at St. Clement's will continue to inspire us to be a people of renewed hope and faith. May this upcoming Easter season bring you many blessings through a life that is restored in God's grace. *Father Tom*

### 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.stclementreligiouse.org](http://www.stclementreligiouse.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.



### 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.



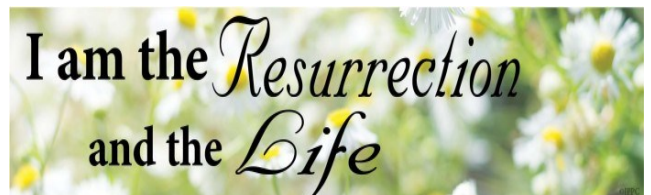
### DIVINE MERCY PRAYER SERVICE

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



### RIGHT FOR LIFE ROSARY

The rosary will be recited on Saturday, April 15th in the church at 6:15pm. All are invited.



## 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](http://virtus.org) and contact Amy Colen (908-267-0161). Virtus website registration instructions can be found at [dioceseoftrenton.org/policies-forms](http://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](http://www.ParishGiving.org)**

## The RECEPTION CENTER AT SAINT CLEMENT

### **Specializing in Personalized Catering for All Occasions**

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[www.TheReceptionCenter.com](http://www.TheReceptionCenter.com)

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.

**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](mailto:prolife.mom.9@gmail.com)

### **Online Prayers**

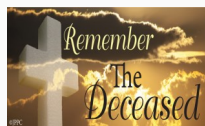
**Online prayer requests can be accessed at the following website: [www.prayoverus.com](http://www.prayoverus.com).**



### LONG TERM PRAYER LIST

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

03/14/22 Marilyn Wolfenden, 03/16/23 Gregory Michael Page, 03/21/23 George McLaughlin, 03/24/23 Ann Sapienza, 3/26/23 Damiano Rotolo



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

canned no salt carrots and boxed pasta (please not spaghetti). 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](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

### 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](http://www.stclementmatawan.org) To include a church activity on our Web Site, email Mr. Quinn at [admin@stclementmatawan.org](mailto:admin@stclementmatawan.org)

### ELECTRONIC GIVING – PARISH GIVING

Contributions for 2022 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 01/01/22-12/31/22). 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 \$33,019.42 (55% 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

**THE ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL – IN ACTION!**  
Catholic Social Services

Diocesan Parish Counseling Services: Parishioners have access to short term counseling (up to 6 sessions) at locations throughout the Diocese. The program was developed by Catholic Charities and the Diocese of Trenton. Licensed counseling professionals are available to help parishioners through difficult issues such as marital problems, raising children, eldercare, bereavement or the stress of job loss that can be successfully addressed by brief counseling support. Pastors and parish priests of the Diocese can refer parishioners to the parish counseling services. Parish Emergency Assistance Program (PEAP): Emergency financial assistance to individuals through the parish and coordinated by Catholic Charities is available. Diocesan Social Service Workshops: Information and resources to parishes and Catholic Social Service agencies are available to enhance Diocesan Catholic Social Service.

### ANNUAL MASS AND MARCH FOR RIGHT FOR LIFE

The Mass for Life is scheduled for 8AM on Saturday, April 15, 2023 at St. Anthony of Padua Church (**121 Bridge Ave, Red Bank**). The March for Life will take place immediately after the Mass as we will proceed from St. Anthony's to Planned Parenthood on Newman-Springs Road in Shrewsbury where we will pray the Rosary for Unborn Babies in the Womb and their Families.

## St. Clement Altar Rosary Communion Breakfast

Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup> 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 16<sup>th</sup> and April 23<sup>rd</sup> in the church lobby. You may also purchase tickets online by visiting our website

[www.stclementmatawan.org](http://www.stclementmatawan.org). Deadline for reservations is Sunday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>. Any questions call Marie @ 732-970-8261

A religious graphic featuring a central cross against a bright, glowing sun. Below the cross, several hands are raised in a gesture of praise or prayer. The background is a warm, golden-yellow color with soft, wispy clouds. The text 'Rejoice' is written in a large, elegant, cursive script across the middle of the image.

Rejoice

He is risen