



Church of ST. CLEMENT

Sunday, May 21, 2023

PARISH MINISTRIES

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SERVICES

Athletic Director Phyllis Besso, 970-4487
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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
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

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

SATURDAY, MAY 20, 2023

5PM MICHAEL PETILLO by the Moser family
THE DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE
COLLINS FAMILY by the Collins family
FRED BIFULCO by Margot & Tom Vaughan

SUNDAY, MAY 21, 2023

8AM WALLY MACON by the Panepinto family
MARY & JOSEPH DEMARZO by Eileen &
Robert Glowacki
IRENE ABT by Carol Brady
11AM SEAN DAVIS by his mom Pat Davis
THOMAS DRUMM by Cathy & Al Genkinger
ANNE PAPALEO by Anna Ricciardi

MONDAY, MAY 22, 2022

8AM FRANK ARAGONA, JR. by Renee Cuisinier &
family

TUESDAY, MAY 23, 2022

8AM DENNIS B. MCSWEENEY by Carolyn
Giovanniello

WEDNESDAY, MAY 24, 2023

8AM IDA LEONARD by her husband

FRIDAY, MAY 26, 2023

8AM PETER STUPPIELLO by the Min family

SATURDAY, MAY 27, 2023

5PM ANTHONY RIGGIO by Carmela & Gary
Repack & family
FRANCES & HAROLD BRODERICK by their
family
DON JOSEPH PUCILLO by his family

SUNDAY, MAY 28, 2023

8AM WALTER MAYER by his wife
MARION ANDREOLA by the Sporer family
ANN RICCIO by Linda Dellacroce
11AM ANTOINETTA BARONE by the Buro family
BARBIE BIANO by Anthony, Evelyn, Steven &
Anthony Savarese
ANGELA MAZZEO by Linda & John Varesio

COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, MAY 14, 2023

ONLINE COLLECTION SUNDAY, MAY 14, 2023

COLLECTION FOR PARISH ENERGY

These totals will be published in a future bulletin.

COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, MAY 7, 2023

\$9,187.00

ONLINE COLLECTION SUNDAY, MAY 7, 2023

\$3,241.00

COLLECTION FOR OUR DIOCESE ASSESSMENT

\$801.00

COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, APRIL 30, 2023

\$6,707.00

ONLINE COLLECTION SUNDAY, APRIL 30th

\$2,184.00

COLLECTION FOR THE CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS

APPEAL

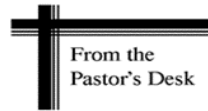
\$866.00

WEDDING BANNERS

Sarah Yoffredo & Matthew DeMello

WEDDING

We wish to congratulate Jessica Vallee & Ian Porter who were married here at St. Clement this weekend. May the love of God always be with them in their Sacrament of Matrimony



From the
Pastor's Desk

Greetings everyone, I hope you are finding time to enjoy the warm weather we have been experiencing. May is the month the Catholic Church places greater honor on our Blessed Mother and her role in the Church. When you are not busy take time to pray a Rosary, especially for someone who is in need. May we always be reminded to turn to Mary and ask for her intercession in time of need for ourselves and others. Mary, Mother of God, pray for us.
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:

EVAN ROBERT AMALFE

Child of Jamie & Robert

HAILEY MARIE MULLER

Child of Breanna & Kevin

DYLAN THOMAS O'CONNOR

Child of Lauren & Robert

BLAKE ROBERT SUSCA

Child of Tina & Robert

TAYLOR ERICA SWENSEN

Child of Alyssa & Christopher

CCD 2023/2024 REGISTRATION

CCD Registration for 2023/2024 will be online. The link became active on Monday, May 8, 2023. Please see the website: www.stclementreligions.org for the link and updates.

ST. CLEMENT CHURCH NEEDS ALTAR SERVERS!

If you are between seventh grade and a senior in high school, and have received first Eucharist, you are eligible to become a St. Clement Altar Server. Altar Servers are an important part of the Mass and will fulfill community service requirements for most High Schools. This service includes flexibility for personal and sports commitments. If interested contact the Altar Server coordinator, Jim Starace (14572@vahoo.com).

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

BABY BOTTLE BOOMERANG



Our KofC #5324 and our Respect for Life Ministry are hosting a Baby Bottle Boomerang. Your donations will support Birthright of Freehold, whose focus is loving the mother, reminding her that there is hope and ensuring she and her baby are not alone. Parishioners are asked to take a baby bottle home, fill it with change, cash or check (made out St. Clement and on the memo line a notation for Baby Bottle Boomerang) and return it to church by Father's Day, Sunday, June 18TH

FATHER'S DAY MASS CARDS



Father'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 Father's Day weekend.

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, June 20th come and enjoy the lively songs of Greg Deppe. 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

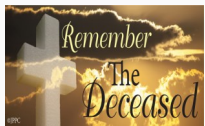
Online prayer requests can be accessed at the following website: www.prayoverus.com.



LONG TERM PRAYER LIST

Please keep in your prayers the following individuals who are dealing with long term health issues: Vilma Imperiale, Gerry Brungard, Maryann

LaRocca, Michael Liccone, George Coppa, Bill Jones, Edward Imperati, Rosemary & Gene Sandifer, Albert Camara, Grace Bloxham, 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: 04/20/23 Angela Fisher LaRocca, 4/26/23 Susan Ruck



SVdP provides spiritual, food distribution, emergency financial and other services to those in need. The pantry currently is in need of canned chicken, toilet paper, & coffee. 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 **\$44,269.42 (74% 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.

FLOWERS FOR THE BLESSED MOTHER



The two flower arrangements placed at our Blessed Mother statue this weekend are given in loving memory of the Arena & Bonello families by Debby & Michael Hickey

UPCOMING PRO-LIFE EVENTS



SUNDAY, MAY 21ST—Pro-Life Talk, St. Agnes Church, Atlantic Highlands, 1:30pm with Professor Robert George and Harold Cassidy, J.D.

SATURDAY, MAY 27TH—Pro-Life Rosary at noon in the Prayer Garden here at St. Clement.

SATURDAY, JUNE 24TH—Pro-Life Rally and March to Celebrate Dobbs Decision, 11am to 1pm at the State House Annex, Trenton

For more info, please contact Arminda Rubio-Pito at 732-616-2759 or email at prolife.mom.9@gmail.com