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Sunday, May 14, 2023

# ST. CLEMENT

# **PARISH MINISTRIES**

Marriage Preparation Holly Cahill 566-3616, ext 4
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# **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 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

#### SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

**SATURDAY, MAY 13, 2023** 

5PM JOHN & MARGARET COFFEY by the Carew

family

MARION VETRANO by the Vetrano family LEONARD & LEONA SCESNEY by their

daughter and family

SUNDAY, MAY 14, 2023

LIVING & DECEASED MOTHERS OF THE 8AM

ST. CLEMENT COMMUNITY

PEOPLE OF THE PARISH OF ST CLEMENT

**11AM ROSLIE NURKUS by the St Clement Home** 

**Bound Ministers** 

**EVA BLUMSTEIN by her family** 

**MONDAY, MAY 15 2023** 

8AM MARION ANDREOLA by the Soltys family

**TUESDAY, MAY 16, 2023** 

8AM FRANK ARAGONA, JR. by James Cusinier &

WEDNESDAY, MAY 17, 2023

ALDOLF & MARY FILIPOWICZ by their 8AM

family

FRIDAY, MAY 19, 2023

**DECEASED** MEMBERS OF THE DELOSKEY 8AM

FAMILY by Susan & Bruce Quinn

**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 Galowacki

IRENE ABT by Carol Brady

**11AM** SEAN DAVIS by his mom Pat Davis

THOMAS DRUMM by Cathy & Al Genkinger

ANNE PAPALEO by Anna Ricciardi

**COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, MAY 7, 2023** 

**ONLINE COLLECTION SUNDAY, MAY 7, 2023** 

COLLECTION FOR OUR DIOCESE ASSESSMENT

**COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, APRIL 30, 2023** 

ONLINE COLLECTION SUNDAY, APRIL 30th COLLECTION FOR THE CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS

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Due to required early submission of the bulletin these totals will be published in a future bulletin.

WEDDING BANNS

Jessica Vallee & Ian Porter

Sarah Yoffredo & Matthew DeMello





#### CCD 2023/2024 REGISTRATION

CCD Registration for 2023/2024 will be online. The link will become available on this coming Monday, May 8, 2023. Please see the website:

www.stclementreligioused.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, vou 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@yahoo.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 event beginning this weekend May 13/14. 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 will be 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. Thank you for your continued support of this program.



# **FLOWERS FOR THE BLESSED** MOTHER

The two flower arrangements placed at our Blessed Mother statue this weekend are given in loving memory of Mary & Adolf Filipowicz by their family

The Sanctuary light is dedicated this week in loving memory of Frances Plaza by the Plaza Family.

#### **PARISH POLICIES**

<u>Parish Registration</u>... 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.

<u>Weddings</u>...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.

<u>Baptisms</u>...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



#### Specializing in Personalized Catering for All Occasions

Elegant & Affordable Wedding Packages Exclusively by W. J. Mayer Catering (732)-591-8180

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.

<u>RCIA</u> ...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).

<u>The Holy Name Society</u> 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.

<u>The Knights of Columbus</u> 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, May 16th, "Terrific Ted the Tenor" from Broadway will be the entertainment. 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.

<u>RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:</u> 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

FOR THE SICK Please keep in your prayers the following individuals who are dealing with long term health issues: Michael Liccone, George Coppa, Bill Jones,

Edward Imperati, Rosemary & Gene Sandifer, Albert Camara, Grace Bloxham, 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 fol-

lowing is a list of the names of members of St. Clement that have recently departed: 04/15/23 Domenica Conte, 04/18/23 Gil Carmichael, 04/18/23 Diane Dorsey, 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 chili, box

pancake mix, & 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.

#### **SAVE THE DATE!** FRIDAY EVENING AND SATURDAY, OCT 20-21TH HOLY INNOCENTS CHURCH, NEPTUNE

Please join us for a Retreat with Immaculee Ilibagiza, New York Times best-selling author of "Left to Tell" and Rwandan genocide survivor. Immaculee brings a message of forgiveness, healing and hope. She will share her witness to the life -saving power of faith and the Rosary. More information to follow this summer.



**UPCOMING PRO-LIFE EVENTS MONDAY, MAY 15TH—May Day Pa**rental Rights & Freedom Rally, 10:30am-1pm. State House Annex, Trenton

SUNDAY, MAY 21ST—Pro-Life Talk, St. Agnes Church, Atlantic Highlands, 1:30pm with Pro-

fessor Robert George and Harold Cassidy, J.D.

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