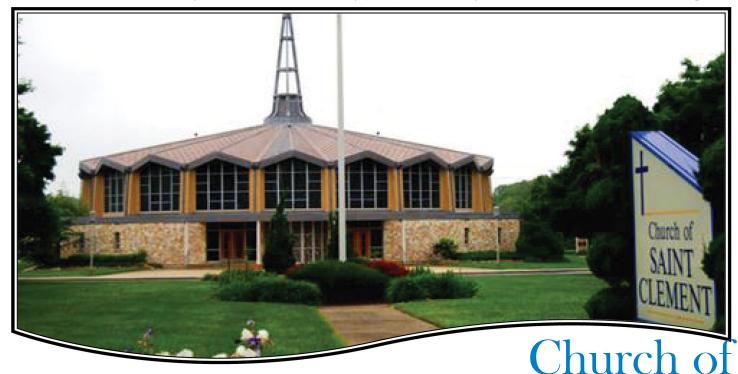
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Sunday, May 28, 2023

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Parish Trustees Bruce Quinn & Linda Shirvanian Parish Religious Education Program PREP www.stclementreligioused.org
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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.



PENTECOST SUNDAY

SATURDAY, $MA\overline{Y}$ 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

MONDAY, MAY 29, 2023

8AM PATRICK MARINACCIO by his daughter &

family

TUESDAY, MAY 30, 2023

8AM FR. JOHN J. SCULLY by the St. Clement

Community

WEDNESDAY, MAY 31, 2023

8AM PATRICK MCGOVERN by the Min family

THURSDAY, JUNE 1, 2023

8AM PEOPLE OF THE PARISH OF ST. CLEMENT

FRIDAY, JUNE 2, 2023

8AM JOHN CREAMER JR. by Jean & Bill Fiorelli

SATU RDAY, JUNE 3, 2023

5PM CLAIRE ELIZABETH JONES by Terry, Phyllis

& Claire McGovern

KATHLEEN HOOGSTEDEN by Nancy

Carbone

JOSEPH EDWARD BLISS by the Broderick

family

SUNDAY, JUNE 4, 2023

8AM LIVING & DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE

ALTAR ROSARY

MICHAEL PALUMBO, JR. by his family

STANLEY MALINOWSKI by his wife

11AM ANTHONY SAGGESE, SR. by his family

FATHER JOHN GILLESPIE by his family

SARAH GORSLINE by the Gabriel family

COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, MAY 21, 2023

ONLINE COLLECTION SUNDAY, MAY 21ST

COLLECTION FOR CATHOLIC COMMUNICATIONS

These totals will be published in a future bulletin.

COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, MAY 14, 2023

\$6,773.00

ONLINE COLLECTION SUNDAY, MAY 14, 2023

\$2,616.00

COLLECTION FOR PARISH ENERGY

\$1,018.00

WEDDING BANNS

Sarah Yoffredo & Matthew DeMello



FLOWERS FOR THE BLESSED MOTHER

The two flower arrangements placed at our Blessed Mother statue this weekend are given in loving memory of Dominick Amato and Anna Zanna by their family From the Pastor's Desk Greetings everyone, this weekend we celebrate Pentecost Sunday, the birth of the Catholic Church. St. Clement's will also celebrate the Confirmation of

some of our adult religious education students. One candidate will be confirmed at the Pentecost Vigil, and 4 others will be confirmed on Pentecost Sunday. Their names are listed in this weekend's bulletin. In receiving Confirmation, these adults will be fully initiated into the Church. Please keep them in your prayers. May the gifts of the Holy Spirit fill their hearts and inspire them to live the Gospel message in greater ways. As we celebrate Memorial Day weekend also, let us pray for the souls of those who gave their lives to defend freedom throughout the world. 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:
LEO VINCENT BRANCACCIO
Child of Nicole & Vincent
LILLIANA LEE CORTESE
Child of Alessandra & Joseph
DYLAN MANSFIELD HARPER
Child of Janet & Dustin
JESSE JB JONES
Child of Kerri & David
EMMA NICOLE KUCERVOY
Child of Erin & Andrew

CONFIRMATION

We wish to congratulate and welcome the following parishioners who will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this weekend. Samantha Aiello, Nicholas Aielllo, Justin Castellani, Jessica Collins and Gustavo Polo

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.stclementreligioused.org for the link and updates.

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.

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



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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.

<u>The Altar Rosary Society</u> 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, June 20th come and enjoy the lively songs of Greg Deppe. For more information on our Seniors Club, please call Lena Hor at 732-566-0647. 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

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, 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: 4/26/23 Susan Ruck, 05/14/23 Anna Walsh, 05/14/23 Fletcher "Lee" Maney



SVdP provides spiritual, food distribution, emergency financial and other services to those in need. The pantry currently is in need of canned chicken, toi-

let 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, \$44,509.42 (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.



ST. CLEMENT CHURCH NEEDS ALTAR SERVERS!

If you are between seventh grade and a senior in high Altar Servers 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@yahoo.com).



UPCOMING PRO-LIFE EVENTS

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