

Church of ST. CLEMENT

Sunday, July 9, 2023

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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 Intentions

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SATURDAY, JULY 8, 2023

5PM VERONCIA ALBAN by her daughter Ruth & family
JANE MCNAMARA DIPRETE by her family
MARJORIE BUHL by the Stein's family

SUNDAY, JULY 9, 2023

8AM HOWARD WARDEN by his wife Barbara and sister-in-law Joan
MARGARET & JAMES CARR by Susan & Bruce Quinn
ROBERT FITZPATRICK SR. by Kathleen Vergaretti

11AM JOSEPH A. SALVIA by the Kowalewski family
SARAH CAVALIERE by Debra & John Provenza
JANE MATTHEWS by Joann & Rob Buhler

MONDAY, JULY 10, 2023

8AM ELEANOR QUINN by Bruce & Susan Quinn

TUESDAY, JULY 11, 2023

8AM KATHERINE BOUDART by Val & Jim Secaras

WEDNESDAY, JULY 12, 2023

8AM GEORGE F. JOHNSTON by his wife & family

FRIDAY, JULY 14, 2023

8AM IRENE NATELLI by Kathleen Vergaretti

SATURDAY, JULY 15, 2023

5PM JACK FLANAGAN by his loving family
DORIS MICHELS by Claudia & Tom Strano
DOROTHY KELLY by Elaine & Larry Magee

SUNDAY, JULY 16, 2023

8AM DORIS MICHELS by Ellen & Bob Albino
RICHARD GLOWACKI by Eileen & Bob Glowacki
BLESSED SOULS IN PURATORY by the Canales family

11AM DAMIANO ROTOLLO by the Rivera family
GAIL ZUSI by John & Mary Shaw
GERALYNN FRIED by Lynette & Robert Marronaro

COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, JULY 2, 2023

ONLINE COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, JULY 2ND

COLLECTION FOR PETER'S PENANCE

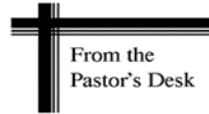
Collection amounts will be posted in a future bulletin



FLOWERS FOR THE BLESSED MOTHER

The two flower arrangements placed at our Blessed Mother statue this weekend are given in loving memory of Howard Warden by his wife Barbara and sister-in-law Joan.

The Sanctuary light is dedicated this week in loving memory of Howard Warden by his wife Barbara and sister-in-law Joan.



From the
Pastor's Desk

Greetings everyone, I pray your July 4th celebration was an enjoyable one. As we enter the heart of the summer season, I am sure many of you are planning to take time for vacations. It's always good to take some time to rest and recharge our minds and bodies. During the summer it's also important that we take time to find rest for and recharge our souls. With the pleasant weather now upon us, take time to be with the Lord, especially outside. Summer is a good time to recognize and appreciate God's creation and enjoy the silence in His presence. In the demands and challenges you face, turn to God and let him breathe new life into you.

Father Tom

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.stclementreligious.org for the link and updates.

2024 MASS INTENTIONS

The 2024 Mass intention book opened on Thursday, July 6th. Each Parish family is allowed four weekend Masses. During the month of July, mass requests must be made in person during regular Church office hours.

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.

GLORY & PRAISE MISSALS

We are offering parishioners an opportunity to dedicate a missal in memory or in honor of a loved one. A dedication label will be placed on the front cover of the missal that you purchase. The cost is \$25 per book and we do ask that the books remain in the church. Order forms are available in the lobby of the church

BISHOP'S ANNIVERSARY BLESSING

All couples celebrating their 1st, 25th or 50+ wedding anniversary during the 2023 calendar year are invited to share the Eucharist, reaffirm your sacred wedding vows, and receive Bishop O'Connell's Episcopal Blessing.

Anniversary Couples from Monmouth Counties may attend the Mass and Blessing at the Co-Cathedral of St. Robert Bellarmine in Freehold on Sun Oct. 8, 2023 at 3 pm. Couples may register through their parish or by using the QR code on the Anniversary Poster located in the church lobby. The registration deadline for all anniversary couples is September 15, 2023

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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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, July 18th Bruce Foster performs on piano, keyboard & guitar. Bruce is the great grandson of America's first composer, Stephen Foster! 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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Please continue to check the Web Page for information regarding Religious Education and Sacraments.

Respect Life Chapter

PRO-LIFE ROSARY

Join us on the second Saturday of every month at 12 Noon to pray the rosary in the church. **The next meeting will be on**

Saturday, August 12th. For more info, please contact

Armanda 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: Ethan Pyle, Dennis Rowic, Vilma Imperiale,

Gerry Brungard, 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, Marita Veronica Burke, 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

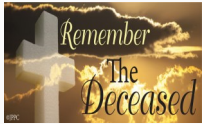
Special Intentions

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.



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: 06/18/23 Theresa Kleiber, 06/28/23 Mary Ann LaRocca

THE ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL



Father Tom is pleased to announce that St. Clement has received **\$50,379.42 (84% 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.

SVdP provides spiritual, food distribution, emergency financial and other services to those in need. **They are currently in need of more volunteers. If you would be interested in joining this ministry, please call 732-290-1878 and leave your name and contact information.**



The pantry currently is in need of apple juice (64oz.), laundry detergent and cans of baked beans. 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.



ST. CLEMENT CHURCH ANGEL HANDS MINISTRY

St Clement is hoping to start up this new ministry to provide hand knitted baptismal blankets and lap blankets to the parishioners of our church.

If you or someone you know would be interested in helping this ministry, please contact the church office at 732-566-3616, ext. 111.

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



Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced Retro-vy). If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. Upcoming programs will be held August 18 - 20 and again October 6 - 8, 2023 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register, visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.



4TH OF JULY COLLECTION FOR THE TROOPS

Below is a list of requested items. We would also like add to this list a card to thank them for their service and to let them know we are all thinking and praying for them. Donations can be placed in the bins in the church lobby before and after all masses. Items need to be received by Sun, July 9th.

Beef or chicken jerky

Nuts-any kind

Life savers

Kettle Corn/popcorn

Dried fruit snacks

Sunflower seeds

Pumpkin seeds

Pre-workout protein powder

Cold, cough, flu relief remedies

Dayquil, Nyquil—pills only

Tylenol Cold

Aspirin, Motrin, Ibuprofen

Gas X

Suntan lotion (no sprays)

Moisturizer

Gold Bond Powder & Cream

Foot powder

Bug wipes

Chapstick

Feminine hygiene products

Crunch & Munch

Cookies— any kind

Gum

Licorice

Rice Krispie Treats

Protein bars

Trail mix

Imodium

Lactaid pills

Allergy Relief

Zantac, Pepcid

Batteries—AAA,C, D

Socks

Razors

Gatorade-drink packets

Powerade drink packets

Q-tips

Fungus cream

Monetary donations towards shipping accepted. Checks payable to the Church of the Nativity on the memo line: Eagles Up! Tax receipt given upon request.



Religious Education Open House:

*Have you been wondering, where can I further
serve the parish and also increase my faith?
Please prayerfully consider joining us to learn
more about*

*sharing and modeling our faith
with our most precious resource,
our children on*

***Sunday July 23rd following the
11:00 am mass in the gym.***

Light Refreshments will be served.

tsweeney@stclementmatawan.org

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