



# Church of ST. CLEMENT

*Sunday, July 23, 2023*

## PARISH MINISTRIES

**Marriage Preparation** Holly Cahill 566-3616, ext 111  
**Baptism Preparation** Holly Cahill 566-3616, ext. 111  
**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 Popplewell 732-772-9890

## SERVICES

**Athletic Director** Phyllis Besso, 970-4487  
**Clement House** Louise Peddel 299-9503  
**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** Gerard Conrad 566-3616  
**Senior Citizens** Lena Hor 732-566-0647

## 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](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

## SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### SATURDAY, JULY 22, 2023

5PM EDWARD & MARION CRONIN by Bruce & Susan Quinn  
CLAIRE DELOSKEY by Joyce & Vinny Antes  
DIANE FOY by Elaine & Larry Magee

### SUNDAY, JULY 23, 2023

8AM DAMIANIO ROTOLO by the McCoy family  
DANIEL HERSIG by Maureen Gallo  
MICHAEL DUNN by Nicholas Lucia  
11AM JEREMIAH E. HOURIHAN II by Beth & Jack Evans  
JOAN MCGOVERN by Martinha Gracias  
MARY LOUISE MENKO by Fran

### MONDAY, JULY 24, 2023

8AM EDWARD MCGOVERN III by Linda & Gene McDonald

### TUESDAY, JULY 25, 2023

8AM JOHN TUOHY by the Gabriel family

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 26, 2023

8AM LAURA ANN INSOLERA by the KOC Council #5324 members

### FRIDAY, JULY 28, 2023

8AM ANTOINETTA BARONE by the Buro family

### SATURDAY, JULY 29, 2023

5PM GEORGE WANKO by his family  
CLAIRE DELOSKEY by the Webster family  
GIL CARMICHAEL by the St. Clement Athletic Association

### SUNDAY, JULY 30, 2023

8AM GIL CARMICHAEL by Nancy & Andy Cannizzo  
DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE CARDINAL NEWMAN KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #5324 by the Knights of Columbus  
11AM FR. JOHN J. SCULLY by the St. Clement Community  
JOAN MCGOVERN by the Jamison family  
LEXI CONTINI by the Branagan family

### COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, JULY 16, 2023

\$6,650.00

### ONLINE COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, JULY 16TH

\$2,536.00

### COLLECTION FOR PARISH ENERGY EXPENSES

\$1,227.00



### FLOWERS FOR THE BLESSED MOTHER

The two flower arrangements placed at our Blessed Mother statue this weekend are given in thanksgiving for Mary's intercessions by the Conrad family.

### 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](http://www.stclementreligious.org) for the link and updates.

### 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:

LUKE PATRICK BRUNO  
Child of Katelyn & Dominick  
LUCREZIA ADELINA ROSITANO-ETHERIDGE  
Child of Jennifer & Edward  
ANDREW DAVID FLEISCHMAN  
Child of Andrea & David  
LAWRENCE EUGENE NIKOLA  
Child of Lindsay and Lawrence

### 2024 MASS INTENTIONS

The 2024 Mass intention is now open. Each Parish family is allowed four weekend Masses. During the month of July, mass requests must be made in person.



**In Service to One, In Service to All.**

*Join us in answering the call to help others—give blood!*

The Thomas Cosentino Memorial Blood Drive  
Sponsored by the American Red Cross and  
the Knights of Columbus Council 5324

Held at

St. Clements Church  
172 Freneau Avenue  
Matawan, NJ

Sunday, August 20<sup>th</sup>  
8:30am to 1:30pm

Appointments are preferred, please see a member

of the Knights of Columbus, call 1 800 RED CROSS, or log onto [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org)  
sponsor code knights of columbus council 5324

All presenting donors will receive a  
\$5.00 Dunkin Donuts Gift Card!

## 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**

Elegant & Affordable Wedding Packages

Exclusively by W. J. Mayer Catering

(732)-591-8180

[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, August 15th come and enjoy Dave "Bop with the Beas" Beasley."*** 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 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).**





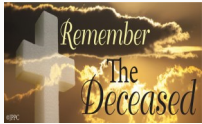
### LONG TERM PRAYER LIST

Please keep in your prayers the following individuals who are dealing with long term health issues: Roger Katon, Linda & Mike Wisnovsky,

Tom Serpi, Ethan Pyle, Dennis Rowic, Vilma Imperiale, Gerry Brungard, Michael Liccone, George Coppa, Bill Jones, Edward Imperati, Rosemary & Gene Sandifer, Albert Camara, Grace Bloxham, Patrick Hegarty, Lorenzo Cifelli, Darryl Vanderbilt, Michael McCoy, 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, Rosemary Ravenna, 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: 06/28/23 Mary Ann LaRocca, 07/09/23 Theresa Platt, 07/09/23 Vivian M. Gonzalez



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 laundry detergent, cans of baked beans and canned chicken. 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

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

**\$50,929.42 (85% 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 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.

### 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

**Dear Fellow Parishioners:**

**The members of the St. Clement Finance Committee are pleased to report our 2022-2023 financial report. During the past year the parish received \$ 1,012,926 of which \$708,388 was from weekly and holiday collections. We expended \$812,700, including salaries and benefits (\$344, 711) and expenses for Buildings and Grounds Maintenance (\$94,863). The surplus grew from last year's \$54,150 to this year's total of \$200,226.**

**We thought that this would be a good time to explain about second collections. There is some confusion about the Diocesan Assessment collection. The funds received in that second collection goes into our general treasury. The actual assessment of St. Clement's by the Diocese of Trenton for 2022-2023 was \$81,300. The second collection envelopes help offset this by \$13, 704. Our general revenue made up the difference of \$67,596.**

**Many of the other second collection envelopes are for charities and causes sponsored by the Diocese. The funds received in those collections are transmitted directly to the Diocese for the purpose shown on the envelope. These include: Black & Native Americans, Catholic Churches in Eastern Europe, Catholic Communications Campaign, Catholic Home Missions, Catholic Relief Services, Catholic University, the Holy Father/Peter's Pence collection, Holy Land, Campaign for Human Development, Latin America, the Military Archdiocese, Support for Religious Retirement (both priests and other religious) and World Mission Sunday. The envelopes for St. Vincent DePaul are transmitted to our cohort parish of Our Lady of Fatima which hosts the program. The envelopes for Capital Projects remain in our parish in a dedicated Capital Projects Account for use for major repairs. The envelopes for Easter and Christmas Flowers provide funds for flowers on the altar and in and around the church for those special celebrations. The monthly Energy collection helps offset our fuel and electricity bills.**

**The collection for the Monitor Magazine produced by the Diocese is used in two ways. Parishioners who donate the full \$25 receive a year subscription. All other funds from this collection help the parish pay for additional copies which are housed in either the church or the rectory.**

**Other revenue from Baptisms, Marriages and Funerals go to the general treasury as do offerings for some special holy days and for donations for Candles, memorial Mass Intentions, Missals, Flowers for the Blessed Mother and the Sanctuary Lamp. We thank all of the members of our parish and others that help support our parish, all in the service of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.**

**St. Clement's Finance Committee: Vernon Ralph (Chairman), Linda Olsen, Bruce Quinn and Father Thomas Vala**

## Statement of Activities

June 30, 2023

	Current Month Actual	Current Month Budget	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Annual Budget	YTD Last Year
<b>Income</b>						
Collections Totals:	48,061	58,258	708,388	699,100	699,100	722,520
Non-Diocesan Collections Totals:	415	2,517	23,877	18,300	18,300	22,899
Other Revenue Totals:	12,317	10,783	161,008	132,400	132,400	100,489
Religious Education Revenue Totals:	11,150	7,083	64,675	85,000	85,000	67,025
Donations Totals:	9,868	833	49,115	10,000	10,000	37,707
Investment Income Totals:	0	167	5,863	2,000	2,000	(15,902)
Organizations Totals:	0	750	0	3,000	3,000	0
Income Totals:	81,811	80,392	1,012,926	949,800	949,800	934,738
<b>Expense</b>						
Salary & Wages Totals:	17,519	19,342	231,852	232,100	232,100	221,476
Benefits Totals:	(1,773)	11,546	112,859	138,550	138,550	116,250
Professional Fees Totals:	1,195	1,833	27,819	22,000	22,000	21,561
Subsidies & Charity Totals:	0	167	1,815	2,000	2,000	7,000
Educational Subsidies Totals:	3,261	3,250	39,132	39,000	39,000	37,212
Diocesan Assessments - Expense Totals:	6,775	6,750	81,703	81,000	81,000	88,502
Non-Diocesan Collections - Expenses Totals:	0	2,392	26,665	17,200	17,200	26,588
Materials & Supplies Totals:	602	3,108	36,929	37,300	37,300	36,977
Utilities Totals:	7,628	6,446	76,593	77,350	77,350	83,812
Transportation Totals:	25	358	2,571	4,300	4,300	3,579
Conferences & Meetings Totals:	0	83	150	1,000	1,000	0
Building Maintenance/Grounds Totals:	8,280	11,500	94,863	138,000	138,000	159,988
Other Expenditures Totals:	6,412	6,154	79,472	73,850	73,850	77,251
Lease Expenditures Totals:	0	0	130	0	0	389
Interest On Debt Totals:	0	0	0	0	0	4
Fundraising Totals:	0	0	147	0	0	0
Expense Totals:	49,924	72,929	812,700	863,650	863,650	880,588
<b>Income - Expense:</b>	<b>31,887</b>	<b>7,462</b>	<b>200,226</b>	<b>86,150</b>	<b>86,150</b>	<b>54,150</b>