



Church of ST. CLEMENT

Sunday, July 30, 2023

PARISH MINISTRIES

Marriage Preparation Holly Cahill 566-3616, ext 111
Baptism Preparation Holly Cahill 566-3616, ext. 111
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Liturgy Committee Carol Capasso 583-6958
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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
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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 Schedule: Saturday: 5:00PM | Sunday 8:00, & 11:00AM **Daily Mass:** Mon, Tues, Wed., Fri 8:00AM

Mass Intentions

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

MONDAY, JULY 31, 2023

8AM CHRTISTINE A. DELISI by the Tice family

TUESDAY, AUGUST 1, 2023

8AM GEORGE BRUNGARD by his wife & family

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2, 2023

8AM V. PRANCKEVICIENE by the Lukauskas
family

THURSDAY, AUGUST 3, 2023

8AM PEOPLE OF THE PARISH OF ST CLEMENT

FRIDAY, AUGUST 4, 2023

5PM JEREMIAH HOURIHAN by Susan & Bruce
Quinn

SATURDAY, AUGUST 5, 2023

5PM EDWARD D. KOWALEWSKI by the
Kowalewski family
GERTRUDE MILLER by Susan & Bruce Quinn
ANDREW DERING by his family

SUNDAY, AUGUST 6, 2023

8AM THOMAS MALINOWSKI by his mom
GIL CARMICHAEL by the Vaccaro family
MICHAEL SHAVE by Veronica & David
Vezeris

11AM JEREMIAH HOURIHAN by Susan & Bruce
Quinn
MARY LOU GUGLIELMO by Lena & Brock
Hor
MARK GRACIS by Pio Gracis & family

COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, JULY 23 2023

\$6,637.00

ONLINE COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, JULY 23rd

\$3,067.00

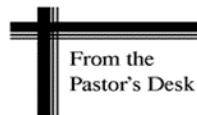
COLLECTION FOR THE RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS (PRIESTS)

\$1,018.00



FLOWERS FOR THE BLESSED MOTHER

The two flower arrangements placed at our Blessed Mother statue this weekend are given in honor of the Confirmation of Kylie & Jarrett Hourihan by Aunt Susan and Uncle Bruce.



Greetings everyone, I hope you are well and keeping comfortable during these recent hot days. I want to take this time to thank all of you who donated to the Baby Bottle

Boomerang fundraiser. In total \$3,949.00 was collected by our parish. A check will be sent to Birthright in Freehold for that amount. As always, I am grateful for your generosity towards this important campaign, and I am sure the Birthright organization is very appreciative for the donation as well. A special thanks goes out to our parish's St. John Neumann Knights of Columbus Council, who oversaw all the activities of the campaign. Their dedication and commitment are to be commended. Let us continue to pray for all expectant mothers and their babies. God bless you. *Father Tom*

CONFIRMATION

We wish to congratulate the following parishioners who will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this weekend: *Vanessa Garay, Kylie & Jarrett Hourihan*

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.stclementreligiouse.org for the link and updates.

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 .

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.



DID YOU KNOW THAT.....

St. Clement has a vegetable garden? For the last seven years we have given the produce that we grow to St. Benedict's food pantry.

If your garden is producing more than you can use, please consider donating your excess to the pantry. We deliver to the pantry every Wednesday morning and we would be happy to add your donation to ours. You can bring your vegetables to the Church office on Tuesday between 9am-3pm or leave them outside the office door after office hours.

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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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

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: 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:



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. The pantry currently is in need of laundry detergent, cans of baked beans and canned chicken.

Donations may be dropped at the church office. Please call their help line at 732-290-1878 if you need assistance. *We are building a new entryway for our pantry and office. We're currently housed in rear basement of St John Paul 2 retreat house. While the space is fine, the entry stairway is too narrow and steep. We have architect plans for a new entrance. We are asking for construction bids and help with bid evaluation. If you or a friend can help us, please contact our Help Line 732 290-1878 and leave a message. The funds that were donated since 2017 for a SVdP replacement building (which was never built), will be used for this project. May God bless our ministry to our poor neighbors John C, Servant Leader*

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

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

\$51,054.42 (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 dona-



tions 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



American
Red Cross



In Service to One, In Service to All.

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

Sunday, August 20th

8:30am to 1:30pm

**Appointments are preferred,
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**of the Knights of Columbus, call
1 800 RED CROSS, or log onto**

www.redcrossblood.org

**sponsor code Knights of
Columbus Council 5324**

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



Back to Church

SUNDAY AT SAINT CLEMENT PARISH

SEPTEMBER 17, 2023 | 12 - 2 PM

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Students, Teachers, Families and ALL parishioners are encouraged to attend Mass at 11 am followed by games, food + fun to kick off the 2023-2024 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION YEAR

FOOD + ACTIVITIES will include:
GAMES, FACE PAINT, CRAFTS, INFLATABLES + MORE
Hot dogs, hamburgers, Veggie burgers, chips, Soda + water

Volunteers in 7th + 8th grade and up are encouraged to signup to volunteer here:
<https://signup.com/go/ZhPGmwX>

We look forward to reconnecting as a parish community to celebrate.
TICKET SALE INFORMATION COMING SOON!

172 FRENEAU AVENUE
MATAWAN, NJ 07747

MASS 11 AM - 12 PM
EVENT 12 PM - 2 PM

IN THE EVENT OF INCLEMENT WEATHER, THIS EVENT WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE GYMNASIUM.