



Church of ST. CLEMENT

Sunday, August 27, 2023

PARISH MINISTRIES

Marriage Preparation Holly Cahill 566-3616, ext 111
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Rite of Christian Initiation Tom Sweeney 566-3616
Altar Servers Jim Starace 732-566-3616
Ushers Ron Johnson 290-1371
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Liturgical Environment
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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
Knights of Columbus Gerard Conrad 566-3616
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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

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SATURDAY, AUGUST 26, 2023

5PM JAMES MARTIN by his daughter and family
GIL CARMICHAEL by the Besso family
LESTER CZERNIAK by the Gallo family

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27, 2023

8AM JOHN SANTOS by his family
GIL CARMICHAEL by the Patrick Hynes family
CRISTINA GONZALEZ DE MARICHAL by the Parisi family

11AM BILL DAVIS by his wife Pat Davis
JOAN MCGOVERN by Jack Jamison
GIL CARMICHAEL by the Barr family

MONDAY, AUGUST 28, 2023

8AM JOHN SANTOS by his family

TUESDAY, AUGUST 29, 2023

8AM PETER MCKENTY by his family

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30, 2023

8AM ANTOINETTA BARONE by the Buro family

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2023

8AM MARIE ARTELLI by Claudia Strano

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2023

5PM LEONARD SCESNEY by Eleanor Jacobsen
BRUCE GOLDNER by Bruce & Susan Quinn
WILLIAM L. MAGRINO by his sister & family

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2023

8AM TOM MALINOWSKI by his grandmother
COLIN MEANY by the Caragliano family

11AM RON THOMPSON by his wife
JOHN DONEGAN by the St. Clement Senior Club
JOAN DEMIC by Peggy Demic

COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, AUGUST 20, 2023

\$8351.00

ONLINE COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, AUGUST 20th

\$3,810.00

COLLECTION FOR OUR PARISH ENERGY EXPENSES

\$1,298

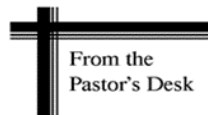
WEDDING BANNES

Rousel Reyes & Albert Walden
Jeanine Zizzamia & Zack Ryan Michael Ewart
Desiree Romano & Kenneth Lake



FLOWERS FOR THE BLESSED MOTHER

The two flower arrangements placed at our Blessed Mother statue this weekend are given in loving memory of Jeanine & Edmund Okonek by the Conrad family.



From the Pastor's Desk Greetings everyone, as we near the end of our summer season, I pray you are feeling renewed and are able to find time to be with the Lord and feel

his refreshing grace. I want to thank all of you who donated blood to the Red Cross blood-drive last weekend. The representative from the Red Cross was very pleased with the response to the drive. In all, 32 individuals made successful donations. As always, I want to thank the St. Clement's Knights of Columbus John Newman Council for organizing another successful drive. May the Lord continue to give us his peace in these last days of summer vacation. *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:

JULIETE RAE ALFANO
Child of Alexandra & Anthony
JULIANA ROSE LOGOZZO
Child of Victoria & Anthony
MADISON GRACE VALENTIN
Child of Madeline & Alexis
JULIANNA MARIE ZELLER
Child of Alanna & John

CCD 2023/2024 REGISTRATION

CCD Registration for 2023/2024 will be online. Please see the website: www.stclementreligiously.org for the link and updates.

ST. CLEMENT ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

GIL CARMICHAEL MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Calling all Golfers...mark your calendar for Tues., Oct. 10th for this event. The Tournament will take place at Knob Hill Golf Club in Manalapan. Informational brochures to participate or sponsor are available in the church lobby and on our parish website.



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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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, September 19th come and enjoy entertainment with Barry Jason. 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, September 9, 2023.*** 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: Anthony Pallisano, Dorothy Holmes, Maryann Ahearn, Trystan Gianni Joyce, William Spataro, Barbara & Lou DeMarco, 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, 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

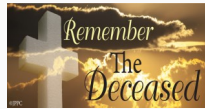
Special Intentions

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 To include a church activity on our Web Site, email Mr. Quinn at admin@stclementatawan.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: 07/25/23 James P. Duffy Sr., 08/01/23 Ann Marie Valler, 8/5/23 Jacqueline M. Burgess, 8/8/23 Louis V. Esposito, 08/11/23 Mary Neglia, 8/11/23 Salvatore Sena

THE ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL



Father Tom is pleased to announce that St. Clement has received **\$51,329.42 (86% 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. The pantry currently is in need of paper towels and bath soap. Donations may be dropped at the church office. 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.

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

St. Clement Altar Rosary Wine & Cheese

Tuesday, September 12, 2023
7:00 P.M. in the Reception Center Annex

Looking for a parish group to join for socialization, fun, and food? Come join the St. Clement Altar Rosary! All women 18 and older are invited to be our guest for our first meeting of the year.

Come see what we're all about and meet other women from our parish and make some new friends! Any questions, please contact Marie Canonico at mteach1@hotmail.com. Hope to see you there!





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.