



Church of ST. CLEMENT

Sunday, November 12, 2023

PARISH MINISTRIES

Marriage Preparation Holly Cahill 566-3616, ext 111

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Ushers Ron Johnson 290-1371

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SERVICES

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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

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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

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2023

5PM SIMON ANTHONY DIXON by the Canales family
BARBARA POWERS by J. P. Friedl
GEORGE F. JOHNSTON by his wife & family

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2023

8AM TONY SAVARESE SR. by his family
MR. & MRS. THOMAS CARR by J.P. Friedl
ANNETTE DAVIAU by the Broderick family
11AM JOSEPH DELLA BELLA by his wife & family
JOHN DONEGAN by his family
PAT MARSALA by his daughters & families

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2023

8AM ANTHONY BRYAN LIM TIU by Richelle & Joe Pickel

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2023

8AM ROSEANNE MOELLER JEFFERSON by the Johnston family

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2023

8AM NEAL PATRICK HAYES by his Mom & Dad

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2023

8AM RICHARD GLOWACKI by Eileen & Robert Glowacki

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2023

5PM ELEANOR QUINN by Bruce & Susan Quinn
RAYMOND REILLY by his wife & family
VIRGINIA & DANIEL MAGRINO by their Daughter & family

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2023

8AM BLESSED SOULS IN PURATORY by the Canales family
ANN DAVIS by Jean Fierro
SUSAN KILLIAN
11AM JEANINE T. OKONCK by the Conrad family
KAREN SMITH by the Percussi family
GIL CARMICHAEL by the MacLane family

COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH

\$9,147.00

ONLINE COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, NOV. 5TH

\$3,606.00

COLLECTION FOR ALL SAINTS DAY

\$1,636.00

GIVING TREE



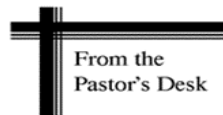
Will be in the lobby of the church beginning next weekend, Nov 18/19th . Gifts will need to be returned by Sun Dec. 3rd. Please take a tag off the tree & make a Christmas wish come true! Your continued enthusiasm and generosity for this program is greatly appreciated!



FLOWERS FOR THE BLESSED MOTHER

The two flower arrangements placed at our Blessed Mother statue this weekend are given in loving memory of Jean & Walter Bing by their daughter

The Sanctuary light is dedicated this week in loving memory of Sarah & Anthony Savarese by their family.



From the
Pastor's Desk

Greetings everyone, thank you to those who donated to our collection for the troops last weekend. We had another great response, and the volunteers at Eagles-Up are very grateful for your generosity. Your monetary donations provide relief to the families of the troops. Many military families, because of the cost, are unable to ship packages to their loved-ones. As always, I am grateful for your willingness to support our outreach programs at St. Clement parish. May the Lord watch over and protect our troops. Also, Saturday is Veterans Day; let us honor those men and women who served our country by keeping them in our prayers this weekend. *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:

JAKE JAMES KENNY

Child of Kaitlin & James

VALERIE MARGARET QUICK

Child of Jennifer & Michael

LILLIAN ANNABELLE SCAVONE

Child of Bianca & Andrew

AVA LOREN SIROIS

Child of Kara Ann & Ronald

ALTAR ROSARY 50/50

The Altar Rosary is selling 50/50 tickets on Sundays in the lobby of the church until Nov. 26TH. **To date the amount received is \$7,120.00. A parishioner will match the donation the Altar Rosary makes to the church from the 50/50 up to \$15,000.00 so your ticket purchase will even go further to support the church.** Get your tickets at church or call Marie Canonico at 732-970-8261 to get them mailed to you. **TICKETS MUST BE RECEIVED BY SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26TH.** Thank you for your support!



OUR LADY OF GUADELOUPE TORCH

Two torches honoring Our Lady of Guadeloupe will be presented at St. Clement's. Each torch will remain in the church for one week. On Saturday, November 18 the Knights of Columbus will receive the first torch. The second torch will be received on November 25. There will be a Holy Hour of prayer on November 21 at 7:30pm. Novenas to Our Lady of Guadeloupe will be prayed during these weeks. The times for the novenas will be listed in next week's bulletin. Please plan on joining us.

THANKSGIVING MASS

Mass will be celebrated on Thanksgiving Day, Thurs, Nov. 23rd at 10am.

NATIVITY PLAY



On Fri. Dec. 1st at 7pm in the church our 1st and 2nd grade CCD students will perform a *Nativity Play* celebrating the Birth of Jesus. All parishioners are invited to attend.

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 dioceseofrenton.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



Located behind St. Clement Church
Catering for Weddings, Sweet 16's, Communion, Baptisms,
Repasses & More
Exclusively by Mayer Catering
(732)-591-8180
www.TheReceptionCenter.com

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. 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, December 2nd.** 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: Ramona Fogelstrom, Rhoda Rubin, Anthony Pantina,

Iris Ortiz, bart Beaudry, Zena Decker, Francine Brogen-Alampì, Andrea Reverendo, Dana & Patty Liccone, Andrea Reverendo, Anna Jacobs, William Baker, Bryan Brancaccio, John Longo, Antoinette Sweeney, Anthony Pallisano, Dorothy Holmes, Trystan Gianni Joyce, 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, Grace Bloxham, Patrick Hegarty, Lorenzo Cifelli, Darryl Vanderbilt, 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, Jess Mulvihill, Robert Rorke, Angela Laboy, Pat Gallagher, Kristine O'Hara, Maureen Collins-Dougherty

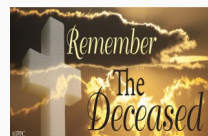
Special Intentions

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.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:

10/15/23 Nancy Mapp, 10/25/23 Tina D'Ambrosio, 10/29/23 Beatrice M. Duffy

THE ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL



Father Tom is pleased to announce that St. Clement has received **\$56,564.42 (94% 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.

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KNIGHTS OF COLOUMBUS COATS FOR KIDS



The St. Clement Cardinal Newman Council 5324 of the Knights of Columbus fund drive for Coats for Kids is underway. The commitment for this year is 4 cases of 12 coats (all new coats for kids to

go to Mother Teresa's Missionaries of Charity located in Asbury Park NJ.) The cost of these cases is \$959.52. **To date we have received \$449.11.** Please reach out to your friends and business associates to assist with a purchase of a coat for \$20.62 per coat. Any contribution is welcome.

Checks should be made out to Knights of Columbus Council 5324 and on the reference line please put Coats for Kids. Checks can be mailed to St. Clement Church or may be given in the collection basket. The deadline for donations will be Sunday, December 3, 2023. Donations are tax deductible.

GROW IN YOUR FAITH!

Interested in learning more about your faith? Learn more about graduate theological courses at the Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology. Biblical Studies, Church History, Christian Ethics, Systematic Theology, Pastoral Theology, Spirituality, Evangelization, and Multicultural Catechesis. For details, email theology@shu.edu or call Elizabeth Vacchiano at (973) 761-9633.



SVP provides spiritual, food distribution, emergency financial and other services to those in need. The pantry currently is in need of laundry detergent, canned baked beans, coffee, and

turkey's for Thanksgiving. Donations may be dropped at the church office. 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.

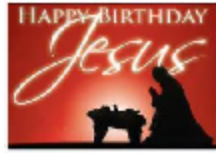
The Diocese of Trenton reports any allegations of sexual abuse to the appropriate law enforcement agencies. Anyone with an allegation is also encouraged to provide that information to local law enforcement authorities.



**JOIN US IN WISHING FATHER TOM
A HAPPY 60TH BIRTHDAY!**

**CAKE AND COFFEE WILL BE SERVED IN
THE GYM AFTER 11AM MASS ON
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19TH.**

**COME AND CELEBRATE HIS BIRTHDAY
AS A PARISH FAMILY.**



Birthday Cards for Jesus

Sunday November 26th in the Gym at Noon

We'll make birthday cards and decorate ornaments to help us remember the reason we celebrate Christmas:

The Birth of Our Savior.

To be sure we have enough supplies please reserve your seat by emailing:

TSweeney@stclementmatawan.org

by Monday, November 20th

Family Movie Night in the Gym

Sunday November 26th at 5:00 pm

