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Sunday, February 11, 2024

ST. CLEMENT

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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

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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 9AM-3PM, Church Office 566-3616 Admin@stclementmatawan.org Church Fax 566-9275 CCD Office 566-3616 se of a pastoral emergency 732-858

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.stclementreligioused.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.



THE SIXITH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2024

5PM JOHN F. SANTOS by his family

PHYLLIS ZULIN by her daughter Karen

Koczrowski & family

BETTY ANGLIM by Mary & Jim Anglim

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2024

8AM WILLIAM TAN GO by Richelle & Joe Pickel

MARY & JOSEPH DEMARZO by Eileen &

Robert Glowacki

ROSEMARY BRIGGS by Gappe Enfiomusi

11AM JACK TRIOLO by his wife & family

MICHAEL BURKE by his wife & family JAMES ANATASIO by Cora & Don Wustrow

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2024

8AM DOLORES CLEMENTE by the Savarese family

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2024

8AM VERNON RALPH by Patti & Vern Ralph

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2024

FR. JOHN SCULLY by the St. Clement

Community

7:30PM PEOPLE OF THE PARISH OF ST CLEMENT

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2024

8AM JOHN LONGO by John Cahill

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2024

5PM STEPHANIE BARTOLOTTA by her mom &

family

HEDY KOWALEWSKI by the Kowalewski

family

11AM

MARGARET STEUFIS by the Johnston family

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2024

8AM THEORDORE WITTING by Nancy Jaeger

MARGARET HAUSCH by Nancy Jaeger RONALD ANDERSON by Gappe Enfiomusi

ELIZABETH BACON by Mary & Jim Anglim

ANN FALCO by Pat Davis

MARY CENTIMOLE MAGNENAT by Carmela

& Gary Repack Sr.

COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 20224

\$8,388.00

ONLINE COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, FEB. 4TH

\$3,195.00

COLLECTION FOR OUR DIOCESAN ASSESSMENT

\$1,130.00

WEDDING BANNS

Danielle O'Rourke & Nicholas Mirachi

The 2023/2024 Paschal Candle was donated in loving memory of Lilly Norbut by her husband and family

The Sanctuary light is dedicated this week in loving memory of Catherine & Edward Flynn by their daughter Pat Davis.



Greetings everyone, I pray you are well. As I mentioned at last weekend's Masses, our diocese is hosting a catholic men's conference at St. Mary, Mother

of God church in Middletown on February 24. This event begins at 8:00AM, and it is a great opportunity to share in fellowship with other men who are seeking to grow in their faith. Guest speakers will be there to give talks on faith and spirituality. Also, a Mass with our bishop David O'Connell will be available, along with the sacrament of confession. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. Please see the announcement in this bulletin for registration details. Father Tom

CARTER SALES

ALTAR ROSARY FUNDRAISER

The Altar Rosary is running a Gertrude Hawk Easter Candy Sale. Brochures are available in the church lobby. Orders will be accepted until

this coming Wed. Feb. 14th. and can be dropped in the collection baskets or brought to the church office. Candy will be distributed on Sat. March 16th from 9:00A.M. - 12:00P.M. in the gym lobby.



ASH WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 14, 2024

8AM-Mass with distribution of Ashes
10AM-Service with distribution
4:30PM-Service with distribution
7:30PM- Mass with distribution of Ashes.
Remember, all that is required of Ash Wednesday is fasting and abstinence. The reception of ashes while noble and worthy, is not mandated.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the cross will take place in the church at 7:30pm on Friday, February 16th, and 23rd and Friday, March 1st, 8th, 15th and 22nd. The living statins will take place on Good Friday, March 29th at 7:30pm.

CATHOLIC MEN FOR JESUS CHRIST

Join other Catholic men from across the Diocese of Trenton at the 27th Annual Men's Conference on Sat. Feb 25, at St. Mary Mother of God Church in Middletown. The theme of this year's conference is "Moored to Mary and the Eucharist." The day runs from 8:00 am to 3:30 pm and will feature Holy Mass celebrated by Bishop David O'Connell. The line up of guest speakers are listed on the flyer available in the church lobby. Cost is \$50 per person in advance (\$60 at the door); \$20 for students. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. For more information or to register online go to www.catholicmenforjesuschrist.org. To register by mail, send the name(s) of each person registering, your check, and a self-addressed stamped envelope to: Catholic Men for Jesus Christ, P.O. Box 266, Clarksburg, NJ 08510

PARISH POLICIES

<u>Parish Registration</u>... 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.

<u>Weddings</u>...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.

<u>Baptisms</u>...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

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, Communions, 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.

<u>RCIA</u> ...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.

<u>The Altar Rosary Society</u> 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).

<u>The Holy Name Society</u> 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.

<u>The Knights of Columbus</u> 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 Mary Ann O'Brien at 732-566-0962. 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.

<u>RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:</u> 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, March 9, 2024. 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: Roslyn Frank, Linda frusci, Theodore D'Alessandro,

Pat Hartman, Barbara Broderick, Yvette Salon, Kerrin Duff, Josephine Torri, Bruce Hendricks, Layla Budeiri, Ryan Christoe, Angelina Christoe, Joe Cahill, Courtney Donohue, Ramona Fogelstrom, Rhoda Rubin, Anthony Pantina, Iris Ortiz, Bart Beaudry, Zena Decker, Francine Brogen-Alampi, Andrea Reverendo, Dana & Patty Liccone, Andrea Reverndo, Anna Jacobs, William Baker, Bryan Brancaccio, 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, Kate Kikvigze, Noreen Zelenko, 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:

1/15/2024 John S. Tuccitto, 01/25/24 Vincent P. Burns, 01/28/24 Peter P. Borowski, 01/30/24 Frances Lange



SVdP provides spiritual, food distribution, emergency financial and other services to those in need. The pantry currently is in need of laundry detergent, 64

oz. bottles of orange juice and apple juice.. 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 sexu-

al 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
Frank Conenna Jr., Lt. Commander U.S. Navy

THE <u>PARISH WEBSITE</u> IS ACTIVE AND UPDATED REGULARLY. <u>www.stclementmatawan.org</u> To include a church activity on our Web Site, email Mr. Quinn at admin@stclementmatawan.org

ELECTRONIC GIVING – PARISH GIVING

Contributions for 2023 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 01/01/23-12/31/23). Then click on the pdf icon (on the right hand side of the page) to generate the report.



WORLD/NATIONAL MAR-RIAGE DAY/WEEK

In observance of World Marriage Day (Sunday, February 11, 2024) and National Marriage Week

(February 7-14, 2024), the Diocese of Trenton honors all Catholic married couples with a special web resource to enhance their marriage in three important ways: 1) Reconnect with Your Spouse, 2) Make Your Marriage Even Better, and 3) Serve Others in Your Marriage. Find all this and more at www.dioceseoftrenton.org/world-marriage-day-for-couples, and for newly married couples, be sure to visit www.dioceseoftrenton.org/newly-married-resource-page - what every couple needs to make their marriage extraordinary! (Part of the BuildingStrongMarriages.org initiative of the Diocese of Trenton)

Celebrating the Beauty of Catholic Marriage from the Catechism – read more at usccb.org under "Resources"
1605 Holy Scripture affirms that man and woman were created for one another: "It is not good that the man should be alone." The woman, "flesh of his flesh," his equal, his nearest in all things, is given to him by God as a "helpmate"; she thus represents God from whom comes our help. "Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and cleaves to his wife, and they become one flesh." The Lord himself shows that this signifies an unbreakable union of their two lives by recalling what the plan of the Creator had been "in the beginning".. "So they are no longer two, but one flesh." (Catechism of the Catholic Church)



40 Days for Life Prolife Rosary will be recited on Wednesday nights in the church. The dates/times are: Feb. 14 at 8:30pm, Feb. 21 & 28 and March 6, 13 & 20 at

0677 St Clement



Join us on Monday, February 12 at Houlihan's Holmdel, NJ to help raise funds for St. Clement Altar Rosary.

15 - 20% of all food proceeds from Monday, February 12 from 11 am to Close will be donated to **St. Clement Altar Rosary** when you mention this flyer. The more food proceeds, the higher percentage donated ... so bring your pals!

St. Clement Altar Rosary

In addition to our devotion to the Blessed Mother, the St. Clement Altar Rosary is one of the largest fundraising groups for our church. A portion of our proceeds go to special projects and items needed for the church.







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, March 10th 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 sponsor code Knights of Columbus council 5324. You may also scan the QR code below for registration.

