



# Church of ST. CLEMENT

*Sunday, March 3, 2024*

## PARISH MINISTRIES

**Marriage Preparation** Holly Cahill 566-3616, ext 111  
**Baptism Preparation** Holly Cahill 566-3616, ext. 111  
**Religious Education** Tom Sweeney, 566-3616  
**Adult Catechesis** 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** Neil Matthaey 566-3616  
**Senior Citizens** Maryann O'Brien 566-0962

**REV. THOMAS VALA, PASTOR**

## CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

**Monday - Friday** 9AM-3PM,  
**Church Office** 566-3616  
[Admin@stclementmatawan.org](mailto: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

## THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

### SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 2024

5PM JAMES BRODERICK by his family  
CARL ROSSI by his family  
LAURA LOWERY by her family

### SUNDAY, MARCH 3, 2024

8AM LIVING & DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE  
ALTAR ROSARY  
MICHAEL PALUMBO SR. by his family  
MARIE & BENJAMIN GLOWACKI by  
Eileen & Robert Glowacki  
11AM KAREN J. SMITH by the Cahill family  
OLGA & RAYMOND BOECKEL by their  
families  
ANN FALCO by Jean & Bill Fiorelli

### MONDAY, MARCH 4, 2024

8AM JACK DALY by Kevin & Barbara Keenan

### TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 2024

8AM REV. LASZLO RAUCH by Susan & Bruce  
Quinn

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6, 2024

8AM CHARLES ZIRKEL by his loving family

### THURSDAY, MARCH 7, 2024

8AM PEOPLE OF THE PARISH OF ST. CLEMENT

### FRIDAY, MARCH 8, 2024

8AM MSGR. RONALD J. BACOVIN by the St.  
Clement Community

### SATURDAY, MARCH 9, 2024

5PM TOM COSENTINO by his wife & family  
GEORGE FARRELL by his wife Ruth & family  
FRED DOYLE by Kathy and Erin

### SUNDAY, MARCH 10, 2024

8AM AL PARADISE by his wife Joan and sister-in-  
law Barbara  
ARNIE PUCILLO by his wife  
MARGUERITE DORAN by Joanne & Jon  
Sullam  
11AM MICHAEL J. MOORE by the Robert Gallo  
family  
MICHAEL PALUMBO SR. by his family  
MARGARET SASSO by the Patrick Hynes  
family

### COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2024

\$7,890.00

### ONLINE COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, FEB. 25TH

\$2,539.00

### COLLECTION FOR OUR THE BENEFIT OF OUR PARISH ENERGY NEEDS

\$1,445.00



40 Days for Life Prolife Rosary will be  
recited on Wednesday nights in the  
church. The dates/times are: March 6,  
13 & 20 at 7pm.

*The Sanctuary light is dedicated this week in loving  
memory of Dorothy Ingoglio by Lucy Pucillo*



## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

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

## HOLY HOUR WITH CONFESSION

Father Tom will celebrate a Holy Hour with confession  
on Tuesday, March 5th at 7:30pm in the church



## 2024 PALM SUNDAY, HOLY WEEK & EASTER SCHEDULE

### PALM SUNDAY WEEKEND

March 23 & 24, 2024

Saturday 5 P.M.

Sunday 8:00, 9:30 and 11 A.M.

### HOLY THURSDAY

March 28, 2024

Mass: 7:30 P.M.

8:30 PM – Midnight - Adoration

### GOOD FRIDAY

March 29, 2024

The Lord's Passion—3PM

Living Stations of the Cross – 7:30 P.M.

### HOLY SATURDAY

March 30, 2024

Solemn Easter Vigil – 7:45 P.M.

### EASTER SUNDAY

March 31, 2024

Masses: 8:00, 9:30 and 11 A.M.

## ALTAR ROSARY

The next meeting of the Altar Rosary will be on Tues.,  
March 5th in the Annex Room of the Reception Center.  
Rosary is recited at 7pm and the meeting starts at  
7:30pm. All ladies of the church over the age of 18 are  
invited to attend.

## 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](http://www.redcrossblood.org)  
sponsor code Knights of Columbus council 5324. You  
may also scan the QR code below for registration.



## 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 [dioceseofrenton.org/policies-forms](http://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](http://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](http://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 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.

**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, March 9, 2024.** 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: Joseph Henry Pickel Jr , Dominic Michael Calabrese,

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 Reverdo, 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, Jess Mulvihill, Robert Rorke, Angela Laby, Pat Gallagher, Kristine O'Hara, Maureen Collins-Dougherty

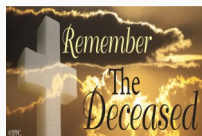
### Special Intentions

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  
Frank Conenna Jr., Lt. Commander U.S. Navy  
SGR. Thomas O'Friel, NJ Army National Guard

**THE PARISH WEBSITE IS ACTIVE AND UPDATED REGULARLY.** [www.stclementmatawan.org](http://www.stclementmatawan.org) To include a church activity on our Web Site, email Mr. Quinn at [admin@stclementmatawan.org](mailto:admin@stclementmatawan.org)

### ELECTRONIC GIVING – PARISH GIVING

Contributions for 2023 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 01/01/23-12/31/23). 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: 02/09/24 Martin K. Scheuing, 02/17/24 Louis Vignapiano



### Clergy and Religious Administration

Your gift to the Appeal helps ensure there will be priests and deacons who strive to embody God's mercy in all they do, to sustain and nurture the sacramental life of our parishes. Currently 12 seminarians, 181 priests and 71 religious priests, and about 193 permanent deacons are supported through the appeal. 78 men receive assistance in their retirement. In 2023, we have 16 Sisters ministering in the diocese. Your gift promotes those called to serve. You gift also helps support the retired clergy by providing housing at Villa Vianney in Lawrenceville and The Villa at St. Denis in Manasquan. Many of our retired priests continue to serve the Diocese in many ways.

**Did You Know?** As part of the Annual Catholic Appeal, funds are returned to the parishes for local needs. Some parishes use these funds to provide necessary maintenance to the church or parish buildings. Others direct the money to their social outreach and ministerial support.

**PLUS...** 15% of the collected goal amount goes back to the parish and 50% of the overage is also returned for repair/restoration projects, new areas of growth or ministry development, as well as other needs. The goal this year for St. Clement is \$60,000.00



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

canned fruit, and mayonnaise. 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](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.





**Knights of Columbus**  
**Cardinal Newman Council**  
**#5324**

# Pancake Breakfast

**Palm Sunday, March 24**

Proceeds to fund the council's local charitable activities

**St. Clement Parish**

**Time: 8 AM—1 PM**

**Adults: \$12.00**

**Senior Citizens: \$10.00**

**Children (6-12): \$5.00**

**5 & Under: Free**



**INCLUDES:**

Bagels

Sausage Links

Scrambled Eggs

Country Potatoes

Crumb Cake

Juice, Milk, Coffee &  
Tea &

**ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT  
PANCAKES**

# ~PARISH DIAPER DRIVE~

Help us make a change... A Diaper change that is!

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***PLEASE*** support the Diaper Bank at  
Child Care Resources of Monmouth County

## ***WHAT IS DIAPER INSECURITY?***

The condition where families cannot afford a sufficient supply of diapers to ensure their children are clean, dry and healthy.

### **WHEN:**

Our Parish Diaper Drive will run from March 2nd thru March 10th. During this period, you can drop off your donation in the church lobby or at the church office



***WHAT IS NEEDED?*** While all diaper sizes are accepted, the greatest need at this time is for Size 4 thru 7, Pull ups for Boys and Girls and Wipes.

## ***MONETARY DONATION INSTEAD?***

In lieu of diapers, you can make a monetary donation with a check payable to the parish and placed in the collection baskets or mailed to: Diaper Bank c/o St. Clement Church, 172 Freneau Ave, Matawan, NJ 07747. *All funds collected will be used to purchase diapers.* No amount is too small.

On behalf of the Children and Families served by the Diaper Bank,  
**THANK YOU** for your support. If you have any question please contact the church office.