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ST. CLEMEN

Sunday, February 4, 2024

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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 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.

Mass Intentions

THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2024

5PM CLAIRE DELOSKEY by Joe & Holly Cahill DIANE FLORENTINE by her loving family & friends ANITA & JIM MCNAMARA by their family SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2024 LIVING & DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE 8AM ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY MARY MAGNENAT by Maureen Gallo JACK KONTES by Richelle & Joe Pickel 11AM **REBECCA HAYES by the Knights of Columbus** Cardinal Newman Counsel #5324 JOVAN ALEXANDER SEQURA by Chesley **Budgell & family** ANNE HEGEDUS by the Patrick Hynes family MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2024 8AM **MICHAEL MILLER** by the Savarese family **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2024** ALLEN JORDAN by Eileen & Robert Glowacki 8AM WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2024 **LORRAINE & ROBERT HOLMES by Sharon** 8AM & Bill O'Hare FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2024

8AM JOAN WHELAN by the Savarese family

- 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

COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 28, 2024 \$7,174.00

ONLINE COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, JAN 28th \$2,118.00

COLLECTION FOR OUR THE CHURCH IN LATIN <u>AMERICA</u> \$672.00

> WEDDING BANNS Danielle O'Rourke & Nicholas Mirachi

The Sanctuary light is dedicated this week in loving memory of John F. Santos by his family



Greetings everyone, I pray you are well. St. Clement's was busy the past two Sundays with infant

baptisms. Baptism is a beautiful sacrament to celebrate, especially when there are 3 to 4 children to be baptized. I usually baptize 7 to 8 children each month, outside of the Lenten season. Our parish

has started a new ministry, Angels' Hands

Ministry. The ladies in this group provide blankets, which they make by themselves, to the parents of the baptized children. This is a great way to give spiritual support and encouragement to the families in their journeys, and I am thankful to the members of the ministry for their efforts. The names of the baptized children are listed in our bulletin. Please pray for them and their families, and please pray for the members of *Angels' Hands* and this ministry's success. *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: MADELYN, JACKSON & CLAY MCCORMICK Children of Sonja & Ryan



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 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.



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 7pm.

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.

<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 <u>virtus.org</u> 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



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.

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).

<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.

<u>Respect Life Chapter</u> 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, February 10, 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.



FOR THE SICK Please keep in your prayers the following individuals who are dealing with long term health issues: Barbara Broderick, Yvette Salon, Kerrin Duff, Jose-

phine 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**

Remember Deceased

PRAYERS-FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Deceased 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: 01/07/23 Vincent A. Amato, 1/15/2024 John S. Tuccitto



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

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 infor<u>Special Intentions</u> 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

<u>ELECTRONIC GIVING – PARISH GIVING</u> Contributions for 2023 have been updated and we welcome you to log in to <u>www.parishgiving.org</u> 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 MARRIAGE 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-forcouples, 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" 1601 "The matrimonial covenant, by which a man and a woman establish between themselves a partnership of the whole of life, is by its nature ordered toward the good of the spouses and the procreation and education of offspring; this covenant between baptized persons has been raised by Christ the Lord to the dignity of a sacrament."



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.



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CATHOLIC WOMEN of ZION

WE CORDIALLY INVITE YOU TO CWOZ-CHAPTER 1 35th YEAR ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION:

"THE WAY the TRUTH and the LIFE" John 14:1-31



Terry A. Ginther is currently the Chancellor of the Diocese of Trenton in NJ and serves on the Bishop's Curia as Executive Director for Pastoral Life and Mission. She holds degrees in both Pastoral Ministry and Business Administration. Terry has worked on the national, diocesan and parish levels during the past 30 years leading efforts in Pastoral Planning, Leadership Development, and Faith Formation. She is content to practice the "little way" of St. Therese doing small things with great love and the inspiration of Mother Frances Cabrini who hoped "that Jesus Christ would be known" in the work that she does. Terry and her husband Adam have two grown children, live in the Allenwood section of Wall Township, and

are parishioners of St. Denis Parish, Manasquan. These days her favorite role is that of "Nonni" to her two grandchildren. Come, bring a friend and join Terry as she shares:

"DO NOT LET YOUR HEARTS BE TROUBLED" (John 14:1)

Marylene D'Jamoos, formerly from Paris, France, now residing in Woodcliff Lake, NJ, moved to the United States where she happily married her husband Tony, from Brooklyn, NY. Marylene and Tony were married for 58 years and blessed with 3 children and 10 grandchildren. She became

a Lay Carmelite 42 years ago and served as their New Jersey Regional Coordinator for 12 years, continuing to grow in love with Jesus, Mary, and Carmelite spiritualty. For 18 years Marylene used her early French training to open and direct a successful and much sought after Catholic Montessori School in her parish. Marylene has always overflowed with an enthusiastic response to her Catholic faith, sharing it powerfully and joyfully with others



as a conference speaker. So, they also come to discover the unfathomable love that Jesus and Mary have for each and every one of us. Marylene invites us to join her as she shares:

"SEEKING OUR BLESSED MOTHER IN DIFFICULT TIMES"

Date: Saturday, February 10, 2024, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Mass: 9:00 a.m. in the Church, Fr. Thomas Maher will celebrate Mass Place: St. William the Abbot R.C. Church 2740 Lakewood-Allenwood Road, Howell NJ 07731 Admission: \$25 payable at the door, includes lunch/selection is on website.

Come and bring a friend. Reservations are necessary. Register Online at cwoz.org for Saturday, February 10, 2024.

OR

Call- 732-475-7113 no later than Tuesday, February 6, 2024 to register. Leave your phone number and spell your last name.