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Church of **ST. CLEMENT**

Sunday, June 2, 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.

BMass Intentions

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

SATURDAY, JUNE 1, 2024

- 5PM ANN FALCO by Kevin & Diane McNamara PATRICIA MCGONIGLE by the Michels family ROSE & THOMAS A. MCDONALD SR. by Rose McDonald Siniscal
- SUNDAY, JUNE 2, 2024
- 8AM LIVING & DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY BILL HEGARTY by his family MICHAEL PALUMBO, JR. by his family
- 11AM SADIE DEMAIO by the St. Clement Homebound Ministers FR. JOHN J. SCULLY by the St. Clement Community ANTHONY SAGGESE SR. & JOHN SAGGESE by their family
- MONDAY, JUNE 3, 2024
- 8AM PATRICK MARINACCIO by his daughter & family
- TUESDAY, JUNE 4, 2024
- 8AM DANIEL RICIARDI by the Savarese family WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5, 2024
- 8AM GEORGE WEINBEL by the Chrzanowski family
- THURSDAY, JUNE 6, 2024
- 8AM ALBERT & EVELYN MANNELLA by Terry, Phyllis & Claire McGovern
- FRIDAY, JUNE 7, 2024
- 8AM NEAL PATRICK HAYNES by his Mom & Dad SATURDAY, JUNE 8, 2024
- 5PM PORTIA 'RUTH" DECANDIA by Barbara Fitzgerald PAUL HALAS by the Grady family

RICHARD KOSACK by Anna Parese

- **SUNDAY, JUNE 9, 2024**
- 8AM SALVATORE STRANO by Claudia & Tom Strano LAMES B. DUEEV SB. by Susan & Pruce Oui

JAMES P. DUFFY SR. by Susan & Bruce Quinn DIANE FUSCO by Paula DelRosso

11AM VIVIAN M. GONZALEZ by Maureen Kelly DANNY MARANGIELLO by the Baron family JOAN GIBB by the McCloskey family

<u>COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, MAY 26, 2024</u> <u>ONLINE COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, MAY 26TH</u> <u>COLLECTION FOR ST VINCENT DE PAUL</u> Due to early bulletin submission deadline, totals for these collectinos will appear in a future bulletin.



FLOWERS FOR THE BLESSED MOTHER

The two flower arrangements placed at our Blessed Mother statue this weekend are given in honor of Martha Arima from her sisters Jeanine & Renee

The 2024/2025 Paschal Candle was donated in loving memory of Gerard M. Conrad by his wife & children



Greetings everyone, I pray you had a pleasant Memorial Day weekend with your family and friends. Let us pray that this upcoming summer is a safe one for all. I want to take the time to

acknowledge the retirement of our parish secretary, Holly Cahill. She has served St. Clement parish for the past 10 years and will be greatly missed. Her dedication and professionalism have been invaluable to me and our parish community. In addition to her secretarial duties, she helped to organize many of the community events at our parish, such as the picnics, St. Patrick Day dinner, and pancake breakfasts. She also volunteered her time as a teacher in our Religious Education program. We wish her peace and much happiness in her retirement. May God bless her and her family. *Father Tom*

RCIA-CONFIRMATION

The St. Clement community would like to congratulate the following parishioners that will receive the sacraments of Confirmation this weekend: Joseph Molinari, Kervin Perez and Victoria Rodriguez

COME AND CELEBRATE!

On this Sunday, June 2nd after 11AM Mass, we will be celebrating Fr. Tom's 15th year anniversary of his ordination. Please join us in our gym for refreshments and to congratulate Fr. Tom on this special anniversary.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 50/50

Now through Sunday, June 16th the St. Clement Cardinal Newman Council 5324 of the Knights of Columbus will be hosting a 50/50. All monies received will be deposited in the Knights general account and 50 percent will be donated to Birthrite. The other 50 percent to the 50/50 winner. Tickets are \$5.00 each and will be available after all weekend Masses. The total jackpot so far is \$820.00 (please note that this total does not reflect sales from the May 25//26th weekend)

2024/2025 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION

Religious Education Registration for the school year beginning September 2024 will be online. The link became available on Wednesday, May 29th For more information, please visit <u>stclementreligioused.org</u>

CHILDREN'S HOMILY

Just a reminder that St. Clement will have a Children's Homily at our 11AM Mass on the second and fourth Sunday of each month. All children are invited to attend!

NEW MINISTERY...HOSPITALITY

The parish is forming a Hospitality Committee and you are invited to join! The first meeting will be Monday, June 10th at 7pm in the Cry Room. Members on the committee would take turns setting up and/or cleaning up for our First and Third Sunday of the Month after mass refreshments. Any questions, please contact Ellen Vaccaro at 732-762-8129.

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.

<u>ST. CLEMENT OFFERS PARISH GIVING,</u> 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 Saturday, June 8, 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: Michael Lee Schoniger, Bob Wyshynski, Charles Carley,

Shannon, Meredith Cox Yanes, Tina Brungard, Francis Leonard, Mila & Jerry Spiegelman, 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, 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, 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, Lisa Hooker, Art Ubbins, Rosemary Ravenna, Kate Kikvigze, Jess Mulvihill, Robert Rorke, Angela Laboy, Pat Gallagher, Kristine O'Hara, Maureen Collins-Dougherty



PRAYERS-FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Remember Prayers for the dead is one of the greatest acts of charity we can perform. The follow-Deceased ing is a list of the names of members of St. Clement that have recently departed:

05/11/24 Gloria Diaz

SVdP provides spiritual, food distribution, emergency fi-



nancial and other services to those in need. The pantry currently is in need of 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 out-



lined 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.

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 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.



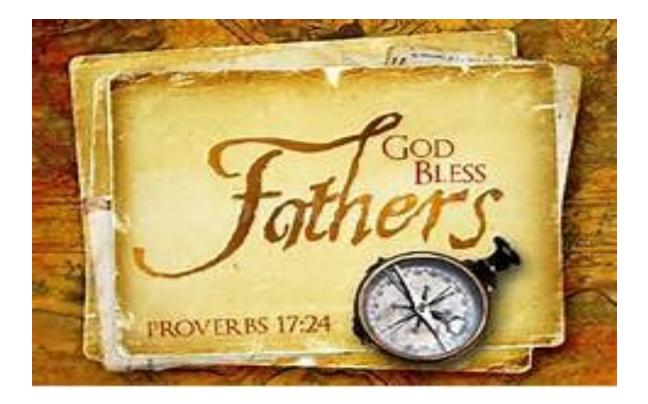
VOCATIONS MINISTRY

Funding from the ACA allows me to meet these men where they live and speak in their parish, offer fellowship at a picnic, prayer cards from Bishop or an ear to bounce around the idea



"I do this because being a priest wasn't in my plans. I had many different jobs but eventually, I know that the glorification of God and the salvation of souls was what I wanted. It occurred to me I can't be the only guy out there with this story." Rev. Christopher Colavito, Director, Vocations and Deacon Formation

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. To date we have received \$45,345.77 which is 76% of our goal.



<u>FATHER'S DAY MASS CARDS</u> Please fill out the envelope with your intention and your \$10.00 donation. Envelopes can be deposited in the collection basket or brought to the church office. These Father's Day prayer requests will be placed on our Altar and offered at all the Masses on Father's Day Sunday, June 16, 2024



4TH OF JULY COLLECTION FOR THE TROOPS

We will be collecting for our Troops beginning next weekend. Below is a list of requested items. We would also add to this list a card to thank them for their service and to let them know we are all thinking and praying for them. Donations can be placed in the bins in the church lobby before and after all masses. Items need to be received by Sunday June 9th.

Beef or chicken jerky	Crunch & Munch
Nuts-any kind	Cookies– any kind
Life savers	Gum
Kettle Corn/popcorn	Licorice
Dried fruit snacks	Rice Krispie Treats
Sunflower seeds	Protein bars
Pumpkin seeds	Trail mix
Pre-workout protein powder	Gas X
Cold, cough, flu relief remedies	Imodium
Dayquil, Nyquil—pills only	Lactaid pills
Tylenol Cold	Allergy Relief
Aspirin, Motrin, Ibuprofen	Zantac, Pepcid
Suntan lotion (no sprays)	Batteries—AAA,C, D
Moisturizer	Socks
Gold Bond Powder & Cream Razors	
Foot powder	Gatorade-drink packets
Bug wipes	Powerade drink packets
Chapstick	Q-tips
Feminine hygiene products	Fungus cream

Monetary donations towards shipping accepted. Checks payable to the Church of the Nativity on the memo line: Eagles Up!. Tax receipt given upon request.