



Church of ST. CLEMENT

Sunday, September 29, 2024

PARISH MINISTRIES

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Baptism Preparation Church Office 566-3616, ext. 111
Religious Education Tom Sweeney, 566-3616
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Altar Servers Jim Starace 732-566-3616
Ushers Ron Johnson 732-290-1371
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Liturgical Environment
Debby Popplewell 732-772-9890

SERVICES

Athletic Director Phyllis Besso, 970-4487
Clement House Louise Peddel 299-9503
Safe Environment Coordinators
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ORGANIZATIONS

Altar Rosary Society Marie Canonico 970-8261
Holy Name Ron Johnson 290-1371
Knights of Columbus Joseph Pittorino 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
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.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 for the Week

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2024

5PM ANTOINETTA BARONE by the Buro family
DON PUCILLO by his Mom
JOHN BRODERICK by his family

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2024

8AM CAROLE DELISA by the Tesi family
11AM MARIE & JOHN BAKER by Cathy Gillespie
JOHN LUCHESE by his family
JERRY CONRAD by Gene & Sue Kiley

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

8AM MARIE ARTELLI by Claudia Strano

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2024

8AM CARMEN F. SPEZZI SR. by the Golda Family

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2024

8AM ROBERT WEBER by Alina Mikrut

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2024

8AM STEPHEN SYMCZAK by Terry, Phyllis & Claire McGovern

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2024

8AM PETER MCKENTY by his family

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2024

7:45AM BABY OLIVIA HOPE & THE TRAVELSTEAD FAMILY by Maria Robinson
5:00PM DENNIS P. KING by Christine & Thomas King
BEATRICE M. & JAMES P. DUFFY by Rose McDonald Siniscal
MARGARET CRIME COLLINS by Peggy & Patricia

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2024

8AM LIVING & DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE ST. CLEMENT ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY
JEAN PALISAY by her family
MARGE COFFEE & BARBARA BLANCO by Ellen & Mike Roberts
11AM GENEVIEVE SALVIOLO by her family
ANGELINA GHERALDI by the Provenza family
PATRICK GILLESPIE by his wife Cathy

COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2024

\$5934.00

ONLINE COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2024

\$3437.00

COLLECTION FOR CAPITAL PROJECTS SEPTEMBER 22, 2024

\$848.00

WEDDING BANNS

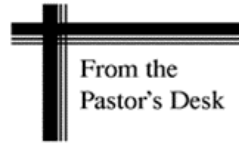
Concetta DeSimone & Joseph Reiff

FLOWERS FOR THE BLESSED MOTHER

The two flower arrangements placed at our Blessed Mother statue this weekend are in memory of Grace Hourihan by her loving family.



The Sanctuary light is dedicated this week in loving memory of Adolph Filipowicz by Tom & Claudia Strano



Greetings everyone, Election Day is approaching, and those of voting age are encouraged to participate in the election of our government leaders. The church teaches that voting is an important

responsibility of a nation's citizens. To assist you in discerning your vote, I am providing you with a link that offers guidance from a catholic perspective. The link, which is on the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) website, will be made available on our parish website. I pray you have a chance to review it.

Father Tom

BAPTISMS

We wish to welcome into the family of God and the St. Clement community the following child who was

baptized here this weekend:

WINSTON ASHER BUSER

Child of Kayla and Ayden

ST. CLEMENT ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Gil Carmichael & Bill Giovannello Memorial Golf Tournament at Knob Hill Golf Club

Tuesday, October 15, 2024.

1 Shinnecock Drive Manalapan, NJ

Anyone interested in golfing or helping please email stclementsports@gmail.com



"DINE TO DONATE"

TOWN SQUARE DINER

1077 Hwy 34, Aberdeen Township, NJ
Monday, October 7th from
8:00am-9:00pm.

15% of your check goes to the Altar Rosary Society.

****You must present flyer or picture on your mobile device to get credit for the church.****



BISHOP'S ANNIVERSARY BLESSING

All couples celebrating their 1st, 25th, or 50+ wedding anniversary during the 2024 calendar year, are invited to share the Eucharist, reaffirm your sacred wedding vows and receive Bishop O'Connell's Episcopal Blessing. Anniversary Couples from Monmouth Counties may attend the Mass and Blessing at the Co-Cathedral of St. Robert Bellarmine in Freehold on Sunday, October 6, 2024 at 3pm. Couples may register through their parish or by using the QR code on the Anniversary Poster located in the church lobby. The registration deadline for all anniversary has been extended to **Friday, October 4th.**

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, October 20th, 2024
8:30am to 2:00pm**

**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.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BREAKFAST

**Join us on Sunday, October 27th for a delicious breakfast after the 8am and
11am Masses at the Reception Center.**

**Adults and children age 13 and older -\$12.00, Seniors -\$10,
Children 6-12 - \$5.00, ages 5 and younger are free.**

**Our Cardinal Newman Council #5324 sponsors the breakfast for the benefit
of parishioners.**

**Proceeds from ticket sales support Knights activities in the church and
community.**



Thanksgiving Pie Sale!!!

Order a fresh Delicious Orchards Pie and pick it up in time for your Thanksgiving Celebrations!!

Sponsored by the St. Clement Youth Group and Delicious Orchards!!

All Pies Cost \$20.00 and are 9 inch pies (6-8 servings.)

There are **NO PRESERVATIVES** in the pies, so they must be kept refrigerated.

Orders will be taken before and after all masses in the church lobby on the following weekends:

September 28th & 29th October 5th & 6th October 12th & 13th

Pie Pick up will be on November 25th – 27th from 4pm-7pm in the St. Clement Gym Lobby.
Confirmed pick-up date will be announced via the bulletin.

The pies flavors available for order are:

Apple, Pumpkin, Pecan, Cherry and Sugar Free Apple



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 June, 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 Saturday, October 12, 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: Phil Vota, Randy Bishop, Bill Szabo, James McGowan,

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, Courtney Donohue, Ramona Fogelstrom, Rhoda Rubin, Anthony Pantina, Iris Ortiz, Bart Beaudry, Francine Brogen-Alampi, Andrea Reverendo, Dana & Patty Liccone, Andrea Reverendo, 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., 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 Kikvizze, Jess Mulvihill, Robert Rorke, Angela Laboy, Pat Gallagher, Kristine O'Hara, Maureen Collins-Dougherty, McKenna Kranek, Kevin McNamara, Robert Shuya, Donald DeMartino, Anthony Vergona, James VanDao Vergona, John Beungard, Teddy Connolly, Monica O'Toole, Evan Cristoe, Leon Lerner

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.



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 \$50,650.77 which is 84% of our goal.**

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:
08/27/24 Maria Goncalves.



SVDP provides spiritual, food distribution, emergency financial and other services to those in need. The pantry currently is in need laundry detergent and paper towels. Donations may be dropped at the church office. Please call their help line at 732-290-1878 if you need assistance.

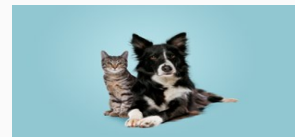
OUR PROMISE TO PROTECT

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.



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!



ANNUAL BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

Please join us next Sunday, October 6th at 12:45 with your pet for a special blessing in honor of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi (celebrated on Friday, October 4th, 2024.) We ask that all pets are on a leash or in a pet carrier. Meet us in front of the church. Hope to see you there!