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Sunday, October 13, 2024

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PARISH MINISTRIES

Marriage Preparation Church Office 566-3616, ext 111 Baptism Preparation Church Office 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 732-566-3616 Altar Servers Jim Starace 732-566-3616 Ushers Ron Johnson 732-290-1371 Liturgy Committee Bill Fiorelli 732-566-3616 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 Joseph Pittorino 566-3616 Senior Citizens Maryann O'Brien 566-0962 Hospitality Denyse Galasso 908-794-2007 Ellen Vaccaro 732-762-8129

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.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.



TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMESATURDAY, OCTOBER 12, 20245PM BERNADINE M. SANTOS by her family
JANE HOURIHAN by Susan & Bruce Quinn
SIMON ANTHONY DIXON by Flora CanalesSUNDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2024

- 8AM BEATRICE M & JAMES P DUFFY by Rose McDonald Siniscal MARIA SCARPELLI by her family
- 11AM MARIA SCARFELLI by her family MARIA ZAMORA by the Baldassare family MADDELENA GIAMBRONE by the Villa family
- PETER SCHULT by Al & Cathy Genkinger MONDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2024
- 8AM BILL GALLO by his wife & family
- TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2024
- 8AM MAXINE & DANIEL GENTILE by their family
- WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2024
- 8AM DANNY VANDERBILT by his wife & family
- FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2024
- 8AM BILL HEGARTY by his family
- SATURDAY, OCTOBE 19, 2024 5PM MARIAN VETRANO by her family ROSA FIGUEIREDO by her family THOMAS A. MCDONALD By Rose McDonald Siniscal
- SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2024
- 8AM GRACIAS FERNANDES by the Gracias family SEAN YOUNG CHO by the Min family
- 11AM KENNY MAR by Lena & Brock Hor VINCENT P. BURNS by the Corrigan family EFTEKAR IBRAHIM by Veronica and Patrick Hynes

<u>COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2024</u> \$7,029.00 <u>ONLINE COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY,</u> <u>OCTOBER 6, 2024</u> \$3,851.00 <u>COLLECTION FOR DIOCESAN ASSESSMENT</u> <u>OCTOBER 6, 2024</u> \$624.00

ALL SOULS DAY

All Souls Remembrance envelopes will be available in the church the weekends of October 19/20 and 26/27. Please write the names of your beloved deceased and place the envelopes in the collection baskets or bring to the Rectory. Your beloved deceased will be remembered in a special way at the November 2nd All Souls Day Mass.



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 10 and up -\$10.00, Seniors -

\$8, Children 9 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.



Greetings everyone, I hope you have been enjoying the pleasant weather our area has experienced recently. Last Sunday, we had a great turnout for the blessing of the animals. The

weather was perfect for the event. I blessed several dogs, some cats, a few guinea pigs, and 2 iguanas. Everyone who attended enjoyed the ceremony. In our parish ministries, I had the privilege of installing the officers for the Knights of Columbus Council last Sunday afternoon. Joseph Pittorino was installed as the Grand Knight. I thank Joseph and his fellow officers for accepting the responsibilities that come with their positions. Also, there was a misprint in my message in last week's bulletin, I meant to say, "from conception until natural death". My apologies for misleading you.

Father Tom

BAPTISMS We wish to welcome into the family of God and the St. Clement community the following children who were baptized here this weekend: ISABELLA ROSE GUISTI Child of Jacquelyn & Brian BLAISE CAMERON SETTE Child of Gina & Brian PETER MONGIOVE Child of Alyssa & Peter JULIA JANE FREDDIE LEE Child of Amanda & Brenden



Rev. Monsignor Strano Memorial Scholarship will be awarded to one 8th grade student from St. Clement Church. The candidate must be a registered and practicing parishioner. The student will receive a 4 year scholarship of

\$8000.00 annually. This amount will not decrease or increase over the 4 years at SJVHS. Deadline for scholarship application is November 15, 2024. Please review the criteria and application process. To apply, please visit: <u>www.sjvhs.com/admissions/</u>



THE THOMAS COSENTINO

MEMORIAL BLOOD DRIVE Sponsored by the American Red Cross & the Knights of Columbus Council 5324 Held at St. Clements Church 172 Freneau Avenue Matawan, NJ

Sunday, October 20th, 2024 from 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 <u>www.redcrossblood.org</u> sponsor code Knights of Columbus council 5324. You may also scan the QR code for registration.



YOUTH GROUP NEWS

Our Youth Group will be hosting a pumpkin painting event after the 11am Mass on Sunday, October 27th. This is a free event. In order to make sure we have enough pumpkins, please email:

<u>Tsweeney@stclementmatawan.org</u> with your RSVP.

The Sanctuary light is dedicated this week in loving memory of Simon Anthony Dixon by Flora Canales..

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 June, 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, November 9, 024 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 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., 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, McKenna Kranek, Kevin McNamara, Robert Shuya, Donald DeMartino, Anthony Vergona, James VanDao Vergona, John Beungard, Teddy Connolly, Monica O'Toole, Evan Cristoe, Leon Lerner, James Dreago



PRAYERS-FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Pravers 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:** 10/02/24 Rolando Cruz Tolentino, 10/05/24 Brock Hor



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

of laundry detergent, coffee, and canned corn. Donations may be dropped at the church office. Please call their help line at 732-290-1878 if you need assistance.

CORPROMISE TO PROTECT



PROMISE 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.

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 Joseph Shammas, Private, U.S. Marines

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 enerate 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 \$51,220.77 which is 85% of our goal.

CHILDREN'S HOMILY

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



ANGEL HANDS MINISTRY

If you enjoy knitting or crocheting, please consider our ministry. We provide baptismal blankets for our newest parishioners

and cozy, warm lap blankets for seniors. Contact the Church Office at 732-566-3616 ext. 111



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