



Church of ST. CLEMENT

Sunday, November 3, 2024

PARISH MINISTRIES

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SERVICES

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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
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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

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2024

8:00AM ALL SOULS
 5:00PM DIANE FLORENTINE by her loving family & friends
 JOHN ANGLIM by Mary & Jim Anglim
 ALL THE SOULS IN PURGATORY by The Gracias family
 7:30PM ALL SOULS PRAYER & CANDLE SERVICE

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2024

8AM LIVING & DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY
 SIMON ANTHONY DIXON by Flora Canales
 11AM JOSEPHINE BERKE by the Chrzanowski Family
 DR. ANGELA BONNELLI by her friend Bettyann
 EUGENIA ROSITANO by her family

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2024

8AM ROSE MARSALA by her daughter Kim

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2024

8AM MRS. ANGIE MOCCI by Mary Centimole Magnenat

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2024

8AM MARTHA SHADWELL by the Przywara family

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2024

8AM PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2024

8AM LENNY BUCHER by Carol DuBois

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2024

5PM JAMES GREENE by his wife & family
 JOSEPH GREENE by his wife & family
 CARY BRODERICK by his family

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2024

8AM LOUISE MARTORANA by her family
 ANTHONY BRYAN LIMTIU by Richelle & Joe Pickel
 ERNEST IMBROSCIANO by his family
 11AM JOSEPH DELLA BELLA by his wife & family
 FRANK CREMATO by Diane & Kevin McNamara
 JOHN DONEGAN by his family

COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, OCT. 20, 2024

\$10,286.00

ONLINE COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, OCT. 20, 2024

\$3965.00

COLLECTION FOR MISSION SUNDAY, OCT. 20, 2024

\$780.00

COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, OCT. 27, 2024

\$7255.00

ONLINE COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, OCT. 27, 2024

\$2186.00

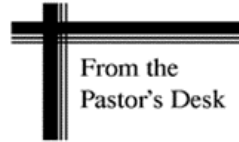
COLLECTION FOR CAPITAL PROJECTS OCT. 27th

\$1150.00



FLOWERS FOR THE BLESSED MOTHER

The two flower arrangements placed at our Blessed Mother Statue this weekend are in memory of Lillian C. Conrad by the Conrad family.



From the
Pastor's Desk

Greetings everyone, I pray you are well. We begin the month of November, and throughout this month we take some time to remember our friends and family members who have passed

away. The Church puts great importance on praying for all the souls who are in Purgatory, those souls who need purification and are waiting for the day when they will join the company of the saints in heaven. We can assist these souls with our prayers; making acts of penance and offering our sufferings for their intentions are other ways to help them enter their heavenly rest. Praying for the dead is one of the Spiritual Works of Mercy. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace.

Father Tom



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 \$8,000.00 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: www.sjvhs.com/admissions/

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

WEDDING BELLS

We wish to congratulate Gabriella Sferrazza and Joseph Beukers who were married here on November 2nd. May the love of God always be with them in their Sacrament of Matrimony.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

On Sunday, December 1st, please join us for Birthday Cards for Jesus following the 11am Mass and Movie Night at 6:00pm. Both events will be held in the gym.



NATIVITY PLAY

On Friday, December 13th at 7:00pm in the church, our 1st & 2nd grade Religious Education students will perform a Nativity Play celebrating the Birth of Jesus. All Parishioners are invited to attend.

The 2024/2025 Paschal Candle was donated in loving memory of Gerard Conrad by his family

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.

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 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



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Catering for Weddings, Sweet 16's, Communion, Baptisms,
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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 June, 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, November 9, 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.

FOOD PANTRY

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THE MATAWAN FOOD PANTRY NEEDS YOUR HELP!!

The St. Clement's Youth Group will be sponsoring a food drive for the Matawan Food Pantry.

Food will be collected on the on the following weekends:

11/02 & 11/03/24 and 11/09 & 11/10/24



Any non-perishable items are welcome, but, listed below is what is most needed:

Pasta
Pasta Sauce
Soup
Canned Beans
Diapers size 3-5
Wipes
Pancake Mix
Syrup
Jelly

Some additional items will also be needed for the Thanksgiving and Christmas Holidays:

Gravy
Stuffing
Instant Mashed Potatoes

The Matawan Food Pantry is grateful for the support of St. Clement's parishioners for this worthy cause.

St. Clement Church Tricky Tray

Saturday, December 7, 2024 1-4PM

Doors Open at 1PM-CALLING BEGINS at 2:30PM

Hosted by the Altar Rosary Society of St. Clement Church

Location: St. Clement School Gym

172 Freneau Avenue, Matawan NJ 07747

\$20 Advanced Purchase Admission (\$25 at the door) includes: Complimentary beverages, dessert, 1 door prize ticket and 1 Red Ticket Sheet

Additional individual Prize Tickets May be Purchased at the Event

- **Red Ticket Basket value:** \$50-99- 1 sheet for \$10 or 3 for \$25
- **Blue Ticket Basket value:** \$100 and up- 1 sheet for \$15 or 3 for \$35
- **Yellow Ticket Basket value:** Grand Mystery Prize valued at over \$1,000- 1 ticket for \$5 or 5 tickets for \$20

CUT HERE & RETURN To PARISH OFFICE or Place in COLLECTION Basket at Mass

PLEASE LABEL YOUR ENVELOPE "TRICKY TRAY". YOUR TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE DOOR ON THE DAY OF THE EVENT.

Name: _____

Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Email: _____ Cell Phone: _____

of Advanced Purchase Admission Package (@ \$20 each): _____

If writing a check please make check payable to: St. Clement Altar Rosary Society

Please feel free to bring outside food and snacks for your table. Remember, beverages and dessert will be provided.

- **NO** consumption of Alcoholic Beverages is permitted
- No one under 18 years old admitted
- **The Annual 50/50 winners will be called at this event:** Please purchase 50/50 prior to day of Tricky Tray- **NO** 50/50 tickets will be sold at the Tricky Tray & **MUST** be purchased prior.



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Please Call Debby Popplewell at 732-772-9890 if you have any questions.



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 Schomiger, 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 Coppia, 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, Carl Lundberg

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 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 \$52,640.77 which is 88% 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: 10/16/24 Fred Seitz



SVdP provides spiritual, food distribution, emergency financial and other services to those in need. The pantry currently is in need of turkeys for holiday food baskets, canned corn and coffee as well as store coupons for free turkeys. Donations may be dropped at the church office. Please call their help line at 732-290-1878 if you need assistance. SVdP also needs sponsors for their Adopt-A-Family Program where sponsors buy children Christmas gifts for a family in need.

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.