

# SAINT CLEMENT

## PARISH

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*Lovest Thou Me More Than These?*  
David Lindsay

### Parish Administrator

Fr. Stefano Colombo FSCB

### Assistant

Fr. Paolo Cumin FSCB

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Mrs. Mary Daley

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### OFFICE HOURS:

Monday through Thursday

10 AM - 1 PM and 3-6 PM

NEW: Friday 3-6 PM and  
3rd Saturday of each month 2-4  
PM

### Religious Education

Richard Johnston

[781 396-3112](tel:781-396-3112)

### OUR OFFICES

ARE NOW IN  
THE HIGH SCHOOL  
BUILDING

Please use the two  
ENTRANCES in the ALLEY  
between the church  
and the high school

## THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

"We must obey God rather than men. The God of our ancestors raised Jesus...We are witnesses of these things, as is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

(Acts 5:29-30;32)

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Monday, May 6

7:00 A.M

### Tuesday, May 7

7:00 AM - Raffelina Molino- Mem.

### Wednesday, May 8

7:00 AM - Salvatore & Rosa Mellamo

### Thursday, May 9

7:00 AM

5:30 PM - Eucharistic Adoration

6:30 PM

### Friday, May 10

7:00 AM

### Saturday, May 11

7:00 AM

4:00 PM - John & Rosa Bernardi - Anniv.  
- James & James Jr. D'Entremont

### Sunday, May 12

7:00 AM

9:00 AM - Michael Falco

- Maria Molino- Mem.

11:00 AM - Mary & Veto Narkevicius - Anniv.

- Emilio LoPriore- Mem.

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**BAPTISMAL CLASSES are usually held every FIRST Sunday**

**BAPTISMS every THIRD Sunday of each month,**

**both after the 11 AM Mass**

**Please confirm with the parish office.**



## OUR SANCTUARY CANDLE

will burn for the month of **May** in loving memory of **Joseph and Andrew Bottari**, given by their family.

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 3-4 PM, or by appointment



## THE ANCHOR

*Amen, amen, I say to you, when you were younger, you used to dress yourself and go where you wanted; but when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will dress you and lead you where you do not want to go." He said this signifying by what kind of death he would glorify God. And when he had said this, he said to him, "Follow me." (Jn 21:18-19)*

Christian history is a history of conversion.

You are going in one direction, where you think is best, like those two disciples going back home, and Jesus comes along and, when they recognize him, they go back immediately, to rejoin their friends in Jerusalem.

Peter famously denied Jesus three times. He morally "ran away" from his Teacher, but Jesus came back to rescue Peter from his own betrayal. Peter could go back to Jesus and tell him that he still loved him, no matter how unfaithful he was. This is a conversion too.

Peter and John had been in hiding since Jesus' death. But when Jesus came along, their hearts were so full of his Spirit that they went out to preach in his name and they never gave up, even when confronted by the authorities that had just sent Jesus to the cross.

The Church never gave up preaching in the name of Jesus since, even if people of faith have always strayed.

If we conceive of our faith as an intellectual or moral position (thinking well, acting well), it's easy to condemn and be condemned: we begin with Peter and Judas and all the others who betrayed or ran away, and we can finish by signing our own name at the bottom of this endless list of failures.

Still, Jesus makes a point of coming along, in the path of our lives, to give us chances to change course, to convert.

Conversion is not reserved for people who do not believe: it has to do with this habit that Jesus has of coming along, on our path, often going in the opposite direction. When we notice his presence then we change, the point is not how wrong we are.

The real point is that we pay attention and see where Christ is going, it's his invitation to Peter ("Follow me!"), extended to all of us, today, every day.

Two weeks ago, on Easter Sunday, Jesus went to the cross, suffered, and died again with more than three hundred of our brothers and sisters in Sri Lanka.

We pray for all of them, the survivors who were wounded, the families that lost their relatives and friends. Jesus came and they followed him. May they all come with him to the resurrection and eternal life.

The type of conversion that Jesus asks of us every day can be small: a prayer, an act of kindness to a loved one or an unknown person in need. Or it can be the last chapter of someone's life ("*someone else will dress you and lead you where you do not want to go.*"), as for our brothers and sisters who lost their lives on Easter.

In the end the ultimate meaning of our life is to find out every day what is the next step on our path, being aware that the right direction is not where we think, it's where Christ is.

Fr. Stefano

## Religious Education

Family Mass: Sunday, May 19th, 9:00 AM  
Second Eucharist and May Procession

Confirmation Rehearsal: Tuesday, May 28  
6:45 PM, Parish Hall and Church  
Students and Sponsors

Confirmation: Tuesday, June 4  
6:45 PM  
Parish Hall and Church

Please keep the young adults preparing for their Confirmation in your prayers.

## First Communion

Congratulations to our First Communion recipients:

* Annabelle Abramson	* Jayson Lemmons
* Sydney Abramson	* Ella Norcia
* Elizabeth Briones	* Owen Rsmos
* Luka Dvornik	* Valerie Wright
* Jordan Leidinger	

## May 11 and 12, Mothers Day Weekend Annual Baby Shower to Benefit Pregnancy Help

Following each mass this weekend, members of Court St. Clementine, CDA, will be collecting new items for newborns. The following items are on the "Wish List":  
*boys and girls long sleeve onesies (3-6 and 6-9 months)*  
*baby thermometers, bottle brushes,*  
*teethers and rattles toys with no buttons or plastic eyes.*

A Pack and Play will be set up in the church foyer.  
Monetary donations are also gratefully accepted.

Thank you for your generosity!!

## Court St. Clementine, CDA News

Congratulations to Tina Johnstin, who won the 2019 CDA Massachusetts Unsung Hero Award for her selfless, tireless efforts on behalf of the Catholic Daughters. We are tremendously proud of her and thankful for all she does!!!

## Annual Haitian Night

Sponsored by Junior Catholic Daughters  
May 18: tickets are \$10.00 per person,  
or \$25.00 for a group of 5.

The event will feature dance and authentic Haitian food. Come and mingle with your fellow parishioners and enjoy the flavors of the island. All proceeds will directly benefit the charitable activities of the Junior Catholic Daughters, Court of Our Lady of Providence.  
Contact Claire Suthar for tickets:  
thesuthars@yahoo.com

## Meat Bingo is Back!!!

More than 40 tickets have been sold already!  
**No tickets will be sold at the door!!**

Reserve your tickets by calling the Parish Office (781 396-3922), OR Mary Grace (781 583-8295). Prizes include gift certificates from McKinnon's and Omaha Steak Company, many local restaurants, and North Shore Music Theatre. Tickets will be available after the 4PM, 9 AM, and 11 AM masses during the May weekends leading up to the event, May 31.

Don't be left out!! Buy your tickets NOW!!!  
Reservations for a table of 8 are graciously accepted.!!!

## Catholic Daughters of America

The next meeting of the CDA Court 821 will be held on Monday, May 13, at 7 PM, in the Parish Hall.

## The Paschal Candle

This year, the Paschal Candle has been given in loving memory of Sister Ann Marie Ghiloni, CSJ, by the members of the Ghiloni family.

## Sacramental Calls

Let us take care of our brothers and sisters who are sick or homebound. If you know a parishioner who is unable to get to church and would like to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Eucharist, Anointing of the Sick.  
please call the Parish Office at 781 396-3922 to arrange an appointment or a periodic visit by one of our priests.

## COLLECTION DASHBOARD

Our goal for our weekly first collection: \$ 4,000.00

**LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTION: \$ 1,778.00**

NO SECOND COLLECTION this weekend:

SECOND COLLECTION next weekend: Monthly Parish Support

