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MASS TIMES

Daily Mass:

Tuesday - Friday:

7:00 AM

Saturday Vigil:

4:00 PM

Sunday Mass:

7:00, 9:00, 11:00 AM

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Thursday

7:00 PM

ROSARY PRAYER:

Monday and Saturday

7:00 AM

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday

9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday

3:00 - 4:00 PM

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“The Lord is just in all his ways and holy in his works. The Lord is near to all who call upon him, to all who call upon him in truth.” (Psalm 145: 17-18)

MASS INTENTIONS

Daily Mass: Tuesday ~ Friday at 7:00 AM -- Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM -- Sunday: 7:00, 9:00 & 11:00 AM

This week's Eucharist Celebrations are for:

- Sunday, September 20 - 11:00 AM: John & Rose Burns and Helene Kelley
- Tuesday, September 22 - 7:00 AM: The Anniversary of AnnaMarie Molino
- Wednesday, September 23 - 7:00 AM: Clara & Marie Palermo
- Thursday, September 24 - 7:00 AM: In memory of Mildred & William Fleming
- Friday, September 25 - 7:00 AM: Ottavio Palermo
- Saturday, September 26 - 7:00 AM Rosary: In memory of Edith & Helen Boccella
 ~ 4:00 PM: Theresa Aquilino and Louise Rose Nardella

Please pray for repose for the soul of **Luigi DiSisto**, who was buried from St. Clement this week.

Rosary Prayers are on Monday & Saturday at 7:00 AM.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available on Saturday's from 3:00 - 4:00 PM.

Eucharistic Adoration is on Thursday at 7:00 PM.

Baptisms may be scheduled on an individual basis by contacting the Parish Office.



For the month of September, the **Sanctuary Candle** is given in loving memory of **Armando Federico**, given by his wife, **Valentina Federico**, and family.



Weekly Prayer Column

Please pray for the strength and well being of **Charlotte Zachery, Mary Ackerly, Jessica Benton, Fred & Eleanor Hunter, Graziella Iacovino** and **Dora DelGizzi**.



FROM FR. PHONG



The celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation was brimming with joy, warmth and hope. Fr. Brian McHugh was fantastic and the young men and women were spirit-filled. Please pray that they would journey always along the path of peace and are most effective instrument of justice: Claudia Kateri Cooper, Alessandra Philomena DiFusco, Kendall Faith Perry, Kaleigh Mary Kosta, Diana Theresa Lucien, Shayla Patricia Lemmons, Jackeline Esperanza Tellez, Anthony Francis Chiappini and Amanda Diana Miller. A profound word of thanksgiving on behalf of the parish family of St. Clement to the catechists for preparing the hearts and minds of these wonderful Christians.

The refinishing work on the entrance doors of the church is done. Thanks to the Viet Catholics from East Boston. They worked so hard in stripping and sanding the wood smooth, stained and then varnished the doors. They look amazing, don't they?

Additionally, I am still waiting to get the final approval from the Archdiocese for the replacement of the church's roof and the repair of the school's boiler. These two projects will cost us much more than an arm and a leg. But - risking being blasphemous here - it is better to lose an arm and a leg than to spend the East coast winter with a collapsed roof and a condemned boiler. Yes, another huge loan will be taken out from the Archdiocese. Yes, our parish is digging deeper into the Red Zone. And yes, the parish more than ever desperately needs you.

The inside of the High School building will also receive a face lift. There will be a lot of polishing and waxing of class room floors and hallways, patching up broken plaster and mending cracked walls, renovating the bathrooms, cleaning out the old text books, tightening the screws on desks, replacing stained or missing ceiling tiles, repainting the walls, and checking the pipes and the drains... A long to-do list has been generated and indeed all hands need to be on deck.

And nope, none of the seminaries that I attended had imparted in me even an iota of knowledge on these matters. Thank God that I was instructed when stumped and felt dumb to always ask for help.

I am asking you to help the parish in whichever way that you can. Together we shall rise. Together we shall stand straight and tall. Together we shall rhyme the beating of our hearts and we shall sing and hand in hand we shall dance. Together we shall rekindle hopes and dreams. Together we shall with the bells toll harmonious chimes of brothers and sisters -- of Vietnamese and Italians, Irish and Mexicans, Filipinos and Portuguese, black and brown, yellow and white, chopsticks and spoons and forks and fingers. Together we shall rebuild the Kingdom of God. Together we shall look straight into each other's eyes, cup in the palm of our hands each other's face, and grasp with utter certainty that we are beholding the Divine!

Shalom, Father Phong

Request for a Ride

Two elderly parishioners are requesting a ride to Mass. They live together in the vicinity of Windsor Road in Medford. They have not specified a preferred Mass time. If you think you might be able to assist them, please contact the parish office. Please be sure to include your name and phone number. Thank you and God bless you for your kindness.

Red Cross Blood Drive This Saturday

September 26 from 9:00am ~ 3:00pm

In the Parish Hall

Court St. Clementine will host another Blood Drive, sponsored by the American Red Cross. All potential donors will be required to wear a mask or other acceptable form of facial covering. The Red Cross has protocols in place to assure the safety of all who participate in this important drive. As of June 2020, all donations are being screened for the COVID-19 antibody. Please sincerely consider participating in this critical activity. You may sign up on the Red Cross App or website. Also, sign up sheets will be available as we get closer to the date of the drive. Give the Gift of Life!!

Mass Intentions

If you would like to request an intention, please contact the parish office. We will need the **recipient's full name, your full name and your phone number**. Written requests cannot be taken since we cannot guarantee your requested date and time are available.

Donations for intentions may be mailed to the Parish office or placed in the collection box. When sending in your donation, please write legibly the **recipient's name and the date of the Mass**. This is essential. **Please, no anonymous donations!** If we don't know where an envelope comes from, we don't know you paid us!

Reminder: If you scheduled a Mass intention on a Monday or Saturday morning, your intention will be honored and prayed for during our Rosary prayers. If you want to keep the time and day, you don't need to do anything. If you would like to reschedule for a Mass time, please contact the Parish office.

Faith Formation Programs (CCD)

Due to the pandemic, we are still discussing what the CCD programming will be in the near future. However, we would like to know if you have a child/children who are of age to prepare for First Communion (grades 1-2), or Confirmation (grades 9-10). If so, please email the Parish Office or call us Monday-Friday, between 9:00 AM and 1:00 PM, so we can receive your information, or if you have questions. Thank you for your support of our parish!

Volunteers Needed!!

As mandated by the Archdiocese, ALL volunteers, Lectors and musicians must have their temperature taken at each Mass before they begin serving. We still **urgently need non-risk volunteers to help usher** at each Mass. All of masses are currently understaffed for ushers and we are happy to have your help for any mass time you are able to come! We also need more people to remain after Mass to help **clean and disinfect the church** before the next Mass. To start volunteering, contact Allison Fillo: **(860) 227-6429** or **allison.ahern@gmail.com**. Indicate what role you will volunteer for and which masses you can help with.

About This Weekend's Second Collection

Today's collection supports the Clergy Health and Retirement Trust which cares for the health and well-being of our active and senior priests in good standing. Whether it is within our parish communities or in the community at large, our priests are making a difference every day. By supporting this collection, you are helping to ensure our active priests receive the care they need to continue their important work and our senior priests can live in community with access to quality care. This collection is a primary source of funding for the Clergy Health and Retirement Trust and your generosity is greatly appreciated.

COLLECTION DASHBOARD

Weekly Collection Goal: \$4,000.00

Last Week's Collection: \$1,575.00

This Weekend Second Collection: Clergy Health Retirement Trust

Next weekend Second Collection: Pilot Subscriptions

