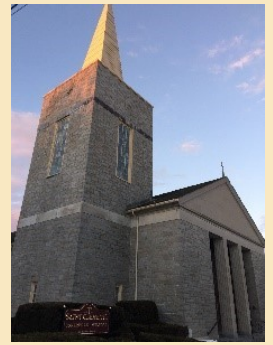


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Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Jesus said to them, 'Did you never read in the Scriptures: The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone: by the Lord has this been done, and it is wonderful in our eyes? Therefore, I say to you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit.'" (Mt 21: 42-43)

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday
9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

CONFESSIONS

Saturday
3:00 - 4:00 PM

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Further information will be
available in January 2021.

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

MASS INTENTIONS

4:00 PM	Saturday, October 3 +Lucy and Adolph Davidio <i>Memorial</i> +Pauline Centrella <i>Memorial</i> +Patricia Bradley <i>Birthday Anniversary</i>
9:00 AM 11:00 AM	Sunday, October 4 +Luigi DiSisto <i>Month's Mind</i> +Armando Federico <i>Memorial</i> +Grace S. Faraci <i>Memorial</i>
7:00 AM	Monday, October 5 Recitation of the Rosary
7:00 AM	Tuesday, October 6
7:00 AM	Wednesday, October 7 +Sanctification of Priests
7:00 AM	Thursday, October 8
7:00 AM	Friday, October 9
7:00 AM 4:00 PM	Saturday, October 10 Recitation of the Rosary +Louis Remigio <i>3rd Anniversary</i> +Lemuel Toledo and Mercedes Campos Parsi +Ike Leone <i>5th Anniversary</i> +Geraldine Gello <i>Memorial</i>
9:00 AM 11:00 AM	Sunday, October 11 +Anna, David and John Walsh <i>Memorial</i> +Mario Cocchiara <i>Memorial</i> +Adelina Martiniello <i>Memorial</i>

Thank you to Joseph Sokolski for his generous donation in memory of *Lena DiGiatomasso*. His donation has been used to purchase flowers for the beautification of Saint Clement Church.



IN LOVING MEMORY

Our sanctuary candle for the month of October will burn in loving memory of *Alfonso Auciello*, given by his wife, Maria.



PRAYER CORNER

Please pray for Dora DelGizzi, Mary Ackerly, Brian Branson, Fred and Eleanor Hunter, Graziella Iacovino, Marie Lahue, Florence Breau, and Charlotte Zachary.

FROM FATHER PHONG

A computer programmer hurried from work to our high school building and spent the next four hours fixing the many broken toilets. A world-travelled financial consultant dropped everything to come help with drying out the wet floor rug. A museum curator spent many hours, at times under the suffocating humidity, to bring the very weather-worn outdoor statue of Mother Mary back to life. A group of former boat people labored from early morning hours to late afternoon for three days to restore the entrance doors back to their magnificent beauty. The flowers on the front steps of the church, the plants and the mums in the sanctuary and the autumn wreaths are thoughtfully displayed by the women of the Liturgical Committee. All are honest professions of love and declaration of hope for the Church of St. Clement. Please stay loving. Please remain hopeful. The Church of St. Clement more than ever needs you.

Every Thursday, 7:00-8:00 PM, the Blessed Sacrament is placed on the Altar. Meditative music, incense and silent prayers fill every sacred space of the Church. The Scriptures of the day would be proclaimed. The adorers are to enter into a state of grace, of peace. And of God. Come and join us.

My sister called me last Friday evening. She needed me to get mom out of the house and join my younger brother's family at a lake house over the weekend. Mom has regained some strength, but the risk of falling again is still high. So she is put on dosage of baby aspirin instead of blood thinner; it is far more devastating for her from a fall than it would from a small stroke. She went to the lake house and enjoyed her time with the grandchildren and the fishing. A little croaker here, a catfish there, she has always been the best catcher. Oh, how I would like to go see her!

The priest who invited me to move from the hot climate of Texas to the cold of Michigan to begin my journey toward the priesthood passed away last week. He is to be buried on this Friday in Stockton, California. The family called and pleaded for my presence. In tears, I had to decline the invitation. Just can't. Not with the Covid and the present responsibilities. And then, all of a sudden, I recall that I still owe him five hundred dollars that he had loaned me during my years at the college seminary. I have got to return the favors.

I have got to return the favors to this world, this humanity, my family, friends and benefactors—without whom I am simply not here. I have got to return the many favors to God—for my entire existence.

October is here, the month traditionally dedicated to the Rosary. It would be a good thing to do, not only to recite, but to meditate on the mystery of the Hail Mary. Say it slowly, reflectively and thoughtfully. You can even substitute the prayer before each meal with the Hail Mary. Even better, live the Hail Mary each day! And while you are praying, say a prayer for me.

Shalom,

Father Phong



Thank you so much to the family of the late *Luigi DiSisto*, who requested donations be made to Saint Clement Parish in his memory. Please keep Luigi and his family in your prayers.



Saint Clement Parish joyfully welcomes *Cristiano Evangelista* who will be baptized at the 11:00 AM Mass today, Sunday, October 4.

HOLY FATHER'S PETER'S PENCE

Next week's second collection will support the Holy Father's "Peter's Pence" collection that provides funds for emergency and disaster relief. This collection will also provide support to The Catholic University of America (CUA) that educates priests and lay people for ministry and for the Inner City Parishes of the Archdiocese of Boston. Your generosity will assist the Holy Father, as well as the various missionary efforts at home and abroad.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Two elderly parishioners request a ride to Mass. They live together near Windsor Road, Medford. If you think you might be able to assist them, please contact the Parish Office. Thank you for your kindness.



If you are new or visiting at Saint Clement Parish, please introduce yourself to Father Phong, or call the Parish Office if we can be of assistance. If you would like to become a member, please complete the registration form at the entrance of the Church.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bulletin Announcements must be submitted to Saint Clement Parish Office no later than 6:00 PM on Tuesdays. Submit all notices to: secretarystclement@outlook.com.

The Light is ON for You.
Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation

FAITH FORMATION PROGRAMS

It has been decided to postpone the start of the Saint Clement Religious Education Program to January of 2021. Be assured the students in our First Communion and Confirmation Programs will be prepared to receive their sacraments in the Spring of 2021.

If you have any questions, please contact Father Phong Pham, or Richard Johnston (raaljohnston@yahoo.com; 617 633-6536). Thank you.

REFLECTIONS ON THE ROSARY

St. John's Seminary is offering a virtual four-part series entitled "Reflections on Marian Spirituality," during the month of October, traditionally dedicated to the Holy Rosary. Visit www.sjs.edu/celebrating20 to register.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!

As mandated by the Archdiocese, ALL volunteers, lectors and musicians must have their temperatures taken at each Mass before they begin serving. We **urgently need non-risk volunteers to help usher** at each Mass. All 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 can fulfill, and at which Masses you can help.

COLLECTION

Last Week's Collection: \$ 2,041.00

No Second Collection this Weekend

Next Weekend Second Collection: Holy Father and Missionary Efforts

