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Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe



Come, you who are blessed by my Father.
Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.

Matthew 25:34

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09:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

HOÀ GIẢI - RECONCILIATION

Saturday

2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Sunday

8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.

10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

3:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

LỊCH TRÌNH PHỤNG VỤ - LITURGY

Thánh Lễ Cuối Tuần - Weekend Masses

Saturday 4:00 p.m. (English)

Sunday 9:00 & 11:00 (Việt)

4:00 p.m. (English - Việt)

Thánh Lễ Trong Tuần - Weekday Masses

Tuesday to Friday

7:00 a.m. (English) & 7:00 p.m. (Việt)

Chầu Thánh Thể - Benediction

Sau Thánh Lễ Tối Thứ Năm

Following the Thursday Evening Mass

Xin liên lạc Văn Phòng Giáo Xứ trong giờ làm việc hoặc
Cha Quản Nhiệm vào bất cứ lúc nào cho những Nhu Cầu
Mục Vụ khác.

Please contact the Office for additional need

MASS INTENTIONS

7:00 AM 4:00 PM	Saturday, November 21 Recitation of the Rosary +Giuseppe Gelormini <i>Memorial</i> +Luigi Gelormini <i>Memorial</i> +William Raczkowski <i>15th Anniversary</i> +Bo Lyons <i>Anniversary</i>
9:00 AM 11:00 AM 4:00 PM	Sunday, November 22 +John and Josephine Houlihan +Giuseppe Raffaele <i>Anniversary</i> +Salvatore Pugliese <i>Memorial</i> + Family of Saint Clement
7:00 AM	Monday, November 23 Recitation of the Rosary
7:00 AM 7:00 PM	Tuesday, November 24 +Holy Souls of Purgatory +Family of Saint Clement
7:00 AM 7:00 PM	Wednesday, November 25 +Charles J. Breen Sr. <i>2nd Anniversary</i> +Family of Saint Clement
9:00 AM 11:00 AM	Thursday, November 26 +Thanksgiving Day Mass +Thanksgiving Day Mass
7:00 AM 7:00 PM	Friday, November 27 +No Mass +No Mass
7:00 AM 4:00 PM	Saturday, November 28 Recitation of the Rosary +Simeone and Victoria Dominijanni +Giuseppe Martiniello <i>2nd Anniversary</i> +Raymond Patalano <i>Memorial</i>
9:00 AM 11:00 AM 4:00 PM	Sunday, November 29 +Family of Saint Clement +Family of Saint Clement +Family of Saint Clement

FROM FATHER PHONG

A friend wrote to me. Over the weekend she was visiting an Amish family. Looking out through the windows she spotted two huge furry, white dogs. "They're some kind of a sheepdog breed and they used to belong to a priest who had to relocate. The female is very good and protective of the little children and would not allow them to get near the road," the kind Amish mother answered. That is when my friend realized that they were my dogs, Tesla and Espera. Once finished reading my friend's note, my heart ached.

Maremma sheepdogs. I got them when they were only 6 week old. I bathed them. I brushed their hair. I chased after them. I even had to purchase a carpet cleaning machine because of their puppy mishaps. Between them, they had destroyed about twelve so-claimed indestructible dog beds. I built - with the help of a real carpenter - an insulated house for them. And most of my food bill was incurred by their blackhole appetite.

Yes, it was extremely hard to give them up. It was even harder when I was informed that they both had wandered near and far everyday for a month in search of me. Although I miss them terribly, I am content and happy that they both are at peace and comfortable with the new owners, an Amish family with lots of children and lots of acreage for them to run. Some day, I will tell you the story of how I was summoned by the local court because Tesla decided to catch me a breakfast with the neighbor's wild pet rabbit.

95.7 billion dollars were spent on pets by Americans in 2019, and despite the pandemic 99 billion dollars is the projected expenditure for the year 2020. These astounding numbers perhaps are indications that we are lonelier, no? That we have chosen animals over humans for trusting companionship? That we would rather talk and confide in dogs and cats than family and friends? That we find comfort and even salvation everywhere but from the homo sapiens? Perhaps that is why there is a lot more shouting and screaming out there? More anger out there? More violence out there? More divisions, more name calling, and much more self-righteousness out there?

In other words, perhaps the world has become a mess because Jesus is no longer a necessity, but a mere convenience? Or is it because Jesus no longer the Christ, the Savior, the Messiah, the Numero Uno, the King? Is Jesus Christ still observed as the King of this universe? Honestly, is Jesus Christ still our King?

Seventy-eight years ago, on Sunday, November 22nd, the Church of St. Clement was dedicated. This Sunday, at the eleven o'clock Mass, Bishop Mark O'Connell is rededicating and entrusting the Church of St. Clement, this time to the care of the descendants of over one hundred thousand Vietnamese Martyrs. How exquisitely blessed we are! May the sacred blood of Saint Pope Clement and the Vietnamese Martyrs take root and germinate in each of our heart. May our communion not only unite us under the sovereignty of Christ the King, but be the foundational impetus and aspiration for our today and tomorrow. Therefore, let's rhyme the beating of our hearts. Let's find in one another the divine warmth and trust of human companionship. And together, "Let us build a house where love is found in water, wine and wheat - a banquet hall on holy ground where peace and justice meet. Here the love of God, through Jesus, is revealed in time and space. As we share in Christ the feast that frees us, all are welcome. All are welcome. All are welcome in this place." (Marty Haugen)

Happy Feast Day! Saint Pope Clement of Rome! The Vietnamese Martyrs!

Shalom, Father Phong

PRAYER CORNER



Dora DelGizzi, Mary Ackerley, Brian Branson, Fred and Eleanor Hunter, Marie Lahue, Florence Breau, Stanley and Donna Chiozzi, Patricia DiFillippo, Sally Kiely and Thomas Marabella.

IN LOVING MEMORY



Our sanctuary candle for the month of November will burn in loving memory of **Donald Kilgallen**, given by his family.



PLEASE PRAY FOR:
Howard T. Winter
 who was buried from
 Saint Clement Church
 this past week



ST. CLEMENT PARISH GIVING TREE



All Giving Tree donations benefit Respond, Inc. Somerville, MA. Twenty (20) families need our help this Advent season. Due to the coronavirus pandemic, this year's Wish List will consist of gift card donations only. Gift card requests: Target, Walmart, Market Basket, Kohl's, Bed Bath & Beyond, Amazon, Marshall's, Old Navy, Carters, Stop & Shop, Burlington, Uber, Gap, Nintendo Shop, Ulta, TJ MAXX. Please return and deposit gift card donations in the locked box located at the Church entrance. We will sort and package the donations received and hand-deliver them to Respond, Inc. Copies of the Family Wish List are available at the entrance of the church. **The return date for all donations is on or before December 9, 2020.** Thank you in advance for your continued generosity & support.

SAINT CLEMENT PARISH LITURGY COMMITTEE.

PASTORAL AIDE TO THE HOMEBOUND

If you are aware of anyone who would like to receive a visit, the Eucharist, the weekly bulletin, or who would simply enjoy a weekly telephone call to chat, please submit their names to: secretarysaintclement@outlook.com. Thank you.

SAINT CLEMENT FOOD COLLECTION



We have begun collecting nonperishable foods for the local food banks. Donation boxes are located at the front entrances of the Church. We appreciate your continued support and generosity. Thank you.

Today we recognize those who have made a gift or pledge to the 2020 Catholic Appeal. Especially, during these challenging times, your participation is greatly appreciated. **Thank you!** If you have not yet given, it is not too late. We recognize that many of you may be navigating your own financial challenges but ask for your prayerful consideration of a gift to the 2020 Catholic Appeal at whatever level is comfortable for you. If you have not received a Catholic Appeal letter or email request, donations can be made on line at www.bostoncatholicappeal.org You can also place your donation in the Sunday Collection basket clearly marked "Catholic Appeal"..**Remember that when our Parish exceeds its goal, a percentage of any additional funds received is returned for use in our Parish.** When each of our individual gifts are combined with the gifts of thousands of other parishioners in the Archdiocese, a very real difference is made in the ability to provide ministries and services.

2020 Assessment	\$ 16,036.00
Gifts and Pledges	\$11,515.00
Shortfall	\$ 4,586.00

This is our Church. Thank you again for your support.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS



Thanksgiving Pie Pick-Up The pies have arrived and will be distributed on Tuesday and Wednesday, November 24 and 25, from 9AM to Noon both days, in the Parish Hall. Please Note: We will also have some pies for sale! All proceeds benefit the CDA Scholarship Fund.



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.



COLLECTION

Last Week's Collection: \$4309.00
 The Second Collection this weekend is for Retired Sisters.
 No second collection next weekend.