St. Clement Eucharistic Shrine

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November 6, 2016 Thirty-second Sunday In Ordinary Time



Parkingonly between the church parking signs

Schedules

Masses

Mon-Fri 7A, 12:10P Sun 11A, 8P Sat 11A Holy Days 7A,12:10P,7P

Perpetual Adoration

All day, every day. After 9P, pass key required; contact 617-536-4141 x105

Confessions

Mon 7:30P-8:30P Before weekend Masses

Liturgy of the Hours Mon-Fri 6:30A, 5P

Weekly Activities

Rosary, Front Room Monday 6:30-6:45P

Young Adults, Front Room Monday 7-8P

Monday Nite Confessions 7:30-8:30P

Music Ministry Upper Rm

Tuesday 7-9P

Legion of Mary Front Rm Thursday 6P

Pure In Heart Upper Rm Thursday 7P

SECURE GIVE

Kiosk Giving Use any credit card at the giving kiosk in the vestibule.

Text Giving Text the word **SHRINE** to 617-209-2779, leave a space and then the dollar amount.

SecureGive App Download the App through your smartphone or tablet. (iTunes app store or Google play store) **Online Giving**

Visit the St. Clements website at www.stclementshrine.org

Sunday - 2:00AM **Daylight-saving time ends**

- Turn your clock back one hour before going to bed on Saturday.
- It's also time to change batteries in vour smoke/radon detectors.





Saturday, November 5 7:30 p.m. Lower level Hall

"Nunc Coepi — The Life of Venerable Bruno Lanteri"

'Nunc Coepi" is the new documentary on the life of Venerable Bruno Lanteri, founder of the Oblates of the Virgin Mary. The film was shot on location in Italy and is being shown this year as part of our 200th Anniversary celebration. Come see "Nunc Coepi" and engage in interesting discussions with those who made the film.

(To help us with the refreshment order please call 617.266.5999 x130 or email omvusa@gmail.com and leave the number that will be attending.)

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A Group For Discerning Women Front Room Wednesday:7-9:00pm

Nov 30, Dec 14, Jan 25, Feb 22, Mar 29, Apr 26

The Great Adventure Catholic Bible Study Program Front Room

GREAT DVENTURE

Wednesdays: Nov 9, 16, 23

DEC 7, 28

FEB 1, 8, 15 MAR 8, 15, 22, 29 APR 5, 12, 19, 26

Meetinas, not at St Clement will be held at the Pavement Cafe

JAN 4, 11, 18 APR 5, 12, 19, 26 7 to 8P Discussion – 8 to 9P Jeff Cavins video lectures.

Please Note:

Thanksgiving Day – Thursday, November 24th there will be no 7am or 12:10pm Masses, only 1 Mass will be celebrated at 11:00AM



No change in adoration hours..



God so Loved the World"

An Advent Service of Prayer, Adoration & Music Friday, December 16th, 7:00 PM

Ellie Wee, Cello - Henri St. Louis, Organ

During the summer months current adorers have family vacations weeks planned and require someone to cover their weekly adoration hour. Please let me know if you can be a temporary substitute.

Jen Thomas 617.266.5999 x105

Monday 7A, 2P, 3P, 5P, 6P 4A, 11A, 1P Tuesday Wednesday 12A, 8A, 10A, 3P, 4P

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Sunday



Spiritual Thought

I was scheduled to say Mass at a nursing home. I got my Alb, draped it over my arm and went to the back door to check out the car situation. I opened the door to see what was available and there was nothing in the lot. I forgot to sign out a car. I went back in the house, stood in the

doorway with a thousand-mile stare and tried to figure out if I should take public transportation and be three hours late. I am not sure how long I was there, one minute, maybe five or ten. Someone came through the back door, looked at me and said, "Oh, do you want a car?" I did not hide my joy and told him, "Yes." He said, "You know I was going to stay longer but I got this funny feeling that someone needed a car so I came back early." Do you ever get a funny feeling and act on it? I call it mental telepathy. I tried it once on our cook hoping she would read my thought waves... "Pizza, cook pizza." It didn't work.

It worked for Zacchaeus, however. Note that he is not just a tax-collector but the chief tax-collector. What does that mean? Rome never collects taxes; they hire a company to do the dirty work. The company pays everyone's taxes to Rome. Then the company of tax-collectors and soldiers go out and collect. It is the CEO of that company who is the most hated man in the first century. Why then would he want to climb a tree when there is a crowd? He will have 100% visibility. I would think is the last thing he would want. Why? He wanted to send a message.

So he climbs a Sycamore tree. What is a Sycamore tree? If you ever see a tree that looks like it has a skin disease with its bark all curled up and peeling off then it is probably a Sycamore. A Sycamore looks unhealthy and diseased, but it is really very healthy. Isn't it interesting that the chief tax-collector is a person that everyone thinks is flawed and spiritually dead, but just maybe he is very healthy. Zacchaeus sends out a "mental telepathy" message to our Lord: "I want to change my life. I know that I can do great things with You. Give me that chance." Our Lord enters the city with large crowds, noise and joyous chaos. People are pushing to get a look and touch his garment. Yet over all the distractions, he hears the message. Again, we have another flawed person, who everyone has a reason to hate. But in the kingdom of heaven, even the most despised person has potential for greatness.

One of the reasons I love to fly fish is because of the Mayfly hatch. The Mayfly lives under a rock at the bottom of the river. We are not sure when or why, but after four years they float to the surface. When they get to the top they pull out their wings, flap them around to dry them out and fly away to mate and lay their eggs. They only have one day to do this. There is a comic depiction of two Mayflies. The male Mayfly says to the female Mayfly, "What do you mean you have a headache?" After they mate, the female Mayfly flies upstream, lands in the same river and lays her eggs. After the Mayfly lays its eggs, the eggs slowly sink in the current until they land on the bottom of the riverbed. Take a guess where the eggs land? They land at the precise rock which the mother just crawled out. How do they know? How do they calculate the speed of the water and the sink-rate of an egg? I'm not done yet. Now the mother lies on the water with her wings spread out on either side so the fish can see her from the bottom. She acts as decoy with her own body and distracts the fish from eating the eggs. That is remarkable. It's a bug! How many of us could calculate the sink rate of an egg so it lands in a precise location. If God can instill in a bug something that you and I would never figure out imagine what He can do with a tax-collector.

What did you learn from this spiritual thought? Mental telepathy does not work for my cook, or a bartender, but it does for God. If Zacchaeus were here today, he would tell us: "Send the message. If you want to change your life and if you want God to do something great. He does hear you." Flawed people in the kingdom of God have potential to do great things.

Young Adults Activities To be added to the St. Clement Young Adult emails, contact stclementyoungadults@gmail.com

St. Francis House, 39 Boylston St.- Volunteer Opportunity first Saturday of each month. Please contact: Joey George igeorge@alum.mit.edu