

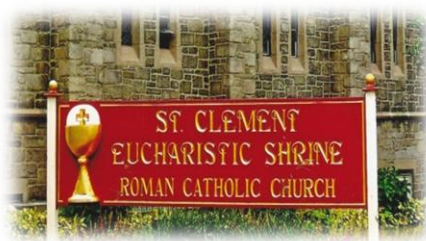
St. Clement Eucharistic Shrine

1105 Boylston St., Boston, MA 02215

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Staffed by the Oblates of the Virgin Mary omvusa.org

February 19, 2017 Seventh Sunday Ordinary Time



Parking—
only 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

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A Group For Discerning Women

Front Room Wednesday: 7-9:00pm

Feb 22, Mar 29, Apr 26



Corsages and Cummerbunds Winter Formal

Saturday, February 25th 8:00 p.m.- 1:00 a.m.

The Westin Copley Place

St Cecilia's 3rd annual SCYA-organized Winter Formal.

Tickets at stcecilia.eventbrite.com.

Cash Bar/DJ/light Hors d'oeuvres/after party 11:30P-1AM

Early Bird tickets \$35/ price increases after Feb. 18th

open to ages 21-40/black tie optional



The Society for the Propagation of the Faith is co-hosting the Boston Premiere of the feature film "The Shack" to benefit children in the missions.

THE SHACK

Thursday, March 2, 2017, AMC Framingham 16,

22 Flutie Pass, Framingham, MA

Doors open at 6:30 p.m. - Premiere begins at 7:00 p.m.

All seats in the theatre are reserved for this event - over 800 are available through The Propagation of the Faith. Groups will be seated together on a first-come, first-served basis, so be sure to be there when the doors open at 6:30pm! Sign up by emailing info@propfaithboston.org with the following info: number of people attending, parish and your contact name and email.

Starring Academy-Award winner Octavia Spencer (The Help), Sam Worthington (Avatar, Hacksaw Ridge), and the country music sensation, Tim McGraw and is produced by Gil Netter (Life of Pi, The Blindside).

The Great Adventure Catholic Bible Study Program Front Room

Wednesdays:

MAR 8, 15, 22, 29

APR 5, 12, 19, 26

*Meetings. not at
St Clement will be held
at the Pavement Cafe*



7 to 8P Discussion – 8 to 9P Jeff Cavins video lectures.

**40 DAYS
FOR LIFE**

Campaign Kick-Off: **Wednesday, March 1st at 3 pm.**

Vigil Location: Sidewalk outside

Planned Parenthood 1055 Commonwealth Ave. Boston

Vigil hours: 7 am to 7 pm daily

Local contact: 781-762-4391 rita.a.russo@gmail.com

Candlelight Vigils Friday nights at 7 pm, March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, and April 7.

Spanish Vigils Saturday mornings at 10:30 am, March 4, 11, 18, 25, and April 1 and 8.

Sunday Family Vigils at 2 pm, March 5, 12, 19, 26, and April 2.

Tuesday Rosaries at 2 pm, March 7, 14, 21, 28, and April 4.

Concluding Prayer Service, Sunday, April 9 at 3 pm.

These are the current "open" hours of Adoration where we need an adorer. Please let me know if you can cover one of these hours either temporarily or regularly.

dorationboston.com

Jen Thomas 617.266.5999 x105

Monday	8A, 2P, 3P, 5P, 6P
Tuesday	4A, 8A, 11A, 1P, 4P
Wednesday	12A, 4A, 8A, 10A, 3P, 4P
Thursday	1A, 8A, 12P, 2P, 4P
Friday	7A, 11A, 12N, 1P, 4P
Saturday	2A, 10A, 3P, 4P
Sunday	2A, 9A, 12P, 1P



Spiritual Thought

Growing up, I was the second oldest of five boys. That means I had one brother who was the boss and three who were clueless. It was impossible to grow up with four brothers and not use the word "idiot." With that said, I grew up, minding my own business, then, all of a sudden, I entered puberty. Let me tell you how hard it is not to look at a girl without.... No, I don't have to tell you because you already know. This is my question: Why does Jesus make it so hard to fulfill the law? Why does He add so many "extras to the Ten Commandments? Why does He raise the standards and put the law out of reach for us? He tells us two chapters later.

Jesus is having dinner with the Pharisees and He tells them, "Woe to you scribes and Pharisees, you hypocrites, you interpret the law by placing heavy burdens on peoples' shoulders, too heavy to carry." What? Are you kidding me? With all due respect, Lord, look who is talking. You are doing the same thing. Yes, the Pharisees require us to pay a tax on the cucumber and a head of lettuce. I'll pay the tax because it is a lot easier than having someone humiliate me in public, which is a slap in the face. Then turn the cheek and go through the humiliation again. It is easier to pay the tax. That is a law I can handle. Jesus then goes on to explain that scribes and Pharisees are not hypocrites for placing heaving burdens on peoples' shoulders. They are hypocrites because they put heavy burden of the law on our shoulders and do not lift a finger to help us. Jesus is different. He places burdens but helps lift the burdens. Later, our Lord will say, "Come to Me all you who are burdened, and I will give you rest for My yoke is *easy* and burden light." I want you to remember the *easy*.

I had just returned from hospital work and Bro. Jerry said, "We have a bat in the house." I thought he was kidding, but I turned the corner and there it was flying around the hall. Naturally, I asked, "How do you get a bat out of the house?" I went to my confreres and friends—they were all experts at getting bats out of houses. They advised me to shoot it. Knowing that was not an option, I called in professional help. The exterminator informed, over the phone, that it was very difficult to get a bat out of the house. He needed to do an evaluation, check the gutters, etc. I said, "That sounds expensive." He assured me it was. I then went on *YouTube* and typed "How to get a bat out of the house." A woman came on the screen and said, "You need to know two things: First, do not shoot the bat, and second, it is very easy. Just open the window and the bat will follow the draft of the air and fly out. If this does not work just let the bat fly around until it goes into a room. Isolate the bat by shutting the door. The bat will land on the wall or floor. Approach the bat with a plastic container, don't worry about the bat flying away, he can't see you. Cover the bat with the container and slide a piece of cardboard between the opening of the container and the wall. Once the bat is in captivity, bring the container outside and let the bat go free. Remember the bat is your friend because he will eat all the nasty mosquitoes around your home." I thought that sounds too easy, but I will try it. Sure enough, the bat flew into the laundry room, I shut the door and there it was resting on the floor. *Easy*. Everyone asked, "How did you do it?" I said. "It was *easy*." What was the word Jesus used to describe our burdens? *Easy*.

Here is the key to success: Go to the right person with your burdens. If you have a few problems, difficulties, maybe a "mission impossible," go to the right person. I thought getting the bat out of the house was going to be impossibly-hard. I went to the right person and it was easy. Jesus says, "Come to Me, I will give you everything you need." He gives us incentive, motivation, grace, a community of believers, faith, and help from above. Jesus offers us everything we need to fulfill the law easily. Come to Me, My yoke is *easy*.



Is God calling you to join the Oblates of the Virgin Mary? Contact our Vocation Director Fr. Jeremy Paulin, OMV at jdpaulinomv@gmail.com or visit omvusa.org