

St. Clement Perpetual Eucharistic Shrine

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Staffed by the Oblates of the Virgin Mary

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July 9, 2017 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time



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 9:00PM, a pass key

is required; email

AdorationBoston@gmail.com

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 Confession

7:30–8:30P

Music Ministry Upper Rm

Tuesday 7-9P

Legion of Mary Front Rm

Thursday 6P

Pure In Heart YA Group

Upper Rm Thursday 7P

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Oblates of the Virgin Mary cordially invite you to the First Religious Profession of our brothers



**Br. Brenden
Bell**



**Br. Leland
Thorpe**



**Br. Jonas
Verdeflor**

Mass of Religious Profession

Saturday, August 5 at 11AM

-Reception to follow -

To assist us in planning this happy event, please leave your invitation acceptance and total number of guests on the voicemail at [617-226-5999 Ext. 130](tel:617-226-5999) or email: omvusa@gmail.com



Join us for the Catechism Series

Wednesdays 7-8pm

St. Clements front room

More info: Joe Austin josephhaustin@gmail.com



The Theological Institute
66 Brooks Drive, Braintree MA

Parables of Jesus

This Fall, Fr. Peter Grover, OMV will be teaching a class on the 'Parables' Thursday evenings 7:30-9:30pm at St. John's Theological Institute in Braintree.

Online Registration at www.sjs.edu (right side column "Fall 2017 Course Listing" link) is not yet available, but should be shortly.

Cost per credit is: \$600.00

Cost to Audit is: \$350.00

AdorationBoston

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.

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



Spiritual Thought

I walked into the TV room, and one of my confreres was watching a baseball game. There was a meeting at the mound. The decision was to either leave Pedro Martinez in or get a relieve pitcher. My confrere was yelling at the TV: "Take him out, he just loaded the bases." Why is he yelling at the TV? They can't hear him. He is not going to influence the game, so why yell? I will tell you why. He is yelling because he is hopeful. Hope means that the situation is completely out of your hands and there is nothing else you can do but depend on someone else. We have all heard of the theological virtues: faith, hope, and charity. We prefer charity and faith because we can do something; no need to depend on anyone else.

One day I got a call at 2:00 am from the hospital. The nurse said there is a gentleman here who requested a priest to anoint his wife who just passed. I said to the nurse that I thought she was already anointed. She checked the face sheet and it confirmed that she was anointed. She told me I didn't have to come in. I could have gone back to sleep, but I asked the nurse, "Does the husband need me?" She told me, "He would like that." I then said, "I will come in." When I got there I went in and looked at the husband and said, "Mr. Lahaise?" He is the organ builder who restored our pipe organ in the church. He turned and said, "Boy am I glad to see you." I thought, "Boy am I glad I came." I love faith because it allows me to do great things and make good decisions.

Just before class began, the professor was talking to us. He said that he just read a 450-page book on the use and role of the word hina. It is a Greek word in the New Testament that means "in order that." Imagine writing a 450 page book on one word. Naturally, the class gasped in horror at the thought of reading such a tome. The professors then said, "Oh, don't get me wrong. I wasn't complaining; I love my job." That is why my professor, Dan Harrington, is considered the most respected scholar in New Testament studies. He loves what he does. Now if faith can get me out of bed at two in the morning and love to elevate a scholar to the most respected and beloved of the scholars, then think what you can do with the combination of the two. We like faith and love because we can do something great, but that is not the whole package. We also need hope. We can do great things, but sometimes matters are totally out of our hands.

During my first assignment, my provincial asked me if I would go to Boston and fix up St. Clement: Bathrooms were in disrepair, the heating system...what heating system, the windows wouldn't open and close, etc. I said I would. He then advised me to think about it. The more I thought about it, the more I thought it was a bad idea. Before I went to my provincial to tell him "No." I thought, "I better get this right." I called the holiest man I know, a monk at St. Joseph's Abbey in Spencer, and asked him, "Can I see you for about five minutes?" I told him that my boss wanted me to go to Boston on a new assignment and all the reasons I should not go. I told him how much I loved my work in the parish (true) and how I learned to do the job there really well (DRE, weddings). How I started up a youth ministry program that gets kids off the streets. After my defense, I asked the monk, "What do you think I should do?" He said, "Peter, go to Boston." I could not believe he said that. I asked him "Why?" He said, "Do you remember the first wedding you did? Did you know what you were doing? I said truthfully, "No." And the first time you had to say Mass at the prison, did you know what you were going to say to the inmates? I said, "No." Did you have any idea how to start up a youth program?" Again, "No." He said, "Go to Boston, then you will need God again. Five-minutes to completely go against my better judgment and I am glad I did. We love faith and charity because we can do great things, but don't forget the third element for the perfect spiritual life: hope.