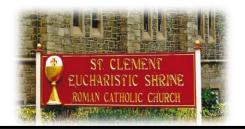
# St. Clement Eucharistic Shrine

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April 2, 2017 Fifth Sunday of Lent



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

**During Lent:** 

Wednesday 6:30P-8:00P

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

**Pure In Heart** *Upper Rm* Thursday 7P

Thursday 6P

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

<u>Text Giving</u> Text the word <u>SHRINE</u> to 617-209-2779, leave a space and then the dollar amount.

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# **WEDNESDAY WITNESS**



Celebrate opening season at Fenway! Come to St. Clement's on Wednesday, April 5, from 5 to 7 PM for Wednesday Witness, a night of adoration, praise and worship, and evangelization. Confessions will be available. Come light a candle and spend some time with our Lord.

# IMPORTANT NOTICE: ADORATION HOURS BETWEEN 9:00PM AND 6:00AM

Thank you for your commitment to adoration at St. Clement's. We're writing to let you know that there will be a new system for getting into the church after 9:00PM when the doors are locked.



The key Fobs that many of you now have will no longer work. If you have committed to a weekly adoration hour between the hours of 9:00 PM and 6:00 AM, you will need to contact your hour coordinator for a new card.

If you have a key Fob but do not have a hour coordinator, please email your name, contact number & the hour of your visit to AdorationBoston @gmail.com for the new access card.

You can arrange to pick it up the access card at St. Clement's or it could be mailed to you.

Confessions during Lent: Wednesday 6:30P-8:00P "The Lights Are On For You"

You are Invited to come and experience Christ's Healing & Saving Love



In lieu of Monday Night, on all Wednesdays in Lent from 6:30-8:00pm, St. Clements will be offering confessions, together with all the Catholic parishes & chapels in the Boston. This outreach is an effort to highlight the importance of the sacrament of confession in the life of Catholics and to make it as easy as possible for every Catholic to come or to return to this great source of God's Mercy and healing Love.



Fr. Peter's Friday Night Stations of the Cross 7:00pm - 8:00pm

Each Friday we will offer an evening of reconciliation and prayer. We hope that you will join us for one or for all Friday's during Lent.

The Great Adventure Catholic Bible Study Program *Front Room* Wednesdays: APR 5, 12, 19, 26

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

### Way of the Cross for Life and Our Lady's Role in the Redemption

The 30th Annual Way of the Cross for Life will be held **on Good Friday, April 14th at 9AM**. Walk through Boston praying the Stations of the Cross in churches along the way. Meet at the Government Center by the T station. Fr. Tom Carzon, OMV will lead us. Contact: Colbe Mazzarella **ccmazz@aol.com** WayOfTheCrossForLife.org

# AdorationBoston

#### Email AdorationBoston@gmail.com

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, adorationboston.com

Monday Tuesday Wednesday

Thursday

8A, 2P, 3P 1P, 4P 12A, 4A, 8A,3P 1A, 8A, 12P, 2P, 4P

Friday Saturday Sunday

7A,8A,11A,12N,1P,4P

2A, 9A,1P,4P



# **Spiritual Thought**

I led thirty-two teenagers from the parish, with a small gaggle of chaperones, to Denver to see the Pope John Paul II on the occasion of World Youth Day. Thousands of us were gathered in a field waiting when suddenly five helicopters appeared on the scene. First, the bishops processed out on

the stage, then the cardinal. When the Pope stepped out, there was a thunderous response from the people. I looked over the shoulders of thousands in front of me, and I saw a white dot. A few weeks after I got back from Denver, my pastor went to Rome for vacation. When he came back, I asked him how it went. He said, "It was fabulous." He said, "I got to concelebrate Mass with the Holy Father in his private chapel." I said, "No, I don't believe you. Only famous people can get close to the Pope. Then he took out several photos of him with the Pope. I said, "What?" I said, "I took thirty-two people to see the pope, to evangelize our youth, and all I got a white dot. You go to Rome on vacation and you get glossies. That is not fair". He said, "What can I say; I have connections." Then he said, "Peter, it is all about whom you know."

There I was in the dentist chair. Because I was a new patient, he had to explain to me the difference between a healthy tooth and an unhealthy tooth. As he was holding a giant plastic tooth, I felt the urge to tell him that I fly fish. I said, "I often fish with my friend who is a fly fisherman, Mel Harris. My dentist and paused for a moment after I said the name. He said, "You know Dr. Melvin Harris? Do you know who he is?" I told him that I thought he was a pretty good fly fisherman." He said, "He is one of the most respected dentists in the field. I was his student; I saw his work." He has made great contributions, simplifying complicated procedures. So picture this, I am in a dingy fly fishing with this famous oral surgeon and I didn't know quite what to say, so I asked him "So, what's it like being a dentist?" He told me this story. He said someone had severe tooth decay that was related to smoking. I said he had to quit smoking, but he said he couldn't stop. He tried everything. Anyway, I got him to stop. I said, "How did you do that?" he said, "I told him to close his eyes and picture himself having a cigarette. I asked him what the most pleasant part of smoking was. He said, "Exhaling." "Why the exhale?" He said, "Because it is so relaxing. When I release my lungs when they are full, it feels all of the stress is leaving my body." I told him, "Instead of filling your lungs with smoke, fill them with clean, fresh air, hold it for a few seconds, and then exhale—how does that work for you?" He said, "It is very relaxing." He quit. Here is a guy that tried everything and he finally did because he knew the right person.

One of the reasons I came to St. Clement Shrine was to fix the place up. We took out a half a million dollar loan to do it. The first thing we did with the money was to hire an architect to assess the needs of the building. When he was done, he presented his feasibility study which said that we would need at least ten million dollars to do the major work. I was devastated. I thought, "How am I going to do this. I am a priest; I say Mass and hear confessions. What am I going to do? Finally, I thought, I can't do this job, but I know someone who can. I called a professional contractor whom I could trust: my father. We got the job done, and it didn't cost ten million. Sometimes we think we have to solve all the problems. Sometimes we shoulder the entire burden. But we will be far more successful if we just know the right person.

Jesus tells the man born blind: "Go to the pool of Siloam and wash." So he goes to the bottom of the hill, lowers his hands in the water and splashes his eyes over and over again. Then he steps away from the pool rubbing his eyes. He looks up for the first time in his life, light, color, depth and height fill his body. He will never forget that moment. Soon everyone is asking him, "Who opened your eyes?" Why does everyone need to know who opened his eyes? Because it is about who you know. Jesus came so that we would know Him. Whenever we encounter a mission impossible or a difficulty in life that we cannot handle, remember, it is not about us. It is really about whom we know.