

St. Clement Perpetual Eucharistic Shrine

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Staffed by the Oblates of the Virgin Mary omvusa.org

December 24, 2017 Fourth Sunday of Advent



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, Upper Room

Monday 7–8P

To be added to mailing list

semmab@gmail.com

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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info@pureinheartamerica.org

with the subject line SUBSCRIBE"

Volunteer:

St. Francis House,
39 Boylston St.

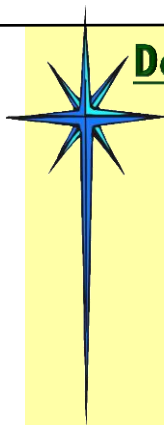
Serving Lunch

1st Saturday of Month

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December 25 and January 1st Holyday Masses

Sunday, Dec. 24th Vigil Mass 6:00PM

Monday, Christmas Day

One Mass at 11:00AM

(No 7AM or 12:10PM Masses)

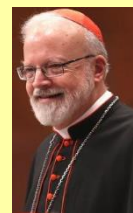
Sunday, Dec. 31st New Year's Eve

10-10:50P Music & Adoration, 10:50-11:15P Rosary

10P-11P Confessions

Mass with Cardinal Sean 11:15-12:15P

12:15P Social downstairs in church hall till 1 am.



Monday, Feast of the Mother of God

One Mass at 11:00AM

(No 7AM or 12:10PM Masses)

Fr. Timothy Gallagher's January 27-28, 2018 Seminar

Ignatian Prayer with Scripture

This retreat offers St. Ignatius's clear and practical answers to common questions about prayer:

How do I prepare for prayer? How can I best begin a time of prayer?

How do I pray with Scripture? Can I use my imagination in prayer?

What should I do when I find difficulty in prayer?

Days Attending: \$50 Both Days, \$30 Students/Seminarians

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AdorationBoston

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

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

Spiritual Thought



The night before Hurricane Sandy, I had the 8:00 pm Mass. Later, I went to the hospital to visit three patients. When I was done, I was famished. I planned to go to the supermarket on the way home and buy a few tomatoes to make a sauce for spaghetti: delicious carbs. I picked out the tomatoes and got in a long line to pay. I was standing in a sea of shopping carts. Everyone filled to the brim anticipating the storm.

As I was waiting, I thought to myself that maybe I should buy something else, to make storm preparations like everyone around me. I felt ridiculous standing there with two tomatoes. I thought, "No, we are ready for the storm; we have everything we need."

In the Gospel, Jesus talks about the veiled moon and the sun covered with the stars no longer visible – a storm. The storm he warns of is different. There is no twenty-four-hour news service, no city mayor warning everyone to flee the coast, or no evacuation plan. Only the Father knows when this storm is going to hit. The question is how do you prepare for a storm when no one knows when it is going to arrive? You prepare **now**; you do not put it off.

I met my fly fishing friend one day at a lake. When I saw him, I noticed he had a plastic straw dangling from his mouth. I said, "Hi, What's with the straw?" He said, "I quit smoking." I said, "That's wonderful. When?" He told me his doctor told him he had to quit. I said, "I told you that years ago. You had to wait until your doctor told you to quit?" He said, "I have cancer." My thought is this: If you have something important to do, make sure you **do it now**. Do not wait until later. That is how you prepare for the hidden storms in life. Do not put off the important things or the things that matter.

When I was working for my father, a hunting buddy of his died and dad wanted to pay his last respects. As the funeral home was not far from where we were working, we brought some dress clothes with us so we could change. On our way down, my father told me that his friend was a great businessman and landed a fantastic job overseas as a consultant for an electric company, but he was not very good at life: He was not generous with his friends; he left his wife, and eventually lost contact with his kids. He did manage to put a pile of money in the bank. When he came back, he planned to retire and make up for lost time: spoil the wife and kids, and babysit the grandkids. When we got to the truck, dad put his two hands on the wheel, yet he didn't start up the ignition. He gazed out the window in thought. He said, "Peter, you live **now**. Don't put off life. Be generous **now**, while you have the chance. Be kind to people **now**. Be faithful to your mission in life **now**. Don't put off life."

If you have something important to do, make sure you **do it now**. Do not put it off. If you do, you will be like me standing in the grocery store, just before the storm, holding two tomatoes and saying, "I am ready."

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January 10 - Society & the Conjugal Union; January 24 - Family & Society

February 7 - Family & World ;February 21 - Bringing it Together

Discussion Groups - Sundays 12:30 - 1:30 PM - St. Clement's Upper Room

January 7; January 21; February 4; February 18; March 4

