

St. Clement Perpetual Eucharistic Shrine

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March 25, 2018 Palm Sunday of Passion Week

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 and during Lent Wednesday 6:30–8:00P

Liturgy of the Hours

Mon–Fri 6:30A, 5P

Weekly Activities

Monday Nite Confession

7:30–8:30P

Rosary, Front Room

Monday 6:30–6:45P

Young Adults, Upper Room

Monday 7–8P

To be added to mailing list

semmab@gmail.com

Wednesday Nite Confession

6:30–8:00P

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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BOSTON@pureinheartamerica.org

with the subject line SUBSCRIBE"

Good Friday Way of Cross for Life 9A-12Noon

Walk thru Boston on Good Friday, March 30th praying the Stations of the cross at St. Thomas More Chapel, St. Anthon's Shrine, St. James and Holy Trinity. Last stop is the Cathedral of the Holy Cross. Meet at Government Center Plaza next to the MBTA Station. Contact Colbe Mazzarella ccmazz@aol.com or [Way OfTheCrossForLife.org](http://WayOfTheCrossForLife.org)

St. Clement Holy Week

Palm Sunday

Palms Distribution **11am** and **8pm** Masses

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday Masses 7A-12:10P

Lent comes to an end before the evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday. This liturgy begins the Triduum, the great Three Days that celebrate the central mystery of our Faith.

Holy Thursday

7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

Adoration 8:30 until 12am in the Upper Room

There is no Eucharistic Adoration at the Shrine after this until Sunday

Good Friday

(Day of Fast & Abstinence: one meal— no meat)

Stations of the Cross **12:00pm**

Confessions until **3:00pm**

7:00pm Veneration of the Cross and commemoration of our Lord's Passion and Death. Although not a Mass you will be able to receive Holy Communion

Holy Saturday *(The church will be open all day for prayer & reflection)*

8:00pm Easter Vigil Mass

Easter Sunday **11:00am** and **8:00pm** Masses

FORMED® Pick of the Week: **Is The Holy Spirit the Same As The Force?**

What do quasi-Christian groups and Star Wars have in common? The idea of a universal, impersonal force. For quasi-Christian groups, this force is the Holy Spirit, who we as Catholics call the third Person of the Holy Trinity. Karlo Broussard explains why evidence shows that the Holy Spirit is a Person, not an impersonal "force."

Listen to the entire audio drama now for free at www.stclementshrine.formed.org

How to Save Your Marriage... Before You're Married

Pure In Heart Presents: Jason Evert - Young Adult Edition

Saturday, April 7th 6:30pm in the Upper Room

"Adoration Praise and Worship Jason's talk is a 18+ Event

Tickets will not be sold at the door, YOU MUST buy your tickets online at

Go to Eventbrite.com—"Jason Evert in Boston"

These are the current "open" hours of Adoration where we need an adorers. 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	1P, 2P, 4P
Wednesday	4A
Thursday	1A, 9A, 2P
Friday	1P, 8P
Saturday	2A, 3A, 4A, 5A, 8A
Sunday	4A, 9A, 1P, 4P



Spiritual Thought

Jesus was walking by a village and saw a widow who was about to bury her only son. Scripture said that Jesus had pity on her. I do not mean to be critical of the English translation, but we do not have a word to translate the Greek for "pity." The word is *σπλαγχνίζω* or *splagchnizo*. It is an explosive word and takes some practice even to say it. *Splagchnizo* means that the innards, the guts—that is, your heart, liver, kidneys—start to wiggle, or shake. All these inside organs sort of wake-up and it is as if the inside organs are saying to the outside parts, like the hands and feet: "Well, do something." Jesus did. But before He did this, He said, to the mom. "Do not cry." Why? Jesus said, "Blessed are those who cry, they will laugh." That's what God does: He turns mourning into joy. He went over to the dead body and raised the son to life. My question is: How do you get your innards to wiggle, or shake? How do you get the inside to say to the outside, "Well do something?"

Here is another example. The prodigal son took his inheritance and squandered it. He was starving and decided to go back to his father. You know the plot. When he returned, the father saw him at a distance. Why does it say, "He saw him at a distance?" This is not the first time he looks down the road to see if his son is on his way home. When he saw the son, he had a case of *splagchnizo*. His innards started to move, his whole body was energized, telling his arms and legs to do something. So he did. He ran, he threw his arms around the son, clothed him, and threw him a party. It is a terrific story. Again, my question is: "How do you get your insides to wiggle, wake up and tell the outside body parts: 'Do something'?" Not everyone has *splagchnizo*. The elder son, the brother, did not have it, he is faithful and hard working. Why doesn't he have *splagchnizo*?

Here is one more example. The man who fell to robbers was stripped, beaten and left naked to die. A priest and a Levite walk by the man and passed by him. When a Samaritan walked by, he took pity on the man, and *splagchnizo*. His guts moved and told his body to do something. He took oil and wine, dressed the wounds, clothed him and cared for him. It is a terrific story. So how do you get your insides to *splagchnizo* because not everyone has it? Holy people like the priest and the Levite who pray and are close to God do not. We have it because we want to be like Christ, the father, and the Samaritan. Jeremiah tells us that God is about to do something great for everyone. What could it be? This gift will allow us to do great things. God said to the prophet, "I will place My law within them and write it upon their hearts." What law? The law of Love. Remember when God said, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart with all your soul, with all your mind? The heart is inside; the mind is inside, the soul is inside. You cannot get *splagchnizo* when you are driving and the light turns red. You cannot get *splagchnizo* when you are on your way to jury duty. You do not get *splagchnizo* filling out your tax form.

As you know, I have a close relationship with my dad. In fact, I call him every night. After Mass last week, I took out my flip phone, to see if I got a call because that is about all a flip phone can do. Flip phones cannot give you directions to Pasadena, California, or tickets to the ball game and they do not tell you what is going on in Washington. I had a message: "This is Dr. So-and-so and you father needs heart surgery." When I heard this I thought, "How can this be? He was working on a roof two days ago; I just called him last night." The voice said, "Can you give me a call?" You bet your *splagchnizo*. I called him. He said "Are you Fr. Peter from St. Clement?" I said "Yes." I used to attend your church while I was an intern. I remember the fishing stories of your father." He was all excited that he made the connection between us. And he asked how I was doing. I said, "I hate to change the subject, but why does Dad need surgery?"

Here is the faith lesson. God gave us a gift. He placed the law of love inside of us so our innards would move and tell our legs and arms to do something great. Not everyone has *splagchnizo*, but if we are going to be Christians, we absolutely need it.

Wednesday, April 18th 7:00-8:00pm- Upper Room Series

Fr. Lanteri was one of the most active priests in northern Italy in the Eighteenth century. He preached retreats and wrote and edited books. He spent hours and hours in the confessional and visited the poor and the sick. In the midst of all this, he always remained a man of deep contemplation and study.

Join us for a simple introduction talk on our founder's life and cause for canonization. Dr. Cabrini Pak will share some stories of her travels throughout the American province that illustrate how Lanterian spirituality lives on in the Oblates in their work, and in the people they serve.