

SHRINE SCHEDULE

Mass

- Sunday 11 AM, 8 PM
- Mon-Fri 7 AM, 12:10 pm
- Saturday 11 AM

Confession

- Monday 7:30-8:30 PM
- Sunday 1/2 hour before Masses

Liturgy of the Hours

During the academic year

- Morning Prayer M-F 6:30 AM
- Evening Prayer M-F 5:45 PM
- Seminarian Rosary 5 PM

GET CONNECTED

Online

- stclements shrine.org (mobile-friendly)
- Online bulletin
- [Facebook.com/StClementShrine](https://www.facebook.com/StClementShrine)
- [YouTube.com/omvusa](https://www.youtube.com/omvusa)

Main Office

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GET INVOLVED

St. Clement Young Adults

- Every Monday in the Upper Room
- 6:45 PM Rosary, 7-8 PM Bible Study

Back Bay Mobile Soup Kitchen

- Tuesday, Thursday, Sunday 6 PM
- Front steps of the Shrine

Choir

- 8 PM Sunday Mass
- Director: Brett Kostrzewski, brettak@bu.edu

Legion of Mary

- Thursday, 6 PM in the Front Parlor

Pure in Heart

- Thursdays in the Upper Room
- 6:30 PM Rosary, 7 PM Mass and meeting
- Boston@pureinheart.org



St. Clement Eucharistic Shrine

Serving the whole Church in the heart of Boston

You can get the St. Clement bulletin, as well as Mass and event updates, via email. Just email stclement@omvusa.org with the subject "Subscribe to weekly bulletin."

Perpetual Adoration at St. Clement

St. Clement Shrine is the only place of perpetual adoration in Boston, and we rely on men and women from all over the area to sustain this powerful spiritual initiative. One hour of eucharistic adoration each week is a concrete and attainable commitment that is sure to deepen your spiritual life. For information, email AdorationBoston@gmail.com. To see available hours, sign up, and find resources for a holy hour, visit stclements shrine.org and click "adoration."

What is Philosophy and Why is it Important in Catholic Life?

An Upper Room Talk by Dr. Sarah Byers, PhD

Wednesday, May 2 | 7 PM, the Upper Room



Philosophy, a discipline with four major sub-fields and a history going back to the ancient Greeks of the sixth century BC, can teach us to be attuned to reality, consistent and logical in our thinking, self-aware, and ethically mature. After explaining this, we will examine three examples of how the Church Fathers used philosophy to approach some of the mysteries of the Catholic Faith: Christ's agony in the garden of Gethsemane, the Trinity as a "consubstantial" Godhead, and the Eucharist.



Annual Gala

Saturday, May 5 | 5:30 PM
Plaza Ballroom at the
Seaport Hotel in Boston

Join us for an evening celebration with cocktails, silent auction, dinner, and live auction. Proceeds support Our Lady of Grace Seminary Scholarship Fund.

Buy tickets or become a sponsor at omvusa.org.

Summer Course on the Gospels

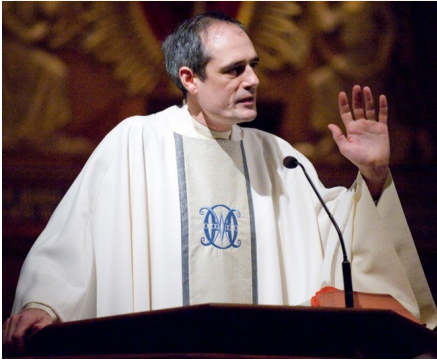
Fr. Peter Grover will teach a class on how to read and interpret the Gospels. They are often read in short, isolated passages, but this course will focus on how to understand the message of each Gospel as a whole.

For schedule and registration information, see stclements shrine.org homepage.



April 22 , 2018 | Fourth Sunday of Easter

Spiritual Thought from Fr. Peter Grover, OMV



Peter, the Apostle, likes to talk about rocks. Peter spoke to a crowd in *Acts* and described Christ as the cornerstone. He mentioned the cornerstone and living stones in his letter he wrote to early Christians. Peter likes to talk about rocks not because his name means “rock,” but rather because he wants to tell us how to build a Church. And this is how you do it: from the bottom up. It starts with the cornerstone, the first rock that is set in place. Let’s say the cornerstone is laid and it is a little tilted; it’s leaning to the side, off center. What happens if you place a stone block on top of the cornerstone? It will be off; tilted, like the cornerstone. What if you keep going? The whole building will be tilted! That is because the cornerstone communicates its qualities to the rest of the stones that make up the building.

When Peter says that Christ is the cornerstone, it means that the Church is built from the bottom up and that Christ communicates His qualities to the rest of the living stones in the Church. The only way Christ can communicate his qualities is from the bottom. That is why Christ is humble, a servant, makes sacrifices for others, and takes his place at the lowest social level. Christ needs to be at the lowest place because that is the place he best can communicate his qualities to all the other living stones that make up the Church. This is the only way to build a Church: from the bottom up.

A rich person asked my father to build a cupola. A cupola looks like a dog house that is placed on top of the roof. Unlike the dog house, a cupola has walls of glass, and a light is placed inside. The first thing you notice when you pull into the driveway is the shining light on top of your house. They are really beautiful. My father did a great job and everyone liked it including the rich neighbors. So Dad ended up building a cupola for everyone in the neighborhood! People like the cupola because it is on the top of the house, where everyone can see it. But that does not make it the most important part of the house. In fact, it is absolutely useless; it does nothing. It is not like your refrigerator that is used all the time. The most important part of your house is at the bottom of the house: the foundation.

No one is ever going to go to your house and say, “Oh what a nice foundation you have,” because they can’t see it. It is buried in the ground. Yet, the foundation is the most important part of your house. It is so hidden that you never even think about it until there is a strong storm or an earthquake; then you appreciate a good foundation. The faith question is this: what is underneath you? What supports you in life? What is your cornerstone? What qualities are transmitted to you? What stabilizes you in the storms of life? That is why Peter says we need the Church because we will have a really great cornerstone that will communicate to us the best qualities of life. We all like to be on top; we like to be the cupola because everyone sees and admires what is visible. But the most important place in the Church is at the bottom. That is how we support others; that is where we make sacrifices for the benefit of others; that is how we can make a difference for others. So, remember how a Church is built: from the bottom up.

JESUS aCROSS the Border Event

“Experience the Shalom Boston Catholic Community!”

Friday, May 18 | 7:30 PM—12 AM

St. Francis of Assisi Church, Cambridge

- Eucharistic Adoration with Praise and Worship, 7:30 PM
- Mass, 9 PM
- Social and Pizza Party after

JESUS aCROSS the Border

CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULT ORGANIZATION (18–35)
WISDOM OF BEN SIRA (SIRACH) 6:14–16

UNITING ALL CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULT GROUPS

Parking: free parking is available at East Cambridge Savings Bank (292 Cambridge St—print parking pass from website) and street parking on Cambridge Street after 6 PM

JESUS aCROSS the Border is an umbrella organization that unites over 20 different young adult Catholic groups.