

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

- stclementshrine.org (mobile-friendly)
- Online bulletin
- Facebook.com/StClementShrine
- YouTube.com/omvusa

Main Office

- stclement@omvusa.org
- 617-266-5999 x 130
- 1105 Boylston Street, Boston MA 02215

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 stclementshrine.org and click "adoration."

Summer Class on Gospels with Fr. Peter

The four Gospels are often read in short, isolated passages detached from the theological framework of the Gospel writers. This class gives a "big picture," providing you with a backdrop by which you can understand the meaning of the Gospel text more fully. This course will sharpen your reading skills so that you can grasp the meaning of each Gospel and allow you to appreciate, pray with, and teach the Gospels better than ever before.

The Class will meet Tuesdays, 7-8 PM on the following dates:

- June 5 – How to Read the Gospels as a Catholic
- June 12 – Mark: Blazing the Trail to Follow Him
- June 19 – Matthew: Real Discipleship
- July 10 – Luke: Fulfilling the Divine Plan
- July 17 – John: Creating Children of God
- July 24 – How to Pray with the Gospels

To register, email petergrover@gmail.com with the subject "Summer Class"



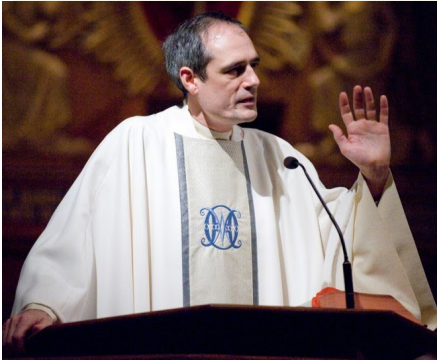
Farewell Reception for Br. Rafael

Br. Rafael Solorio will be leaving for a new assignment at Holy Ghost Parish in Denver, CO. There will be a reception for friends to say farewell on Sunday, May 13 at 12:30 PM in the Upper Room. It will be an informal potluck-style *despedida*; please bring a snack or beverage to share.



May 6 , 2018 | Sixth Sunday of Easter

Spiritual Thought from Fr. Peter Grover, OMV



Let me give you my personal opinion on how the book of Jeremiah was written: I believe Jeremiah wrote his books on index cards and left them in a stack on his desk. After Jeremiah left, the janitor came through to mop the floor of the office. He decided to open the window to help dry the wet floor. A strong breeze blew in, and all the index cards fell to the floor. The janitor picked up the cards, but when the publisher came, and picked them up, they were all out of sequence.

This explains why Scripture scholars are in love—I mean deep love—with the book of Jeremiah. Universities and colleges will pay them big money to try to figure out the sequence of events in the book. One of the “out of place” index cards is a passage that mentions King Zedekiah. Who is King Zedekiah? He was the very last King that was related to King David. You may think, ‘That does not sound very good if he was the last king.’ Correct. The Babylonians were not happy with Judah or Jerusalem because they did not pay their tribute. Not only did the Babylonians destroy the city and their temple, they wanted to destroy the nation and the Jewish people forever. To do this they needed to kill all the heirs to the throne. Zedekiah's children were killed, and the great Davidic line was destroyed. They failed, however, to destroy the Jewish nation as Israel did not just have ties to a human king, they were rooted in God. Because of their link with God, they will never be destroyed by any nation.

I have a tree in the front of my bedroom window. In the summer, the leaves block the building across the street. When I look out the window, it looks like I am in the middle of a forest. It is really nice. (If only I could get the tree to drown out the city noise and sound like a forest!) One night there was a really big storm, and the next day when I looked out the window there was a big hole in the tree. Half the tree was on the sidewalk! I cleaned up the mess, but I lost my forest view. A few months later the hole filled in and I had my nice forest back. Here is my point: No matter how bad the storm or the damage around you, we need to always remember to stay connected to Christ. Everything will be fine as long as we abide with our Lord.

I had to teach the eighth-grade confirmation class. Before one class I went out to the garden and cut a branch from a vine and put it on my desk. I wanted to show the class what happens when we disconnect ourselves from the life source of God. I knew that as soon as the kids were confirmed I probably would never see them in church until they got married so I had better say something now. As the vine sat on my desk, during the afternoon it withered. A few minutes before class, I went to my desk to get the vine, and it was gone. Apparently, the housekeeper saw it on my desk and threw it away, seeing nothing but a useless dead branch. I told the class what happened. It is a good lesson for anyone of us who is thinking of cutting our lives away from God.

When we come to receive Communion at Mass, we hear the words: “The Body of Christ.” The response is “Amen.” Receiving the Lord in Communion is always a great gift. We are able to capture the deep meaning of the event with that one word: “Amen.” Amen comes from the Hebrew word *ammuna*. When we say Amen, we are actually saying to the Lord, “I am rooted in you. My life depends on you. Without you I will dry up and have no future. I am grateful that no matter what happens, I will always be fine because you are my source of life and inspiration.” One word says it all.

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

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