St. Clement Perpetual **Eucharistic Shrine**

August 23, 2015 Twenty-first Sunday

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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

Rich McKinney 617.536-4141 or

or regularly.

adorationboston.com

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PARKING - especially at Sunday's 8PM Mass Park in-between the Church Parking Signs. If you park beyond you will be towed.

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 x127

Confessions Mon 7:30P-8:30P Before weekend Masses

Liturgy of the Hours Mon-Fri 6:30A, 5P

Weekly Activities

Monday 6:30-6:45P Rosary, Front Room

Monday Night Confessions 7:30-8:30P

Monday 7-8P Young Adults, Front Room

Thursday 7P Pure In Heart, Upper Rm

Eucharistic Adoration Monday

Tuesday Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday

2A, 7A, 10A, 2P, 4P, Wednesday 8A, 10A 12:30P, 3P,4P 10A, 12:30P, 2P, 3P 12A, 2A, 8A, 12:30P, 4P, 5P, 10P 3A, 4A, 10P 2A, 3A, 4A,

Fr. David Costello, Director Limerick, Ireland We have invited Fr. David Costello, from the Society of Saint James the Apostle to our parish August 23rd as part of our special appeal for the South American missions.

A second collection will be taken on the 23rd, please be as generous as your means allow to help these missionaries to served the "poorest of the poor" in South America.

Founded by Cardinal Cushing in 1958, members of the Society are diocesan priests, from English speaking countries, who work with the exceptionally poor in Peru and Ecuador.

JESUS IN BOSTON AUGUST 28th

A monthly Catholic Gathering for Young Adults St. Leonard's Parish North End 7:30pm Adoration, Mass, Social. For more information contact Fr. Matt Williams Fr.Matt@rcab.org or 617-746-5752



St. Joseph Retreat 65 Carney Drive Milton, MA 02186 Phone: 617-698-6785

Saint Joseph Retreat House Milton, MA

Located on the outskirts of Boston, in Milton MA., St. Joseph Retreat House provides a quiet space for prayer where a person can rediscover and deepen his or her relationship with God. The Retreat House is staffed by the Oblates of the Virgin Mary. The essential mission and ministry of our religious community is to provide directed and preached retreats and spiritual direction inspired by the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius.

Young Adults Activities

To be added to the Young Adult emails, contact stclementvoungadults@gmail.com Volunteer Opportunities: St. Francis House, 39 Boylston St.- first Saturday of each month. Please contact Joey George

igeorge@alum.mit.edu



In the Gospel today, we see the Jews are cranky—most likely they are dehydrated. Let me explain. A few years ago we had to replace the roof. Brother Dave's brother Greg came out to supervise the work. He was a hard worker and drove the crew at a rapid pace. In fact, on the first day we completely stripped one side of the roof. At 4:00pm he announced to us that we were not done. It was going to rain that night and we needed to roll out a rubber liner. I was so tired I started to complain. He brought me a glass of water and said, "Drink this." As I was drinking, he explained what we had to do. All the

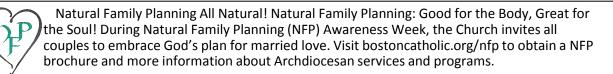
nails that were still exposed had to be removed and the roof had to be swept clean in preparation of the rubber membrane. After he spoke, I put down the empty glass, stood up and said, "Well, if we have to do it then let's get to it." Greg looked at me and said, "You see that? Your attitude changed. You were dehydrated." I said, "You mean all the times I've been cranky was because I wasn't drinking enough water?"

I was with the guys at breakfast one morning before leaving for the seminary. There was a newspaper on the table with a picture of angry people burning a flag. I thought how is it that they are always burning flags in the desert? I turned to brother Jerry and asked him, "How come Philippine people always seem happy?" Without even taking a moment to reflect on the answer, he said, "We are always hydrated." He explained, "We live on a tropical island and eat fruit all day." I said, "Well, that makes sense.

I went fishing with dad and his friend. After several hours in the sun, we took a break. The friend got himself a beer. I thought to myself how that was the worst thing you can do. After a beer, he is going to be dehydrated. Dad and I drank water and we went back fishing. When the friend was done for the day he had another beer. And that is the difference. That is what our Lord is telling us in the Gospel. We absolutely need to feed our spirits or else they will become sad and droopy. But He adds that we need to feed spirits with the right stuff. He can provide us with the right food and drink to make sure that we are always at our best. There are times that we need to be at our A-game.

In the book of Proverbs, it says that Wisdom builds her house with seven pillars. Does that strike you as odd? It does because seven is an odd number. Most buildings have an even number of pillars. If you count the pillars in your church, as I do mine, it seems to always be an even number. That is because buildings have balance and symmetry. When you have an odd number of pillars, one side of the building is going to be longer than the other side. This raises a question. Why, then, does the house of Wisdom need an extension? Well, it tells us. The house of Wisdom needs extra room for a bigger kitchen. The feeding area needs expanding. Why? Wisdom just invited everyone over for dinner. Wisdom wants to feed everyone's spirit so we are all at our best. When I go to the hospital to be with family members who are grieving the loss of their loved one, I need to be at my best. When I go to Saint John's Seminary to teach Scripture, so they will be able to inspire others with the word of God, I need to have my A-game. I need to continually feed the spirit. That is why I follow our Lord on a daily basis.

I met someone not long ago who told me that life was a feeling of being numb, doubting purpose and meaning. It sounds like me at the end of one of my workouts. I asked, "When was the last time your life had meaning and you felt inspired?" The person said, "When I used to go to church." I replied, "I have no further questions."



Attention Singers: We are looking for volunteers with any level of singing experience to join a choir that will provide music for worship at the 8pm mass every Sunday. We will rehearse Tuesday nights 7-9pm at St. Clement and have a warm-up before the mass. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact the Choir

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